

HOOFBEATS

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TALES FROM THE TRAIL: STACK ROCK



The new Stack Rock trailhead parking lot, almost at the top of Bogus Basin, has gotten plenty of use from club members lately. There is room for 4 rigs on the sides of the entry into this parking lot. There is a large turn-around at the far end of the parking lot, (past the bathrooms) that makes it very easy to turn around and park facing the exit. The trailhead is at the back of the turn-around.

On the map I marked up; the main road up to Bogus Basin is in white and the parking lot is at the bottom right.

Next Meeting:
for October is still
under discussion.
Email will be sent
out.

Website: Membership forms available, previous newsletters, articles and pictures: www.gaitedhorseclub.com

Facebook: Search for "Southern Comfort Gaited Horse Club" or click <https://www.facebook.com/groups/173300099742934/> and request to be added. That is our PUBLIC group and has a nationwide coverage with over 225 followers. We also have a separate PRIVATE page, solely for members.



Riding: follow the green trail from the parking lot. You will zig zag down for .8 mile and then cross the main road. Continue through "boulder city" (totally cool section) and go several miles across the front side of the slopes with nice, long views of the valley. Once you reach an intersection with a wooden teepee and commemorative rock sign (and why its called Fredy's Stack rock trail), you'll continue straight. Very soon, you will see a little trail come join this main trail. This is where you will come back from the loop.



Continue on the main trail until you cross over a berm. You are now looking at a loop trail that goes around Stack Rock and each intersection has named and numbered signs.

A nice route is to go straight and get up to Stack Rock with a manageable uphill section. Once near the rock, there is a short trail to the right to take you to base of the rock; a nice spot for lunch. Then backtrack the short distance to the main trail, and continue the ride by heading northwest around the back of the rock on the regular trail.

Continue a couple of miles to the next intersection and choose Stack Rock Cutoff to the left-ish, also marked in green on the map. When that trail intersects another trail, veer RIGHT on the black trail. These last 2 sections are quite nice and used much less than the other sections. You'll ride through a fun "amusement park" and then be at the teepee and commemorative rock again. Head straight across, returning on the trail the same way you came. Total distance is just under 12 miles. 3½ to 4 hours, including a snack break. Much of the trail is cruiseable with good terrain.

THANK YOU TO THE CARROLLS

We presented Phil and Margaret a wooden plaque to thank them for all their help throughout the years with the club: 15 years! Shown is Phil on Timer in the club's drill team colors, way-back-when. And Margaret alongside Timer one winter. Timer crossed the rainbow bridge recently so we celebrated his life as well.



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Gratefully Acknowledges

Phil and Margaret Carroll

**For their YEARS of dedicated service to
the entire gaited horse community**

