



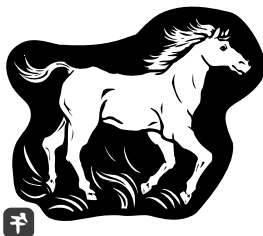
WHA 2009 EVENTS

May TBA	Work bee
May 23-25	Memorial Day
June TBA	Elk Hill Trail Ride
Aug TBA	Work bee
Sept 5-7	Labor Day
Nov 6-8	Fall Turkey Ride

**Don't miss the
WHA Annual
Banquet
March 28, 2009
Comfort Inn, Chelsea
Details Inside!**

REMINDER

WHA has a new website
address:
www.waterloohorsemen.org



THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Waterloo Horsemen Members,

I hope you all had a good summer and got in plenty of trail rides at Waterloo. What a beautiful place we have to enjoy. Each new season brings on a whole new look, even on the same trails. I've enjoyed many rides this year with friends and family. Lots of good camping trips too. I have met so many nice people. I hope you've had the same riding and camping experience at Waterloo.

Have you noticed the split rail fence on some of the trails. That fencing was originally located over at the old prison along Maute road. We had permission to remove it and reinstall it throughout the trails where needed. Even the creek on Maute road looks better because some of that fencing was falling down anyway, so what wasn't any good for fencing we used for the fire Memorial Day weekend. Gary Jones, DNR is working with the Department of Corrections to see if we can gain access to the inside of the prison to obtain more fencing and maybe even a flag pole. This would be nice at the Burns cabin for scouts. We also removed the black fence around the lagoon so horse and rider can't trip over it.

I hope you have enjoyed the new picnic areas that have been created. Many people are unaware that there is a picnic site at the old riding stable. You are able to tie your horse in the standing stall barn. (continued on page 2)

Michigan Horse Council Stallion Expo

Don't forget to join in on the fun March 13 thru 15, 2009 for a week-end of horses, clinics, parades, a rodeo, and all sorts of horse related items to buy. If you would like to get in free of charge, all you have to do is sign up to work the WHA booth in the Trail Room for a 2 hour shift. What better way is there to promote our campground and trail system, than to talk to people about horses and camping. You can sign up to help by calling Greg and April Kapanowski at 517-789-8181. All volunteers are appreciated.

Elections

There will be 4 Board members up for election. Maurice Bowling, Vic Kanta, Laurie Sutherland and Mike Scott. Any members in good standing are also welcome to run for the positions. If interested send your secretary a letter of intent 30 days before the Banquet.

Halloween Spook-Tacular benefit

The weekend of October 17 was a fun filled weekend with multiple activities and events for all ages. The benefit raised almost \$600 towards installing a solar well at the Horsemen's Rustic Campground. The children & adults enjoyed trick or treating, apple bobbing, face painting, arena games, pumpkin painting, hot dog roasting, live music & most of all, the hay ride to a spooky barn! The grand prize winner of the Splash Universe tickets for 4 was Connie Maynard. The drawing was held Sunday morning at our pancake/sausage breakfast. Thank you to Donnie Waltz for donating his campground to host the event and to his brother in law for the use of his spooky barn. The spooky barn was the biggest hit. It involved a hayride to the barn and a tour through the barn. Also thank you to all of the volunteers who made this event the success it was. "Project Well" has generated over 60 new sponsors who support the WHA and all efforts to further advance our campground. Please check out our website for future events.

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There are two picnic tables in there, running water and an out-house.

Since we couldn't get Loveland Rd treated for dust control, the DNR gave us permission to create a new trail from out of the overflow to as far as we could go to the entrance of the campground. And have you checked out Lily Pond Lookout? Now it is going to be even more beautiful with the colors changing. Enjoy the view!

The creek crossing is getting mixed reviews. There is no doubt that it is safer to cross with the tree removed from the east bank and some of the large rocks relocated on the west bank. Also we removed the stumps up at the picnic area that people kept tripping over. Once the brush pile dies down and it greens up with grass and wild flowers that were planted, it will look very nice.

I've heard suggestions about putting stone around the picket posts so water will not stand around them when it rains. Another suggestion was adding stone to the trail off the Clear Lake access road. Any other suggestions, let us know and we'll discuss it with our Board and the DNR.

We would like to welcome Maurice Bowling and Laurie Sutherland as our newest Board members. Thank you Board members for your time and hard work. Also, a thanks to Gary Jones, Andy Haapala, Greg Byce and the rest of the DNR staff for all of your hard work and commitment to the horse trails we love. Thank you Leah Kunzelman for staying on and handling the apparel.

Thank you WHA members which is now 144 paid memberships which when you add spouses and children we have almost 200 members. And a big thank you to our work bee volunteers. We couldn't do this without you. Last but not least, thank you veterans and those that are still serving in our armed forces for giving us the opportunity to do that what we enjoy!

WHA president, Chad Simpson

Memorial Day Weekend

The weather for the weekend was great. Camp and the trails were crowded. There were 80 riders in the Poker ride. Winners for was Thayer Moran in first with 3 jacks, ace high receiving \$100. Second place was Catherine Bryant with 3 nines, king high receiving \$60.00. Third place was Mary Ann Newton with 2 kings and 2 tens receiving \$40. Root beer contest winners were Arlene Sidun in 12 & under and Chantelle Sidun in 13 & over.

DNR Message

We continue to have issues with the campground well. It was open for the holiday weekend, but has been again taken out of service. I am hopeful that it can be open again before the Turkey Ride event.

I have only been able to attend a few meetings this summer, but can say that everyone is enthusiastic and working hard to make trail improvements and enhance events. I would encourage members to submit your ideas, thoughts or concerns to the WHA Board. We have established a communication protocol between the Board and park staff. This will enable the Board and the park staff to know what projects or activities are being considered, and that we are in agreement.

Please remember that all volunteers need to sign a park volunteer form at least annually. These need to be submitted to the park headquarters. Adopt-a-Trail members should also submit their individual hours monthly. Volunteer hours are tracked and help in showing the dedication of the WHA.

Most importantly I want to take the opportunity to say thank you. Thanks to everyone who helped this year with work bee days, camp hosts, Adopt-a-Trail, manure removal or any other way you helped to improve the campground and trails. I don't get the chance often enough to tell you in person, but know what you do is appreciated.

Gary Jones, DNR

Adopt-A-Trail Volunteers

The Adopt-A-Trail program is a group of dedicated volunteers who maintain sections of the Waterloo trail system. Each volunteer "adopts" a section of trail and then is responsible to see that it is safe for all riders to travel on. If any major work is needed, it is usually scheduled to be done during one of the clubs work bees.

There are many sections of trail that are up for adoption. If you are interested in helping out in this way, contact the WHA Board for more information.

If you are enjoying the trails from the back of your favorite mount and happen to meet one of the following people listed below, be sure to thank them for the great job they do. Remember it is easier for many to do a little than for a few to do a lot.

All adopt a trail volunteers must sign the DNR agreement every year. These forms will be at the banquet to make it easier on you.

ADOPT-A-TRAIL VOLUNTEERS

Judy Chanter	517-819-2637	Marker #14 to 15
Ron and Amelia Beyer	734-475-1937	Marker #16 to #17 to Clear Lk Rd
Steve Rossman	517-549-8251	Marker #18 to #19 (yellow)
Cy Richards	517-688-5081	Marker #18 to #20 to #21 to #23
Arlene Taylor	517-522-3409	Marker #20 to #22 (yellow)
Tom Keene	517-522-6482	Glenn Rd north to Baldwin Rd
Jane Barnes	734-475-1439	Outhouse to Clear Lk Rd
Walt Scaramucci	313-565-9376	Marker #15 to #24
Mike Cieslak	734-428-0707	Red trail south of Green Rd to Pink trail to Green Rd north to Red trail
Chad Simpson	734-323-0011	Red trail south of Green Rd to Pink trail to Green Rd north to Red trail
Ben Corwin	517-536-8388	

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Farmlane Campground
Clear Lake Rd
Grass Lake,

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Linda's Diner
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L W Maynard Services
12635 Bunton Rd
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Main Street Pizza
138 E Main St
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Lloyd Bridge Travel Land
1603 S Main St
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5630 Jackson Rd
Ann Arbor, 48103

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Avoca, 48006

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10940 M-52
Manchester, 48158

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Ann Arbor, 48103

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Onsted, MI 49265

The Tack Man
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517-522-4448

Birch Run Expo

February 13 - 15, 2009

There will be an equine expo at Birch Run February 13—15. The Waterloo Horsemen's Association plans to have a table there. As usual we need your help. If your able to work a shift please contact Chad Simpson at 734-323-0011 as soon as possible. He would like to have a schedule set up by next month. While there you can shop and see the specialists at work.

New Solar Well Fund

Some of you may not know your Board members are working on raising money for a solar well at Horsemen's camp. As you may know there is usually only one working well at the camp. DNR keeps trying to get the other well open and succeeds for a short time. So far there has been two fund raisers in which we have raised \$572.00 so far. A long way from our goal of \$30,000 but it is a start. Any donations are welcome and are tax deductible.

Turkey Ride—2009

The annual Turkey Ride will be held on November 6 thru 8, 2009 at the Waterloo Horsemen's Campground. Plans for this weekend will be announced at a later date.

Elk Hill Ride 2008

Our ride started Friday June 6th & ended Sunday June 15. We had a total of 42 people attend with 40 horses. The weather cooperated with most of the rain at night. Elk were in the camp early in the morning seven out of ten days. Some riders saw elk while on the trails but this was limited as the DNR had closed all trails thru the woods. We could only ride the roads or two tracks that were open to vehicles. Thirteen people joined WHA so they could have a fact finding session with invited guests. Attending were state reps, Joel Sheltron, Tom Casperson, & Kevin Elzenheimer. Also attending was the NRA liaison Darin Goens, a land use attorney Randy Smith & a reporter from either the Grayling or Gaylord radio station. A question/answer discussion session was held Friday & Saturday at potlucks arranged by the new WHA members who invited & encouraged all local members to participate in. The resulting opinions were no reasonable cause appeared to justify closing the area. Representatives when taken on trail rides found no evidence of erosion, contamination or any other problem. They agreed to investigate & to possibly re-open discussions to try to re-open the Pigeon River area. They noted it would probably take a year or more. I believe WHA owes a formal letter of appreciation to Dick & Connie Kleinhardt & the other members of Alpena Club for spearheading this project. All trail riders and clubs should contact their State Representatives to get their interest & support to reopen the Pigeon River area to equine use. I would also say we should encourage state reps to promote & support financing for equine camping, trail development & maintenance. Wishing you good horses, good trails & good weather. Ron Beyer

Work Bees

The following members helped work on the trails at the May 10th workbee: Tom Keene, Lewis Maynard, Mike Scott, Vivian Pena, Lucky Shepard, Chad & Cody Simpson, April & Greg Kapanowski, Cal Caldwell, Ron Beyer, Bobby Gerlach, Vic Kanta, Maurice Bowling, Judy Merling, Deb & Samantha Slone.

The following members worked at the August 16 work bee: Tom Keene, Mike Scott, Rudoll & Rachel Nagele, Ben Corwin, Chad & Cody Simpson, Gale Harris, marie Cornell, Cheryl Hix, George Greer, Mike Cieslak, Cal Caldwell, Scott Marqueclant, Kathy Petry, Lucky Shepard, Ron Beyer, Maurice Bowling, Judy Merling, Lewis & Connie Maynard, Deb Slone, Fred Fishmeister, Steve & Karen Rossman, Lana Wood, Doug & Michelle Large, Bobby Gerlach, Sheryl Beeman & Butch Walker

The volunteers put in 4 hours of work, working from 8:00 until noon. Lunch was provided afterwards. Everyone had a good time visiting while working. This is also a good way to get to know other members and your Board along with improving the trails you ride.

While riding on the trails this coming spring watch for spots on the trail that need work. Contact any of the Board members to let them know.

THANK YOU ALL VOLUNTEERS FOR YOUR HELP ON THE TRAILS,DURING WORKBEES OR ON YOUR OWN.

Sponsors for the Halloween Spook-Tacular Benefit

Waterloo Village Market—Grass Lake WITL Radio Jackson
Gordon Food Service—Jackson Janice Waltz-Jackson
City Saloon—Cement City Jet's Pizza—Chelsea
Bridgewater Tavern — Bridgewater Walmart—Jackson
Cottage Inn—Chelsea K-105.3—Jackson
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Coppernolls Rental & Svc Center—425 Michigan, Grass Lake
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Napoleon Plaza Flea Market — 6780 Brooklyn Rd, Jackson

Napoleon Café—6816 Brooklyn Rd, Jackson
Napoleon Feed Mill—120 Depot Ct, Napoleon
Jim's Collision & Service—7441 Brooklyn Rd, Napoleon
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Grass Lake Barber Shop—106 E Michigan Ave, Grass Lake
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Vic's Party Store—101 Austin Rd, Napoleon
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Grass Lake, 49240

Weber's Inn
3050 Jackson Rd
Ann Arbor, 48103

Wolverine
20460 Old US 12
Chelsea, 48115

Also thank you to the DNR agents

Gary Jones
Andy Haapala
Greg Byce

Directions to the Comfort Inn. Take I-94 to the Chelsea exit (#159). Go north. Comfort Inn is on the northwest side of M-52.

Room rate is \$89 if booked by March 1, 2009.734-433-8000
Possibly line dancing instruction.
If you have any questions please contact any Board member.
See you there!!

Waterloo Horsemen's Association, Inc.

Banquet and Annual Meeting

Saturday, March 28, 2009

at

The Comfort Inn, 1645 Commerce Park Drive, Chelsea, Michigan

Social Hour: 5:00 pm—5:30 pm

Annual Meeting: 5:30 pm—6:30 pm

Dinner: 6:30 pm—7:30 pm

Drawing & Entertainment: 8:00 pm—Close

Names of people attending: _____

Members(\$25) _____ Non-members (\$30) _____ Total _____

(Payment in advance for all reservations)

Checks must be received no later than March 21,2009

WHA Room Discount

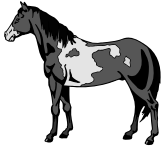
Mail checks to: Waterloo Horsemen's Association

For room reservations-Please call 734-433-8000

c/o Laurie Sutherland

15555 Osius Rd

Chelsea, MI 48118



Waterloo Horsemen's Association
12635 Bunton RD
Willis, MI 48191

WHA 2009 Membership Application

January 1, 2009 thru December 31, 2009

 Name

 Address

 City State Zip

 Phone Email address

Membership Renewal

- Single \$15.00
- Family\$20.00

New Membership

- Single \$20.00
- Family \$25.00

WHA Newsletter

- Send via email
- Send via U.S. mail

Number of & names of Family _____

- Yes, I will allow my name, address, phone number and email to be published in the WHA membership list.

I hereby release Waterloo Horsemen's Association, Inc. of any and all liabilities for personal loss/injury, and/or loss/damage of any kind. I accept all responsibility for myself, family members and personal property.

 Signature

 Date

Send completed application and payment to:
 Renewal dues must be paid by January 30

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