



National Association of Competitive Mounted Orienteering

“A Treasure Hunt on Horseback”

BIT & SPUR CLINIC & CMO

May 16-17, 2026

LOCATION: Clinic at Bit & Spur Saddle Club Grounds, 10425 W Cameron St., Eau Claire, WI 54703

CMO is at Town of Union Conservancy, located at the corner of White Pine Dr & Deer Park Rd, Eau Claire, WI 54703

RIDE MANAGERS: Allison Mentink 715-308-3602, allisonmentink@yahoo.com

Saturday – **Please Pre-register.** Clinic 1pm-5pm at Bit & Spur Saddle Club

Sunday – Registration begins @ 8am, Pre-ride meeting @ 9am, Ride begins @ 10am with riders leaving every 10 minutes

BEGINNERS WELCOME!! – short course available

Please complete registration forms prior to ride meetings. [Registration Form](#) & [Release Register Online](#)

RIDE FEES: CMO Clinic (optional) \$10/rider
NACMO SANCTIONED RIDE Sunday, May 18
Members \$10.00/day for adults, \$5.00/day for juniors
Non-members \$15.00/day for adults, \$10.00/day for juniors
First Time Riders \$5

CAMPING: Available. Fees vary. Contact Kristen King for details

FACILITIES: Clinic at Bit & Spur Saddle Club. Water and overnight camping available
CMO at Town of Union Conservancy – ample parking available

TRAILS: Rolling, grass, dirt, rock, and some dirt/gravel road riding.

POTLUCK: Dinner on Saturday night. Main dish will be provided by ride management. Bring your own plates, utensils, beverage, and a dish to share.

DIRECTIONS: Town of Union Conservancy is located off White Pine Drive just south of Crescent Avenue

Competitive Mounted Orienteering (CMO) is a timed event. The ride manager has set up from 5 to 10 paper plates, called markers, in a given area. You will be given a map with the general area of the markers circled, along with a list of clues to find the marker. The clues will describe something in the area - perhaps a specific tree, a log, a rock, or a shelter, along with a compass reading. Each team then decides their route to each marker, locates the landmarks from the clues, and finds the marker using a compass. Write the letters found on the marker on your map to verify that you were there and then ride on to the next marker. Ride as an individual or a team of two or more. Bring your horse, your compass (non-electronic), and be prepared for a great afternoon of riding! Ask the Ride Managers if you need instructions.

Ribbons are awarded for the 1st through 6th place teams each day in the long course and 1st through 3rd for the short course (two ribbons per team). Points are kept on a state level and national level, and year-end awards are also given at the annual banquet.

