# ATR RIDE CALENDAR 2025/2026

# SEPT:

<u>Thurs. Sept 4</u> - ATR Monthly Meeting at the Altoona School at 7pm. Address: 42630 FL-19, Altoona, FL 32702. Refreshments provided. Come see what we have planned for this riding season.

Sat. Sept 13 - Silver River State Park Day Ride. Ride out at 9:30 am.

\*\*RSVP REQUIRED\*\*. Club will provide lunch bring your beverage of choice.

DIRECTIONS: From the Altoona School go north on SR 19 for 14 miles. Turn left on SR 40 for 25 miles. Watch for brown State Park sign for Silver Springs Equestrian Trails (Horse Head). At the left turn lane Turn left onto gravel road to trailhead. Pay on your way in at the iron ranger.

Thur. Sept 25-28 - McCulley Farms Campout - All reservations made through McCulley Farms 386-938-1147. Electric & Primitive sites. Directions: 3019 NW McCulley Farm Rd, Jasper, FL 32052 \*\*\*DO NOT USE GPS\*\*\* (167 mi from Altoona School) SR 19 north 14 mi; left on SR 40 for 25 mi, right at the light onto 326 for11 mi; Right on I-75 north for 103 mi; (You will go through the AG station after crossing I-10. Make sure you pull in and get checked.) Exit 460, go left on SR 6 for 10.7 mi; Right on CR 143 for 1.3 mi; Left onto McCulley Farm Rd.; 1/4 mi to office.

### OCT:

Thurs. Oct 2 - ATR Monthly Meeting at the Altoona School at 7pm. Address: 42630 FL-19, Altoona, FL 32702.

Sat. Oct. 4 - Sunny Hill West Day Ride. Ride out 9:30 am. Directions: 35 miles from Altoona School. Go west on CR 42 to SE 182 Ave Rd (Buck N Does). Go to end at Meadors Corners(314A). Go left on 314 A to the blinking light. Go left on Hwy 464C to SE 113th St. Rd (2.5 miles). Turn left onto 113th St. and go to end at the stop sign (2.5 miles) at Fisher Rd. Turn right onto Fisher Rd and trail head will be down there on the left. Look for new board fencing.

Wed. Oct 15 - Karen Szabo Day Ride. Ride out 9:30 am. Directions: 24983 CR 42 Paisley, FL 32767. From the intersection of SR 19 and CR 42 in Altoona travel east on CR 42 for 7.7 miles. You will pass a Dollar General on the left and then there will be a brown church on the right. My driveway is on the left across from the brown church. Turn left on the concrete entryway between the mailbox and the wooden Lazy S sign. Follow the drive around the fence and parking will be in the pasture.

Sat. Oct 25 - Rock Springs Run Day Ride. Ride out 9:30 am. Bring your lunch to enjoy at the trailhead after ride. Directions: 30601 Wekiva River Road Sorrento FL 32776. 25 miles from Altoona. Turn left onto CR 42E (3.5 miles) Turn right onto CR 439 (7.8 miles) Turn left onto FL-44E (4.2 miles) Turn right onto CR FL-46E (250ft) Turn right onto Wekiva River Road (0.4 miles) Go 100ft and Turn right into entrance. Follow road to end into camping area turn right to park in open field for day riding.

- Thurs. Nov 6 ATR Monthly Meeting at the Altoona School at 7pm. Address: 42630 FL-19, Altoona, FL 32702.
- <u>Sat. Nov 8</u> <u>Sunnyhill South Day Ride</u>. <u>Ride out 9:30 am</u>. Bring your lunch to enjoy at the Trailhead after the ride. Directions: Go west on CR 42 from SR 19 for11 mi. Trailhead is across from Buck N Doe's grocery store. Turn left into parking lot at the caution light.
- <u>Sat. Nov 15</u> <u>Twisted Oaks Day Ride</u>. <u>Ride out 9:30 am</u>. Turkey Trot Ride!! Trail will be marked for members to ride at their own pace. Find envelopes on the trail to win prizes. Directions: 43600 SR 19 Altoona, FL 32702. 1 mile from the Altoona School. Head north on SR 19 go 1 mile. Entrance on the left.
- Thurs. Nov 20 The PandoRosa Breakfast Day Ride (Karen Pando's Place). Breakfast served at 8:45am with ride out 10:00am. Bring a chair and beverage of choice. Hang around after the ride to snack on leftovers from breakfast. Directions: 18108 Demko Road, Altoona, FL 32702. 1.1 miles from Altoona School. Head north on SR 19 go 0.4 miles. Turn left onto Demko Rd go 0.7 miles. Turn left into open field for parking. There will be a team there to help with parking.

## DEC:

- Thurs. Dec 4 ATR Monthly Meeting at the Altoona School at 7pm. Address: 42630 FL-19, Altoona, FL 32702. We will draw names for electric spots at Serenity Farms campout Jan 8th-11th.
- Sat. Dec 6 Reindeer Games at Fiddlers Green. Registration starts at 9:00am. Games will start promptly at 9:30am. Directions: 42725 W. Altoona Rd, Altoona, FL 32702. 0.2 miles from Altoona School. Almost directly across the road from Altoona School. Go north on SR 19 a short ways to the first road to the left-W. Altoona Rd. Turn left and follow it around to the main entrance to Fiddlers on the right. Additional parking behind Altoona Methodist Church. Please pick up all manure before leaving parking area.
- Sat. Dec 13 Christmas Party Location to be determined.
- Wed. Dec 17 Sawgrass Day Ride. Ride out at 10am. Christmas ride so decorate those horses and show your Christmas Cheer!! Directions: 11931 Sawgrass Island Road, Umatilla, FL 32784. From Altoona, go west on CR 42 for 7 miles to SE Highway 450. Turn left onto 450 and go less than 1 mile to stay straight on the road onto SE 237th Court which turns into Thomas Boat Landing Road. Continue 1.2 miles on Thomas Boat Landing Road to Sawgrass Island Road on the left. Turn left and follow the dirt road thru the gate. Parking is on the right thru the gate.

## JAN:

- Thurs. Jan 1 ATR Monthly Meeting at the Altoona School at 7pm. Address: 42630 FL-19, Altoona, FL 32702.
- Thurs. Jan 8-11 Serenity Farms Campout. Directions: 10032 S. Heatherhill Terrace, Inverness FL 34432. \*\*DO NOT USE GPS\*\* From Altoona, Go west on CR 42 to the end in Pedro, approximately 30 miles. Go left (south) on CR 475 all the way to the end at SR 44, approximately 4 miles. Go right (west) on SR 44

to Inverness, approximately 13 miles. At the intersection of SR 44 and SR 41, go left (south) onto SR 41. Follow it into Floral City. Go thru Floral City and a few miles south veer right (west) onto CR 480. Follow to the end at the stop sign. Take a left and then an immediate right to continue 480. Go 1.3 miles to a right turn on Flutter Terrace. It is just over a small hill so don't miss it. Follow this road where it turns left and then right. Then take a right

onto Grapeleaf Road. Take the first left onto S. Heatherhill. Follow it to the

end. Andy's place is the last place on the left. NOTE: Follow these directions or you may end up in downtown Inverness with some very sharp turns that will be difficult with a horse trailer. As you get close to Andy's you may also be directed to turn onto a dirt road - DON'T DO IT! You will end up backing your trailer a long ways through the forest!

Thurs. Jan 15 - Fechtel Day Ride(option to camp). Ride out 10am. You must call Ranger to pay and get gate code 407-553-4383. Directions: From Altoona go EAST on CR 42 to the end at SR 44- (approx. 18 miles). Go west (right) on SR 44 to Oak Avenue (gas station on corner)-(approx. 5 miles). Turn left onto Oak Avenue and follow to County Road- until pavement ends. The entrance to Fetchel will be on the left.

Sat. Jan 31 - Inglis Island Day Ride. Ride out 10am. Directions:10905 W. Riverwood Drive, Crystal River, FL 34428. From Altoona go WEST on CR 42 for 22 miles. Turn RIGHT on 27/441 north for 4 miles; LEFT on 132nd St Rd for 28 miles; LEFT on 41 S. Williams ST for ½ mi; RIGHT on W. Dunnellon Rd (CR 488) for 8 miles; RIGHT on N. Northcut Ave for 1.3 mi. LEFT on W. Riverwood Dr. for 2.3 mi; RIGHT at the gate into the parking area next to the dam. You will need the combination to the gate lock. Call 352-447-1720 or 352-236-7143 a few days prior to travel to obtain the combo at no charge.

#### FEB:

Thurs. Feb 5 - ATR Monthly Meeting at the Altoona School at 7pm. Address: 42630 FL-19, Altoona, FL 32702. Nominating Committee needs volunteers. Committee members will call members to find candidates for April's election. Those who wish to serve on the 2026/2027 ATR Board now is the time to speak up!

Thurs. Feb 12-15 - Shangri-La(Greenways) Campout. Reservations are required call 1-800-326-3521 or online at reserve.floridastateparks.org. Primitive sites with a bathhouse available. Horses can be high tied or put in portable panels (you must provide panels). Directions: Located southwest of Ocala 12788 SW 69th Court, Ocala, Fl 34476. (42 miles from Altoona). From Altoona, go west of CR 42 all the way to the end into Pedro (29 miles). In Pedro go right on CR 475 (north) for 3 miles to CR 484. Go left (west) onto CR 484 for about 4.5 miles to Marion Oaks Course(traffic light). Go right (north) onto Marion Oaks Course and follow the road around to the left where it turns into Marion Oaks Trail. Follow the road for 2.5 miles to SW 69th Court. Go right (north) onto 69th Court and follow the road into the campground.

Fri. Feb 20 - Doe Lake Day Ride. Ride out time 10am. Directions: Approx 16 miles from Altoona. From Altoona, go WEST on CR 42 to SE 182nd Ave. (At the Buck N Does grocery). Road for 4 miles to 127th street. There is a brown Doe

Lake sign before this road. Turn right onto this dirt road and go almost 1 mile to the camp entrance on the right.

Sat. Feb 28 - Progressive Dinner Ride. Starting place for ride Paige & Jon Chassie's place-19915 E. Altoona Rd, Altoona, FL 32702. From Altoona School go north on SR 19 a very short distance to the first road to the right, turn right and go to the end of the road, approximately one mile. The Chassis house is the last house on the left. Ride to main course at Twisted Oak. Ride to dessert (secret for now) and then back to Paige & John's place. Appetizers at 11am. Ride out 11:45am.

### MARCH:

Thurs. Mar 5 - ATR Monthly Meeting at the Altoona School at 7pm. Address: 42630 FL-19, Altoona, FL 32702. We will announce candidates running for the 2026/2027 Riding Season at meeting.

Sat. Mar 7 - ATR Yard Sale (Umatilla City Wide Yard Sale)
Sat. Mar 14 - Obstacle Play Day.

Thurs. Mar 19 - Tiger Bay State Forest Day Ride. Ride out 10am. Directions: 4316 W. International Speedway Blvd. Daytona Beach, FL 32124. 35 miles from Altoona. Turn left onto CR 42E (19 miles). Turn left onto FL-44E (2.8 miles) at traffic circle take the 2nd exit continue on 44 (150ft) to next traffic circle to continue on 44(1.4 miles). Turn left onto FL-15 Alt N/N Spring Garden Ave (1.8 miles). Turn right onto International Speedway Blvd (9.7 miles) Turn left onto Brick Road/Old Deland Road (50ft) entrance into Tiger Bay State Forest.

Thurs. Mar 26-29 - Colt Creek State Park Campout. Make your reservations through reserve.floridastateparks.org. Primitive camping. Directions: 16000 State Road 471, Lakeland, FL 33809, 863-815-6761, approx. 65 miles from Altoona. From Altoona head south on SR 19 all the way to SR 50 in Groveland (34miles). Go west on SR 50 to CR 471 (13 miles). Head south on CR 471 to the entrance of Colt Creek which will be on the left (18 miles).

#### APR:

Thur. April 2 - ATR Monthly Meeting at the Altoona School at 7pm. Address: 42630 FL-19, Altoona, FL 32702. It's time to vote in the 2026/2027 Board! Sat. April 4 - Lake George Conservation Area Day Ride. Ride out 9:30am. There are restrooms and wide open parking. We do cross a small country road to get on the trails. We will ride down to the lake. Directions: 37 miles from Altoona. Head north on FL-19N (10miles) Turn right onto CR 445A (4.1 miles) Turn right onto FL-40E (9.5 miles) Turn left onto US-17N (10 miles) Turn left onto Clayton Ave/Lake George Road (0.2 miles) Turn right onto Church Street (200ft) Turn left onto Lake Goerge Road (2.4 miles) Entrance will be on the right.

Thurs. April 16 - Halfmoon WMA Day Ride. Ride out 9:30am. Directions: 6014 FL-44 Lake Panasoffkee, FL 33538 From Altoona, Go west on CR 42 to the end in Pedro, approximately 30 miles. Go left(south) on CR 475 all the way to the end at SR 44, approximately 4 miles. Go right(west) on SR 44 for approximately 6 miles. Look for Half Moon WMA signs. Turn RIGHT onto CR 247 for 4 miles to the Half Moon parking area on the left.

Thurs. April 23-26 - Rolling Hills Campout.

### MAY:

Sat. May 2 - Kentucky Derby Party.

Tues. May 5 - Cinco De Mayo Day Ride. Ride out 9:30am. Let's Celebrate with a Taco Tuesday Ride! Club will provide the taco's. Bring a chair and a beverage of your choice.

Thurs. May 7 - ATR Monthly Meeting at the Altoona School at 7pm. Address: 42630 FL-19, Altoona, FL 32702.

Thurs. May 14 - Orange Creek, Citra Day Ride. Directions: 5225 E. Highway 318 Citra, FL 32133 (approx. 60 miles from Altoona). From Altoona, go north on SR 19 to SR 40. Go West on SR 40 to CR 326. Go north-west on CR 326 to SR 441/301 for 5.5 miles to where 441 and 301 split. Keep right to stay on SR 301. Go 5.5 miles to the traffic light at CR 318. Go east on CR 318 for 3 miles and the trail head will be on the left.

<u>Sat. May 23</u> - <u>Trailhead Ranch Day Ride.</u> <u>Ride out 9:30am.</u> \*\*RSVP REQUIRED\*\*. Directions: 27435 SE Hwy 42 Umatilla, FL 32784 From Altoona, go West on CR 42 for 3.3 mi. Look for Trailhead Ranch sign on the RIGHT. Turn onto dirt driveway and follow to designated parking in pasture straight ahead. Park as directed.

# JUNE:

Thurs. June 4 - ATR Meeting at the Altoona School at 7pm. Address: 42630 FL-19, Altoona, FL 32702. Ice Cream Social!!! Welcome the new 2026/2027 Board! Sat. June 6 - Awards Banquet Grand Oaks. Directions: 3000 Marion County Road Weirsdale, Fl 32195. 22 miles from Altoona. Turn right onto CR 42W (16 miles) Turn left onto SE 155th Ave (2.1 miles) Turn left onto Marion County Road (0.5 miles) Turn right onto Grays Airport Road (0.5 miles) Turn right onto Griffin Ave (0.5 miles) Turn left to stay on Griffin Ave (0.8 miles) Turn right onto Four In Hand (0.4 miles) Turn left onto Phaeton Way (0.2 miles) Turn right (150ft) to parking area. Walk following signs to Bistro entrance.