

HOOF PRINTS

Board meeting Thurs., Dec. 7th, 7 p.m.
HOLIDAY PARTY Sat. Dec., 9th, 6:30 p.m.



2024 Officers

President - Shawna Roerich

VP - Deb Arnold

Treas.-Dana Sorenson

Corr. Sec.-Deb Tice

Rec. Sec. - Lisa Beck

2024 Board Trustees

Larry Bartz

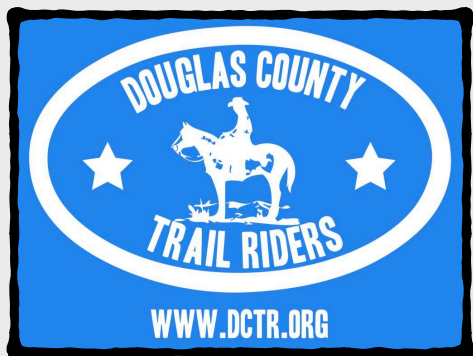
John Tice

Steven Sorenson

Erica Graham

Megan Case

Ex Pres- Lyric Bartz

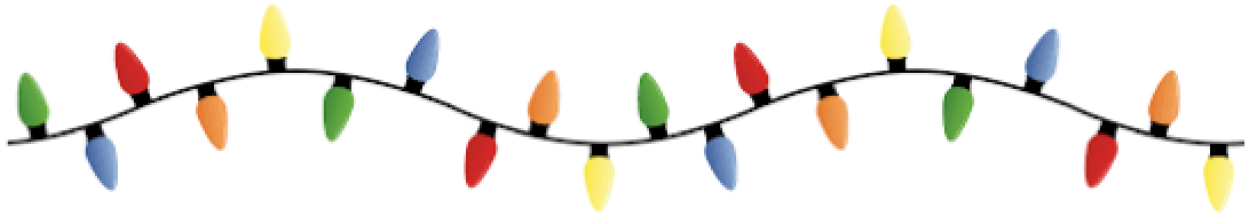


Watch the **DCTR FB PAGE** for club happenings.



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HOLIDAY PARTY!

DCTR HOLIDAY PARTY

When: Saturday, December 9th

*Where: DCTR Clubhouse
816 N 1750 Rd.
Lawrence, Ks*

Time: Italian Dinner @ 6:30 p.m. and Activities begin at 7:00 p.m.

Please RSVP to:

Julie Springer 785-979-1161

Live auction

1/4 Beef drawing

Good homemade food

Silent auctions

50/50 Raffle

Lots of fun!!



*(for members and their
guests)*

*Come join in the
fun!*

Thoughts from the outgoing 2023 President...

Happy Holidays

It has been an honor to serve as the 2023 DCTR president. This year has included many new ideas and events. Our first year to use the Douglas County Fairgrounds Indoor Arena for Open Rides, De-Spooking, and Clinicians was met with great enthusiasm. We are going to continue to use it for future events and plan to be able to extend the offer to non-members after successfully navigating the insurance and county regs. Watch the Newsletters and Facebook for the dates!

We had new events: Easter Egg Hunt, Bingo Bonanza night, and the Family Fun-d Raiser with children's games and activities, as well as Hayrack Rides. Next year, we hope to add the Haunted Hollows Hayrack Rides, so be thinking of what spooky things we can do, it should be a lot of fun.

2023 saw us working hard to maintain the property and spruce things up. We painted the Crow's Nest and did structural repairs and painted the old concession stand. We trimmed all the trees, tore out brush along the west side of the property, and burned the long-standing giant pile of brush. Probably our biggest change was to cut through the trees in the wooded five acres, restore the old trails, and blaze new ones. The trails were wide enough for our hayrack ride and in the future should be easier to maintain. We plan to honor some of our oldest and dearest members with the naming of our trails. Be thinking of clever ideas for the names.

We have considered adding a new skill to DCTR, RAINMAKER. Unfortunately for our events, the weather seemed to be against us, but you can all thank us for bringing the much-needed rain to NE KS. Our Fun shows, trail rides, and just about anything we needed sunshine and a dry arena or trails for were rained out. Sorry you didn't see our nicely trimmed and mowed grounds and freshly turned arena; they looked spectacular! We hope the Kansas weather will be more kind to us in 2024.

When I asked for your vote of confidence the night of the 2023 election, I explained my goals for the year. I wanted to try to bring a little fun back to the meetings, help members get to know each other a little better, utilize the county indoor arena, and take back the five acres from the overgrown vegetation and nasty locust trees. I am happy we were able to accomplish all of them. I know I am proud so many people stepped up to help. We had some long-established members, and some brand-new ones jump in to get things done. Honestly, it wasn't all work, we had some fun doing it, too. I hope we can count on all of you next year.

This is our last newsletter for 2023. Look for one in January with lots of information about 2024. I want to thank everyone who took time out of their busy lives to join us at DCTR events, workdays, and club meetings.

Congratulations to all the 2024 officers and board members. Thank you for your commitment to the club's success. Members, it takes more than just them to run an organization, you too, can be part of the plan. In January, sign up for committee positions and remember to be thinking about how you can help with events and activities for a successful 2024.

Thank you and don't forget our Holiday Party Dec. 9th, it is always a fun night!

Best Wishes, *Lyric Bartz*

COMING...

- Ongoing...Now-Dec. 9th (drawing) - Beef Raffle
- Friday, Dec. 1 - Parade Participant Dinner
5:30 p.m. @ DGCO Fairgrounds
(must participate in the parade to attend)
- Saturday, Dec. 2nd - Old Fashioned Christmas Parade
Lawrence, KS
- Saturday, Dec. 9th - DCTR HOLIDAY PARTY

**Happy Holidays from all of DCTR
Officers and Board of Trustees!**

**Stay tuned for all of 2024 activities
coming soon...**