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# MEDINA COUNTY OHC



September 2006

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## NEWSLETTER

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE ~ AKA Jack's Stall 9-06

Where has the summer gone? It seems like it was only a couple of months ago that it was winter. I guess that time flies when one is having fun.

I finally have been getting in a bit of riding. I had two days of very nice riding at the Gibby Ride at Barkcamp State Park. Most of the trails were in pretty good shape. Not too much mud. OHC members from several different chapters spent several days working on the trails and the high lines at the horseman's camp. The high lines were completely reworked. The park supplied several loads of gravel which was used to replace the mud under the high lines. They are in really good shape.

I thought that our Regional Ride went quite well. Willie sort of enjoyed leading a couple of rides. He is slowly learning that he doesn't always have to go down the trails as if being pursued by mountain lions and goats. We all missed Phil and Ronda. I hope that they can be present next year. No sense trying to top Phil's

roast beef so Bob Burrows went the pig roast route. It was very good and was enjoyed by one and all.

Willie and I are looking forward to being the test rider this weekend at the obstacle competition. He still is not very fond of the hanging black plastic. He has had the stuff hanging in his stall door for the past couple of weeks. Bob Burrows and his committee has worked really hard to make this a great event. I hope that we have a nice turnout.

Moving right along. The Halloween Gala has been moved to the first weekend in November. Reuss Griffiths is in charge of the clambake. It was so good last year. I promise that this year we will have a dry and sunny weekend. If anyone has an idea of a game or contest for Saturday afternoon please let me know. We will still have the costume competition for man and beast.

Trail work is continuing on the Wetmore and Langes trails. The culverts at the bottom of the hill from Wetmore parking lot have been installed. For the next

work party will be rebuilding the bridge on Wetmore. If we have enough people, there are other projects to undertake such as installing waterbars. We are going to get Wetmore and Langes open. I just can't give an exact date.

Work party and camping weekend Sept. 23. Hope to see you there.

The Cuyahoga Valley Equestrian Trails Association is now officially in business. All of the paperwork has been filed and the checking account has been opened.

At the Sept. meeting it was decided that Reuss Griffiths would be the person representing MOHC at the drawing at the state meeting in November for OHC member of the year. Good luck Reuss.

I leave you with this thought. "The horse you get off is not the same horse you got on; it is your job as a rider to ensure that as often as possible the change is for the better." Anonymous

May you be with your horse as you traverse the trails of life.

## That's That for 2006

Linda Weese, [lsweese@aol.com](mailto:lsweese@aol.com)

Medina-OHC Members, you deserve a BIG pat on the back. You are the most amazing bunch of caring hardworking folks! There are all of the usual important things such as meetings and trail work parties, plus those extraordinary *Hank Keyes style* work parties. But amazingly, you have also managed to pull off 4 huge events this year: the OTP Weekend, Celebration Ride, NE Regional Ride, and the Judged Pleasure Trail Ride (Obstacle Competition). Wow, what an accomplishment!

What's next you say? Let's see, we have a Work Party Weekend with Camping and Riding on Sept. 23rd in Robinson Field. Please come for the Saturday Morning Work Party. We will have the election of Medina Officers at our meeting at Hines Hill on Wed., November 1<sup>st</sup> at 7pm.

I have to say that we've had a lot of wonderful support from businesses and individuals this year. I hope that you won't forget about these fine folks when you're out and about:

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You'll find ads for most of these folks in this issue of the newsletter and on the website. Please consider doing business with them and thanking them for their support.

Our Treasurer and Web Master, Stacy Sadar, has done a beautiful job of re-organizing the *Celebration Ride Donors*. Please check out all of her hard work on the website as well as all of the beautiful ads. We are so lucky to have Stacy and her many talents. Take a look at her fantastic handiwork on the Celebration Donor Pages! The ads are coming up so much faster now. You can access most of the Celebration Donor Websites by clicking on their ad. Please look them over and offer them your support. They've been good to us, be good to them!

Joyce Tretow, our secretary, is the cheerful voice that writes the monthly Medina articles for the Corral. Thanks for your upbeat enjoyable articles Joyce! Also thanks for printing the monthly newsletter and mailing it to those folks who can't pick it up or read it on the website.

We have so many folks in Medina-OHC who go out of their way to be helpful year after year. You know who you are and you know that you are the best folks in the world. You should know, because you've been building trail and helping out with *this and that* for years and years. Thank you, you're all the best!

It's always risky to mention names when you're thanking folks because there are so many who deserve a mention. So please know that if I missed mentioning you, it's not intentional!

Besides all of you, there's Sandy Bauer who brought her dream to reality with the



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2005 obstacle competition as well as the Valley Girls Calendar. Thank you Valley Girls for all of your hard work. There's Reuss Griffiths and all of the work he did as Trail Chairman and OTP Chair and as Obstacle Chairman for the Judged Pleasure Trail Ride, and Asst. Pig Roaster at the NE Regional Ride. There's Sherry Eucker who as President had a vision for the club that has brought us forward with much clarity and cohesiveness, and oh so much more. There's Bob and Susan Burrows who this past year have been involved in many club activities: Finance Committee Chairman, ordering New Club Clothing, Recording Trail Miles, Food Chairmanship of OTP Weekend, Medina NE Regional Ride Chairmen and *Pig Roaster Extraordinaire*, Ride Manager of the Judged Pleasure Trail Ride, etc., and more.

Thanks go the competitors, participants and volunteers who have made this year so memorable and fun! Oh yes, how could I forget to say thanks to the *dynamic duo* of Pres. Jack Weese and V.P. Mike Andrea. You guys are really *something else!* We've had many fine times so far in 2006. And, here's the best part >>> there's more to come!

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# Things Not to Say to a Horse Owner

- Riding isn't a sport, the horse does all the work.
- If you kept the house as neat as you do the barn, we wouldn't have to look for things.
- Sure, I can ride. I went riding on my vacation two years ago.
- Your horse is only worth what someone will pay you for him.
- Oh - you're going to breed her... how long will it take her to have a litter?
- Gosh - your horse trailer cost more than your house!
- Shouldn't that saddle in your front room be in the barn?
- Why do you have so many horses? You can only ride one at a time.
- Geez- It's ONLY a horse!
- How much did you say you paid for those shoes?
- \_\_\_ is old and you don't ride him anyway, why don't you sell him?
- Did you know that your horse is foaming at the mouth?
- The way you treat that horse, you'd think it was part of your family.
- I heard that Dr Phil said that owning a horse is good exercise - for the horse.
- Haven't you outgrown that horse "thing" yet?
- Any phrase containing the word "hayburner"
- If you spent as much time with your husband as you do your horse, you'd have a happier marriage.
- My car, boat, motorcycle just sits in the garage until I need it.
- You have a Quarter Horse? Where's the rest of him?
- Did you step in something? Your boots stink.
- Should you still be riding at your age?
- When can we come to ride?
- You have to buy hay? Can't they just eat grass?
- What, I shouldn't wear flip-flops out to your barn?
- Do you have any clothes besides jeans & horse t-shirts?
- Why do you take lessons? I thought you knew how to ride.
- The baby horse is so cute - (when referring to an aged PONY)
- You should show that horse who's boss, then he'll do what you want!
- My teen is so lazy. I'll send him/her to your place-maybe you can get him/her to work!
- Do horses really have a personality?
- Eew! Horse poop. How do you walk around here?
- So where do you get all of your money? I know you have money, cause you've got horses.
- Doesn't it hurt when you fall off?
- Your barn is cleaner than your house.
- Imagine how much money you'd have if you didn't have all these horses to feed!
- Why put your vet's/farrier's kids through college? You could be taking a vacation!
- Your horse's only talent is stimulating the economy.
- You have horses... you must be RICH!
- Are you sure he can breathe with that thing (girth) wrapped around his gut?
- Why don't you train him to go outside like a dog, instead of in his stall?
- You paid HOW much?

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## Some others....

- Why in the world do you need more than one saddle? Did you grow an extra butt?
- Are you sure that skinny little horse of yours can keep up with us on our trail ride? We are going to ride most of the day and probably cover over 10 miles.
- Aren't you afraid you'll fall off because your saddle doesn't have a horn?
- You must not ride very much or you would be wearing cowboy boots and spurs.

***“How many more times are you going to let that horse throw you off before you give it up?”***

# NEVER A DULL MOMENT ~ 8/7/06

BY DEB ALDRIDGE

*“Derby and I received our very first 1st place in a 25 miler in my weight division. And no, I will not divulge that weight information.”*

It sucks to be me right now. Yeah, I know how impossible that sounds but it's true. Almost. You know I'm going to explain myself so sit back and relax with your cup of coffee, tea or Bloody Mary. This weekend was a good one.

This weekend was the Toledo Oak Openings Competitive Trail Ride held in the Oak Openings Park. It's a loong and boring 2 hour drive on the turnpike to get there. The trails are mostly sand and they throw in some tree roots underneath to keep you on your toes. Those suckers come right out of the ground and grab your horses toes so they trip.

This was our first 25 miler of the year and Kristin's first 25 miler ever. I told her for a couple of weeks beforehand that it will be tough, she'll be tired and sore and I don't want to hear any complaining whatsoever. She was a trooper and she's sore but she's a happy sore. I, on the other hand, am a not so happy sore. My finger muscles are not sore but it starts at my wrists, goes up to my neck then down to my ankles. Do fingers have muscles?

Are 25 ibuprofin dangerous to take with Tylenol PM and Happy Juice? Guess we'll find out. I had a tough time waking

up today but thanks to my good friend Molly, she called me this morning to talk and laugh (yeah it's funny NOW) about the weekend. I about ripped my muscles trying to get to the phone from a dead sleep.

The first half of the ride, Kristin and I went alone ahead of Molly and Carolyn. We were making good time, or so I thought, trotting for the first 20 minutes and then walking for 3 min. then trotting again. It was going to be a hot day so I took advantage of the coolness and we booked it. At the half way back in camp, time went by so quickly that as we saddled up again to head out for the next half, I forgot my sponge and fly wisp. We headed out 4 minutes late. Now the flies weren't bad because they were all in MY TRAILER and not on the trail but the mosquito's fed quite nicely on us all and the horse flies kept moving Derby's fly rump rug to the side so they could take a quart of blood. Have you ever seen a horse fly with a full stomach get squished and then twirl to the ground squirming in pain? It's a lovely and satisfying sight.

How huge are these flies? They are so huge that they fly around holding people swatters. So starting the second

half, we followed Molly and Carolyn. Carolyn grew up in that area so she knows the trails. She knows them so well that she led us away from each and every horse grabbing root. Now that's knowing a trail, huh? But Derby still found some.

I thought we did the first half fast. WRONG. The second half, we cantered and some of us in the back galloped just to keep up. Had we not followed Carolyn, we would have come in about 2 hours too late. Haha

The poor horses were wiped out and tripping on air because they were so tired.

Patches was limping because she had a leg cramp so we dragged her in. Kristin and Patches got a completion only and no chance for a ribbon since her cramp was so bad. Then the horse ended up with stomach cramps. Poor baby. Derby on the other hand, had some swelling in one leg and a couple of cuts on the front legs. He was hitting himself because in the sand, it's very hard to travel on and they lift their legs up higher. So he cut himself. Yeah, he's a cutter. I'm taking him to therapy. Haha

All in all, Derby and I received our very first first place in a 25 miler in my

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weight division. And no, I will not divulge that weight information. If I did, I would have to kill you.

Molly also came in first in her weight division. It's funny but whenever the three of us go to a ride, me, Molly and Theresa, we usually ribbon very close together.

Theresa rode the 15 miler the next day and came in with a 10th place. She was pretty troubled by that and I don't blame her but there were a lot of high scorers that day.

I brought my part shepard, part stupid dog to the ride for the first time. Never again. He is my buddy tho and he thoroughly enjoyed MY presence. You don't know what your dog does while you are away riding, well, I found out. He howled and howled and howled till my friend Barb tried to kill him with a chocolate chip cookie. Barb, did you not know that chocolate will kill a dog? haha Good try. He still lives. One cookie won't do it. Next time, try a block of pure chocolate. Learn something new everyday.

Anyway, he kept spilling his water and his food so the grass is greener and the ants are fat in that area. He also would pull the screw thingy out of the ground that he was tied to and come running to find me. It was quite the sight seeing him running with a smile on his face and dragging his very long line and having

the screw thingy kicking up sand everywhere. So I tied him to the trailer. That thing is hard to move and did the trick.

Speaking of Happy Juice, or were we? It's great seeing the same friends at each and every ride. We look forward to the rides not only to ride our horses but also to hang with these wonderful people again. Everyone knows Deb (that would be me) and her Happy Juice container so it's comforting to know that should I ever misplace my container, someone will return her to me. Now those are good friends.

Have a great day. Keep riding and make some new friends by getting out and joining us at one or all of our Medina OHC weekend work/ride weekends and please come to our Regional Ride in Sept. We don't bite.

**Deb**

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Actually, they were on a musical weekend retreat at the White Pines Area of the Cuyahoga Valley National Park Environmental Education Center with the Masterworks Chorale. This wonderful singing group is part of the Summit Choral Society.

We can all turn out the horses and go hear their performance of "Haunting Music from the Masters" at the Akron Civic Theatre on Saturday October 28, 2006 at 7:30 pm. We will hear the wonderful singing of the chorale, Full Orchestra and The Summit Children's Choir. It will be a *HAUNTINGLY BEAUTIFUL* way to enjoy the Saturday Evening just before Halloween!

### Who are these MOHC singers?

(Unscramble) **OBB nda NUSSA ORBWURS**

Call Ticket Master or the Akron Civic Theatre for Oct. 28<sup>th</sup> Masterworks Chorale Tickets!

## What Time is it?

### It's Membership Renewal Time !!!! Be sure and read....

A personal note from your friendly membership chairperson- Hey it's that time of year again! Time to renew your membership with the Medina Chapter of the Ohio Horseman's Council. Join now and your membership will be good through December of 2007. Remember if you don't renew by March of 2007 you'll be dropped from the membership lists!. That's Medina county and the state. You will no longer receive the Corral or state newsletter.

I often have people calling me wondering where their newsletter is, where the Corral is, etc. This is because you either did not send your renewal in on time or did not specify that you needed a paper copy of Medina's newsletter.

Again for 2007 - Membership cards will be mailed out in a general mailing in March of 2007 for those renewing their memberships. New members will get their card with the welcome

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Thanks -  
Rosemary Young  
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chairperson

# NEVER A DULL MOMENT ~ 8/21/06

By Deb Aldridge

Hello everyone. How was YOUR weekend? Mine was busy, wet and fun.

It was busy because I started packing on Thurs. for the Medina OHC Regional Ride weekend in the valley. I was filling up my water tank, my potty tank, my sink tank, food shopping and packing food, making Happy Juice juice, cleaning out the trailer, etc. I also tried to get some drapery work done and tried to keep the laundry at bay.

We left on Friday afternoon for Robinson field in the valley. Me, Kristin, 2 horses, 3 bales of hay and 500 gallons of water. I tried to tie the horses to the picket line but the big horse flies (there's a reason they are called horse flies) kept landing on me and the horses to the point of Patches bucking in place. She's a real mother buckler!

We then set up camp. First I started with assembling my happy juice container. Then we laid out our fake green grass (fooled ya

didn't I?), tables, chairs and my cool blue Coleman grill. I have since bought a nice 9' X 9' rug from the Freemans. Yes they do sell them and mine is blue and white with bits and horseshoes on it!! See Hugh and Louise Freeman or contact me if you'd like to buy one. They also sell many other trailer supplies and stuff.

It was wet because it started to rain on Friday night. Yeah, the sky kept getting darker and darker. Now I don't like to spoil my horses but hey, I had to put their rain coats on. It rained all night long. The next morning, it rained some more and then we had a few downpours. The fun factor was running low.

It was now Saturday and I had a party to go to, my camping partner had a party to go to also so I wasn't about to leave my horses for 5 hours. We had a great breakfast of maple link sausage, scrambled eggs and hash browns. I don't eat that good HERE at HOME!!! We then packed up to leave. Just

then, the sun came out. How convenient. Everyone scrambled to get on their horses in their horse fly armor and headed out. I was just happy to get home, unpack, peel off my clothes and take a shower. Now I'm not saying I don't have fun camping in the rain but, well, hell, I don't have a lot of fun camping in the rain but I would do it again with Medina OHC.

My weekend was fun because not only did I get to hang with my homies in the valley, but I also went to my friends' party all dry and clean. The best part is that I was in bed by 10pm.

Now that's my story and I'm sticking to it. I've been working all day and am ready to take a powder and hit the sack except that I had too many red liquorice sticks and I'm on a sugar high. My bod is tired but my other parts are in full gear.

Stay vertical, stay busy, stay dry and have a fun week! ~Deb

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TOTAL PAYMENT: \_\_\_\_\_



Sep 8-10 Fri-Sun	Medina OHC Judged Pleasure Trail Ride with Obstacles!	Howe Meadow Cuyahoga Valley National Park	Bob Burrows	330-334-1528
Sep 8-10 Fri-Sun	Lorain County OHC Regional Ride	Charlemont, Camp at Claremare Lakes <a href="http://www.loraincountvohc.com">www.loraincountvohc.com</a>	Karla Staylon	<a href="mailto:kc61bunnyv@kellnet.com">kc61bunnyv@kellnet.com</a> <a href="mailto:mlandrea03@yahoo.com">mlandrea03@yahoo.com</a>
Sep 23, Sat	Trail Work Party	Robinson Field	Mike Andrea	330-592-5953 <a href="mailto:chickodeelanding@msn.com">chickodeelanding@msn.com</a>
Sept 22 & 23 Sat / Sun	Bruce Nock Clinic	Sharon Center Equestrian Center	Sherry Eucker	216-218-2954
Sep 23, Sat	Trail ride to benefit St. Jude's Childrens Hospital @ 10:00am	Bath Pony Club on Remsen Rd.	Molly Eastwood	<a href="mailto:mke514@aol.com">mke514@aol.com</a> 330-666-1095 <a href="mailto:JWeese2402@aol.com">JWeese2402@aol.com</a>
Oct 4, Wed	General Mtg.	Hines Hill 7:00pm	Jack Weese	440-234-9668
Oct 7, Sat	Geauga County OHC Regional Ride	Westwoods	Debbie Herold	<a href="mailto:debbie577@msn.com">debbie577@msn.com</a> 440-543-6009
Oct 7, Sat	Erie County OHC Poker Run	Edison Woods		
Oct 21, Sat	Ashtabula County OHC Regional Ride	Gulf Metro Park	Michael Mills	<a href="mailto:brokenhalteranch@hotmail.com">brokenhalteranch@hotmail.com</a> <a href="mailto:JWeese2402@aol.com">JWeese2402@aol.com</a> 440-234-9668
Nov 1, Wed	General Mtg.	Hines Hill 7:00pm	Jack Weese	440-234-9668
<b>New Date!</b> Nov 3-5 Fri-Sun	Post Halloween Gala & CLAM BAKE!! Work/Camp Party	Robinson Field	Reuss Griffiths	<a href="mailto:reussg@adelphia.net">reussg@adelphia.net</a> 216-440-0749
Nov 18, Sat	Trail Work Party Joint with Trails Council	Robinson Field	Mike Andrea	<a href="mailto:mlandrea03@yahoo.com">mlandrea03@yahoo.com</a> 330-592-5953 <a href="mailto:chickodeelanding@msn.com">chickodeelanding@msn.com</a>
Nov 25 & 26 Sat / Sun	Bruce Nock Clinic	Sharon Center Equestrian Center	Sherry Eucker	216-218-2954

## The Riders (or Horse Lovers) Prayer

Dearest God In Heaven,  
 Give me the strength to guide my horse.  
 Make my hands soft and my head clear.  
 Let my horse understand me and I him.  
 My heart you have blessed with a special love of these  
 animals, Let me never lose sight of it.  
 My soul you have gifted with a deep need for them, let  
 that need never lessen.  
 Always let my breath catch as the sun gleams on an  
 elegant head.  
 Always may my throat tighten at the sound of gentle  
 nicker.  
 Let the scent of fresh hay and a new bag of grain always  
 be sweet to me.

Let the warm touch of a warm nose on my hand always  
 bring a smile.

I adore the joy of a warm day on the farm.

The grace and splendor of a running horse, the thunder of  
 its hooves makes my eyes burn and my heart soar, let it  
 always be so.

Dearest God, grant me patience, for horses are harnessed  
 wind and wind can be flighty.

Let me not frighten or harm them, instead show me ways to  
 understand them.

Above all, dear God, fill my life with them.

When I pass from this world, send my soul to no heaven  
 without them.

For this love you have given me, graces my existence and I  
 shall cherish it and praise you for it for all time.

Amen

Author Unknown

# Medina County Chapter - Ohio Horseman's Council Membership Application

Year: \_\_\_\_\_ New \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_\_ Equine Activity \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

**E-Mail Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Children (under 18) \_\_\_\_\_ Ages: \_\_\_\_\_

County Chapter Affiliation: MEDINA \_\_\_\_\_ At Large \_\_\_\_\_ If Family Membership - # Of People \_\_\_\_\_

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 \_\_\_\_\_

**MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO MEDINA OHC SEND APPLICATION TO:**

**Rosemary Young, 9480 Tracy Trail, Parma, Ohio 44130**

**Please Fill in ALL AREAS!**

**SELECT MEMBERSHIP TYPE**

Individual	\$18.00 (State dues \$13.50+\$4.80 County)
Family	\$28.00 (State dues \$19.20+\$8.80 County)
Senior Citizen (as of Jan 1...62 yrs+)	\$11.00 (State dues \$8.20+ \$2.80 County)
Student (as of Jan 1...18 yrs+)	\$16.00 (State dues \$10.80+\$5.20 County)
Secondary	\$10.00 (\$10.00 County)
Associate	\$36.00 (State dues \$21.20+\$14.80 County)

**MOHC Secretary  
7701 Coon Club Road  
Medina, OH 44256**

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**Halloween Gala moved  
to November 3-5  
We will have a delicious  
Clam Bake again!!!  
Contact Reuss to reserve  
your bake.**