



Madison County Trail Blazers Saddle Club November 2010 Newsletter

Website: <http://www.madisoncountytrailblazers.com>

From October Meeting...

The October meeting was held at Don Ole's in Highland, IL on October 25th.

The October 3rd show was a nice show with a good turnout of exhibitors. The last show of the season on October 17th was a great show with lots of exhibitor going all out for the costume class. Be sure to check out the MCTB website for great pictures from the costume class!

The show schedule for the 2011 show season is being put together currently. If you have any suggestions and/or ideas for show dates or number of shows, please plan to attend the next monthly meeting.

The trail ride schedule for next year is being worked on currently. If you have any suggestions or ideas for places to ride please feel free to contact Trail Ride Chair Person, Pam Witthofft, at (618) 667-8059 or at pcwitthofft@aol.com or contact Julie Turner at jturner230@aol.com. All suggestions are welcome. We would love to have more club members attend the trail rides next year!

The date for the Annual Awards Banquet has been tentatively set for January 22, 2011. The banquet will be held at the Edwardsville Gun Club again this year. Mark your calendars now. The awards banquet is always a great time!

Surveys

All members should have received a survey in October requesting input on our shows and the club in general. We have received several surveys back with very useful input but would love to see more surveys returned. Please use this opportunity to voice your opinion! There is no time limit on returning the survey so please take a little time to complete your survey and mail it back! The more members we hear from the better idea we get on ways to improve the shows and club for everyone involved!

November Monthly Meeting

The November meeting will be held November 29th at B.S. Boogies. The address is 2082 Vadalabene, Maryville, IL. Meeting time is 7:30pm.

Please make plans to attend the November meeting as the election of both officers and board members will be held at that meeting!

Class Order Change

The order for classes for the 2011 show season was discussed at the October meeting. For the 2011 show season, the only change is order of classes is the Novelty class will be class #23 and the Trail class will be class # 22.

Annual Membership Dues

Annual membership dues for MCTB are due in January. Membership dues must be paid before March 31st to avoid paying the \$5.00 late

Thank You!

We appreciate all the great riders and horses that have shown at and supported our shows this season, and hope to see you all again next show season. As always, the members that volunteered their time at the shows are greatly appreciated. We could not put on the shows without the help of those members.

Winter Horse Care Tips

Horses can adapt easily and quickly to winter weather, but it's important to provide the extra care they need to stay healthy and safe in the colder weather.

- As pasture quality or availability decreases, increase hay. Extra hay is the best source of heat for your horse.
- Be sure to provide adequate water. Horses may not drink enough water if the water is very cold.
- Keep hooves in good condition. Trimmed hooves will chip less, provide a better grip on slippery surfaces, and hold less snow.
- If your horses are outside, make sure they have access to a shelter or windbreak of some sort.
- Get a pre-winter dental exam. If your horse's teeth aren't grinding properly, he may not be getting all the nutrients out of his food.
- Don't neglect grooming during the winter. A dirty or matted coat loses much of its ability to insulate.
- Consider blanketing your horses. Older horses especially may need blanketing.

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If you have anything you want added to the website, or comments, suggestions, etc...please contact Dianne Doll at (618) 644-3655 or silverrose@hometel.com

If you have any questions, comments, or want anything added to the newsletter, please contact Julie Turner at (704) 453-6194 or jturner230@aol.com

2010 Show Dates

May 23, 2010

June 20, 2010

June 27, 2010

August 15, 2010

August 29, 2010

September 12, 2010

September 26, 2010

October 3, 2010

October 17, 2010

All shows held at Triangle H Farms.




www.triangleh farms.com


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Fund Raising Committee:		

November 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6 Greensfelder Trail Ride— Wildwood, MO
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25 	26	27
28	29 MCTB Club Meeting	30				
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December 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25 
26	27 MCTB Club Meeting	28	29	30	31	

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CLASSIFIEDS

Horse Trailer for Sale * 2003 3 horse aluminum gooseneck Kiefer Built trailer, has many extras & pulls great. Drop down windows, collapsible rear tack, interior lights in horse area & dressing room, brand new awning, stud wall, and screen door on dressing room. Beautiful trailer in great shape. \$13,000. Call Tricia at (618)792-3801 or email triciafranke29@yahoo.com for pictures.

Horse Trailer for Sale * Horse stock combo trailer in good condition. Good brakes & tires, with special hitch for more stable towing. Has dividers & floor mats. \$1500. Call Ed at (314)837-1869 or (314)640-2929

House for Sale * Horse property - 6+ acres, 3 bed 2 bath ranch with finished basement & attached 2 car garage. Fenced pasture with pond, lean-to & dry lot. 30' x 37' outbuilding with concrete floor & electric. 11707 Fruit Rd, Alhambra, IL \$230,000 Firm. (501)765-0378

Horse for Sale * 17 yr old grade paint mare for sale. Very safe & gentle, would make an excellent first horse. Has been used as 4-H horse, lesson horse, and trail horse. Has a nice running walk, loads, clips, ties, and never refuses an obstacle. (618)304-8077

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PLEASE POST!
Thanks!