

# HOOF PRINTS

DOUGLAS COUNTY TRAIL RIDERS  
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August 2017

## Upcoming Events

All events at the DCTR Clubhouse and Grounds unless otherwise stated. Check [www.dctr.org](http://www.dctr.org) or our Facebook page for event specifics throughout the year.

## September

- 2 Ottawa Cowboy Days Parade
- 8 DCTR Monthly Meeting
- 10 DCTR KSHSC Horse show and Tack Sale
- 16-17 Trail Ride - Kanopolis Lake

## October

- 6 DCTR Monthly Meeting
- 8 Despooking/Parade Eval/Open Arena
- 15 Trail Ride TBA
- 21 Maple Leaf Parade
- 29 DCTR Fall Fun Show

## November

- 3 DCTR Monthly Meeting
- 5 DCTR Benefit Trail Ride

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## Trail Rides

The August trail ride at Pomona Lake was a lot of fun. We had about 12 riders. The weather couldn't have been better and the trails were beautiful. Thanks for all those who came to ride.



We are also looking forward to riding at Kanopolis Lake (September 16-17<sup>th</sup>) and the October 15<sup>th</sup> ride (TBD; suggestions welcome) and be sure to save the date, November 5<sup>th</sup>, for the November DCTR Fundraiser ride at the club house.



See the attached flyers or our Facebook page for information for all the rides, or text Liz Rombach at 816-289-7197. DCTR Members are encouraged to contact Michelle Vassar ([nitecharm16@yahoo.com](mailto:nitecharm16@yahoo.com)) to sign up for flash ride notifications and to join the DCTR StarS (the Spontaneous Trail Adventure Riders) Facebook page.

## Play Days/Despooking Clinic

August brought a mini clinic on Barrels and Pole bending given by Andi Kent and Amber Baker. A roping dummy was available just for fun.

The next open arena will be October 8 at the Despooking clinic. Be sure to take your horses thru the obstacles that will also be set up.

### Ottawa Cowboy Days Parade

The next parade is Labor Day weekend at the Ottawa Cowboy Days, September 2 at 11 a.m. Hope everyone can join us for that one. We will be meeting at the Ottawa Fairgrounds by 9 am. Wear your white shirts and western hats. We will provide the blue vests. All horse and rider combinations must be parade certified thru DCTR at one of our despooning clinics. Contact Misti Tidball for more information.



### September Horse Show at DCTR

DCTR will host the KSHSC Show on September 10. We provide the venue for this show. Come out to show or watch. Showmanship, Western Pleasure and Horsemanship classes just to name a few are on the show bill. See attached show bill/entry form for all the details.

Of course, it takes volunteers to host a successful show. We'll need help in the office and concession stand as well as gate and arena people. If you can help, please contact Marty Bloomquist, 785-554-3257, martydsranch1@gmail.com or Liz Rombach at 816-289-7197.

Just in time for that Fall closet and tack room clean out, DCTR will offer a Tack and **Show Clothing Sale** at the show. If you would like to donate items for DCTR to sell with proceeds going to offset show expenses, we will be accepting items at the Clubhouse and at the DCTR booth the day of the show.

We are asking each donor to price and tag their items. Please provide a written total amount and your name and email so we can send you a donation receipt for your tax records and for our records. We are also offering **booth spaces** for a \$15 donation if you would like to set up your own booth. Contact Maggie Stout at 913-375-8424 or Julie Springer at 785-979-1161 with any questions.



While there, take a minute to check out our **DCTR T-shirts**, long and short sleeve. They will be for sale along with samples of our new hoodies and ball caps. **We are taking orders for hoodies and ball caps until October 6.** Everyone ordering by the deadline will be entered into a drawing for a **FREE HOODIE.** **Don't forget to order yours.**

Save the date of October 29 for the next Fun Show. Get those Halloween costumes ready because there will be a class to show them off.

At any horse event sponsored by DCTR there will be a **pet policy** in effect: "Owners assume all liability for their pets. All dogs and other pets must be on leash or contained at all times. Dogs are not allowed inside the arena at any time. DCTR reserves the right to require any disruptive or dangerous animals leave the premises. DCTR assumes **NO** liability."

## **DCTR Discount on Equine Chakras and Crystals Clinic**

**September 9, 16 10:00-4:00**

The class will be presented by Dendria McLaughlin of HathaHorse.

Did you know...?

***How to read, understand and influence the body energy of your horse through the chakra system.***

*The seven main chakras are spinning vortexes of subtle energy located along the spinal column. Each chakra spins in a clockwise direction when balanced and increases in speed as they travel from the base of the spine to the top of the head. Our bodies as well as animal's bodies, assimilate information from our surroundings via the auric field and from there it travels on "arteries" known as meridians or nadis and is then processed at each chakra center. Each chakra is associated with a major nerve plexus, an endocrine organ, an area of the body and a specific level of consciousness. At the same time, our chakras reflect outward and into our aura affecting our surroundings. They are an interactive system with a constant interchange. Chakras also have a developmental stage and depending on an animal or human's life experiences, they can become stagnant, reversed or overactive. If suspended in one of these states, disease can arise. The important part aside from the definition is to know you don't have to have a sick animal in order to work with the chakra system. It is a matter of helping balance the system that is of the utmost importance. Balancing the chakras on a routine basis can help to bring harmony and homeostasis to your animals. It is a complementary therapy that can assist in any healing process along with regular veterinary care.*

***Special Pricing for DCTR Members! Only \$95. See the attached flier for more information.***

## **Maintenance**

For those of you with itchy hands and want to put them to work, we have several little projects around the clubhouse and arena that need some TLC. If you find yourself with a bit of time and would like to help out, please contact Michelle Vassar at (785) 764 2699 or email her [nitecharm16@yahoo.com](mailto:nitecharm16@yahoo.com) for more information. Since we have a KSCHC Show coming up on Sept 10, it would be great if we could get this list done way before then. If there is anything on this list that you find yourself drawn to doing or anything you see that will make our clubhouse and arena areas look better, do it. The obstacle items will be needed for the horse show so let's make those a priority.

## **Reminders**

Please remember although the arena is open to members to use any time, any obstacles that are placed inside the arena should be removed after use. Also if it rains and the ground is wet, please do not use the arena. We are still working on the sand and footing.

We now have a Suggestion Box at the clubhouse. Feel free to submit your ideas for how the club can better serve our members or things you would like to see offered.

## **Wish List**

Next time you are shopping, would you pick an item to add to our supply? Here is a list:

- Brand name can sodas, regular and diet of Coke, Pepsi, Dr. Pepper, Sprite, Root Beer, Mt Dew
- Bottled water
- Ice cream
- Sturdy divided paper plates
- Dessert plates
- Sturdy soup bowls
- Solo cups
- Styrofoam coffee cups
- Plastic forks, heavy duty
- Deserts for the September 10<sup>th</sup> show.