

Saddle Up

A Saddle Up event involves a scenic horse ride, good conversation, and money raised for a worthy cause. Participants collect donations before the ride. Prizes may be given for the most funds raised, or for best-dressed horse and rider. This easy day of riding horses in the outdoors will be a welcomed event for nature lovers and equestrians alike.

- Plan a scenic, safe trail ride on which horses are allowed. This may be on public lands, or you may ask a donor to allow use on their private land.
- Ask participants to pre-register for the event. As they register, give each participant a specially marked envelope and any rules for the event. Ask participants to start collecting donations right away.
- Create a Facebook event to invite everyone to participate and create a Facebook group for those who have registered. Promote the event by posting photos of the scenic trail!
- Ask local co-op mercantile stores, horse-feed supply stores, or country-western apparel stores for prize donations; or purchase low-cost prizes such as specialty belt buckles for each winner. Prizes may be for the fund raiser who collected the most donations, or for best-dressed horse and rider. You may choose to split prizes into adult and youth categories.
- Make sure to have water bottles and a small snack for participants to take on their ride.