



2018 NATRC NATIONAL CONVENTION



February 9-11, 2018
Hotel Albuquerque at Old Town

Mosey on down to Albuquerque, New Mexico and help us celebrate 57 years of competitive trail riding. The celebration begins Thursday with the National Board Meeting and ends on Sunday morning with Region 3's Awards Breakfast. Expect fun and information the entire weekend.

Be Enchanted By Our Equines in The Land of Enchantment.

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The hotel donates a portion of your room rate to help preserve New Mexico's unique cultural heritage.

Registration and Hospitality Suite: "Official" gathering place for all NATRC attendees and their guests. Open Thursday evening (pick up registration packets); Friday and Saturday during speaker breaks; after Friday night's entertainment; and again after Saturday's awards presentation. Join friends for snacks, drinks and camaraderie.

Thursday

NBOD Mtg | 8:00am - 5:00pm. Open to all NATRC members. Learn how our board makes decisions and works diligently to improve and enhance NATRC.

Vendors | Setup Thursday. Open Friday morning through Saturday after last speaker. *Bring your Silent Auction items, too!*

Friday (Registration: 8:00 am)

- Morning Session**
- **Dr. Bill Cumberworth**, host, *Judges Panel*. Submit written questions to horsemanship and veterinary judges.
 - **Dr. Bill Wingle**, *Mapping and GPS*. Bring your GPS and learn from our very own expert how to best utilize it for a CTR.

Afternoon FUN Session (Two Options) | Be enchanted by New Mexico's unique cultural experiences. The hotel is within walking distance of seven museums and hundreds of shops, restaurants, bars, galleries and cultural attractions.

Walking tour of Old Town Albuquerque (2.5 hours; Free):

- Historic Spanish Mission church, San Felipe de Neri
- Lunch & dances at the Indian Pueblo Cultural Center
- Walk around historic sites
- Shopping

Driving tour (4 hours; possible transportation charge TBD):

- Follow parts of El Camino Real de Tierra Adentro and Historic Route 66
- Tour Abo pueblo and mission ruins, one unit of the Salinas Pueblo Missions National Monument
- Scenic drive through the eastern mountains.

- Early Evening**
- **Region 3 Board Meeting**. Open to all NATRC members
 - **Judges Committee Meeting**. Open to Judges Committee members and NATRC Executive Committee only.

- Evening Delight (Two Options)**
- **Tablao Flamenco**, *The Flamenco Dance, Song, and Guitar*. Experience the energy of this production in its intimate traditional setting. Located in the hotel, it features a world class lineup of artists. Admission: \$10 - \$30. Visit www.tablaoflamenco.org for more information.
 - **Trivia Pursuit**, *NATRC edition*. Fun game to improve team work and camaraderie. Bring a sense of humor and knowledge of NATRC. Build your own team.

Saturday

- Morning Session**
- **Lynn Clifford**, Professional Counselor and Life Coach. "*The Inner Aspects of Horsemanship*" for the ride of your life. Improve your relationship with your horses from the often overlooked but powerful perspective of "the inside out." Go to www.LynnClifford.com to learn more about this uniquely amazing equestrian.
 - **Albuquerque Mounted Police**. Receive advice and view demonstrations on how to help make our equines "Bomb Proof." The mounted police currently have ten draft horses in their stables.

Lunch | **National Luncheon and General Membership Meeting**. Join NATRC President, Angie Meroshneoff, in the Franciscan Room for a delicious lunch and forum. Interact with other regions to learn what interesting things they are doing to improve participation at their rides.

Afternoon Session | **Christina Savitsky**, enchanting northern NM cowgirl. "*Riding Should be Fun*." A certified instructor in both Therapeutic Riding and Level II Centered Riding, she will give us tools to help us to be comfortable all day in the saddle. Check out www.buckarobalance.com to learn more.

Evening | **Cocktail Hour and Awards Banquet**. Enjoy a special presentation during the cocktail hour on the history of Region 3 while a video prepared by Wava O'Brien runs in the background. The banquet includes classical piano entertainment performed by a very special NATRC member. Silent Auction, Raffle drawing. AWARDS presentation hosted by Dr. Kay Gunckel.

Sunday

Morning | **Region 3 Awards Breakfast**. Includes ride auctions and awards for mileage, worker points, R3 awards. Members of all regions are invited to attend.