



TREADHOOFALON MCCLELLAN

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

I'M INTERESTED, HOW DO I SIGN UP?

When registration opens, you can find a link on our Facebook page for the event, titled "Treadhoofalon." You can also scan QR codes on Treadhoofalon posters on either of the McClellan trailheads.

WHAT DISCIPLINES WILL BE INVOLVED?

The Treadhoofalon will feature mountain biking, trail running, and horseback riding.

CAN I COMPETE IN MORE THAN ONE DISCIPLINE?

Yes! We would love this!

CAN GROUPS REGISTER?

Yes! If you have a group of three, please register as a team, not individually. Event organizers will reach out to you via the contact information you register with to get your team name and the names of all members in your group, so we'll be ready when you check-in.

WHAT IS THE COST OF REGISTRATION?

Individual registration is \$45 per participant. This cost covers a t-shirt, award/medal (for those who finish), and lunch. Registration for groups is \$100.

IS THERE A REGISTRATION CAP FOR EACH DISCIPLINE?

Yes, each discipline has a max registration of 50 participants, or 150 total registrants. This number may change in coming years.

IS THERE A MINIMUM AGE TO COMPETE?

Yes, participants must be at least 10 years old.

WHAT ARE THE DISTANCES FOR EACH DISCIPLINE?

Mountain biking - about 8 miles; Trail running - about 4 miles; Horseback riding - about 3 miles.

WHAT TIME DOES EACH DISCIPLINE START?

Horseback riding will begin promptly at 8 AM, mountain biking at approximately 9 AM, and trailing running at approximately 10 AM; however, these times depend on how quickly each team member completes their section. Bikers and runners that are in the competitive division should be prepared to start their section before the approximated times, in case your teammates move faster than our estimates!



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WILL THE TRAILS BE CLOSED TO NON-COMPETITORS?

Closures will be posted at each trailhead to notify others which trails will be affected by the event. Some trails will remain open during the event, so please remain vigilant and aware of non-competitors who may wander onto the event trails.

WHEN WILL THE TRAILS OPEN BACK UP TO NON-COMPETITORS?

We anticipate the trails will be opened back up after lunch.

WILL THERE BE WATER STATIONS ON THE ROUTES?

There will be a water station on the biking route and the running route, and there will be water hoses at Camp McClellan for the horses.

WHAT DOES THE WINNING TEAM GET?

The focus of the event is to bring together bikers, runners, and horseback riders for a fun time, but there will be a prize for the winning team -- we just don't want to spoil it!

HOW MANY STANDINGS WILL BE RECOGNIZED?

As of now, only first place will be recognized; however, everyone will get a completion award and the time results for each team will be posted.

CAN WE CAMP AT CAMP MCCLELLAN THE NIGHT BEFORE/AFTER THE EVENT?

Yes! Currently, Camp McClellan offers primitive camping; however, electric hookups may be installed by Calhoun County and ready for use prior to the event. Pricing information will be released pending these updates.

IF I CAMP OVERNIGHT WITH MY HORSE, AM I REQUIRED TO USE A STALL?

You are not required to use a stall for your horse overnight, you may use highline or portable corrals. Stalls are first come, first served. They are \$10 a night for non-BCHA members and free for BCHA members. There is a paybox on the left as you pull into the property.

CAN SPECTATORS WATCH FROM THE TRAILS?

Yes, there will be designated areas for spectators to stand on the biking and running routes, but please be mindful of competitors and stay off the trail path at all times. Spectators will not be allowed on the horseback riding route to respect the safety of those competing on horseback.



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I'M A HORSE RIDER AND I'M WORRIED ABOUT ALL THE BIKES THAT WILL BE IN THE CAMPGROUND.

This would be a great opportunity to desensitize your horse to bikes; however, we do understand this concern and plan to keep the bikes and horses separated.

I AM A RUNNER OR BIKE RIDER AND I'M CONCERNED ABOUT BEING AROUND THE HORSES.

We plan to keep the horses and bikes separate, but here are a few tips for anyone that isn't familiar with horses. Don't walk, run, or ride up behind a horse. Give them plenty of room, stay at least a full horse length away. Always ask the rider/handler before approaching. Avoid sudden movements and loud noises. Most horse people are happy to let people pet their horses and answer questions however, some may have young or inexperienced horses that need more space.

WHAT ARE THE GROUNDS FOR DISQUALIFICATION?

Race directors can disqualify anyone doing anything dangerous at any time during the event. We ask that you be respectful to all participants, their equipment, or their horses, and do not leave the course.

I DON'T WANT TO COMPETE, BUT I'D LIKE TO ACCOMPANY MY SPOUSE, FRIEND, PARENT, ETC. WHO IS COMPETING ON HORSEBACK, CAN I?

Why not compete? If you want to join the race anyway, please register yourself!

HOW CAN I PRACTICE BEFOREHAND?

The trail routes will not be released until you check-in for the event, so the best way to prepare is by practicing your discipline. Mountain bikers, bike; Runners, run; and horseback riders, ride.

ARE E-BIKES ALLOWED?

No, e-bikes are not allowed on the trails at this time.

CAN I RUN, BIKE, OR RIDE WITH MY DOG?

No, dogs are not allowed on the horse trails and all three disciplines will be using the horse trails at some point during the race.



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WHAT IS THE REFUND POLICY IF I CAN'T ATTEND?

We're sorry you can't compete, but no refunds will be granted in these cases. You can, however, still get your Treadhoofalon t-shirt. Reach out to us and we will get it to you!

WHAT IS THE WEATHER CANCELLATION POLICY FOR THE EVENT?

Barring any natural disasters, the Treadhoofalon will take place rain or shine, so come prepared for any weather. Refunds will not be granted to participants who don't want to compete in bad weather.

I'M NOT COMPETING, BUT I'D STILL LIKE A T-SHIRT.

We will have a limited number of t-shirts available to purchase the day of the event.

WHEN/WHERE DO I CHECK IN AND GET MY EVENT PACKET?

Check-in will be at the Camp McClellan Horse Trails pavilion at 127 Mud Hole Rd, Anniston, AL, starting at 6:30 AM the day of the event. You can also pick up your packet and check in early Friday, Nov 4, between 4:30 PM and 7:00 PM.

CAN I PICK UP SOMEONE ELSE'S PACKET?

Yes! We like to see you helping each other.

WHERE WILL LUNCH BE?

Lunch will be served in the pavilion at Camp McClellan.

CAN NON-COMPETITORS EAT LUNCH?

Non-competitors may eat lunch for \$10. Meal tickets can be purchased at the check-in table.

DO I NEED NEGATIVE COGGINS FOR MY HORSE?

Yes, you must have CURRENT negative Coggins for your horse to participate.

DOES MY HORSE NEED SHOES?

Shoes or boots are recommended as the trails are rocky in some places.

DO I HAVE TO WEAR A HELMET?

Helmets are required for ALL bikers and for horseback riders under 18 years old.



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WHERE DOES THE MONEY GO FROM THIS EVENT?

For first year, the money will be used to cover the cost of starting up the event. Anything leftover will be saved to go towards next year. Going forward the money would be split with the trail user groups that assist with the event to be used for any trail maintenance or the trail user group can donate to their charity of choice. The purpose of the event is not to make money, but to bring the trail user groups together for a unique fun experience.

WILL THERE BE ANY MEDICAL/EMERGENCY SERVICES AT THE EVENT?

Yes, the Anniston Fire Department Wilderness Rescue Team will be at the event to assist with any injuries or emergencies.