

**Tack Swap/Sale At Ride!**  
Spring-clean your  
tackroom/trailer and turn your  
excess tack into \$\$!

## Shanghai Trails Endurance Ride Ride&Tie/Equathon

March 27-28, 2021

Sanctioned by AERC, TERA, and The RIDE&TIE Association

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**Location:** Pierce Ranch, Pierce TX. Ride camp is at Cow Camp (KP Lodge), You can view ranch facilities at [www.karankawaplains.com](http://www.karankawaplains.com) Do not go to ranch office, we are at Cow Camp (KP Lodge) facility.

**DIRECTIONS:** Going south from Houston on Hwy 59, turn left on CR 423 *just past* Wharton Municipal Airport on the left, and Juniors Smokehouse on the right. Going north from El Campo on Hwy 59, turn right on CR 423 just past Pierce. Follow signs to Lodge (Cow Camp). We will have ribbons on the CoRd 423 sign on Hwy 59, Watch for CR 423 (it is easy to miss)!

**Campsite:** Camp opens Friday 26<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am. Primitive camping, open pasture. Horse water & portapotties. If you don't want primitive, **rent a Lodge bed, \$110 per bed for the weekend (\$55/night x 2 nights), and enjoy fully furnished bed & bath amenities. Reserve lodge bed with ride manager.** Cabins for rent throughout the ranch (see [www.karankawa.com](http://www.karankawa.com)), reserve cabins through ranch office. Cabins are not within walking distance of ride camp.

**Meals: Food Truck on site! Saturday night:** Sumptuous full dinner prepared and served by Boy Scout Troop 487. Please support this fundraiser for the Boy Scouts, they will be at gates on trail so you don't have to open/close gates. Purchase Saturday dinner tickets at check-in, \$10 donation to Troop 487.

**Trails/Vet Checks:** All vet checks are in camp. This is Coastal Prairie Region of Texas, terrain is flat and grassy, no established horse trails. Footing is mostly grass, cow paths, native woods, jeep track, open pasture, packed-clay ranch roads. Trail photos will be posted when we start marking trail, see Shanghai Trails Facebook group!

**Rules/Regulations:** This ride will be conducted in accordance with AERC rules & regulations (see <https://aerc.org> Competition/Rules & Regulations). **Riders must check in during roll call, and be on trail within 15 minutes of start time. Junior riders must have protective headgear while mounted. Time to meet pulse criteria at finish is 30 minutes for all distances.**

**Entry:** Early entries are so helpful and appreciated! Checks post-dated to ride date accepted. If you do not start your check will be destroyed. Late entries accepted at ride. Discounts include Junior discount, TERA discount, and Second-Day discount for Sunday if you start on Saturday, either distance! **Write separate checks for each day!**

**Awards:** Completion award plus prizes for Best Condition, Top Ten, and other special achievements to the extent of donations from award sponsors.

### **Preliminary Schedule: (Early arrivals/late departures must be arranged with Ride Manager)**

<b>Friday, Mar 26<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Saturday, Mar 27<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Sunday, Mar 28<sup>th</sup></b>
9:00 am Camp Opens	7:00 am – Endurance Start	8:00 am – LD Start
2:00 pm Registration	8:00 am – LD/8:15 am Intro Start	8:15 am – Intro Start
3:00 pm Pre-Ride Vetting	6:30 pm – Dinner	Awards Meeting within 2 hours
7:00 pm Ride Meeting	7:00 pm – Awards/Pre-Ride Meeting	After Last Rider In

**We will strive to use the best footing and water sources on the ranch as we lay out miles of trail for your enjoyment. Keep in mind, Pierce Ranch is a working cattle/agricultural/drilling/waterfowl enterprise with no established horse trails. There could be hazards such as barbed wire, post holes, uneven and sudden changes in terrain; gopher & ant mounds, hog wallows, erosion and boggy areas; ditches, culverts, cattle guards; ruts and wash-outs. Wildlife abounds including deer, hogs, armadillo and alligator; even a panther and gorilla have been seen. Please be vigilant, adjust speed according to ever-changing conditions.**

*Negative Coggins required on all equines entering the ranch. Riders are responsible for any vet fees that may be individually incurred. Dog Owners – Please Be a Considerate Camper. Non-generator area will be designated.*

## Pierce Ranch & Shanghai Trails Release

The following constitutes a release of liability to Pierce Ranch and all personnel associated with Shanghai Trails Endurance Ride for

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(Rider Name)

I have read the ride flyer and the rules in the American Endurance Ride Conference handbook.

**I AGREE** that I choose to participate voluntarily in this event, as a rider, handler, lessee, owner, agent, coach, trainer, junior exhibitor, or as a parent or guardian of a junior exhibitor. **I AM FULLY AWARE AND ACKNOWLEDGE THAT HORSE SPORTS AND PARTICIPATION IN THIS EVENT INVOLVE SERIOUS RISK OF HARM INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, RISKS OF ACCIDENT, SERIOUS BODILY INJURY, INCLUDING DEATH, BROKEN BONES, HEAD INJURIES, TRAUMA, PAIN, AND SUFFERING, AND PROPERTY DAMAGE. I ASSUME ALL RISKS OF HARM TO ME, MY HORSE OR MY PROPERTY. I AGREE** for myself, my heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns to **release** ride management, the facilities leased by ride management and the owner(s) of the facilities, and all of their respective officers, officials, directors, employees, agents, personnel, volunteers, affiliated organizations and insurers (collectively, the "Released Parties") from any and **all claims for damage, loss, or injury to myself, other persons, horses or other property** belonging to me to the fullest extent permitted by law that arises out of or relates in any way to the Event and my participation in the Event **INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, DAMAGES, LOSS, OR INJURY RESULTING FROM ANY ACTS, FAILURE TO ACT, NEGLIGENCE OR NEGLECT OF OTHER ENTRANTS, THE RELEASED PARTIES, THEIR CONTRACTORS OR INVITEES**, as well as for theft, vandalism, fire, other casualty damage, or damage arising out of any defects in the premises. **I AGREE to indemnify and hold harmless** (that is pay all losses, damages, attorneys fees and costs of) the Released Parties from and against any and all claims, demands, penalties, actions, losses, costs, damages, injuries, liabilities and obligations (including attorneys fees) of whatsoever kind and nature, which may be asserted against or incurred by any of them as a result of (1) my participation in the Event or (2) any act, failure to act, or neglect (a) by me, my agents, employees, riders, handlers, trainers, coaches, contractors or invitees, or (b) by any animal owned or exhibited by me or in my custody or control. **I AGREE and represent** that I am qualified and eligible to enter and/or participate in the Event and every horse I am entering is qualified and eligible as entered.

I hereby release **Pierce Ranch** and their employees from any liability to me, my heirs or assigns, because of accidental or intentional injuries or death to myself. I also release you notwithstanding that said injuries or death may be occasioned by ordinary negligence of Pierce Ranch. I hereby agree to protect, indemnify, safe and hold harmless Pierce Ranch from any and all liability, damages, losses, causes of action, claims or demands, whether groundless or not, and all costs and expenses of every kind, including attorney's fees, which may be asserted against Pierce Ranch or its agents or employees by any person or persons whomsoever on account of injuries or death to myself.

**I hereby agree that my activities on this date and in the future will be so conducted as to avoid damage to any of Pierce Ranch fences, livestock, equipment or other installations. I also agree to be liable to the ranch for the cost of any and all damages of any kind attributable to, or in connection with, or resulting from accidental or intentional negligence on my part.**

Any person who does not comply with the above rules will be removed from the property, losing any additional visitation rights to the property and all fees and deposits that have been paid.

SIGNED THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

PRINTED NAME \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

IF UNDER 18, PARENT OR GUARDIAN:

PRINTED NAME \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

EMERGENCY CONTACT:

\_\_\_\_\_  
NAME

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PHONE