



# Matthiessen State Park CMO

National Association of Competitive

Mounted Orienteering

**When:** Sat, Oct.14 and Sun. Oct.15, 2023

**Where:** Matthiessen State Park Horse Campground, Utica IL

**CMO FEES:** \$12.00 per rider per day, Non-members pay \$5.00 additional per day for insurance, CHILDREN under 18 years old 6.00 per day

**Camping Fees:** \$8.00/site each night. Camping is primitive with Port-a-Potty, and water for horses. Plenty of camping spaces, some with high lines. Portable corrals and picket lines are allowed, but no tying horses directly to trees.

***PARK WILL CLOSE IF CONDITIONS ARE TOO WET, PLEASE CHECK WITH RIDE MANAGERS!***

**Directions:** Located on Rt.178. 4 miles south of Utica IL

From Rt. 80. Take exit 81 south for IL Rt 178 toward Utica.

Stay on 178 approx. 6 miles. You will go through the town of Utica, the horse camp is

Located on the west side of 178 right after you cross rt. 71. The entrance is not very obvious, watch for signs.

**Saturday-** Pre Ride meeting at 10:00 local time. First riders out 10:30

**Sunday -** Pre Ride meeting at 9:00 am, riders out 9:30. No riders out after 12 noon.

Short course available both days

Sat.- 5 pm Potluck supper. Ride managers provide a main dish, please bring a dish to pass.

Competitive Mounted Orienteering is a timed event. Find 5-10 markers using a map (provided), and your compass. Riders compete either individually or in teams of 2 or more. Ride at any pace you like. We provide instructions and a practice marker before the ride. It's easy and fun to learn. We'll train you! Bring an orienteering type compass or borrow one of ours.

**Ride Managers:** Pat Mouw 708/227-5189

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**Nat'l website:** [www.nacmo.org](http://www.nacmo.org)