

# TEXAS BLUEBONNET CLASSIC

FEI 50/75/100, AHA Region IX 50 mile Endurance Championship  
100, 75 and 50 mile AERC Endurance and 25 mile AERC Limited Distance Events  
April 24, 2010 LBJ Grasslands, Decatur, TX

Sanctioned by AERC, AHA, TADRA, USEF

Sponsored by Texas Arabian Distance Riders Association

Endurance riding is a timed athletic event for both the horse and rider. The event is open to all breeds of equine (horses, mules and ponies). The goal is to follow a marked trail in the proper direction as described by ride management. The second goal is to ride the marked trail as quickly as the condition of the horse allows, successfully passing all vet checks and finishing with a sound horse. **"To Finish is to Win"**

**Camping:** This is a primitive base camp on a small hill with a thick stand of hardwood trees and a scenic pond & windmill for horse water. There is ample room for campers; however, no electricity or people water is available. Rest room facilities are provided. We are currently under a statewide burn ban and there will be NO fires of any kind. Dogs must be on a leash at all times. There are restaurants, motels and stores in Decatur. **Pen size may be limited depending on number of riders. Please ask upon arrival so that you will not be asked to change your camping after you've set up.**

**Trails:** The ride is considered easy terrain. Trails vary from fast flat areas, to high open areas with panoramic views, to deeply wooded forest. All trail is natural, with roadway's used only for crossings. There should be ample horse water on trail by April. Shoes are not required; however, they are recommended. All vet checks will be in base camp. All trails are permanently marked.

**Awards:** All riders who successfully complete the 25, 50, 75 or 100-mile events will receive a completion award. Weight, Junior Division and Best Condition winners will receive an additional award. We will attempt to have the 25 mile ride awards as close to 4 pm as possible. We will attempt to have the 50 mile awards approximately 7:30 pm. 100/75 mile awards will be approximately 9 am on Sunday.

Texas Animal Health Commission regulations require all out of state horses to show **original** copy of a negative EIA (Coggins) test within the previous 12 months AND have a health certificate issued within the last 30 days. Texas horses must show **original** copy of a negative EIA (Coggins) test within the previous 12 months. Please plan ahead, **no exceptions will be made.**

If you plan on attending, **please help ride management by pre-entering**. Postmark will be your entry date.



**Manager** Carla Jo Bass  
**Secretary** Trish Dutton  
**AHA Steward** Eddie Spurgeon

**Veterinarians:** Dennis Seymore DVM, head vet  
Drs. Baldwin, Bixler, Hounsel, and Brewer

## Friday April 23, 2010

3-7:30 PM Registration / FEI packet pick up 1:00 pm  
4-8 PM Pre-ride vet check / FEI 1<sup>st</sup> & vet in 2:00 pm  
8-9 PM Pre-ride meeting / FEI briefing at 5:30 pm

**Any time changes will be announced at Pre-ride meeting**

## Saturday April 24, 2010

5:30 AM 100-mile start  
6:00 AM 75-mile start  
6:30 AM 50-mile start  
9:00 AM 25-mile start

**For additional Information call Carla (972) 617-8233 eves or e-mail rebelcjb@yahoo.com**

**Or Trish (940) 455-2849 or e-mail TL.Dutton@gte.net**

**Due to the lack of cooking help, we will not be offering dinner on Saturday night to the riders.  
We regret the loss of this tradition.**

# Texas Bluebonnet Classic 2010 Entry Form

## Rider Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_ AERC # \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Junior's Sponsor \_\_\_\_\_

Weight Division (includes tack) Please circle one: **Junior** Featherweight (<160)  
Lightweight (161-185) Middleweight (186-210) Heavyweight (>211)

## Horse Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_ AERC No. \_\_\_\_\_

Breed \_\_\_\_\_ Reg. No. \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_\_ Color \_\_\_\_\_

Horse owner if different than rider \_\_\_\_\_

*Negative Coggins required for all horses, out of state horse also require health certificate within 30 days*

\*\*\*\*\* PLEASE PRE-ENTER BY April 12 \*\*\*\*\*

Please circle distance:      25 mile \$70.00      50 mile \$100.00      75 mile \$115.00      100 mile \$130.00

Preferred shirt size \_\_\_\_\_

Entry fee: \_\_\_\_\_

Junior Discount (juniors 1/2 price, one per sponsor): \_\_\_\_\_

AERC Non-member fee (+ \$15.00) \_\_\_\_\_

*You must show your 2010 AERC card*

TADRA member discount: (- \$5.00) \_\_\_\_\_

Pre-entry Discount (Postmarked by **April 12th**): (- \$5.00) \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL (make check to TADRA) \_\_\_\_\_

*Please pre-enter by mailing Entry Form, Check, Copies of Coggins and AERC membership card to:  
Trish Dutton, 13033 Stonebridge Road, Argyle, TX 76226. You may contact Trish at 940/455-2849 or e-mail  
[t.dutton@gte.net](mailto:t.dutton@gte.net), if you have any questions.*

*Checks will not be cashed until after the ride, so if you do not start your check will not be cashed.*

\*\*\*\* Legal Release - do not sign until you have read \*\*\*\*

As a participant in the **Texas Bluebonnet Classic** Endurance Ride, I agree to abide by the rules of AERC and the Ride. I understand that horses can be excitable, difficult to control and unpredictable and that accidents can happen to anyone at any time. I further agree to be fully responsibility for my animals and myself. I will hold harmless Ride Management, Texas Arabian Distance Rider Association, the US Forest Service, other participants, all ride personal, and all property owners over whose land the ride may take place for any accident, injury or loss that might occur due to my participation in the ride. I acknowledge that I have read and fully understand this release.

Signature of rider \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of parent or guardian for Junior rider \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

I grant my permission for ride management to arrange emergency medical treatment if I am unable to do so myself  
Date \_\_\_\_\_

**2010 AHA REGION 9 CHAMPIONSHIP 50 MILES**  
**April 24, 2010 LBJ Grasslands, Decatur, TX**

RIDER INFORMATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_ AHA # \_\_\_\_\_ Phone# \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ ST \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

AHA # \_\_\_\_\_ Name/date/length qualifying ride \_\_\_\_\_

Junior (15 as of 12/1/09) \_\_\_\_\_ Junior Sponsor \_\_\_\_\_

Weight Divisions (include tack) Please circle one Preferred shirt size \_\_\_\_\_ (Pre-entries only by Apr 12)

Feather(<160) Light (161-185) Middle (186-210) Heavy (>211)

HORSE/OWNER INFORMATION (Enter under full registered name)

Horse Name \_\_\_\_\_ AERC # \_\_\_\_\_

Age \_\_\_\_\_ Breed \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_\_ Color \_\_\_\_\_ Reg # \_\_\_\_\_

Owner \_\_\_\_\_ Owner AHA # \_\_\_\_\_

NEGATIVE COGGINS WITHIN ONE YEAR REQUIRED, **NO EXCEPTIONS.**

ENTRY FEES AND DISCOUNT

\$120.00 for 50 mile Entry fee amount (Jr. with paying adult rider, 1/2 price) includes AERC 50 mile entry  
\$10.00 AERC non-member fee.

TADRA member discount \$5.00.

Early registration discount \$5.00 (postmarked by April 12, 2010)

Total Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_

**Riders who enter the AHA Championships are automatically entered in the AERC 50. There is no additional entry fee.**

\*\*\* LEGAL RELEASE, DO NOT SIGN UNTIL YOU READ \*\*\*

As a participant in the AHA Region 9 Endurance ride, I agree to abide by the rules of AERC and the AHA. I understand that horses can be excitable, difficult to control and unpredictable and that accidents can happen to anyone at any time. I agree to take full responsibility for myself and the animal I am riding. I will hold the Ride Management, all ride personnel, the US Forest Service, AHA and Region 9 blameless for any accident, injury or loss that might occur due to my participation in the ride, and free from all liability for such injury and loss.

Rider signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Owner signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Junior Parent or Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Permission for emergency treatment \_\_\_\_\_

## HOW TO QUALIFY FOR AHA REGION 9 CHAMPIONSHIP RIDE

### HORSE:

1. Must be qualified by having successfully completing at least 100 lifetime miles of competition. (See Chapter 16. 2010 IAHA Handbook & Article 1735)
2. Must be a registered Arabian, Half Arabian or Anglo Arabian. Horse must be at least 60 months of age, ridden and owned by a current member of AHA.(Owner and rider need not be same)
3. A current negative Coggins test is required.
4. Copies of registration papers (front & back) and AHA membership cards(owner and rider)

must be presented.

### RIDER AND OWNER:

1. Both rider and owner must be current members of AHA, and cards must be shown for entry into ride.

**ENTRANTS MUST SEND PROOF OF AHA COMPETITION CARDS FOR RIDER, OWNER AND HORSE WITH COPIES (FRONT & BACK) OF THE HORSE REGISTRATION PAPERS WITH ENTRY FORM. THE RIDE STEWARD, EDDIE SPURGEON, WILL COMPARE PAPERS TO HORSES ON FRIDAY. ENTRY WILL NOT BE ALLOWED WITHOUT THIS INFORMATION!!!**

### **PROVISION FOR PROTEST: (2010 AHA HANDBOOK Article 1610)**

1. Protest must be filed in writing, signed by the protester and submitted to the Ride Secretary, Ride Manager, Ride Steward or Chair of the Ride Committee within 7 days of end of the ride.
2. A fee of \$25 must accompany the protest, and will be refunded if the protest is upheld.
3. Complete AHA rules may be found in the 2010 AHA HANDBOOK.

### **ENTRY FEE:**

\$120.00 Includes AERC entry fee for 50 mile ride.

### **AHA AWARDS**

#### **CHAMPION ARABIAN:**

MOELLER BRONZE  
CHAMPION RIBBON

#### **RES. CHAMPION ARAB:**

RES. CHAMP. RIBBON  
RESERVE CHAMP PLAQUE

#### **TOP 5 ARAB:**

TOP 5 RIBBON  
TOP 5 PLAQUE

#### **CHAMPION HALF-ARAB:**

MOELLER BRONZE  
CHAMPION RIBBON

#### **RESERVE HALF-ARAB:**

RESERVE CHAMP RIBBON  
RESERVE CHAMP PLAQUE

#### **TOP 5 HALF- ARAB:**

TOP 5 RIBBON  
TOP 5 PLAQUE

BEST CONDITION WILL BE AWARDED FOR ARABIAN AND HALF-ARABIAN DIVISIONS.

## **LBJ Grasslands, Decatur, TX**

**Directions from Dallas:** I-35E north to I-35 in Denton continue north exit Highway 380W to Decatur, you will go west 24 miles to FM 730 (signs also say Airport) then go north 9.5 mile to CR 2461 (sign will also say Cemetery) turn left onto CR 2461, 100 yards turn left and follow around to forest service road 904, turn right and follow signs to camp at TADRA Point.

**Directions from Fort Worth:** I-35W north to US-81, go northwest to US-287 then northwest US-380 head east less than a mile to FM 730 (signs also say Airport) then go north 9.5 mile to CR 2461 (sign will also say Cemetery), turn left onto CR 2461, 100 yards turn left and follow around to forest service road 904, turn right and follow signs to TADRA Point.

**Direction from Oklahoma:** I-35 south to Highway 380 West [just north of Denton] to Decatur, you will go west 24 miles to FM 730 (signs also say Airport) then go north 9.5 mile to CR 2461 (sign will also say Cemetery), turn left onto CR 2461, 100 yards turn left and follow around to forest service road 904, turn right and follow signs to TADRA Point .

**Directions from Wichita Falls:** Highway 287 South almost to Decatur. Take Hwy 380 East about 1 mile (Airport exit) to FM 730. Turn left and take FM 730 North. Follow directions above from here.

