

Running a Trail Ride in Mason, NH

Mason Area Neighborhood Equestrians (MANE) would like to welcome you to the Town of Mason, NH. MANE works closely with the Town of Mason—including the Conservation Commission and the Highway and Police Departments—to maintain goodwill between townspeople and equestrians. By following the checklist below, you will help ensure that Mason's trails stay open to everyone. Have a wonderful time!

- Call MANE president (Deb Morrison, 603-878-2080) to check on availability of your date.
- The sand pit on Sand Pit Road is the only town-owned parking area large enough to accommodate a lot of horse trailers. If you would like to park there, call Dave Cook (head of the Mason Highway Department) at 603-878-2279 to clear the use of the sand pit with the town.
- Send the Mason Police Department an e-mail (masonpd181@verizon.net, ATT: Chief Barry Hutchins) and let them know the date and times your ride will be held and approximately how many riders will attend. Also let them know that you've already checked with Dave Cook on the availability of the sand pit.
- We recommend you have riders sign a liability release and add the following to your form:

I therefore release MANE and its owners, agents, volunteers and employees, and landowners over whose property this ride might take place, and the Town of Mason FROM ANY AND ALL LIABILITY FOR DAMAGES AND PERSONAL INJURY TO MYSELF OR ANY PERSON OR PROPERTY RESULTING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF MANE, THE LANDOWNERS, THE TOWN OF MASON, AND THE HOST(S) OF THIS EVENT TO INCLUDE BUT NOT BE LIMITED TO NEGLIGENCE IN TRAIL CONDITIONS, ROAD AND TRAFFIC CONDITIONS, AND THE ACTIONS OF OTHER HORSES OR INDIVIDUALS BEYOND THE CONTROL OF MANE, THE LANDOWNERS, THE TOWN OF MASON, AND THE HOST(S) OF THIS EVENT, accepting myself full responsibility for any and all damages or injury of any kind which may result from the inherent dangers involved in being in the presence of horses or at this event.

I agree that there have been no warranties, expressed or implied, which have been made to me which extend beyond the description of the route. I, the undersigned, acknowledge that I have carefully read this agreement and release of liability, and I understand its contents. Further, I have health and/or accident insurance that will cover me in the event of an injury.

I UNDERSTAND THAT MY SIGNATURE BELOW EXPRESSLY WAIVES ANY AND ALL RIGHTS I HAVE TO SUE MANE OR ANY EMPLOYEE OR VOLUNTEER THEREOF, LANDOWNERS OVER WHOSE PROPERTY THIS RIDE MIGHT TAKE PLACE, THE TOWN OF MASON, AND THE HOST(S) OF THIS EVENT FOR ANY AND ALL INJURIES, DAMAGES OR OTHER DETRIMENTAL RESULTS THAT MAY OCCUR WHILE I AM AT THIS EVENT EVEN IF SAID INJURY, DAMAGE OR OTHER DETRIMENTAL RESULT IS CAUSED BY THE NEGLIGENCE OF MANE, THE LANDOWNERS, AND THE HOST(S) OF THIS EVENT.

- Please let MANE know which trails you'll be using. We may have some suggestions or comments on the trail conditions or if some trails are closed. If you aren't using either town or state trails, you will need to get written permission from the landowners. MANE DOES NOT SPEAK ON BEHALF OF THE TOWN IN TERMS OF PERMISSION TO USE THE TRAILS NOR DOES MANE IMPLY IT HAS THE AUTHORITY DO SO.
- You will be responsible for:
 1. Making sure the sand pit is as you found it. No manure/hay should be left behind. All trash should be removed.
 2. All trail markers need to be removed within one week of your ride.
 3. All road signs need to be removed the day of your ride.
 4. You MUST remove ALL manure from ALL roads before you leave for the day.

BY SIGNING THIS FORM, I ACKNOWLEDGE I HAVE RECEIVED AND CAREFULLY READ THE ABOVE.

(Send or fax this form to: Deb Morrison, 254 Greenville Road, Mason NH 03048; fax number: 603-878-4385)