SPRING IN DIXIE AT SHOAL CREEK
Talladega National Forest, Heflin, AL
April 9-11, 2021

LOCATION: Warden Station at Talladega National Forest, Heflin, Alabama
RIDE MANAGER: Patty Lucas 3516 Ridgedale Dr., Birmingham, Al. 35243
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RIDE SECRETARY: Victoria Whitehead, 759 Yarbrough Road, Tuskegee, AL 36083
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JUDGES: VET: Stephanie Ostrowski HORSEMANSHIP: Kathy Shanor
RIDER LIMIT: 50
RIDE DIVISIONS: A (2-day): Novice, CP, Open; B (1-day): Novice, CP, Open
RIDE FEE: NATRC Member $95, Non-Member $125, Jr. Rider $75, Jr Non-Member $110
(Make checks payable to Patty Lucas Deposits of $35 req’d. Mail to Patty Lucas or PayPal using Friends and family see address above.)
CAMP FEE: $6 per night, paid to Warden Station Campground. CASH ONLY. Place money in envelope at campground kiosk near pavilion.
MEALS: NO POT LUCK! All meals and dinners on own due to new COVID restrictions. Bottled Water and sealed snacks available for Volunteers.

CAMPING INFORMATION: Camping is PRIMITIVE. Forest Service Pit Toilets available and potable water from spigots for horses (one horse wash area). Horses must be tied to trailers, picketed (use tree protectors), or use portable corrals secured to trailer. Dogs must be kept on leashes at all times. Hot showers and trailer dump station located at Coleman Lake Campground (approx. 1 mile); Shower fee: $2. Negative Coggins req’d. Generators permitted. (On 5 am/off 10 pm)
TRAIL TERRAIN: Gentle grades, good footing, some gravel/rock (Shoes or boots suggested)
REGISTER: www.rms.natrC5.net for competition. Contact Ride Management if you need assistance in registering or have other questions/concerns. ALL competitors to sign a COVID release wavier. Juniors need signature of legal guardian.
FRIDAY SCHEDULE:
CHECK-IN: 12 pm VET-IN: 1:30pm NEW COMPETITOR MEETING: TBA
DINNER: On own RIDE BRIEFING: TBA due to COVID restrictions. Maps and briefing sheet provided.
(Complete weekend schedule available at check-in)
COVID restrictions: Mask required at check in, Vet in, P& R’s and any place you are in close proximity to others!

DIRECTIONS GPS: N33o 46.984 W85o 34.916
From Atlanta:
I20 West to Birmingham. Take Exit 5 for GA Hwy 100 to Tallapoosa/Bowden. Go Right towards Tallapoosa (follow GA 100 truck route). Merge Left onto Hwy 78 West. Continue through town of Fruithurst. Watch for mile marker 184 at a bridge. At the top of the hill you’ll see Cane Creek Fire Station (Blue Metal Bldg), TURN RIGHT HERE. Follow directions below for CANE CREEK FIRE STATION. ↓

From Birmingham:
I20 East to Atlanta. Take Exit 199 for Heflin/Hollis. Turn Left onto Hwy 9. Turn Right on Hwy 78 East. (Hwy 78 will merge with Hwy 46). FOLLOW HWY 78 EAST. Watch for mile marker 183 and caution sign for Cane Creek Fire Station. TURN LEFT at Fire Station (Blue Metal Bldg). Follow directions below for CANE CREEK FIRE STATION. ↓

→ CANE CREEK FIRE STATION:
You should be on Cleburne Cty Rd 61. After 2.5 miles this will change to National Forest Rd 553. Drive approx. 7.5 miles then Turn RIGHT onto National Forest Rd 500. Camp will be on the right after you turn.

***The I-20 exit is your last best stop for gas, snacks, ice, etc. Get it while you can! ***

Happy Trails!