

DEDICATED TO PROMOTING RIDING IN THE CUYAHOGA
VALLEY NATIONAL PARK

MEDINA COUNTY CHAPTER OF OHIO HORSEMAN'S COUNCIL

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June 2011

Meetings:

1st Wednesday of the Month
6:30pm Social
7:00 pm Meeting
at Boston Store
(Boston Mills Rd.)
Cuyahoga Valley
National Park

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NEWSLETTER

Copy Deadline 8:00 p.m. on the
Friday after the
Monthly General Meeting
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If you have received
donations, you need to get the
Business Card to Stacy Sadar
for inclusion in the newsletter.

Advertising Deadline
1st of the Month

**MOHC members get business
card size ad for FREE!**

For all other Prices contact:
Stacy Sadar
OR
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Ad Prices are listed on the
Website too!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Patricia Vance, pavancelaw@aol.com 330-836-9358

Good Morning! Summer is here! Mother Nature has provided us with some awesome spectacular storms. No movie or fireworks show can come close to compare with Mother Nature's lightning and thunder and hail and wind extravaganza – this is the real thing!

We are at June, the sixth month – year 2011 is half over.

First of our summer events – Celebration 2011, the 19th annual, is only a few weeks away. July 8, 9, 10. All who have taken part in years past, have had a great time. We receive many compliments about you our awesome volunteers.

Remember, this is our major fund raiser. The “prize hunt committee” Linda Weese, Roxanne Owen and Rosemary Young, with several of you other folks including Cynthia Green and Stacy Sadar have so far acquired a lot of really neat stuff. Many of these will be for the auction to be held at 5pm on Saturday of Celebration. This auction has been a big hit because of the great merchandise and the entertainment. I get calls from riders who want to know what time is the auction so they can be sure to be done vetting in before the auction starts. As all of these items are donated, it produces 100% profit for the club. All of you can take part in providing auction items, they do not have to be horse related. Ask at places where you do business, give them a Celebration flyer. Explain that our volunteers help the Park build and maintain the horse trails in the Park and these horse trails are also open to hikers and runners, and their business will be listed on our awesome website and announced at the auction!

And, an added attraction, this year, the one and only Tom Sadar has agreed to be our auctioneer! You do not want to miss this!

As last year and the year before, we will be sharing Howe Meadow with the Farmers Market on Saturday morning, so no big rigs in the big rig entrance until after 1pm on Saturday.

Our July meeting will be Thursday, July 7 at 7 pm at Howe Meadow. Starting around 4pm we

will be at Howe setting up for Celebration and all of you will be out there to lend a hand. Our club caterer and crew will provide dinner for all of our volunteers at 6pm on July 7 before the meeting.

In this issue you will find the registration form for the 25th anniversary party in November. This event is limited to 64 people due to the capacity of the railroad car in which the party will be held. So if you plan to go, send in your registration now plus your check.

Last year in September our club voted to “purchase Robinson field” by buying the 7 ParkShares that cover Robinson. ParkShares is a fund raising program set up by the Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park. CCVNP is an independent organization that raises funds and provides help to the National Park, primarily through the Trails Forever program. You may recall that they were able to set up a special account for our club's calendar money so it can be used only for capital improvements on horse trails. Bridget Ambrisco, who has now retired was a great help to our club. We will miss her. We welcome Lisa Meranti, the new Director of Volunteer Services for CCVNP.

I was cleaning out old file cabinets and discovered a wood plaque that has a picture on it of the sign structure at Wetmore trail head and a gold nameplate that reads: Medina OHC Volunteer Group of the Year 1992 CVNRA. It will be on display at the club store at Celebration. I also rediscovered another award received by our club when the Park was still CVNRA. It is a nice wood plaque with the Park shield in bronze with Volunteer across the top portion of the shield and the inscription in gold and black. Thank you for long term contributions to Cuyahoga Valley National Recreation Area Medina Chapter Ohio Horseman's Council. There is no indication of date. It too will be on display at the club store at Celebration.

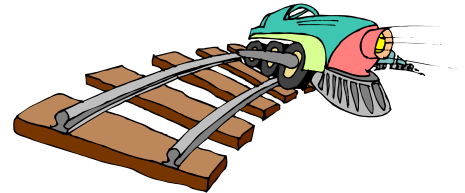
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It's time to Celebrate! Medina OHC is 25!

This is our year to shine, our silver anniversary! To celebrate we are taking a ride on one of the Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad's finest cars. We are chartering the Emerson, the only car that has a dome. Lean back and relax as this fine 'iron horse' takes us on a 3 hour tour of the valley we love best. What better way to celebrate? There will be fun and prizes! There will be a **\$\$cash bar\$\$** and your choice of lunch.

Don't get left on the tracks!

Sign up Now!



Date: November 5, 2011

Time: 11:35 a.m. (be there by 11:15)

Place: Akron Northside Station at 27 Ridge Rd

Cost: \$25 for members; \$33 for non-members

Return time: 2:50 p.m.

This ride is limited to the first 64 people who sign up!
You MUST PAY to reserve your spot!

Name: _____

Phone: _____ **Email:** _____

Lunches include sandwich or salad, side of pasta salad, cookie, and soda or water.
Choose your selection below by placing the number for each (one per ticket) below:

- ___ **Ham & Swiss on Wheatberry Bread** (*Virginia Ham, Swiss cheese & lettuce on Wheatberry bread*)
- ___ **Turkey & Havarti Panini** (*a Panini made with sliced turkey, Havarti cheese, baby spinach & Ceasar dressing*)
- ___ **Italian Ciabatta** (*Ciabatta roll, roast beef, turkey, genoa salami, pepperoni, provolone and lettuce*)
- ___ **Chicken Salad & Provolone on Croissant** (*House made chicken salad, provolone & lettuce on a croissant*)
- ___ **Garden Griller – Vegetarian** (*Grilled season vegetables with provolone and lettuce on basil focaccia bread*)
- ___ **Roast Beef & Cheddar on a Pretzel Roll** (*Roast Beef, Amish Cheddar and lettuce on a pretzel roll*)
- ___ **Bistro Chef's Salad** (*Greens, turkey, ham, bacon, tomatoes, red onion, egg, cheddar & mozzarella*)
- ___ **Summer Spinach Salad** (*baby spinach, mandarin oranges, sliced strawberries, red onion, granola*)

\$25 (Members) x # _____ tickets \$ _____

\$33 (Non-members) x # _____ tickets \$ _____

Total \$ _____

Make check payable to:
Medina OHC
Send to: Rosemary Young
9480 Tracy Trail
Parma OH 44130

Once your registration with payment arrives, we will send you a map to the location as your "ticket" for the train.

Any questions? Contact Cynthia Greene 440-792-4691 cyngrne@roadrunner.com
Rosemary Young 440-884-7994 mohotta@prodigy.net
Stacy Sadar 216-470-0699 stacy@medinacountyohc.com

JUNE 2011 TRAIL REPORT

There were two main projects for the May 21 session. We are trying to catch up due to Mother Nature not letting us have a chance to get anything done in April.

One project was on Valley trail north of 303 from Pine Lane trail head. In this area was one particular mud spot at the site of a big tree that had fallen over years ago, leaving a big hole and all the roots standing sideways blocking the water from running off the trail. Someone several years ago had placed a row of good sized logs perpendicular to the trail in the big hole and these were partly buried. We figured if these were removed, the trail surface properly graded, and a swale created, the water coming on the trail would drain off. Wayne Crouse, Bonnie Bennington and Patricia removed all but the very largest logs by hand at this location. All along this trail from where it starts down hill going north, are trees that had fallen and were lying along the side of the trail blocking water runoff. All of these were too big or too long to move by hand unless they were cut up. Working with us was Doug Pollard of the Park who did a lot of chain sawing and also joined with us using muscle power to move these logs. Helping to move these logs after they were cut as well as working on swales, were Carolyn Sullivan, Bonnie Bennington, Wayne Crouse, and Patricia.

Carol Himelright raked all the leaves off this section of trail from by the trailhead all the way to the bridge the old fashioned way, with a leaf rake as all six available leaf blowers were elsewhere. We are glad to see Carol back out on the trail work parties again. After Doug finished cutting and moving all the trees in this area he went to take care of one really big tree across the trail farther on up. It was over 2 and half feet in diameter.

Several hikers came by while we were out there. One reported seeing an orchid so Carolyn and Bonnie went to see the orchid. We all got to see another one that was growing near the trail on our way back out to the trailhead. It was there all along only our attention had been focused on the project. Very pretty flower, yellow, called lady slipper orchid. We should remember when out on the trail, to take time to look at all the beautiful plants and listen to the birds sing.

The second project was to remove leaves and clear ditches on Langes from behind Conway's to Wetmore junction and to clear leaves and ditches on Wetmore four mile loop.

Stacy Sadar and Jim Justine took leaf blowers and cleared Wetmore loop from bottom of trailhead counterclockwise to where Wetmore comes close to Quick Road across from Little Meadow parking lot. Along the way they also moved 6 fallen trees off the trail. Greg Monsanty and Rosemary Young each took leaf blowers and cleared Wetmore loop from bottom of trailhead clockwise to double creek crossing. Mike Andrea and Dennis and Peggy Costic, new members, took leaf blowers and rakes and pitchfork, started behind Conway's and cleared ditches and leaves on Langes to intersection with Wetmore loop. What remains to do now for clearing leaves and ditches on the four mile loop is the section from double creek crossing to area where trail comes closest to Quick Road across from Little Meadow parking lot. A lot got done on May 21!

After our session we returned to the trailhead to be welcomed by our club "caterer" Karen Knuth, who provided a fine lunch of hot dogs, fruit, cookies and of course, water for us.

The trail crews were hoping that we could set up an extra session over the Memorial holiday weekend and camp at Robinson. However, once again Mother Nature wanted it all to herself for the weekend. Robinson has not been mowed. Patricia went over on the Thursday before the holiday weekend, and observed that the grass "should have been baled two weeks earlier." As this is being written, the major rainstorms continue to arrive almost on a daily basis. Our club is privileged to have the use of this field for our trail work sessions. We are committed to taking good care of the field. We will get it mowed. Soon after that we will be calling on you all to help out with whatever may need to be done to make sure the field is in good condition.

Our next session is June 25, if Mother Nature allows, we will be at Robinson. Check our web site or call one of us, your trail committee: Mike, Jack or Patricia.

Also, if you see any condition on the trails that needs attention such as trees down, please contact one of us, do not contact the Park. The Park has many other things to attend to, and sometimes cannot immediately take care of things we report. The one thing we volunteers are not permitted to do is use chain saws. This is due to Park safety regulations. We do however, remove many trees blocking the trails, by moving them as Stacy and Jim did on the 21st, or cutting them with a hand saw. Wayne Crouse is one who takes care of many of these with a hand saw. But if the tree is over two and half feet in diameter, a chain saw makes the job easier and faster!

Plan to show up on June 25, 8:30 am or when you can get there. The scheduled project is to begin to harden the mud area on upper Perkins.

Patricia Vance for the trail committee

Medina OHCwww.medinacountyohc.com or www.ohiohorsemanscouncil.com**Meetings/General Information:** Patricia Vance, pavancelaw@aol.com, (330) 836-9358**Membership/General Information:** Rosemary Young, mohotta@prodiqy.net, (440) 884-7994**Trail Co-Chairs - Work Party Adventures information:**Mike Andrea, mlandrea03@yahoo.com, Cell (330) 592-5953Patricia Vance, pavancelaw@aol.com, (330) 836-9358Jack Weese, weesej@att.net, Home (440) 234-9668, Cell (216) 780-9668**Website/Newsletter/Advertising:** Stacy Sadar, stacy@medinacountyohc.com, (330)-659-2551 x201***MEDINA CO. OHC - our 25TH YEAR! 2011 Schedule of Events***June 25 – (Sat) **Work Party Adventure**, meet at Robinson Field, CVNP, 8:30 AM,

Work party volunteers may camp with their horses Fri. - Sun.

July 7 (Thur) - Medina OHC Meeting and Tent Setup at Howe Meadow ► NOTE CHANGE OF DATE & PLACE ◀**July 8-10 – (Fri – Sun.) - Medina OHC - CELEBRATION COMPETITIVE TRAIL** Compete or Volunteer – you'll have fun!Howe Meadow, CVNP. Patricia Vance, competitiveride@aol.com, (330) 836-9358July 23 (Sat) – **Medina OHC Work Party Adventure**, CVNP, 8:30 AM, Robinson Field

OHC Work party volunteers may camp with their horses Fri. – Sun.

August 3 (Wed) - **Medina OHC Meeting**, Boston Store, CVNP, Social 6:30, Meeting 7:00 PM.August 3, 4 (Wed., Thurs.) – Trail Work Days at Barkcamp in conjunction with *The Gibby Ride*.August 5-7 – (Fri - Sun.) OHC STATE TRAIL RIDE – *The Gibby Ride* at Barkcamp Jack Weese, weesej@att.net 440-234-9668August 13 – (Sat) **Medina OHC Work Party Adventure, Robinson Field, CVNP, 8:30 AM**

OHC Work party volunteers may camp with their horses Fri. – Sun.

August 19- 21 (Fri.-Sun) **MEDINA OHC STATE RIDE, Pig Roast, Robinson Field, Jack Weese, weesej@att.net, (440) 234-9668**Sept 7 (Wed) - **Medina OHC Meeting**, Boston Store, CVNP. Social 6:30, Meeting 7:00 PM Please bring a snack to share!Sept 10 – (Sat) – **Medina Work Party Adventure, Robinson Field, CVNP, 8:30 AM**

Work party volunteers may camp with their horses Fri. – Sun.

Sept. 16-18 - STATE RIDE at Mohican – Chili Cookoff – Wayne County

Sept. 23-25 - **Medina OHC Obstacle Ride Robinson Field, CVNP Jack Weese, weesej@att.net, (440) 234-9668**Oct. 5 – (Wed) **Medina OHC Meeting**, Boston Store, CVNP, Social 6:30, Meeting 7:00 PM Please bring a snack to share!Oct. 8 – (Sat) **Medina Work Party Adventure, Robinson Field, CVNP, 8:30 AM**

Work party volunteers may camp with their horses Fri. – Sun.

October 21-23 – **Medina OHC Halloween Gala and Clambake Weekend**Nov. 2 – (Wed) **Medina OHC Meeting (ELECTION of OFFICERS)** Boston Store, CVNP, Social 6:30, Meeting 7:00 PMNov. 5 - **Medina OHC 25th Anniversary Banquet**Nov. 6 – **OHC State Meeting**, Eagles Lodge, Delaware, OHNov. 20 – (Sat) **Medina OHC Work Party with Trails Council.** 8:30 AM, Location TBADec. 7 (Wed) **Medina OHC Meeting**, Boston Store, CVNP, Social 6:30, Meeting 7:00 pm Please bring a dessert or snack to share!*(Continued from page 1)*

For you new comers, CVNRA stands for Cuyahoga Valley National Recreation Area which was the original designation of our Park before it was upgraded to a National Park.

This month's trail adventure is June 25. See this month's Trail Report for details. Your trail committee gives countless hours of time and effort to our trails. Welcome to new members Denny and Peggy Costic who showed up for the May session. We would like to see a lot more of you out for these sessions. Whatever your ability, you can be of help. We can introduce you to volunteers who at first were intimidated by the sight of a backpack leaf blower but said: "Hey, I will give it a try" and found out it is a much easier way to remove leaves, and it is fun and provides you with a sense of accomplishment. For our projects, whatever it may be, we have the satisfaction of looking at it when done and being able to see a drastic improvement – unlike the work some of us do in offices on a daily basis!

We will see all of you on June 25. Remember, meeting for July is Thursday July 7 at Howe Meadow at 7pm. ~Patricia Vance, president

JOIN US FOR OUR 19TH ANNUAL

CELEBRATION 2011 Competitive Trail Ride

A Cuyahoga Valley Trail Riders - Medina County Chapter of Ohio Horseman's Council, Inc. Event
Friday - Sunday, July 8-10, 2011

Come ride with us in the beautiful Cuyahoga Valley National Park – Ride Headquarters located in Howe Meadow!

Ride Manager: Patricia Vance (330)836-9358 CompetitiveRide@aol.com, **Secretary:** Mickie Newnam (937) 232 9256 (akela83@att.net)
3848 Milford Drive, Kettering, OH 45429. All questions regarding event should be directed to the RIDE MANAGER.
Contact Secretary ONLY for Entries.

DIRECTIONS: From northbound I-271, take Richfield exit, turn right on Brecksville Rd, turn left at light on Wheatley cross I-77 and follow Wheatley to Riverview; From southbound I-271 take 303 East to first light (Peninsula), turn right on Riverview, 5 miles to Ride Headquarters in Howe Meadow. **OR:** from I-77 Use exit 143 (exit is located 23 miles south of Cleveland, 13 miles north of Akron, at I-271 intersection), turn left, go east on Wheatley 2 miles to town of Everett (road ends), turn right (south) on Riverview. Howe Meadow is approximately 1 1/2 miles on the right. **There is a special entrance for BIG RIGS at the FIRST ENTRANCE located north end of the site. Do not try to go up little hill and over tracks...You will get stuck! REMINDER: THESE ARE ACTIVE TRAIN TRACKS!**

The Big Rig entrance will NOT be open on Saturday from 6 am to 1pm, so plan your arrival accordingly!

CAMPING: Semi primitive, pit toilets. Electric is available for a fee. Horse & Human Water is provided.
Stores, motels, restaurants located within 6 miles of the site. Grounds officially open on Friday at 11:00am.
By special arrangement only, grounds will open earlier if needed.

TERRAIN: Mostly woods, improved bridle trails with a few steep climbs.

OAATS Sanctioned

FEES:

25/50 Elevator	Saturday & Sunday July 9-10	\$80 adult (Jr. \$50) For Elevator, Total MUST be paid in full or you will be charged as OPEN rides each day
25 Mile OPEN	Saturday, July 9	\$50 adult (Jr. \$30)
25 Mile Miles Only	Sunday, July 10	\$50 adult (Jr. \$30)
15 Mile NOVICE	Sunday, July 10	\$40 adult (Jr. \$20)
Camping	\$10 for the weekend plus refundable \$10 deposit required for site cleanup = \$20	
Electric	\$5 for the weekend (first come – first served – limited shade available)	

JUNIORS: (Under 18) must have a riding sponsor unless a NOTARIZED WAIVER from parent or guardian is presented and Junior has 300 career miles.

FOOD: Rolls, coffee and tea provided Saturday & Sunday mornings. Friday meals are on your own.
Riders have Saturday dinner included in entry fee. Extra dinner tickets for Saturday available for \$7.00.

AWARDS: Completion, 6 placings for each Division, Reserve and Grand Champion, Arab, Half Arab, Best of the Rest and Barefoot horse awards. Novice ride will have 2 divisions with 10 placings. Junior placings.

ENTRY: Make checks payable to Medina OHC, Mail to: Mickie Newnam, 3848 Milford Drive, Kettering, OH 45429
Advanced registration is not required, but preferred. **Notice**

There is limited electric available and will only be reserved for those who register in advance.

Minimum of \$20 due with advance entry ~ 100% refundable if secretary notified of cancellation 24 hours before ride.

SCHEDULE		RULES & REGULATIONS
FRIDAY	11am Howe Meadow Site opens 3 pm Vet In starts 8 pm Rider Meeting 10 pm Quiet Time	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Safety helmets required for all riders under 18 and strongly urged for adults.Proof of negative Coggins required for out of state horses.NO dumping of grey or black water on the premises.Quiet Time observed from 10pm to 4 am...No GeneratorsNO Horses allowed in the middle of the MeadowAll Dogs MUST be on a leash at ALL TIMES – NO EXCEPTIONSNO Dogs in the Food area
SATURDAY	6 am Riders Start (weather permitting) 4 pm Awards for CTR 25 Milers 6 pm Dinner / Raffle 8 pm Rider meeting 10 pm Quiet Time	
SUNDAY	6 am Riders Start (weather permitting) 3 pm (approx) Awards for CTR Riders 5 pm Howe Meadow Site Closes	

Visit www.medinacountyohc.com for additional information on the ride!
~Trail Maps ~ Info for Novice Riders ~ and MUCH MORE!

ENTRY:		Check ride entering <u> </u> ELEVATOR 25/50 (7/9&7/10) <u> </u> OPEN 25 (7/10) For Celebration 2011 <u> </u> OPEN 25 (7/10) <u> </u> NOVICE 15 (7/10)	Arrival Date:	Electric: YES NO
HORSE:	Name: _____			Breed: _____
	Age _____	Color _____	Circle Appropriate: Mare Gelding Stallion	Total number of years competing _____
RIDER:	Name: _____		Total number of years competing _____	
	Address, City, State, Zip & Phone: _____		Email address: _____	
	T-Shirt Size: _____ <i>ONLY Advanced registration guarantees T-shirt</i>		Name: _____	
EMERGENCY INFO:		Arrival vehicle description & license number: _____		Emergency Contact Name & Number: _____

LIABILITY RELEASE: Name of Ride _____ Date _____ Miles _____

The Undersigned acknowledges that distance horseback riding is a sport which carries an inherent risk, which means a danger or condition that is an integral part of an equine activity, including, but not limited to any of the following:

- (a) The propensity of an equine to behave in ways that may result in injury, death, or loss to persons on or around the equine;
- (b) The unpredictability of an equine's reaction to sounds, sudden movements, unfamiliar objects, persons, or other animals;
- (c) Hazards, including, but not limited to, surface or subsurface conditions;
- (d) A collision with another equine, another animal, a person, or an object;
- (e) The potential of an equine activity participant to act in a negligent manner that may contribute to injury, death, or loss to the person of the participant or to other persons, including, but not limited to, failing to maintain control over an equine or failing to act within the ability of the participant.

The Undersigned, in consideration of acceptance of his/her entry in this ride, does hereby for himself/herself, his/her heirs, executors and administrators, waive and release all ride personnel and the sanctioning Ride Organizations, their officers, and all individual members thereof, and all other persons, administrators and assigns for any and all right, claim or liability of any kind or nature that the Undersigned might have. Further, the Undersigned does hereby acknowledge that said release will extend to any accidents, damages or claims arising out of his/her entry caused by his/her own acts or anyone or any animal with his/her control.

The participant has read and agrees to abide by the OAATS rules.

SIGNATURE OF PARTICIPANT (Parent, Guardian, or Custodian, if under age 18)

DATE

25/50 Elevator ~ Saturday & Sunday July 9 & 10 <i>(Total MUST be paid in full or you will be charged as OPEN rides each day)</i>	\$80 adult (Jr. \$50)	\$
25 Mile OPEN ~ Saturday, July 9	\$50 adult (Jr. \$30)	\$
25 Mile OPEN ~ Sunday, July 10	\$50 adult (Jr. \$30)	\$
15 Mile NOVICE ~ Sunday, July 10	\$40 adult (Jr. \$20)	\$
Camping	\$10 for the weekend PLUS ↓	\$
	\$10 Refundable deposit REQUIRED for site cleanup	\$
Electric <i>(first come – first served – limited shade)</i>	\$5 for the weekend	\$
Extra Dinner Tickets <i>(~ 1 dinner ticket included with each entry)</i>	\$7 each	\$
TOTAL ENCLOSED		\$

Make checks payable to Medina County OHC (not to Mickie!)

Mail check & Registration to: Mickie Newnam 3848 Milford Drive, Kettering, OH 45429

~Advance Registration Preferred~

100% refundable if secretary notified of cancellation 24 hours before ride



OHC STATE RIDE 2011

CUYAHOGA VALLEY NP

August 19, 20, 21

Hosted by Medina County Chapter OHC
Robinson Field, CVNP

Field opens at 1 PM on Friday

Robinson Field, 4831 Akron Peninsula Road, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio 44223,
is on the East side of Akron-Peninsula Road between Wetmore Road and Northampton Road
South of Route 303 in Peninsula, Ohio. Additional directions and map are on our web site
www.medinacountyohc.com.

Click on 'About Medina OHC' and scroll down the page to Robinson Field.

Free Primitive Camping ---High Lines --- Porta Pot --- Horse Water ---Guided Rides
Poker Run ---50-50 Raffle --- Corn Hole & Horse Shoe Pitching ---Moonlight Ride
Silent Auction--- music group "Stringin' Along" and the world famous **PIG ROAST**
with all the trimmings on Sat. Evening. (Please bring a dessert to share). Cost of
Pig Roast is \$17.00 per person.
Complimentary Full Breakfast Sunday Morning!!

Rig and Roast reservations are a must. A \$10.00 per rig site deposit must be included
with your reservation and will be refunded at check in. We need to know the size of your
rig so that we can spot you to use our space most efficiently.
High lines are available. Space for portable corrals is very limited. All dogs must be on
leash. Quiet Time 11 PM to 7 AM (Please no running of generators during quiet time)



Both your Rig Space and/or Dinner must be RESERVED
Reservation Deadline is August 15, 2011



Information: Jack Weese 440-234-9668, cell 216-780-9668 weesej@att.net.

Detach and Send Bottom Portion

Deadline Aug. 15, 2011 Make Checks payable to **MEDINA OHC** Mail Reservations to:
Linda Weese, 345 Buckeye Dr., Berea, OH 44017 440-234-9668 lsweese@aol.com

Name _____ Address: Street _____ City _____

State _____ ZIP _____ Phone _____ Email _____

County Chapter _____ No. _____ Pig Roasts @ \$17.00 per person. _____

Size and type of rig _____ Rig Deposit + \$10.00

Total amount of Check _____

Thank You We look forward to seeing you!

“Over the Top” Obstacle Ride

6th Annual Medina OHC – Judged Pleasure Trail Ride Competition ~ Saturday, September 24, 2011



RIDE MANAGER: Jack Weese—440-234-9668 (weesej@att.net)
Larry Owens---330-825-9145 (rollercade4fun@aol.com)

RIDE SECRETARY: Cheryl Nowack---216-475-3415 (mohctrailmiles@aol.com)

WHAT IS IT:

Obstacle Competition (Saturday) paid participants will Ride their Horse on approximately 6-8 miles of the beautiful Cuyahoga Valley National Park Bridle Trails encountering 6-15 obstacles of various levels of difficulty along the way ~ All with alternative ways around. Event shows how the horse & rider work as a team.

(Sunday) On your own practice with selected obstacles at Robinson Field. Ride and food on your own.

TERRAIN: Mostly wooded, improved bridle trails

WHERE: Robinson Field, Cuyahoga Valley National Park

DIRECTIONS: From I-271 take 303 East to second light in Peninsula, turn right on Akron Peninsula Road. Continue down Akron-Peninsula Rd. for approximately 2 miles. Robinson Field is on the left side of the road, but it is unmarked. (Approximately 1/3 mile past Wetmore Rd.) Carefully turn into the gravel driveway marked with OHC signs.

CAMPING: Primitive with port-a-potties. Horse Water is provided. Stores, motels, restaurants located within 6 miles of the site. There are high lines onsite at Robinson Field. (Due to damage to the field, corrals are restricted to areas approved by the ride managers) Grounds officially open Friday at 1:00pm & closes Sunday at 5:00pm.

FOOD: Each Competition Entry includes food tickets that can be used for snacks or a light meal on Saturday. Additional food tickets will be available for a modest fee at the event.

FEES:

OBSTACLE COMPETITION	Saturday, September 24, 2011	\$40 adult (Jr. \$25) • Pre-registration for Competition is NOT Required; but it is preferred.
	Sunday, September 25, 2011	Work on your skills (\$free) Ride on your own.
Camping	\$10 for the weekend	
Clean-Up Deposit	\$10 refundable deposit required for site cleanup This is Required for ALL people with horses - DAY RIDERS or CAMPERS	

ALL RIDERS MUST WEAR HELMETS!

SCHEDULE		RULES & REGULATIONS
FRIDAY	1 pm Robinson Field Opens for Camping. Please Check in with Ride Secretary and register for the event. Food and Riding on your own	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safety helmets required for ALL Riders • Proof of negative Coggins required for out of state horses. • Clean up after your horse and yourself • Place all manure and loose hay in the dumpster or trailer. Do not scatter manure and hay in the woods. • NO Alcohol • NO Ground Fires • All Dogs MUST be Leashed at ALL times • All Horses Must be under Physical Control at All times. • NO Dogs or Horses in or around the Food Tent • Quiet time 10:00pm-6:00am...NO GENERATORS running at this time
SATURDAY	8am On-Site Registration tba Judges meeting 10 am Riders Meeting 11am First Horse Out 4 pm Awards, Prizes, Results <i>Food, snacks, drinks available with tickets. Food Tickets available for purchase</i>	
SUNDAY	Ride on your own. When ready to leave, have your site inspected to receive your refund. 5 pm Field Closes	

Obstacle COMPETITION Saturday, September 24, 2011	\$40 adult (Jr. \$25)	\$
		\$
Camping	\$10 for the weekend	\$
Refundable \$10 Cleanup Deposit Required for ALL people with horses ~ Day Riders or Campers~	\$10 Refundable deposit <i>REQUIRED</i> for site cleanup	\$
TOTAL ENCLOSED		\$

Send check made out to:

Medina County OHC & Mail to Cheryl Nowack, 12705 Oak Park Blvd. Garfield Heights, Ohio 44125
Pre-registration for Competition is not required; but it is preferred.
100% refund if secretary is notified at least 24 hours before the event.

Name (Print) _____

Address _____ Telephone # _____

Cell Phone _____ E-Mail Address _____

Emergency Contact Name/Phone _____

Horse's Name: _____ (S / M / G) Breed: _____ Hands Tall: _____
(out-of-state riders must provide proof of negative Coggins – send copy if pre-registering)

Amt Paid _____ **Check #** _____ **License State/#** _____ **Division** _____

LIABILITY RELEASE: Name of Ride MOHC Over The Top Trail Ride Judged Obstacle Competition Date 9-24-2011

The Undersigned acknowledges that horseback riding is a sport which carries an inherent risk, that horses can be excitable, difficult to control and unpredictable, and accidents can happen to anyone at any time whether on trail or in camp, which means a danger or condition that is an integral part of an equine activity, including, but not limited to any of the following:

- (a) The propensity of an equine to behave in ways that may result in injury, death, or loss to persons on or around the equine;
- (b) The unpredictability of an equine's reaction to sounds, sudden movements, unfamiliar objects, persons, or other animals;
- (c) Hazards, including, but not limited to, surface or subsurface conditions both natural and man-made;
- (d) A collision with another equine, another animal, a person, or an object;
- (e) The potential of an equine activity participant to act in a negligent manner that may contribute to injury, death, or loss to the person of the participant or to other persons, including, but not limited to, failing to maintain control over an equine or failing to act within the ability of the participant;
- (f) Involve being in remote areas, far from communications, transportation and medical facilities;

The Undersigned, in consideration of acceptance of his/her entry in this ride, does hereby for himself/herself, his/her heirs, executors and administrators, waive and release all ride personnel and the sanctioning Ride Organizations, their officers, and all individual members thereof, and all other persons including all property owners over whose land the ride both encamps and crosses, administrators and assigns for any and all right, claim or liability of any kind or nature that the Undersigned might have. Further, the Undersigned does hereby acknowledge that said release will extend to any accidents, damages or claims arising out of his/her entry caused by his/her own acts or anyone or any animal with his/her control.

The participant has read and understands this liability release and agrees to abide by all rules stated in the registration including keeping all dogs on leash, no dogs or horses in and around the food tent, removal of all trash, waste, hay and manure from their immediate parking/camping area and abiding by quiet time hours with regards to generators.

SIGNATURE OF PARTICIPANT (Parent, Guardian, or Custodian, if under age 18) _____ DATE _____

EMERGENCY CONSENT FOR THOSE RIDERS UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE: Riders date of birth _____

I the Parent/Guardian do understand and have signed the statement above. I further authorize ride personnel to consent on my behalf to any emergency medical treatment by a properly licensed person which may be required for my child/ward and do agree to indemnify and hold harmless any person giving such consent.

SIGNATURE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN _____ DATE _____

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