



MEDINA COUNTY O.H.C.
DEDICATED TO PROMOTING RIDING IN
THE CUYAHOGA VALLEY NATIONAL PARK

January 2005

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President's Message

Hi Folks,

I hope all of you have had safe and happy holidays, and are taking the break in the weather to dust off the stead and ride a bit. Reuss and I aren't sure if the large muddy protrudements in our field are a new specie of moving rocks, or our horses. Reuss chipped the mud off one and sure enough, a horse emerged! However it took all day to do one horse, and we ran out of time to actually ride.

We start the new year with our monthly meeting this Wednesday Night, meeting time is 7:30pm, We will be hearing from the Financial Committee. We will be appointing a Social Committee Chairman. I have a VCR on Hoof/leg anatomy by Dr. David Bruckner PHD. That we can watch if there is time. This is a training film for Veterinarians and Farriers. It shows the bones of the leg, and he then proceeds to go through and connect the tendons and ligaments (represented by leather straps) ...If there is time, he takes a cadaver leg and shows you the same thing on an actual specimen...(this isn't gruesome, I promise). The entire process probably takes 45 minutes to an hour. There is a part of this VCR that demonstrates CORRECT shoeing techniques, but we will leave that for another night.

Speaking of monthly meeting entertainment, if any of you have ideas for speakers, please get that information to me as soon as possible.

By now you should have received your invitation to our Annual Banquet, This year a very enthusiastic crew has decided to entertain us with a Murder Mystery, called "Death in them thar hills" We still need a few more volunteers to be characters in this drama. Nothing hard, Just dress in Western Clothing (Period if you can) and you will get a character description (short) that you can even read if you want, (but its more fun if you Ham it up!). Than you just answer yes/no questions for your character when asked. So if you have an interest please let me or Bob Burrows know (rburrows@elogicgroup.com Also, if you have not yet sent in your money for the Banquet, please take some time to do this now. This is always a great time, and this year promises to be even more fun than usual!

It is also that time of year to renew your membership, and turn in your trail miles, Forms for both can be printed off from our website.

Sherry

MEDINA OHC SCHEDULE OF EVENTS - www.medinacountyohc.com

Jan 29	Annual Dinner	Waters in Hudson 3 PM	Rosemary Young Hope Orr	440-884-7994
Feb 2	General Meeting	Hines Hill Conference Center 6:30 Social 7:30 Meeting	Sherry Eucker	330-928-1912
Mar 3	General Meeting	Hines Hill Conference Center 6:30 Social 7:30 Meeting	Sherry Eucker	330-928-1912
Mar 19	MOHC St. Paddy's Ride	Hinkley 11 AM	Susan Burrows	330-334-1528
Mar 26	Trail Maintenance (Peter Cotton Tail)	Robinson Field 9AM	Reuss Griffiths	330-928-1912
April 6	General Meeting	Hines Hill Conference Center 6:30 Social 7:30 Meeting	Sherry Eucker	330-928-1912
April 17	MOHC Day Ride	South Chagrin 10 AM	Sherry and Reuss	330-928-1912
April 23	Trail Maintenance	9AM Robinson Field	Reuss Griffiths	330-928-1912
May 4	General Meeting	Hines Hill Conference Center 6:30 Social 7:30 Meeting	Sherry Eucker	330-928-1912
May 13-15	Medina OHC Regional Ride	Robinson Field CVNP	Ronda and Phi Urbank	330-923-9557
May 21	Columbiana OHC Regional Ride	Beaver Creek State Park	Randi Jackson spudsrdr@aol.com	330-702-1324
June 1	General Meeting	Hines Hill Conference Center 6:30 Social 7:30 Meeting	Sherry Eucker	330-928-1912
June 4	Cuyahoga OHC Regional Ride	South Chagrin Res Cleve Metro	Penny Passalacqua pennyohc@sbcglobal.net	440-248-0156
June 11-12	Stark OHC Regional Ride	Tri-Co Horse Centre	Jo Ellen Reikowski jreikowski@juno.com	330-497-2417
June?	Trail Maintenance		Reuss Griffiths	330-928-1912
July 6	General Meeting	Hines Hill Conference Center 6:30 Social 7:30 Meeting	Sherry Eucker	330-928-1912
July 8-10	Celebration Ride	Howe Special Event Area	Pat Vance www.medinacountyohc.com	
July 16	Holmes County Regional Ride	Rails to Trails	Earl Gress Earl_gress@yahoo.com	
Aug 3	General Meeting	Hines Hill Conference Center 6:30 Social 7:30 Meeting	Sherry Eucker	330-928-1912
Aug 7	Medina OHC Social Ride	Carol Himmelright Pizza Ride Place to be announced	Sherry Eucker	330-928-1912
Aug 13	Trail Maintenance	Robinson Field 9 AM	Reuss Griffiths	330-928-1912
Sept 7	General Meeting	Hines Hill Conference Center 6:30 Social 7:30 Meeting	Sherry Eucker	330-928-1912
Sept 9-12	Lorain OHC Regional Ride	Charlemont Reservation	Lee Shaw Vallee3@comcast.net	440-933-5817
Sept 24-25	Trail Maintenance Social Ride	Robinson Field CVNP	Reuss Griffiths	330-928-1912
Oct 1	Geauga OHC Regional Ride	West Woods Park	Debbie Herold Debbie577@msn.com	440-543-6009
Oct 5	General Meeting	Hines Hill Conference Center 6:30 Social 7:30 Meeting	Sherry Eucker	330-928-1912
Oct 7-9	Wayne OHC Regional Ride	Mohican? Malabar?	Steve Chizmadia	330-496-3520
Oct 15	Ashtabula OHC Regional Ride	Gulf Metro Park	Sandi Kanicki TacklehillJS@alltel.net	440-577-1488
Oct 21-23	Medina OHC Halloween Ride	Robinson Field	Sherry and Reuss	330-928-1912
Nov 2	General Meeting	Hines Hill Conference Center 6:30 Social 7:30 Meeting	Sherry Eucker	330-928-1912

Volunteer Trail Work Hours 2004

Eucker, Sherry	52.75
Griffiths, Reuss	46.25
Himmelright, Carol	29
Burrows, Bob	22.5
Burrows, Susan	22.5
Bennington, Bonnie	18
Urbank, Philip	16.75
Tretow, Joyce	16.25
Vance, Patricia 2003 hrs.	15.75
Crouse, Wayne	15.25
Burson, Lyn	12.25
Sloane, Don	12.25
Urbank, Ronda	10.25
Hager, Roy	7.25
Dillman, Becky	6.75
Dillman, Kim	6.75
Shutts, Connie	6.75
Shutts, Don	6.75
Wendelken, Mike	6.75
Sullivan, Carolyn	5.75
Whitten, Dave (Lorain)	5
Andrea, Mike	4.5
Weese, Jack	4.5
Aldridge, Deborah	4.25
Cameron, Emily	4.25
Gerard, Mike Wayne Co.	4.25
Gress, Earl (Wayne)	4.25
Naugle Cathleen	4.25
Rizer, Sheila	4.25
Eastwood, Molly Summit Co	3.5
Heger, Teresa	3.5
Vance, Patricia	3.5
Mollison, Jeff	3.25
Mollison, Mary	3.25
Pota, Mike (Cuyahoga)	3
Kernen, Bill	2.5
Sadar, Stacy	2.5
Watson, Rachel	2.5
	0
Totals	403.5
Phil Urbank OTP Salt Fork	12
Ronda Urbank OTP Salt Fork	12
Reuss Griffiths OTP Mohican	10
Sherry Griffiths OTP Mohican	2.5
	440

The Medina OHC donated \$5567.04 and worked a total of 440 hours on public trails and staging areas as its contribution to the Ohio Trail Partnership in 2004

It's Time to Celebrate!

Time to forget the winter blahs.

**Time to get together with old friends
and make new ones.**

Time for the annual Medina County OHC Banquet!

Festivities include (but are not limited to)

A 50-50 Raffle - each raffle ticket will include "funny money" to be used for a 'mystery auction

A murder mystery- "Death in them thar hills"

Other contests and fun

When: Saturday Afternoon January 29, 2005 2:30 - 6:00 PM

Where: Waters Restaurant - Hudson Ohio on 5416 Darrow Rd

*****A cash bar is available**

Reservations must be in by
January 24 !!!!!!!

Any questions? Contact:

Rosemary Young 440-884-7994

mohotta@prodigy.net

Hope Orr 330-666-9619

hope.orr@gte.net

Sherry Eucker 330-928-1912

chickodeelanding@msn.com

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Name (s) _____

Horse's name (just for fun!) _____

Choice of meal (s)

Grilled Chicken Breast \$25

Baked Eggplant & Ricotta Roulade \$25

Grilled Atlantic Salmon \$25

Roast Prime Rib \$28

Children's menu \$10

Total

All meals are served with a salad, vegetable, rice or potato, rolls and coffee service

Please make check out to Medina OHC

Mail to : Rosemary Young

9480 Tracy Trail

Parma Oh 44130

Trail Maintenance Report

Our last work party took place in November in conjunction with the Trails Council. We put in a culvert on the Valley trail north of Rt 303 just before old AP road. It was a major piece of work and combined group of about 30 people showed up. The culvert was installed and topped with stone. The work will be completed in the spring of 05.

The quarterly meeting with the CVNP was held on January 11. Tim Atkinson and Kim Norley represented the Park and Jack Weese and I represent Medina OHC. The first two trail work sessions were worked out for the March and April. The dates for the work sessions have not been set at this time but will be shortly and published on the web site and in the newsletter.

Our first work party will be our standard trail sweep to clean out ditches and culverts. The focus will be Riding Run and Perkins since most of the culverts are located on these trails. The next work party will complete the work on the culvert installed in November on the Valley Trail north of Rt 303 and short of old AP road. We need to cover the culvert and the approaches to it with geotex fabric and then cover it with crushed stone. The next work party will be on the switchback north of Rt 303.

Our next quarterly meeting will be on April 12 where we will work out the work to be done for the next quarter. We need to focus on those tasks that need to be done to support the Regional Ride in May. Our list of projects for work in 2005 include but are not limited to the following

Riding Run Arizona Bridge approaches and reroute
Riding Run Clean up wet spots on trail by the crossing over
Everett Rd. Eliminate erosion on old Meir Rd on North side of Riding Run.
Perkins - Switchback on trail from covered bridge to Hale Farm.
Wetmore Clean ditches and culverts
Valley Trail - Work on trail from Radio Tower Rd to Rt 303.

Little progress has been made on opening the Wetmore Trail System because of lack of funding. No firm plans have been made to proceed with the Environmental Assessment. This study has to be done before any actual work can be done. We will be scheduling a meeting with the Park to determine discuss progress to date (or lack of it) and what can be done to move things forward. I have provided a status report to Neil Shaw, State OHC president so that he can present our case to our elected representatives in Washington next month.

If anyone has any suggestions for needed trail work, please bring it to my attention so that we can get it in our schedule.

Reuss Griffiths Trail Maintenance Chairman
Medina OHC

It's 2005 membership renewal time

Yes, it's that time of year again! Time to re-new if you are a current member or sign-up new members. Remember, numbers do count! So just follow these simple rules:

1. Fill out the membership form on the back of this newsletter or on our website with all the correct information. (If you need more forms, just e-mail me at Mohotta@prodigy.net or call me on 440-884-7994)
2. Include your e-mail address if you want to receive information on-line. Get up-to-the minute info on trail projects, rides and other club activities.
3. Sign the form
4. Make your check payable to Medina OHC
5. Family memberships include children under 18. 18 and over must have their own membership
6. Mail completed memberships to Rosemary Young, 9480 Tracy Trail' Parma Oh 44130

Important information !!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Secondary memberships are \$10.

Anyone joining or renewing through the state will be charged for the allowance that Medina county chapter keeps from it's usual membership fees.

Riding Opportunities

. One of our members, is planning a riding vacation to Cook's Forest PA this summer and fall and is looking for some one or a group of people that would be interested in joining her.. Each trip is about a week long. For a very reasonable price, you get your lodging, food and entertainment in the evening is provided --of course all the trail ridding you can handle. You can check it out at the web site: it is the cook forest ride with Ray and Terrie Smith.

www.patrailride.com

Dates June 25-July 2, (includes a seminar with John and Josh Lyons), and Sep 17- 24.

if interested please call 330-723-2954 ask for Vickie
Vicki is also looking for a riding buddy (or buddies) for spring and summer weekday day rides.

Jack's Stall

Jan. 05

HAPPY NEW YEAR to one and all!

It seems a little strange to be writing 2005. I don't know how the last year went by so quickly. It seems that the older we get the faster time flies.

Speaking of time. Did you hear about the fellow who swallowed his watch? Being a bit concerned he went to see his doctor. His doctor put his mind at ease when he told him not to worry. "Time will pass."

I don't know what happened to my Dec. 04 stall. I think that it was some of my better writing. I'll try to find it for you.

Things have really been a mess around the barn where Willie and Patty are boarded. On the Thursday morning before Christmas most of the arena roof came down from the weight of the heavy snow. It happened just before the stable hands were about to start the morning feeding. Fortunately nobody was in the arena when the center section roof fell. The horses whose stalls face the arena had to wait a bit for their breakfast as all of the stall doors were blocked by the fallen roof. When I left the barn this morning the work crew was about ready to start putting up the new trusses. It will be nice to have the arena back again. After living through all of this most of the horses are truly bomb proof.

There is a lot of planning to be done for the coming year. Sherry and I and all of the officers and committee chairpersons can use all of the help that we can get. This is your club. Please get involved. We need your input. Everyone is important to the well being of the club. Everyone has something to contribute no matter how small or large. Please do your part to make our club successful and all of our events fun so that everyone can have a great time sharing with each other.

Please turn in your trail miles to Rhonda. She puts a lot of time and pride into the state report. The least that we can do is give her miles to work with.

May you be with your horse.

2004 Committee Chairman

Membership	Rosemary Young
Trail Maintenance	Reuss Griffiths
State Representatives	Phil and Ronda Urbank
Banquet Committee	Hope Orr
	Rosemary Young
Social Rides	
Recorder Hours	Ronda Urbank
Competitive Trail Ride	Pat Vance
Sunshine	Linda Weese
Regional Rides	Phil and Ronda Urbank

NEWSLETTER

Copy Deadline 5thth of Month
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CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING RATES

Full Page \$30.00
Half Page \$15.00
Quarter Page \$ 8.00
Business Card \$ 3.00

Business Cards are published in three issues of the newsletter for donations to the club. If you have received donations, you need to get the Business Card to Susan Burrows for inclusion in the newsletter.

FREE MEMBER ADVERTISING POLICY

Selling something horsey or tacky--we can help. Mail or email advertising information to Susan Burrows for three shots at a targeted market.

Classifieds

For sale: 14 hand high Tri color gaited saddle horse, Gelding, 9 years old. Trail ridden extensively. Loads and trailers well. Asking \$1200.

Call 330-723-2954 ask for Vickie

Stall available in richfield in a 10stall private barn with indoor arena, fill care and turn out. Near Hinckley trail. For information call 330-659-4748.

MEDINA COUNTY OHC -- MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Year _____ New____ Renewal_____ Equine Activity _____
Name _____ Age Phone () _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Occupation _____ Email _____
Spouse _____ Age _____ Children (under 18) _____ Age _____
County Chapter Affiliation MEDINA _____ At Large _____ Family Membership # of persons _____
Other County Chapter Membership? No _____ Yes (where) _____
Corral (free of charge) Yes _____ No _____ Signature _____ Date _____

Newsletter: mail it with a stamp _____ I'll pick it up from the website _____

SELECT MEMBERSHIP TYPE

<input type="checkbox"/>	Individual _____	\$18.00	(State dues \$13.50+\$ 4.80 County)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Family _____	\$28.00	(State dues \$19.20+\$ 8.80 County)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Senior Citizen (as of Jan 1 -- 62 years+)	\$11.00	(State dues \$ 8.20+\$ 2.80 County)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Student (as of Jan 1 -- 18 years+)	\$16.00	(State dues \$10.80+\$ 5.20 County)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Secondary _____	\$10.00	(State dues \$ 5.20+\$ 4.80 County)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Associate _____	\$36.00	(State dues \$21.20+\$14.80 County)

of Members _____ President _____
For Chapter Use Only: Membership card issued by _____ Date _____
Make Checks payable to: Medina OHC Mail to: Rosemary Young 9480 Tracy Trail, Parma, OH 44130



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**Annual Dinner
January 29, 2005 2:30-6PM
Make your reservations
NOW-
DON'T DELAY**