AHDRA: My Back Yard June 30th and July 1st

Trail: hills, flat, creeks, one-track, two-track, field-borders, two miles of gravel road (able to get off to the side). All trails are on private property—no trail pass.

Crewing: is available at many places; ride management can give you further details at ride. **Camping**: primitive—we will have horse water but no human water. Fee is \$10 per night. Potluck: ride management will provide main dish on Saturday night—please bring a dish to

Head Veterinarian: Dr. Wes Elford

Awards: completions for all, placings 1-6th. We will also have a team competition on Saturday, which includes ALL rides/riders. (Want to donate to the team awards? Please contact Lori Windows, ride manager, at 815-699-2318 or kickbuttshaman@cs.com). Auntie Lois fudge will be here!

Jewel in the Crown Award given! Compete for AHDRA's Triple Crown Award – find more information on www.ahdra.org

<u>Rides</u>			
<u>Saturday, June 30th</u>	Ride Time	Sr	Jr
50 Mile Endurance	5:00am	\$70	\$40
30 Mile Limited Endurance	5:15am	\$55	\$35
25 Mile Competitive	5:30am	\$55	\$35
Two-day 50 Competitive	5:30am	\$75	\$40
12.5 Novice	not before 7:00 am	\$30	\$25
12.5 Drive	After Comp	\$35 (single)	\$50 (double)
Sunday, July 1 st	Ride Time	Sr	Jr
25 Mile Limited Endurance	5:15am	\$55	\$35
25 Mile Competitive	5:30am	\$55	\$35
12.5 Novice	not before 7:00 am	\$30	\$25
12.5 Drive	After Comp	\$35 (single)	\$50 (double)

^{*}Non-AERC members add \$15 extra to LD and Endurance rides.

Riding helmets are required for ALL riders, drivers and driver's grooms.

^{**}There is a \$5 discount for AHDRA members, as well as %150 points earned.

^{***}There will be a \$5 discount for second day's ride (same rider only—no substitutions).

^{****}Rule K: Stallions must be double tied (two halters, leads, and points of tying) to trailer, hitching post, or high tie. In the interest of safety for everybody in attendance, this rule will be enforced. Yellow ribbon must be in a stallion's tail at all times.

Directions:

(Mapquest to Wyanet, IL—there will be ribbons on Rt. 6 on the west edge of Wyanet and about a mile east of Wyanet; follow directions below to ride site).

From the East: On I-80, take exit 61 at I-180 (South). Go approximately one mile to the first exit, Rt. 6 and turn right/west towards Princeton. From I-180, go 8.5 miles to 1600 E St. You will go through the town of Princeton. (Casey's (gas), on the south side of the street, has pretty good access for trucks and trailers if you need to stop. There is a big parking lot on the right, next to Beck's (gas) if you just need to rest without getting gas, or the fairgrounds is a little further. There is no diesel at these stations!) **After turning right/north on 1600 E St, go 1.5 miles to 1650 N Ave and turn left/west. Go 0.75 miles to 1525 E St and turn left/south. Go about a half mile to camp. Camp is on the left/east side of the road—swing wide!

From the West: On I-80, take exit 45 for Rt. 40 towards Peoria. Turn right/south and go 1.5 miles to four-way stop sign at Rt. 6. Turn left/east and go 5 miles to N West St. The sign is kind of hidden behind a Rt. 6/34 sign, but it is the first left immediately upon entering the town of Wyanet and is a major road (aka, a line down the middle). Turn left/north and go 1.5 miles to 1650 N Ave and turn right/east. Go 1.25 miles to 1525 E St and turn right/south. Go about a half mile to camp. Camp is on the left/east side of the road—swing wide! There is one gas station in Wyanet on Rt. 6, but is after the turn north on N West St (if you need directions back to N West St, the road is best known as Wyanet-Walnut Rd). It is not the best place for pulling a trailer into, but it is doable. It does not have diesel.

(<u>From the North or South</u>: Look at options for Rt 40, 29 (which turns into I-180), 26 and 34. With the exception of Rt 40, all go through the town of Princeton.

Lost? Call Larry at 815-866-3565 Questions about the Ride? Call/email Lori Windows (815-699-2318, kickbuttshaman@cs.com) or Jen Allen (815-303-1958, sydney1410@yahoo.com)

^{*}There are many great restaurants and a good meat locker in Wyanet.

^{**}There is diesel at the Road Ranger at exit 56 and Beck's BP (Rt. 26 at Princeton). ~To Camp from Road Ranger or BP: take Main St/Rt. 26 South through town to Rt. 6/Peru St (~2 miles). Turn right/west and go 4.5 miles to 1600 E St and follow directions above "from the east".

AHDRA I - My Backyard Ride Ride Manager's Questionnaire

1. Is your ride held in a public or private campground? Are sites available for reservation? If so, how? Cost?

Privately owned campground. \$10.00 per night. No reservations and parking assistance provided.

- **2. Campground amenities? Showers/Electricity/Corrals/Potable Water?** Not much. Horse water provided from a huge tank. Porta Potties.
- 3. Closest town for food/water/gas?

2 miles to a small town with gas station and a few restaurants. 7 miles to a larger town with diesel, grocery, and lots of restaurants.

4. If your ride offers an endurance event(50 miles or more) in general, how many loops are the 50 miler?

The 50 is a three loop ride, all the same loop.

5. Vet checks in camp or out? If out, will there be a crew truck to take rider's gear out to the check? Water available at out check?

All vet checks in camp with water available.

6. Terrain - hilly/sandy/rocky/water crossings? Hoof protection recommendations?

Hills, around fields, several water crossings. A couple of miles on gravel road on each loop with a decent shoulder. Hoof protection is recommended for those who don't want to take it easy on the gravel road.

- 7. If your ride is a multi-day ride, are there folks for hire to move rigs? Cost?
- 8. Does your ride have a potluck meal during the event? Food available for purchase?

Pot luck on Saturday night.

9. Maps of trail available online or on site?

10. Mentors(folks who have regularly ridden your ride) who would be willing to offer advice.

Lori Windows, Jen Allen.