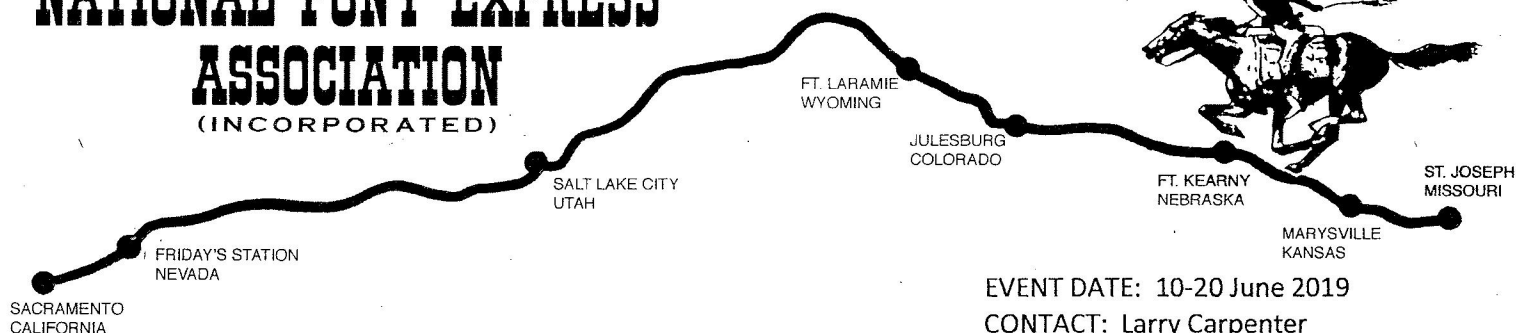


NATIONAL PONY EXPRESS ASSOCIATION (INCORPORATED)



EVENT DATE: 10-20 June 2019
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NEWS RELEASE

PONY EXPRESS RE-RIDE

The Pony Express will Ride again across the American West. A Re-run of the famed mail service will be done June 10-20, 2019, by the National Pony Express Association.

Commemorative Letters and Personal Mail will be carried by horse and rider relays from the Missouri River to the Sacramento River. The first Rider departs the Patee House in St. Joseph, Missouri, June 10th at 3:00 PM, with the last Rider riding into Pony Express Plaza in Old Sacramento, California, at 4:30 PM.

The route will be over the Pony Express National Historic Trail, a component of the National Trails System administered by the National Park Service. From Missouri, the mail will travel 1966 miles through Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, Wyoming, Utah, and Nevada, to California.

600 Riders from the NPEA's eight State Divisions will in the custom of the Pony Express take the Pony Express Oath and receive a Bible prior to riding. Riding Relays of 1-5 miles each, they will take turns transporting a mail filled mochila--- a leather square with four cantinas (pockets) sewn in the corners, and fitting over their saddles.

The Re-ride is a 10-day, 24 hour a day event honoring the Central Overland California and Pikes Peak Express Company founded by Russell, Majors, and Waddell, a Missouri freighting firm. It carried letters and telegrams from April 1860 to November 1861, to prove the Central Route through Salt Lake and Placerville, passable year-round and win a proposed federal mail contract.

The Commemorative Letters in this year's mochila will be a Vignette of Pony Express History in Colorado Territory. The Cachets can be purchased at 1860 prices--- \$5.00. Letter Applications can be obtained by downloading them from the NPEA'S Website.

Updates and information can be found on the NPEA's Website: "nationalponyexpress.org," and during the Ride on facebook.com/expressrider/. A GPS unit in the mochila will transmit real-time location of the mochila/mail, and will be found on "nationalponyexpress.org/annual-reride/follow-the-ride/. A telephone hotline (855-809-8589) with recorded reports of Rider locations will be available June 10-20, courtesy of Churchill Communications. Additional information can be obtained from National Pony Express Association, PO Box 236, Pollock Pines, CA 95726, or (916) 332-8382.

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and Re-ride the Historical Pony Express Trail

PONY EXPRESS RIDE INFORMATION

2019 Pony Express Re-ride

National Schedule

Depart St Joseph, Missouri
Monday, June 10, 3:30 PM, CDT

Missouri/Kansas Line (Elwood KS)
Monday, June 10, 3:30 PM CDT

Kansas/Nebraska Line (Tri-County Marker)
Tuesday, June 11th, 12:30 PM CDT

Nebraska/Colorado Line (South of Big Springs NE)
Thursday, June 13th, 3:30 CDT/2:30 AM MDT

Colorado/Nebraska Line (Chapel, NE)
Thursday, June 13th, 6:00 AM MDT

Nebraska/Wyoming Line (Lyman, NE)
Thursday, June 13th, 6:00 PM MDT

Wyoming/Utah Line
Sunday, June 16th, 2:00 AM, MDT

Salt Lake City, Utah
Sunday, June 16th, 10:30 AM, MDT

Utah/Nevada Line (Ibapah, UT)
Monday, June 17, 6:30 AM, MDT/5:30 AM, PDT

Nevada/California Line (South Lake Tahoe, NV)
Wednesday, June 19th, 5:30 PM PDT

Arrive Old Sacramento, California
Thursday, June 20th, 4:30 PM, PDT

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