

HOOF PRINTS

DOUGLAS COUNTY TRAIL RIDERS
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July 2017

Upcoming Events

All events at the DCTR Clubhouse and Grounds unless otherwise stated. Check www.dctr.org or our Facebook page for event specifics throughout the year.

July

- 22 Douglas County Fair Open Show
- 29 Trail Ride - Hillsdale Lake

August

- 4 DCTR Monthly Meeting - Mounted Shooting speaker, Pulled Pork BBQ
- 6 Open Arena/Playday
- 19 Trail Ride - Pomona Lake

September

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

Trail Rides

The June trail ride at Perry Lake was a great success with more than 15 riders. The weather couldn't have been better and the trails were beautiful. Thanks for all those who came to ride.



The July ride is at Hillsdale Lake at the Saddle Ridge Equestrian Area, Saturday, July 29th with a 9:30 am ride out.

Anyone interested in extending the ride? We have DCTR members camping at both the Saddle Ridge Equestrian area (Camp site 14) and at S&S Stables, located right next to the Saddle Ridge Equestrian area. Text Liz Rombach at 816-289-7197 for more information on the scheduled ride or camping info.

Driving directions to Hillsdale Lake Saddle Ridge Equestrian Area from Lawrence; 59S to 35S to 68E (first exit), stay on 68 E for about 20 + miles, and then left on Osawatomie (becomes 271st then Lake Road going over the dam). After you cross the dam turn left on Harmony, then left on W253 (at campground sign and water tower) and right into Saddle Ridge Equestrian Area.

We are also looking forward to rides at Pomona Lake (Saturday, August 19th), Kanopolis Lake (September 16-17th) and the October 15th ride (TBD; suggestions welcome) and be sure to save the date, November 5th, 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) to sign up for flash ride notifications and to join the DCTR StarS (the Spontaneous Trail Adventure Riders) Facebook page.

Play Days

June's open arena and mini clinic brought Amber Roberts out to help our riders with beginning jumping. There were several that had never jumped before and gained a better understanding of the mechanics of getting over that jump whether it is a caveletti or 3 feet off the ground. The horses seemed to enjoy the change of pace as well.



Top Amber Roberts gives instructions for jumping. Below Julie DeYoung puts Ghost thru his paces in the cowboy dressage.



July's open arena and mini clinic was learning about cowboy dressage. Many thanks to Margo Twaddle and Leslie Borden from the Kansas Cowboy Dressage Association for giving us an introduction to the sport.



One of our "coaches" for the day Leslie Borden demonstrates a Cowboy Dressage course.

August 6 we will be having a mini clinic on Barrels and Polebending given by Andi Kent and Amber Baker. A roping dummy will also be available just for fun. It will be open arena time. Be sure to take your horses thru the obstacles that will also be set up.

Despooking Clinic

Sixteen horses were put through their paces at the June Despooking Clinic. Thank you to Jessica and Cody Vassar, Judy Warren and Julie DeYoung for helping to set up/tear down.



The next clinic will be October 8.

Lecompton Territorial Days Parade



Great Job to the 10 riders and 2 mini carts that attended the Lecompton Parade in June. We won third place of \$20.

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.

Summer Fun Show

July 16 was the date for the DCTR Summer Fun Show. Congratulations to all the winners. Our buckle winner in the trail classes were first time trail class riders Janice Maynard and her daughter Addison. Keep up the good work. Thanks to all the volunteers that gave their time to make this fun show a success.

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.



This guy won our first Root Beer Float of the day.

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 for more information.

Wish List

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

- Paper towels
- Brand name can sodas, regular and diet of Coke, Pepsi, Dr. Pepper, Sprite, Root Beer
- Sturdy paper plates
- Dessert plates
- Sturdy soup bowls
- Solo cups
- Styrofoam coffee cups
- Plastic silverware