

# **Marsh Tacky History Day – March 20, 2010**

## **Recreational Horse Use Regulations on Hobcaw Barony**

### **Permission to Ride on Hobcaw Barony**

Recreational horse use on Hobcaw Barony will be allowed only by official permit or special permission officially granted by the Director, Belle W. Baruch Foundation (Foundation) or a designee of the Director.

Registered participants will receive permits at the entrance gate. The ride permit must be present in the vehicle of transport of horses for riding on Hobcaw Barony. The permit must be shown to Foundation personnel upon request.

The ride permit may be revoked by the Foundation director or his designee due to rider disregard for the following rule set or any behavior that jeopardizes the well-being of people, wildlife, or Foundation property.

The Foundation reserves the right to refuse issuance of a ride permit to any individual or group of individuals guilty of prior inappropriate behavior while riding on Hobcaw Barony.

### **Limited Access**

Parking of horse trailers will be strictly confined to designated parking areas and parking spaces as designated by the riding permit.

Only horses with current Coggins test papers present in the vehicle of transport will be admitted to Hobcaw Barony.

No stallions or jacks will be allowed on Hobcaw Barony for recreational trail riding. However, Marsh Tacky stallions will be allowed on the property for demonstration and presentation purposes on March 20, 2010.

Riders will not be admitted to the property before 7:30am or after 9:30am on the day of the permitted ride.

All riders must have left the property no later than 5:00pm on the day of the permitted ride.

Riders under the age of 18 years must be accompanied by an adult 21 years of age or older. The ratio of the number of persons under 18 years old to adults at least 21 years old must not exceed five (5) to one (1).

**All riders must sign a release document recognizing recreational horse use as a hazardous activity as described by the South Carolina Equine Limited Liability Act (S.C. Code Ann. § 47-9-710 (1993)), and releasing the Foundation and its personnel from any liability for any human or horse injury incurred while pursuing recreational horse use on Hobcaw Barony. Parent or guardian signatures will be required for all riders under the age of 18 years.**

**Riding activity will be restricted to designated roads and trails only. Roads and trails open to horse use will be designated on a map supplied to each group leader and clearly marked on the ground. Riders that leave the designated roads and trails may be asked to immediately leave the property.**

**All plantation buildings are of historical value and are not generally available for unsupervised access.**

**The areas immediately surrounding historic buildings are protected from horse traffic. Riders wishing to inspect the outsides of historic buildings must tie their horses at designated sites and inspect the buildings on foot.**

#### **Horse Tying and Restraint**

**All horses not being ridden must be under restraint by lead rope or tied.**

**No horse may be tied with a single rope to a tree due to the risk of chewing and pawing damage.**

**Horses may be cross-tied between trees or on a highline tied between trees. Riders may use their own highlines or use highlines supplied by the Foundation at certain sites.**

#### **Riding Behavior**

**Riding gaits will be restricted to walk, running walk, and trot as a safety precaution to protect the well-being of riders riding at slow gaits.**

**Racing of horses is strictly prohibited.**

**Going off trail to jump fallen trees or other obstacles is strictly prohibited.**

**All riding in the trailhead areas will be strictly confined to the walk.**

### **Other Regulations**

**Disposal of waste hay and manure contained in horse trailers will be strictly prohibited in the day-ride parking area.**

**Use of alcoholic beverages on the trail or at trail rest stops is strictly prohibited.**

**Use of illicit drugs on Foundation property is strictly prohibited. Violators will be immediately removed from the property.**

**With the exception of law enforcement officials, firearms are prohibited on Hobcaw Barony.**

**Safe speeds should be observed on all roads. Under no circumstances should speeds exceed 20 mph.**

**Digging for archeological artifacts is prohibited. Artifacts found on Hobcaw Barony are the property of the Belle W. Baruch Foundation and must be turned over to appropriate Foundation staff.**

**All other Federal, State and local law and ordinances must be complied with on Hobcaw Barony.**