

PTRA Newsletter

PTRA BOARD MEMBERS

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Photos: Witch Hazel, a native tree which blooms in October and November! You will see many of these on Tanner's Trail, Markers 10 – 29. The beautiful yellow blooms have a pleasant spicy aroma and are pollinated by moths.



A Message from PTRA Vice President

Happy Holidays! What a great year on the trails! We had great weather for riding for much of the year, and I noticed that our staging area was full on many weekends. The past few weeks have seen two significant wind storms, and I am proud to say that our amazing volunteer clean-up crew has removed all blow downs within the past week. Many thanks to Bob Ogilvy, Fredd Ziobron, and Lambert Mulzer for getting right out to clear blocking trees and other blow downs across the trails.

In 2021, PTRA hosted two great events with our Blessing of the Horse in June and our Ride to Hell Camping Weekend in October. For 2022, we are going to try something new and combine these two events on the same weekend in May (May 20-22).

On January 16, 2022, we will have our Annual PTRA Meeting via Zoom. We will recap the year, present our plans for 2022, and elect Board Members. We will email out a link to the meeting as the date approaches. Also, please save the date for our combined BTRA/PTRA Spring Fling Banquet, which will be at the Block Brewery in Howell on Friday, April 29th. Details to come!

See you on the trails!

-Dianne Martin, PTRA Vice President

PTRA Ride to Hell and Camping Weekend



PTRA's Ride to Hell and camping weekend was a big hit this year, bringing in approximately 50 riders from all over, including Kalamazoo, Port Huron, Lansing, and Ohio! Many riders dressed up for the costume contest.

A Big Shout Out to the Putnam Township Fire Department for keeping us safe in Hell!



Long time PTRA Board Member Elsa Elmore retires:



Photo: Elsa Elmore, long time PTRA Board Member, with her family.

Thank you Elsa for all of your hard work and support to our club for many years.

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>



Winter Hair Care Special from Marjie's Manes

Marjie's Manes is offering \$5.00 off of haircuts and \$8.00 off of hair coloring for the months of January and February 2022.

This special is for PTRA members and their immediate family only.

Call today to schedule your appointment!

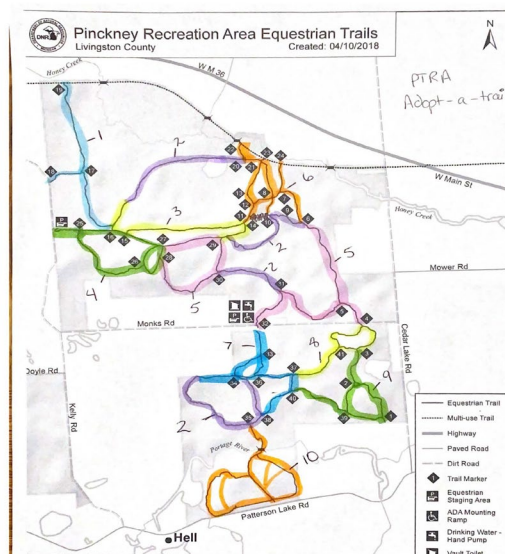
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Adopt-a-Trail is a Big Success!

All of our Adopt-a-Trail segments have been adopted, and our adopters have been busy clearing during the course of the year, eliminating the need for formal work bees.

Please let Dianne Martin know if you have been clearing your sections, so that she can log the time into our DNR Volunteer Log. You can email her at dmartin@asti-env.com or text her at 810-599-5468.



Coming in January 2022!

Meet Thor, of Reality's Chance Rescue & Sanctuary, Pleasant Lake, MI. This is the story of Thor, an elderly Friesian living the rest of his days in sanctuary. Everyone who meets Thor agrees, there is just something extra special about this gelding.

Written to foster empathy and understanding for

horses, all profits from the sale of this book go to feed and care for the horses of Reality's Chance.

If you're interested in getting your copy, message the author and/or RC for book launch dates.

Email:

kristine.brickey@yahoo.com

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contact@realityschance.org

Thor, the Mighty Friesian



KRISTINE E. BRICKEY

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 PTRTA and mail to:

PTRTA

11185 Country Ln.

Pinckney, MI 48169

*Donations are tax
deductible*

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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

PTRTA 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 PTRTA events.

Please send your proofs of purchase to Sue Armstrong at 11185 Country Lane, Pinckney, MI 48169 and help support our PTRTA events just by feeding your horse!



Next PTRTA Board Meeting – January 6, 2022

Board meetings are now being held virtually using Zoom. Everyone is invited to join in. If you would like to be included on the next meeting, please email us at pinckneytrailrider@yahoo.com to get a link invite to the meeting. You do not

need to install Zoom or have an account to join the meeting. You can join from your smartphone, computer or tablet.

Our Annual PTRTA Member Meeting is January 16, 2022 also via

Zoom. We will email a link to all current members should you wish to join the meeting.

We welcome your input!

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Have you checked
out the Michigan
Horse Trails
Directory?

<http://michiganhorsetrail.com/>

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

Thanks to all of our business members for your support!

Let's show our appreciation to these businesses by giving them a call first or visit our website page for a direct link.



If you are a current business member and do not see your information listed here, please contact Dianne Martin.

Southeastern Michigan Equestrian Trail Group Events – Proposed 2022 (Subject to Change)

FEBRUARY

4: Proud Lake Banquet

MARCH

11-13: Michigan Horse Expo

APRIL

29: BTRA/PTRA Banquet at Block Brewery, Howell

30: Waterloo Green Lake Ride

MAY

7: Brighton Trail Riders Celebrate Spring Ride and Annual Meeting

13-15: Highland Trail Riders Poker Ride Spring Camp

20-22: Pinckney Blessing of the Horse and Ride to Hell Camping Weekend

27-30: Ortonville Poker Ride Camp

27-30: Waterloo Memorial Weekend Camp

JUNE

10-12: Pontiac Lake Horseman Summer Fun Camp

17-19: Proud Lake Trail Riders/Kensington Trail Riders Circle Ride

25-26: Brighton Ride

AUGUST

5-6: Detroit Horse Power Distance Ride - Kensington and Proud Lake trail [GLDRA](#)

7: Detroit Horse Power Hunter Pace and Novice Ride - Kensington [GLDRA](#)

SEPTEMBER

3-5: Waterloo Labor Day Camp

9-11: Highland Trail Riders Horseshoe Hunt Fall Camp

16-18: Pontiac Lake Horseman Tour the Trails Fall Camp

23-25: Proud Lake Trail Riders

OCTOBER

1-2: Brighton Trail Riders Poker Ride and Camp

8: Autumn on the Polly Ann Trail

16??: Lapeer County Mounted Posse Trail Ride

20-23: Addison Oaks Trail Riders Camp 'N Ride

23: Maybury Trail Riders Spooktacular

29: Horses for Hope Halloween Ride at Cummings Center

November

5-6 Waterloo Turkey Trot