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HÖFBEATS

Official Newsletter of The M T R A

**THE NEXT MEETING IS
NOVEMBER 8, 2014**

President and Vice President's Stall

The colors are changing, the air is crisp, most of the trails are dry, and there are very few bugs! It is a beautiful time of year and we have been enjoying the trails. Andover and the Fall Ride from the clubhouse were chilly, but still a good time. We were then fooled into thinking it was summer when we rode in Lisbon Falls. The Blazin' A Trail for A Cure was held in the heat on Saturday, with 12 riders completing the ride. Sunday's ride, was really enjoyable, with a lot of nicely shaded trails.

Let's hope for some more nice weather so we continue to ride all through October. We start out in Woolwich, and end the season with a special fundraiser ride in Wales.

For the Mount Vernon Ride, we going to try something new. A Porta-Potty is being brought to the site. We are looking for donations to cover the cost! Please give your donation to Missy Bourgoïn at Mt Vernon. When you see Missy, be sure to get in a "Lordy, Lordy, Look Who's Forty!!!" and wish her a Happy Birthday! We will be celebrating Missy's birthday after the pot luck supper on Saturday. Hope to see you there!

There is no meeting in October, but there are a lot things coming down the pike to be thinking about. The nominations committee is working to put together the slate of officers and board members to be voted on at the November meeting. If you are interested in serving, or have a nomination to propose, please contact Julie Anderson, Donna Tripp, or Cathy Small.

Even though it feels far away, we need to get working on the annual awards banquet. If you wish to join the committee or have new ideas, please contact Trudy Bickford or Julie Anderson. We will have a trail committee meeting on Sunday, October 12, around 4PM after the ride.

Trudy & Riley

**Our Next Meeting:
November 8, 2014 at 7:30PM**

Notice to Members



There will be a board of directors meeting on Thursday, October 23, 7PM at the clubhouse.



Don't forget the Fall Fun Show, October 25 at the clubhouse!



Happy 40th Birthday Missy!

Come to Mt Vernon on October 11, after the potluck supper to help celebrate!



Junior Notices

The juniors will be hosting the fall show on October 25th so there will be a junior meeting on Friday, October 24th at 7:00pm, to set up the arena. Friday night and Saturday will both count towards your volunteer hours.

Nancy Weeks, Junior Advisor

Upcoming Events

Please note: the event calendar will be posted at the clubhouse prior to all meetings. The calendar will not be read at the meetings. Club meetings are at 7:30 P.M. unless posted otherwise.

Oct 4-5 - **Kennebec Morgan Farm Ride in Woolwich (Kate Race 522-5587 & Carlene Iverson) PLEASE NOTE – Coggins within 3 years in state (6 months out of state) and Rhino/flu shot within past 12 months are required.

Oct 11-13 - **Mt. Vernon (Walt Williams and Sandy Zack 293-3068)

Oct 18-19 - **Parkman Ride (Donna Tripp and Ashley Weeks 582-5532)

Oct 23 – Board of Directors meeting, 7PM, at the clubhouse

Oct 25 – Fall Fun Show at the clubhouse

Oct 26 – **Wales Ride (Stephanie Voye) - PLEASE NOTE: This is a special fundraiser ride being held with the NBHA District 1. Donations of \$10 per rider are being asked for.

Nov 8 - Club meeting, at the MTRA club house

Dec 13 - Club meeting, at the MTRA club house

Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee needs your help! If you are interested in a board position or an officer position, or wish to recommend someone, please contact one of the following people:

Julie Anderson – 207-446-1604

Donna Tripp – Home 207-582-5532 or cellphone 207-446-7982

Cathy Small – 207-582-2093

We need nominations for all four office positions (President, Vice-President, Treasurer, and Secretary). We need nominations for three board of director positions.

Ride Information

The calendar has filled up fast! Contact the trail secretary, Cathy Small, to sponsor a ride:

Email: Cathy@MaineTrailRiders.com

Phone: 207-582-2093

October ride information

October 4-5 – Kennebec Horse Farm Ride in Woolwich sponsored by Kate Race and Carlene Iverson:

This ride will leave at 10 am both days. The plan is to camp in Crowe Field both nights. We will be right on the water. If for some reason we cannot camp there due to wet fields (this is a possibility), we will set up across from the barn in the arena area. We will have lunch on the trail both days. Saturday's ride will be at least an hour longer ride than Sunday's ride.

Saturday: From farm ride to end of Phipps point Road. Turn left onto to Murphy's Corner Road and left onto Hockomock Road. This circles around beautiful tidal lands back on to Barley Neck Road. At the end of Barley Neck Take a right back on to Murphy's Corner Road until it ends. Take a right onto Phipps Point Road back to farm. Approximately 12 miles on tar and wooded dirt roads. Very peaceful ride.

Sunday: Margaret's land all day, ocean front trails, dirt, meadows, and quiet tar roads. Lunch on Phipps Point overlooking ocean. Approximately 8 miles of round-about trails.

Potluck on Saturday night with bonfire if I am issued a burn permit (weather permitting). Would be great if someone brought a guitar and we had some music. Margaret will be joining us for some of the ride and festivities. There will be water available at the farm.

Remember all of your horse's paperwork for this ride! See you soon! If you think you might want to arrive Friday night give me a call.

Directions from RT 1 North: Go across the Bath Bridge. Take the first right after the Taste of

Maine Restaurant on to George Wright Road. In 1.25 miles turn right on to Barley Neck Road. Follow this road (take the sharp left up the hill) until it ends (3.5 miles). Turn right on to Phipps Point Road and go to the end. Someone will be there to direct you to our spot in Crowe field.

Directions from RT 1 South: Go through Wiscasset South toward Bath. Take your first wide paved road on the left after the Montsweag Roadhouse Restaurant. This is Montsweag Road. Follow this road to the stop sign (3 miles). Continue straight to end of Phipps Point Road. Someone will be there to direct you to our spot in Crowe Field.

Kennebec Horse Farm
386 Phipps Point Road
Woolwich, ME

Contacts for more information:

Kate Race 522-5587

Carlene Iverson 838-7658

PLEASE NOTE – Coggins within 3 years in state (6 months out of state) and Rhino/flu shot within past 12 months are required by Kennebec Horse Farm.



Kennebec Horse Farm, October 5, 2013

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October 11-13 – Mt. Vernon Ride sponsored by Walt Williams and Sandy Zack (207-293-3068)



Please check out where you plan to park by walking the area before driving in. Also, please unload horses before driving trailers far into the field.

This is a beautiful place to camp and ride! You will need to bring your own water. Each day the ride leaves at 9:30 and will be about 4 hours long. Lunch will be either out on the trail or back at the trailers. Check with Walt before you pack your saddlebags.

There will be a potluck supper on Saturday night!

Directions:

From Manchester, take Rt. 17 towards Readfield. Go about 5 miles. Cross the railroad tracks, turn right onto the North Road just after the tracks. Then turn right onto the Weeks Mill Road. Go straight at the first stop sign, road bears right about 1 mile from stop sign. Bear left and go straight up the hill, this is the Cottle Hill Road. After this road turns to dirt, take the next Right down a camp road. Go through a green gate and parking will be in the field wherever you wish. Please unload horses before driving trailers far into the field as if there has been rain there may be soft areas.

Any questions contact Walt or Sandy @ 207-293-3068.



October 18-19 - Parkman Ride co-sponsored by Donna Tripp and Ashley Weeks:

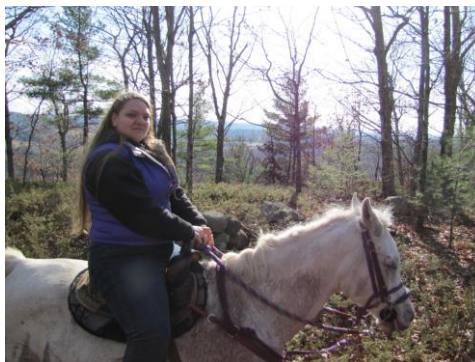
Camping is available Friday through Sunday. Bring water and spread manure in the field because this is a hayfield we camp in. There will be a lot of gravel roads so if your horse is tender footed you may want shoes. These trails are also accessible by cart if anyone wants to drive. The ride starts at 9:30 and lunch will be on the trail both days.

A “Make Your Own Pizza” Party will be held Saturday night courtesy of the landowners. Please bring a favorite pizza topping, salad, or sweet treat to share.

Directions:

Take I-95 to Newport Exit 157. Take a left on Route 7 North to Dexter; take first left after Hannaford supermarket on Route 23 North. Go 1.5 miles, and take 2nd left after the lake onto Cambridge Road, watch for signs. Continue for 4 miles the field we will be camping in is on the right, watch for signs.

Contact info: Donna Tripp 207-582-5532 at home until Oct 17th, or cellphone 207-446-7982 (reception is iffy at camp). If unable to reach Donna, contact Nancy Weeks 207-724-3302.



Wales Ride, November 20, 2011

October 26 – Wales Ride sponsored by Stephanie Voyer:

Ride starts at 10:00AM. The terrain is hilly with some rocks. We will break for lunch with games and a 50/50 during the day. Anyone with ideas regarding games can certainly contact me.

The address is 331 Centre Road, Wales.

Directions:

Coming from Lewiston:

Take 126 East, Sabattus Street, into Sabattus past the lake. From Waterman's Farm Machinery go 3 miles and turn LEFT onto Avenue Road. Proceed about 1 mile up the hill and on the left at the top of the hill there will be an open field where we will park trailers. If you get to the stop sign you went a hair too far.

Coming from Gardiner:

Take 126 West through South Monmouth. After South Monmouth Market at the blinking light travel 3.1 miles and take a RIGHT onto Avenue Road. Proceed about 1 mile up the hill and on the left at the top of the hill there will be an open field where we will park trailers. If you get to the stop sign you went a hair too far.

Coming from Augusta:

Option 1 - Come down 95 to exit in Gardiner and follow above directions (for coming from Gardiner).

Option 2 - Take 202 towards Lewiston. At blinking light in Monmouth take LEFT onto 132, Main Street, and continue through Monmouth Center. From the Theater at Monmouth/Cumston Hall travel 5.2 miles to Woods Road, take LEFT onto Woods Road. Proceed 1 mile on Woods Road to stop sign, go straight through stop sign approximately ¼ mile there will be an open field on the right where we will park the trailers.

Additional ride information is in the flyer included with the newsletter.

To contact Stephanie Voyer:

Phone 207-212-1811

Email steph.brownell@yahoo.com

General Membership Meeting Minutes

Submitted by Donna LeBlond

Called to order: 9/20/2014 at 7:30pm

Guest Introduction: No guest

Secretary's Report: Accepted as posted in Hoof beats Nora motioned, Donna seconded, motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Report read and filed.

BOD Report: Meeting held on Thursday August 14th, for club house grounds improvements, nothing finalized at meeting. Meeting scheduled for October 21st 7pm at club house.

Trail Report: Missy asked for porta-potty for Mount Vernon ride, cost \$100 for standard one and \$130 for larger one, can ask for donations. Cathy motioned to ask for donations for larger porta-potty and the club will pay for amount remaining, Nora seconded, motion passed.

Horse Show Report: Fall Horse Show Junior's need to make up class list. Nancy questioning when the 2015 Spring Horse Show date would be, she was asked to run a food booth at Shamrock Stables for barrel clinic on May 2-3 2015, would be a good fund raiser for the Juniors. We could have the Spring Horse Show the second or third Saturday in May.

Publicity Report: No Report

Building and Land Report: Grounds look very good, Rick is asking to put lexan acrylic on the window in the show booth to keep cold and wind out, should make it warmer.

Fund Raising Committee Report: No report, looking for ideas.

Food Committee Report: No Report.

Entertainment Committee Report: No report, need ideas.

Parade Committee Report: Received a \$150 check from Lisbon for Moxie parade.

Hospitality Committee Report: Send card to

Brenda for surgery.

Drill Team Report: No Report

Junior's Report: No Report

Correspondence Report : Received a letter from a gentleman moving into the Freeport area and is looking for a place to board his horse. Lynn Aube has a 2004 horse trailer for sale price \$2,750. MeQHA having a trail challenge on October 26th. Received Equine Affaire flyers. Quintal's sent a thank you card for the use of the club house.

Old Business Report: BOD sign up sheet.

New Business Report: Nominating committee needed, Julie, Donna Tripp and Cathy volunteered.

Remarks for the Good of the Order: Rachel mentioned the Tek 111 is buckling on the side of the building.

**Membership Count: Senior Members: 10
Junior Members: 1 Dogs: 3**

Raffles and /or mystery gift: Mystery gift was won by Nora. Brags: Missy and Ace have been doing well in barrels, also Monty is doing well.

Motion to adjourn: Donna motioned, Julie seconded motion passed. Meeting ended at 8:31pm.

Wanted!

Unusable saddle

Wanted: a saddle that is no longer safe for riding that can be used as a decoration.

Contact Nancy Weeks by email: mcgiver@tds.net

Classified Ads

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*All MTRA Members – 10% off and 10% will be donated to the club

Contact: Donna LeBlond

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Barn in Dexter available!

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Patti Dowse

Erda (www.erdaleather.com)



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If you have info to submit to the website, please contact Trudy Bickford by phone 207-720-0550 or email trudybickford@mainetrailriders.com.

Hospitality
Please help Cathy by keeping her informed on anything where the club should send out a card or more. She can be contacted via email at:
Cathy@MaineTrailRiders.com.

Editor's Note

The deadline for submissions for the November issue is October 22. Send your email address if you would like to receive this newsletter via email. Photos and tips are welcome! Send to:
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Blazin' A Trail For A Cure, September 27, 2014

Commented [TB1]: