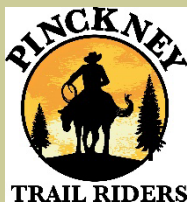


Spring 2022



PTRA Newsletter

PTRA BOARD MEMBERS

Dianne Martin, President
Amy Scharmen, Vice President
Sue Armstrong, Treasurer
Edna Money
Chris Harman
Susan Hanawalt

A Message from PTRA President

Happy Spring! The weather is changing, and a long season of good riding is ahead of us. We recently had some good news from the DNR. They will be replacing all of our trail maps to include the newly formalized horse trails south of the bridge at Hell Creek in what we call the "Fairy Forest." PTRA contributed financially to the cost of the new signs. Additionally, the DNR communicated to us that the runners will no longer be using our trails, since they have now found alternative location for their events. The DNR indicated that they would not grant permits for non-equestrian use of our trails in the future without consulting with PTRA. We are grateful and believe that our strong relationship with the DNR has led to this consideration.

Please do not forget to register for the PTRA/BTRA banquet on April 29th at Block Brewery in Howell and for joining the fun Ride to Hell during May 20-22. And, finally, please get us your flower orders by April 1st! Details included in this newsletter.

See you on the trails!

-Dianne Martin, PTRA President

PTRA Thank You to Sue Armstrong

We want to take this time to reflect and thank Sue Armstrong for her 20 years of service as President of the Pinckney Trail Riders Association. Sue has stepped down from the presidency but, thankfully, still serves as the treasurer and is still actively involved in our events. In 2002, when Sue stepped up to the plate, the horse trails at Pinckney Rec looked quite a bit different than they do now. I remember the Pinckney Rec trails around that time, it was when I had gotten back into horses as an adult, and we would ride the Pinckney horse trails during the spring and into July, but then the trails would become so overgrown that we would head to other less wild trail systems for the rest of the riding season. Of course, at that time, I did not realize how much work it was or that it took the dedication of volunteers to keep the trails open. Trail riders' access to the Pinckney Rec equestrian trails was a much smaller, rutted out staging area that was a worn-down path with no amenities. Trail 19-17, the trail segment which leads out to or in from the Lakelands trail was underwater most of the year. From large projects to small, Sue was there, most times with her wonderful husband Ray, to tackle the next improvement for the trail rider at Pinckney Rec.

Sue (and Ray's) hard work, dedication, sweat equity, cooperation and sheer determination brought many improvements to Pinckney Rec over these 20 years. Sue built a strong relationship with DNR park management and with their help, Pinckney Rec has forever been changed for the better for the trail rider. Improvements to the staging area were numerous, gravel for a large, designated parking area, vault toilet, hand pump, pavilion, kiosk, hitching rail, mounting steps, grill, event camping area with picket posts, and gates. These improvements make this an easy-access, accommodating and inviting staging area for trail riders no matter the size of their rig. Sue and Ray greatly improved the metal bridge leading to Hell, creating a safe passage for horse and rider to enjoy a favorite part of our trail system, the fairy forest,

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Thank you, Sue and Ray!



Michigan Horse Trails and Campgrounds Map

A great resource is a map on Google Maps that shows the location of Michigan horse trails, horse camps, and stables:

https://www.google.com/maps/d/u/0/viewer?mid=19gXV0vTkb_jj2BRdZF86edhDsztuuy5J&ll=44.54013605626135%2C-85.78344152611776&z=7 found at <http://michiganhorsetrails.com/southeast.html> or <https://www.facebook.com/groups/michiganhorsetrailsdirectory>

Attention Amazon Shoppers!

You can choose Pinckney Trail Riders Association as the charitable organization your purchases will support when you shop at AmazonSmile:

<http://smile.amazon.com>



Sue Armstrong - continued

which is full of magnificently tall, red and white pines. Together Sue and Ray volunteered their time and equipment to tackle trail 17-19 and created safe, dry passage that could be enjoyed at any time of the year. And, with a huge group effort, during Sue's time as president, our equestrian trails have been completely reopened and are in better shape than ever before for all trail riders to enjoy. Sue's creative visions and thirst for knowledge kept the Pinckney Trail Rider Association events fresh, educational and fun and she has put in many an hour hosting events, planning fundraisers, and educating others about the needs of trail riders. We at PTRA have been absolutely blessed to have her and cannot in any way begin to thank her for all she has done. It takes a visionary to make change, and thank you Sue for being ours! – Amy Scharmen (and a Very Grateful Board)

New Board Member – Chris Harman



Chris on her mare,

Belle

I am looking forward to my duties as a newly appointed board member. I've been involved with horses since I was in high school. Over the years I trained thoroughbred race horses for over 25 years professionally at the Detroit area tracks. This included managing a 100 stall training facility in South Lyon which had an equine swimming pool. After the tracks closed, I got back into trail riding. In 2016 I bought a farm that abuts the Lakeland Trail and have close access to the Pinckney Rec trails. I own two of my own horses and currently board 10 horses at my farm. I recently retired from the State of Michigan after 26 years of service and I'm enjoying working with horses full time. I now will have more time to devote to the Pinckney Trail Riders and their activities.

New Board Member – Susan Hanawalt



New Board member,
Susan Hanawalt

I'm Susan Hanawalt, a horse enthusiast and owner since I was 8 years old. My husband and I moved to Gregory, Michigan in 2015. We followed our dream of having our horses at home. As a board member, my desire is to aid the PTRA in their vision for our horse community: to have some of the best trails in SE Michigan, to help garner more equine opportunities elsewhere in the state and to build a positive, impactful and valuable image through our presence.

Membership Renewal for 2022 – Renew Now!

Membership year runs Jan. 1st – Dec. 31st

Join on our website *or* below:

Single \$20/yr__ Family \$25/yr__ Business \$30/yr__

\$_____ Optional Trail Maintenance Donation

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE: Home/Cell _____

EMAIL: _____

DATE: _____

SIGNATURE: _____

Make checks payable
to PTRA and mail to:

PTRA

11185 Country Ln.

Pinckney, MI 48169

Donations are tax
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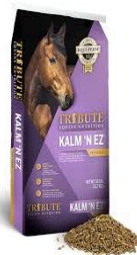
Pinckney Trail Riders Association is a 501c3 non-profit corporation registered with the Internal Revenue Service and the Michigan Attorney General's office as a charitable organization.

Our purpose is to improve, protect, maintain and expand the horse trails in the Pinckney Rec Area and surrounding areas for use by horse men and women, their families and the general public for horseback riding, horse camping and horse related activities.

Tribute Partnership – Send us your Proofs of Purchase

PTRA has joined Tribute Feed's Partners Program, where they will contribute \$0.25 for each proof of purchase from ANY Tribute bag of feed product we send them.

This money can be used for PTRA events. Please send your proofs of purchase to Sue Armstrong at 11185 Country Lane, Pinckney, MI 48169.



PTRA/BTRA Spring Fling Banquet

April 29th, 6pm

Block Brewing Howell

Featuring a buffet dinner and HUGE Silent & Live Auctions

Lots of outstanding items will be offered!

RSVP and Pre-pay Required:

RSVP to

rideadraft1@yahoo.com

Paypal to:

[Paypal.me/Pinckneytrailriders](https://www.paypal.me/Pinckneytrailriders)

Or mail your check to:

Pinckney Trail Riders
11185 Country Ln,
Pinckney, MI 48169

Deadline to Register: April 20

\$35.00 per ticket

Renew your memberships at the banquet for both clubs and Save Money!

Donations for the Auction are Needed Now!

To donate, Contact Edna Money

at 734-498-3564 or
emmoney@charter.net

The Banquet is Back!

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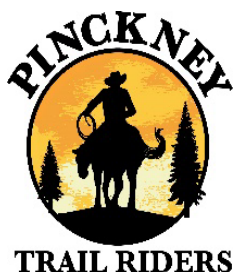
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Have you checked
out the Michigan
Horse Trails
Directory?

<http://michiganhorsetrails.com/>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/612789875951763>

Do you know how our Trails Groups started?

In late 1995 Wayne Mears headed up a move to keep the Waterloo Horseman's camp open in the Waterloo Recreation Area. He spent a lot of time riding there so he knew the trails and a lot of people who also used the park. They were in danger of losing the trails there because the DNR did not have the funds to keep it open and maintain the trails. He appealed to the people using the trails and camp to come together and form a partnership with the DNR to keep the trails and camp open. In 1996 an agreement was signed with the DNR and Waterloo Horseman's Association. That was the first one in the state. Since that time, he was able to work with the DNR and riders of 6 more recreation areas to keep the trails open for horse use and have campgrounds.

The DNR did not have the money to maintain the trails and campgrounds so the trails were going to be lost. He had several interested persons contact him about setting up agreements with riders and the DNR to keep them open. Dues of the organizations went to maintain the horse trails and the camps. Below is an example of a poster that was posted in tack shops, feed stores, etc. to judge the interest in keep the trails open. He was successful in his endeavors. All of the groups are going strong in working with the DNR. The purpose of these groups is to preserve the horse trails, protect the right to ride in them and help the DNR improve the trails and maintain the camps.

ATTENTION

Fort Custer Recreation Area Horseback Riders

*Do you use the Horse Camp
and/or Horse Trails?*

Please come to an Informational Meeting

April 16, 1998
7:30 p.m.
Kal-Val Saddle Club

I-94, Exit #85 (35th Ave. Exit). Go South 1/13 miles, turn right at Caution Light.
Follow 34th Ave. 5.6 miles to Railroad Crossing.
Continue .8 of a mile to building and arena on left.

- ♦ **PRESERVE** The Horse Trails
- ♦ **PROTECT** Your right to trail ride
- ♦ **IMPROVE** the system of Trails and other facilities



Tell a Friend !!!

Bring a Friend !!!

NAME

THINK
living color fundraiser
SPRING

PHONE NUMBER

ALL FLOWERS & VEGETABLES WILL DELIVER TO YOUR GROUP'S
LOCATION BETWEEN 5/16-5/29

ALL PRODUCT 100% GUARANTEED
PLANT PRODUCT MAY DIFFER SLIGHTLY FROM IMAGES
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SUCCULENT CEDAR FRAME

☀ JUNE - FROST ☀ FULL SUN / PART SHADE

Inside and out, this 6" x 9" cedar picture frame filled with a variety of Succulents adds a touch of color and life to any setting.



EASY WAVE PETUNIA 6-PACKS



Waves create a lush carpet of vivid color in any large container or flower bed.



BLUE WAVE®

☀ MAY - FROST ☀ FULL SUN / PART SHADE



RED WAVE®

☀ MAY - FROST ☀ FULL SUN / PART SHADE



ROSE DAWN WAVE®

☀ MAY - FROST ☀ FULL SUN / PART SHADE

Starting a vegetable & herb garden at home is a fantastic way to save money – a single tomato plant can easily provide 10 pounds of fruit over the summer.

Plus, growing vegetables is **FUN!** It's a great way to spend time with your kids and friends or have a place to get away and spend valuable time outside in the sun.

VEGETABLE & HERB

6-PACKS



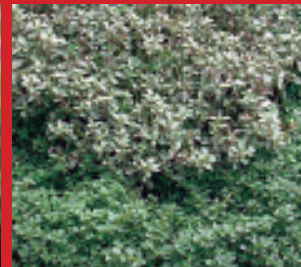
SWEET BASIL
🌱 JUNE-AUGUST ☀️ FULL SUN / PART SHADE



OREGANO
🌱 JUNE-AUGUST ☀️ FULL SUN / PART SHADE



ROSEMARY
🌱 JUNE-AUGUST ☀️ FULL SUN / PART SHADE



THYME
🌱 JUNE-AUGUST ☀️ FULL SUN / PART SHADE



CHERRY TOMATO
🌱 AUGUST ☀️ FULL SUN / PART SHADE



JALAPENO PEPPER
🌱 AUGUST ☀️ FULL SUN / PART SHADE



TOMATO
🌱 AUGUST ☀️ FULL SUN / PART SHADE



BELL PEPPER
🌱 AUGUST ☀️ FULL SUN / PART SHADE



JALAPENO PEPPER
🌱 AUGUST ☀️ FULL SUN / PART SHADE

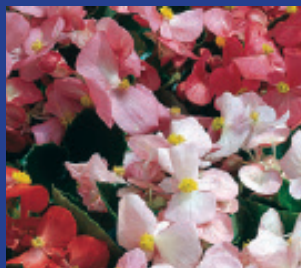


TOMATO
🌱 AUGUST ☀️ FULL SUN / PART SHADE

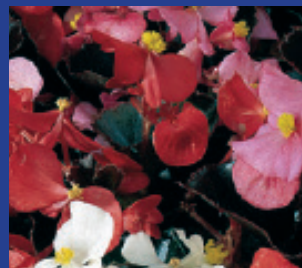


LANDSCAPE FLAT^{36-PACKS}

Fill your beds and containers with beautiful, vibrant plants. Choose from a selection of favorites that are fun to plant and grow!



BEGONIA (GREEN-LEAF) MIX
🌱 JUNE-FROST ☀️ SHADE



BEGONIA (BRONZE-LEAF) MIX
🌱 JUNE-FROST ☀️ SHADE



BLUE CHILL PANSY
🌱 MAY-JUNE ☀️ FULL SUN / PART SHADE



RASPBERRY DIANTHUS
🌱 APRIL-FROST ☀️ FULL SUN / PART SHADE



DUSTY MILLER
🌱 JUNE-FROST ☀️ FULL SUN / PART SHADE



IMPATIENS MIX
🌱 JUNE-FROST ☀️ SHADE / PART SHADE



MARIGOLD MIX
🌱 JUNE-FROST ☀️ FULL SUN



PETUNIA MIX
🌱 MAY-FROST ☀️ FULL SUN / PART SHADE



RED SALVIA
🌱 MAY-SEPTEMBER ☀️ FULL SUN



SNAPDRAGON MIX
🌱 APRIL-FROST ☀️ PART SHADE

12" HANGING BASKETS

They are beautiful, last longer than cut flowers, and are a great way to kick off the gardening season.



EVENING DELIGHT MIX
 ❄️ JUNE-FROST ☀️ FULL SUN / PART SHADE



PRIMARY PALETTE MIX
 ❄️ JUNE-FROST ☀️ FULL SUN / PART SHADE



DRAGON WING PINK BEGONIA
 ❄️ JUNE-FROST ☀️ PART SHADE / SHADE



JAMBALAYA
 ❄️ MAY-FROST ☀️ FULL SUN / PART SHADE



DRAGON WING RED BEGONIA
 ❄️ JUNE-FROST ☀️ PART SHADE / SHADE



PINK GERANIUM + VINCA
 ❄️ FREELY ☀️ FULL SUN / PART SHADE



IMPATIENS MIX
 ❄️ JUNE-FROST ☀️ SHADE



RED GERANIUM + VINCA
 ❄️ FREELY ☀️ FULL SUN / PART SHADE



VIOLET GERANIUM + VINCA
 ❄️ FREELY ☀️ FULL SUN / PART SHADE



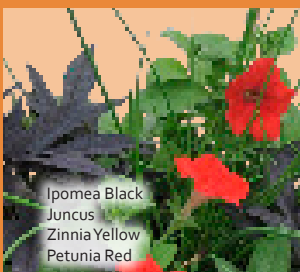
RWB PETUNIA MIX
 ❄️ MAY-FROST ☀️ FULL SUN / PART SHADE



CHOICE FLAMBEAU
 ❄️ JUNE-FROST ☀️ FULL SUN



LORI'S MIDNIGHT MIX
 ❄️ JUNE-FROST ☀️ FULL SUN / PART SHADE



SERENDIPITY SHIFT
 ❄️ JUNE-FROST ☀️ FULL SUN



ZENITH DESIGN
 ❄️ JUNE-FROST ☀️ PART SHADE / SHADE



MOSAIC
 ❄️ JUNE-FROST ☀️ PART SHADE / SHADE

11" COLOR BOWLS

Color Bowls hold 7-8 plants and are pot inserts that fit into an existing container.

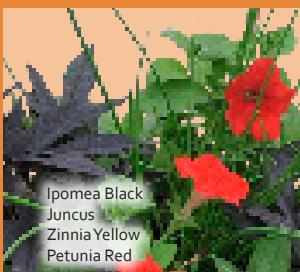
Color Bowls are 11" by 4" and fit snugly into a 12" or larger patio container.



CHOICE FLAMBEAU
 ❄️ JUNE-FROST ☀️ FULL SUN



LORI'S MIDNIGHT MIX
 ❄️ JUNE-FROST ☀️ FULL SUN / PART SHADE



SERENDIPITY SHIFT
 ❄️ JUNE-FROST ☀️ FULL SUN



ZENITH DESIGN
 ❄️ JUNE-FROST ☀️ PART SHADE / SHADE



MOSAIC
 ❄️ JUNE-FROST ☀️ PART SHADE / SHADE

		NAME				
		PHONE NUMBER				
		please include your name & phone number, so we can let you know when your plants arrive	CUSTOMER ONE	CUSTOMER TWO	CUSTOMER THREE	CUSTOMER FOUR
\$22.00	Succulent Cedar Frame					
WAVE® PETUNIAS	Blue Wave® Petunia					
	Red Wave® Petunia					
	Rose Dawn Wave® Petunia					
\$12.00						
VEGETABLES & HERBS	Sweet Basil					
	Oregano					
	Rosemary					
	Thyme					
	Cherry Tomato					
	Bell Pepper					
	Jalapeno Pepper					
	Tomato					
\$10.00						
LANDSCAPE FLATS	Begonia Green Leaf Mix					
	Begonia Bronze Leaf Mix					
	Blue Chill Pansy					
	Raspberry Dianthus					
	Dusty Miller					
	Impatiens Mix					
	Marigold Mix					
	Petunia Mix					
	Red Salvia					
	Snapdragon Mix					
\$16.00						
HANGING BASKETS	Evening Delight Mix					
	Primary Palette Mix					
	Jambalaya					
	Dragon Wing Pink Begonia					
	Dragon Wing Red Begonia					
	Impatiens Mix					
	Pink Geranium w/ Vinca					
	Red Geranium w/ Vinca					
	Violet Geranium w/ Vinca					
	Red White Blue Petunia Mix					
\$20.00						
COLOR BOWLS	Choice Flambeau					
	Lori's Midnight Mix					
	Mosaic					
	Serendipity Shift					
	Zenith Design					
\$20.00						
TOTALS						