

# HOOF PRINTS

July/August 2018

DOUGLAS COUNTY TRAIL RIDERS  
816 N. 1750 ROAD, LAWRENCE, KS 66049

## 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.

### August

- 5 DCTR Workday 1-5pm
- 10 DCTR Monthly Meeting - NEW DATE!
- 12 Raceo Fun Show
- 16 Board Meeting
- 18 Trail Ride - Wyandotte County Park

### September

- 7 DCTR Meeting
- 13 Board Meeting
- 23 Shane Irvin Clinic
- 28 -30 Trail Ride - Kanopolis State Park

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## Next DCTR Workday is August 5

Our July Workday was cancelled due to the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday. We had a few committed members show up anyway and get a ton of work done. Big shout out to Tom Fehseke for dragging the arena, mowing, spraying weeds, cleaning up trash with support from Susie Fehseke, and Rob and Rachel Eve for putting paneling walls and electrical in the crow's nest. Also, thanks to Jeff Elder for mowing the grounds, and Joan Holmes for mowing around the clubhouse and trails. Thanks to our members for coming through!

The August Workday is **Sunday, August 5 from 1-5 p.m.** Objective is to get the grounds and clubhouse ready for our August 10 meeting and August 12 Raceo. A big project on our list is to paint the fence and crosspost at the grounds entry. If anyone would like to tackle that project, please contact Maintenance Committee Chair Judy Warren at 785-979-3074 who can provide paint and whatever other supplies you need.



*The crow's nest renovation is nearing completion!*

## August Meeting Moved to August 10, features Shane Irvin and Open Area/Obstacles

We had so much fun at the July meeting we are having another open arena meeting on August 10<sup>th</sup>. (The meeting date was changed to avoid conflicts

with the Douglas County Fair.) Bring your horses to ride before and after the speaker and brief meeting.

We'll hear from **Shane Irvin**, a champion cowboy obstacle competitor as a preview to his September 23 clinic at DCTR. And **Five Buck Dinner** is back, thanks



*A beautiful cake that was also delicious courtesy of a talented member!*

to generous volunteers who have signed up to provide food. We could use another main dish - you can sign up online to bring food for the August and future meetings by going to the event on SignUp Genius at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b054aa4a92fa7ff2-club>.

## Spread the Word! RACEO August 12

Come join the fun! We're bringing it back with a new twist! We'll be hosting a Raceo on Sunday, August 12<sup>th</sup>. The event will start at 10:00 a.m. with exhibition runs followed by Peewee Barrels, Youth 4D and Adult 4D Barrels.

And for added fun, we're offering a 100% Jackpot Extreme Barrels class! Extreme Barrels is for brave horses and handy riders. Exhibitors must ride through obstacles while navigating the barrel pattern. Fastest time and best pair wins the class! Winner takes all!

For extra incentive, we have \$150 added prize money for the 80% Jackpot Peewee, Youth and Adult classes! And did we mention delicious concessions on site?

Class order and entry fees are as follows. \$10 Office fee for Non-members/Horse & Rider

- 10AM Exhibitions \$5
- Peewee Barrels 9 & Under \$5
- 4D Youth 18 & Under \$20
- 4D Adult 19 & Over \$20
- 100% Jackpot Extreme Barrels \$10

We also need VOLUNTEERS to help run the event. We're looking for help setting up and tearing down, entry table, gate minders, barrel setting and concessions. Please go to the online signup form at [www.SignUpGenius.com/go/60B054AA4A92FA7FF2-august](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/60B054AA4A92FA7FF2-august) or contact Jenna to choose your task and timeslot.

For questions and in case of inclement weather, call Jenna at 785-766-7413.

## DCTR Trail Rides

We had a great time riding at a new destination, LaCygne Lake, on July 21. A few brave members camped in the primitive camping area and we had a good ride at the lake. Saturday morning ended up being a beautiful morning, not real humid, great day for a ride. We had 10 riders in all.

For those considering riding here, the primitive camping campground area was nicely mowed and had big hitching posts scattered around with rings attached for tie up. There is a big grassy area to pull in with trailer and plenty of room to park truck and trailers. Some picnic tables are near the lake for campers. No water hydrants but horses can drink from the lake which is right by the campgrounds.

The trails were rocky in some areas but not too much, but it seemed like we rode through a lot of thickets dodging overhangs. Horses did step over a lot of logs, which were good obstacles. All in all, we were out about two hours total. The area has many trails; we went on the north side of the lake, so would be curious what the other trails would be like.

## August 18 Ride at Wyandotte County Park

Our August ride is also a day ride out at Wyandotte County Park, straight east of the Legends, on August 18.

Wyandotte County Lake has eight miles of trails around a 300 acre lake through oak and hickory forest. It is described as an Ozark-like setting, wooded and hilly, some short steep climbs. Day parking; no camping; 913-573-8327.

**Directions:** From I-435, take Woodlands Racetrack (Leavenworth Rd.) exit; go east on Leavenworth Rd. past the first four-way stop sign (which is main park entrance at 91st). Continue to 83rd, and turn north. Go left at park entrance sign, and follow to horse parking at trailhead. Picnic area with shelter house and restroom within walking distance of parking area.

Contact Trail Ride Committee Chair Rachel Eve at 913-709-1671 with any questions.





## Register now for the Shane Irvin Clinic September 23

Getting you and your horse used to obstacles is the focus of this one-day clinic with Shane Irvin on September 23. Register now to reserve your spot!

Shane has competed successfully throughout the US in Cowboy Challenge Competitions, including a Reserve Championship at the Calgary Stampede in Canada. Shane will show us how to train yourself and your horse to maneuver a variety of obstacles. The clinic will run from 10 am - 4:30 pm. See the attached flyer for all the details. RIDING SPOTS ARE LIMITED. "In Hand" Horses & Handlers are welcome!

Shane will be at the August 10 to provide a preview of what to expect at the clinic so come learn all about it!

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**NOTICE: The Miniatures Play Day has been moved to Nov, 3 at 1 p.m.**

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## Summer Fun Show

We had a great turnout and a lot of fun at our first Fun Show of the year. DCTR's plentiful shade trees and a little breeze kept everyone comfortable in between classes. And a wonderful volunteer crew had the grounds looking great and kept the show flowing smoothly. A big DCTR Thank You to everyone who came to show, watch or help.



*A jumping class was added to the showbill this year.*



*Big and small, riding or leading, everyone had a good time at the Fun Show!*

## Raise \$\$ for DCTR While You Shop

Do you shop on Amazon? Amazon has a program called AmazonSmile that is a simple and automatic way for you to support your favorite charitable organization (DCTR, of course!) every time you shop, at no cost to you. To shop at AmazonSmile, simply go to [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) from the web browser on your computer or mobile device. You use the same account on Amazon.com and AmazonSmile. Your shopping cart, Wish List and other account settings are also the same. The only difference is a portion of the purchase price will be donated to DCTR!

On your first visit to AmazonSmile, select Douglas County Trail Riders as your charitable organization before you begin shopping. It will remember your selection, and then every eligible purchase you make at [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) will result in a donation of 0.5% of the purchase price from your eligible AmazonSmile purchases.

## Wish List

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

- Brand name pop in cans, regular and diet of Coke, Pepsi, Mt. Dew, Dr. Pepper, Sprite and Root Beer
- Sturdy paper plates
- Dessert plates
- Sturdy soup bowls
- Solo cups
- Styrofoam coffee cups
- Plastic silverware
- Condiments: ketchup, mustard and relish