

# MnDRA

## MINNESOTA DISTANCE RIDING ASSOCIATION

MnDRA was formed to promote distance riding in the upper Midwest, giving recognition to horse and rider teams that participate in the sport of competitive and endurance riding in Minnesota. Membership is open to all members of UMECRA (Upper Midwest Endurance and Competitive Rides Association).

**Endurance** riding is a test of horse condition and stamina, rider intelligence and horsemanship and the team effort of both over a cross-country course while under veterinary supervision. The horse completing the trail in the shortest time in an acceptable condition wins.

**Competitive** rides are usually shorter in distance and are ridden in a set maximum and minimum time period. Under veterinary supervision, the winner is the horse completing the course within the allotted time in the best condition.

**Limited Distance** rides are between 25 and 35 miles. Also under veterinary supervision, the winner is the horse completing the course and pulsing down to a predetermined pulse criteria first.

MnDRA presents annual awards to the top ten horse and rider teams competing in Endurance, Limited Distance, and Competitive. Three weight classes are awarded in all. To qualify for top ten Endurance, the horse and rider team must achieve at least 50 points at MnDRA sanctioned rides and to qualify for Competitive or Limited Distance top ten, the team must achieve at least 25 points at MnDRA sanctioned rides. MnDRA sanctions ten to twelve rides yearly in Minnesota. One point is awarded for every five miles completed at a sanctioned ride, plus additional points are awarded for placing in the top six. The additional points are equal to 1.2 points for every 5 miles completed for 1<sup>st</sup> place, 1.0 for 2<sup>nd</sup> place, 0.8 for 3<sup>rd</sup>, 0.6 for 4<sup>th</sup>, 0.4 for 5<sup>th</sup> and 0.2 for 6<sup>th</sup> place.

MnDRA invites your support and participation through your membership. MnDRA annual dues are \$15.00 for a single and \$25.00 for family. **You must be a member of UMECRA to be eligible for MnDRA awards and voting at the meetings.** \$2.00 of the membership dues is designated to the Minnesota Trail Fund. MnDRA follows UMECRA rules and guidelines unless published otherwise.

For more information, check our website at: <http://mndra.com>

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Address \_\_\_\_\_

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

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Select Membership Type:                      \$15/Single                                      \$25/Family\*

\*List all family members \_\_\_\_\_

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