

# The 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Hooves for Hospice Ride

October 26, 2024

Registration Form (one registration per rider)

Participant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

OEF/Insurance Number: \_\_\_\_\_

What are your riding affiliations/memberships/experience riding:

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Please send etransfer of \$85.00 to [hoovesforhospice22@gmail.com](mailto:hoovesforhospice22@gmail.com) to reserve your ride by October 16, 2024. No refund policy. All proceeds go to Hospice Wellington as this is a fundraiser. Password for etransfer is "hospice" all lower case. No other password will be used. Space is limited – register early to avoid disappointment. Your additional pledges are due the week before the event, October 16, 2024.

**PLEASE GAIN PLEDGES OVER AND ABOVE YOUR REGISTRATION FEE to qualify for prizes.**

Signature Below of Participant Having Read the following Guidelines:

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Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Guidelines Page 1-3**

### **GUIDELINES FOR HOOVES FOR HOSPICE PLEASE READ:**

**You will have the choice of choosing to ride in one of three groups. Each group is up to 20 riders maximum – we cap the total riders at 60 participants so please register early:**

**Group 1 – walk, trot and canter for advanced riders (Led by Lynn Smillie, event founder and organizer) Depending on the footing, this is traditionally fast-paced ride for confident riders who love to move off and cover lots of land.**

**Group 2 – walk and trot only (Led by the Ontario Standardbred Adoption Society OSAS) A good mix of walking and trotting and a great time to ride with the folks from OSAS.**

**Group 3 – walk only (Led by the Ontario Special Services Mounted Unit) A relaxing ride to take in the views and ride with some great riders from OMSSU.**

- Please park in designated area and clean up any manure and/or hay before you leave. Please leave the area that you are parking clean.**
- Your hot chili lunch will be served in our comfortable barn around 1:30 pm when riders return. There will also be hot drinks, cold drinks, sweets, pony treats and a washroom.**

- **Arrive early so you have lots of time to confirm your pre-registration and tack up. Arrive at least one hour before we set off at 11 am sharp.**
- **Footing can be wet and slippery in autumn, shoes on your horse are recommended, but not necessary. Terrain will be mixed. Possible road crossings, riding on cropped fields which can be muddy.**
- **Any behavior that is disruptive by you or your horse will result in being asked to leave your group and retire for the day. There will be appointed Safety Riders with us in case you need assistance.**
- **Please follow your group leader. We are crossing private land and we are expected to respect the land. Please do not go off on your own, litter or be discourteous of other riders. Please stay with your group and keep up, do not fall behind so you lose sight of your group!**
- **Please keep up with your group. We will have a check point/break halfway through the ride. If you need any assistance let your group leader know.**
- **Please do not pass your group leader. Keep a horse length between you and other horses for safety. Basic trail riding etiquette applies to all.**
- **No alcohol/smoking while on trail**
- **If for some reason you need to retire early, please inform your group leader BEFORE leaving your group.**
- **Anticipate a 2-hour ride. Your horse should be moderately fit and go out well in mixed company. Expect to ride on mixed terrain on beautiful private farmland. If weather is not great, we will shorten the ride duration. This is not a race, just a group ride. Keep up but do not pass riders in front of you out of courtesy. If we ask you to ride single file, please do so and follow**

instructions as we ride. We are riding on private land and must ride in designated areas, which is why we will ride as a group.

**\*\*\*Special Note \*\*\* This is not a great day to bring out a green untrained horse that has never ridden out in mixed company. For the sake of everyone's enjoyment, please make sure horse and rider are experienced and capable of a quiet/safe hack/trail ride. \*\*\***

- If your horse may possibly kick out, make sure you put a red ribbon in its tail to warn others. Please ride at the back of your group for the sake of safety. All riders should keep a horse length between you and other riders.
- Dress warm with proper footwear and riding gear expecting it to be cold or possibly windy. Oil skin or warm riding coat is a good idea, winter riding boots and gloves all make sense. Dress for comfort and warmth. HELMETS ARE REQUIRED FOR ALL NO MATTER WHAT AGE YOU ARE for insurance purposes.
- If you are mounted and not wearing a helmet, you will be asked to dismount and not ride. Safety first. (Not kidding)
- Dress warm and enjoy your ride!! By signing this form, you also accept that your photo may be taken. If you care to, wear something on you or your horse which is yellow in support of Hospice Wellington.
- **HAVE FUN and PLEASE COLLECT PLEDGES!**

PLEASE SEND PAGE ONE OF THIS FORM WITH YOUR WAIVER AND ETRANSFER PAYMENT TO [hoovesforhospice22@gmail.com](mailto:hoovesforhospice22@gmail.com).

**SEE YOU AT THE CHECK-IN FROM 8:30-10:30 AM ON October 26, 2024.  
We ride out at 11 am sharp. Rain or Shine, we ride for Hospice  
Wellington.**

**THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING HOSPICE WELLINGTON WE REALLY APPRECIATE IT!!!**

Any questions email us at [hoovesforhospice22@gmail.com](mailto:hoovesforhospice22@gmail.com)