## SOUTHERN MAINE ASSOCIATION FOR RIDING TRAILS

## S.M.A.R.T 2017

It's that time of year again to sign up and become a member of SMART ...

Hope you and your equine buddies are managing the snow and freezing temperatures! Think Spring and all the shedding ahead!!

We are gearing up for our 28<sup>th</sup> season of organized trail rides. The schedule has been arranged. Our first ride of the year will be May 21<sup>st</sup> and will be held at the beautiful Maudsley State Park, June 18<sup>th</sup> ride will be held in Milton Mills, New Hampshire at the Branch Hill Farm. July 30<sup>th</sup> ride will be held in Lyman/Alfred area, this is a new ride for us this year. Our annual overnight ride will be held in September, Labor Day weekend September 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> again in Gilmanton, New Hampshire followed by our end of September ride, September 17<sup>th</sup> in beautiful Gorham, Maine, October 22<sup>nd</sup> ride will be in Newfield, Maine. And we will end the season with our favorite ride, the Turkey Trot to be held November 5<sup>th</sup> in South Berwick, Maine.

Those of you that have ridden with us in the past know that in addition to the beautiful and challenging trails, we also offer some great meals!! You are also familiar with the type of terrain that we cover, but for "newcomers" we offer these guidelines ... Ordinarily our rides are approximately 12-20 miles in length. The first ride of the season tends to be shorter to facilitate "conditioning." Our rides are "pleasure rides" and welcome all levels of riders, however, please realize that as the season progresses the terrain and the obstacles tend to become more challenging. The rule of thumb is check with the contact people should you have any questions.

Voted in this year, President remains the same, Julia Fortier, she can be reached at (603) 817-9956, Vice President is Carol Pugh (603) 817-9957 and Kathy Cyr (207) 651-4853, Treasurer is Sandy Garlarneau (603) 352-4424 and Secretary is Tina Hogan (207) 247-6521. Our mailing address is <u>SMART, P.O. Box 242, South</u> <u>Berwick, ME 03908</u>

## PRICES FOR OUR REGULAR RIDES - INCLUDES:

Coffee/muffins/donuts at registration table. A halfway break includes foods and beverages. And a very nice meal after the ride. These prices are pre-registered:

SMART Members:	\$20.00 Ride and Meal
Non-Members:	\$25.00 Ride and Meal
Meal Only:	\$10.00

NOTE: One of the ways we are able to offer such great meals after a ride is by pre-registrations "head count." SO PLEASE remember SMART must receive your registration form(s) and money no later than Wednesday preceding the ride. (Post marked dates of mailings are not acceptable. NO EXCEPTIONS. You only need to send \$10.00 for pre-registration, and then pay the balance the day of the ride. If for some reason you do not pre-register, you are still welcome to come and ride, however, you will be charged and extra \$5.00.

REMEMBER: IF YOU WANT TO SIT DOWN AT DINNER, DON'T FORGET TO BRING YOUR OWN CHAIR.

We are affiliated with NEHT (NEW ENGLAND HORSE & TRAIL) and NHH&TA (NEW HAMPSHIRE HORSE & TRAIL) So, any of you that are riding for mileage in these clubs, we can sign and verify mileage for you.