



## Equestrian Friends of Governor Knowles State Forest

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March 3, 2018

Dear Friend,

2017 was a great year for the Equestrian Friends of Governor Knowles State Forest!

As one of our supporters, you already know that riding the Forest's 40 miles of horse trails is wonderful. However, we want to tell you what we've been doing to make your experience even better and encourage you to **"Be a Friend"** by updating your membership.

We would also love to have you join us for our **Annual Membership Meeting on March 31, 2018.**

Your 2017 volunteer hours and membership dollars helped make the following possible:

- **Brown Trail** - Our ongoing work to maintain and repair the heavily used part of the Brown Trail behind the Trade River Day Camp required 22 hours of skid steer time and 135 tons of trap rock and slag for a total cost of \$4,325.
- **Westside of Trade River Trail** - Many riders cross the Trade River at the Day Use area and head west up the hill. To stabilize this area we invested 8 hours of skid steer time and 45 tons of trap rock and slag for a total cost of \$1,470.
- **Certified Firewood** - Emerald ash borer infestations require that only certified firewood can be burned in the Forest. Volunteers coordinated the ordering, stocking and collection of fees for firewood at the Trade River Campground. (Thanks Marlene & Lisa)
- **National Trails Day Ride** - A hot June day was the perfect setting for this ride with a Mardi Gras theme. Contestants searched for six buckets full of colorful beads to be traded for prizes. Generous sponsorships from Williamson White Funeral Home in Amery and Johnson Motors helped raise more than \$1,000! (Thanks Shannon & Shanon)
- **Saddle Up for the Forest** - This annual Labor Day Saturday event was the biggest ever and raised \$1,627! Sixty-seven riders met at the Trade River Day Camp and took on six obstacles strategically located along the Brown Trail. Judges scored riders on a variety of criteria in three divisions.
- **Website & Facebook** - Volunteers keep folks posted on FB and at [www.governorknowles.org](http://www.governorknowles.org)

### Annual Membership Meeting

March 31, 2018

8:30 AM Social hour, 9:30 AM Meeting

Wisconsin Interstate Park - Ice Age Interpretive Center

Take Hwy 35 south of Hwy 8 from St Croix Falls .3 miles to park entry on west side Hwy 8

**For more information: Patti – 715-483-9292 or [Patti@rnrtrack.com](mailto:Patti@rnrtrack.com)**

### Be A Friend - Join Today!

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#### Equestrian Friends of Governor Knowles State Forest

#### Membership Application

( ) Individual \$10      ( ) Family \$15      ( ) Sponsor \$25 minimum

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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