



**YELLOWHAMMER
RIDE and TIE
March 17-18, 2017
Warden Station Horse Camp
Talladega National Forest
Fruithurst, Alabama**



The Yellowhammer is Alabama's state bird (if you say it with enough Southern accent, it rhymes with Alabama!). The Yellowhammer endurance race is an annual event held in the Talladega National Forest. **In 2017 we are holding Ride and Tie races in conjunction with the endurance race.**

Ride and Tie schedule:

Friday, March 17, 2017 25 mile race.
Saturday, March 18, 2017 25 mile race and 12 mile introductory race.

Location:

Eastern Alabama, north of I-20 in the Talladega National Forest, Warden Station Horse Camp, off Highway 78. Directions: From I-20 in Georgia, take the exit for Ga Highway 100 north to Tallapoosa, then turn left onto Highway 78 West. From I-20 in Alabama, take the exit for Highway 9 north to Heflin, then get onto Highway 78 East. Enter in your GPS: County Road 61, Fruithurst, AL. From Highway 78, you will turn north onto County Road 61 at the USFS sign, which is across the road from the Cane Creek Fire Station between Edwardsville and Fruithurst, Alabama. Travel 7-8 miles north on County Road 61, and you will take a right onto County Road 532 (there is a sign that points you toward Coleman Lake Campground and the horse camp). All roads to camp are paved and easy to travel. Warden Station Horse Camp will be 100 yards on your right.

Warden Station Horse Camp contains several camping loops. The first loop on the right is reserved for day riders who will share the trails with us, so please do not camp there. The second loop on the right has a permanent toilet. The first loop on the left is the vet check and registration area and is reserved for volunteers. There are two loops beyond the vet check. **PARKING IS TIGHT, SO DO NOT SPREAD OUT WIDE.** Please **RESERVE PARKING/CAMPING SPACE**, be considerate of those who cannot arrive in the middle of the work week. You will be asked to tighten up your space if you spread too widely. Camping is primitive. Horse water is available. Showers may be purchased at the kiosk at Coleman Lake Campground 1 mile away. There are very nice hiking trails for people on the Pinhoti Trail.

Costs:

Races: \$100 per team for the 25 mile races. \$50 per team for the 12 mile race.

Adult teams racing both days (any race) receive a \$20 discount.

Teams with a Junior Rider (15 and under) receive a \$45 discount on the 25 mile races

Teams with a Junior Rider (15 and under) receive a \$20 discount on the 12 mile race.

Parking/Camping: Pay for your camping at the USFS kiosk upon arrival, after parking. It is \$6/day per rig/car. Display your stub so that the USFS Rangers will not fine you.

NOTES:

All participants must be members of Ride and Tie www.rideandtie.org

This race is sanctioned by the Ride and Tie Association- Rules <http://rideandtie.org/rules.html>

Negative Coggins required.

Helmets are required while mounted.

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