



July 2020

No Frills



In less than a week, base camp will be filling with horses and riders. The trails have been mowed and marked with ribbons. Even some of the briars have been trimmed back. A lot of work has been done to the trail by multiple folks so the ride can be a success. This will be a different view of No Frills for many riders who haven't had a chance to experience these trails during summer.



And because of the worry of having No Frills in hot July, **extra water troughs** have been placed strategically along the trail. Thankfully the second loop has quite a bit of natural water on trail. These **natural water sources will be marked with signs**, so you know where to go on trail.



Also, to help cool down horses at the hold, **ice can be pre-ordered or purchased at the ride**. You can then use a small cooler that will be taken to the hold for you along with your other things for an away hold. Even though renting the cooler is an additional operating cost to the ride, the board decided the benefits to the horses outweighed the cost.



In addition, in order to protect the horses in the heat, another safety protocol has been discussed and put into place by the board. **At every hold, 10 minutes before the hold finishes, the horses must be rechecked to make sure the pulse is 60 or below. If the horse's pulse is above 60, it will not be allowed back on trail.**



Come see the new OD storage trailer!



At a recent trail workday, we had the chance to ogle over **the new trailer**. Shelves have been added and labels put on to ensure that things are put back where they belong.

Come check it out at No Frills!



2020 ODEEO Raffle Horse donated by Asgard Arabians

We are continuing to sell raffle horse tickets and No Frills will be your chance to buy some in person. At the ride, you can usually find Jack Weber with some tickets to sell. Dawn Hilliard will have some too. Buy some tickets to get your chance on a potential endurance legend.



This year's Raffle Horse is **TROUSSEAU**.

She is a 2-year-old filly and is already 15h.

Raffle tickets are: \$10 each, 3 for \$25, 5 for \$40, 10 for \$75

Ticket purchases available online via PayPal, or by check/mail.

For more information check out: <http://olddominionrides.org/AsgardRaffleHorse.html>

To learn more about these amazing athletes, check out: <https://www.asgardarabians.com/>

In closing

We are excited to soon welcome you to No Frills. Things will definitely be different because of Covid, but we can still see friends and have a ride. We're looking forward to it a lot and hope you are too! Ride on!

If you have any questions about the Old Dominion Equestrian Endurance Organization, please check out <http://olddominionrides.org/>. It has lots of good information for everyone—long time riders and volunteers and those new to the sport.