

HAPI Trails July 10th, Event Information

If you're reading this, we hope you're seriously considering joining what we think will be one of the most fun horse competition events of the summer here in Teton Valley!

The ACTHA competition is not a race, or a timed event. It's a ride. However, each one of the 6 obstacles is timed, and expected to be completed within 60 seconds. These rides are set up to be fun and enjoyable with bits of challenge mixed in.

There will be 6 obstacles, placed an average of one mile apart (each with a Judge & Assistant). The obstacles can range anywhere from opening and closing a gate while on your horse, crossing water (no swimming required), going over a series of logs maintaining a steady gate, possibly backing your horse in a figure 8 around a set of trees or just going up a steep embankment in a quiet and calm manner. There are 30 ACTHA established obstacles to choose from based on the course. All of the obstacles are considered "natural" to a trail horse - meaning an obstacle will not be created that you and your horse would not normally encounter while out on a trail ride, but they will be challenging. The course has yet to be established the course yet, it's as it is still under snow, but as soon as we do we As soon as it has been developed, it will be posted on the website. One week prior to the ride, competitors will receive a Competitors Packet, along with the list of obstacles.

The judges will be looking for things such as: communication between horse and rider, smoothness/collectiveness, completion of obstacles within the time allotted, and various other skills based on the specific obstacle to be announced.

You will start the course with several others (group starts), depending on how many are competing, but you can move at your own pace and with your friends. You don't want to push your horse too much and come up lame at the end of the competition - that could result in a disqualification. There will be a vet on call (Dr. Summer Winger), as well as 3 'Safety Riders'.

In order to register for the event, you will need to become a member of ACTHA. This is a one-time membership fee and gives you access to ACTHA-sponsored rides anywhere in the country.

- \$25 individual, registers 1 horse, 1 rider
- \$40 family of 2, registers 2 horses, 2 riders
- \$75 family of 4, registers 4 horses, 4 riders
- \$10 to sign up additional horse or additional rider

The Competitive Trail Challenge fees are as follows:

- Divisions:
- Open: \$58 (After competing several times, your points will move you into the Open Division)
- Pleasure: \$58
- Junior: \$43
- Adult buddy: \$40
- Junior buddy: \$35

Sign up for the ride on the actha website - www.actha.us where you may also find additional information and videos, regarding the competition. ACTHA provides the event insurance; as well as informative support, ribbons, sponsors, cash and gift prizes. Everyone will win something!

The ride is expected to take 2 to 3 hours per rider. The morning of the ride, HAPI Trails will be preparing a \$5 all-you-can-eat pancake breakfast. The Linn Ranch will provide \$10 box lunches for the riders and a BBQ dinner extravaganza with all the fixings. We have an incredible band lined up for after the awards and silent auction - The White Buffalo - very exciting! The BBQ dinner and the evening music entertainment is open to the public.

Camping & Food Cost

- \$35 Weekend camping fee per outfit (per camping/parking spot with horse trailer - not per person)
There are three great tiled showers available as well as indoor plumbing (3 bathrooms).
- \$20 Camping per outfit for one night (per camping/parking spot with horse trailer - not per person)
- \$5 Day parking (excluding competitors)
- \$10 Tent camping (without horses - per spot, not per person)
- \$99 Linn Ranch Tee-Pees for rent.
- \$5 Saturday Morning - All You Can Eat HAPI Trails Pancake Breakfast
- \$10 Box Lunch, provided by the Linn Ranch.
- \$25 BBQ Dinner catered by Trudy at the Linn Ranch with all the fixings. This includes tax and gratuity.
Awards & Silent Auction will immediately follow dinner.
The Linn Canyon Ranch band is providing entertainment during dinner
- \$15 The White Buffalo (full Band) (extra donations encouraged) FREE for Competitors
Beer & beverages will be provided by Grand Teton Brewing

