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**ANNOUNCING**

**THE TROT ANNUAL MEETING**

**POTLUCK DINNER AND SILENT AUCTION**

**FEBRUARY 12, 2011**

The annual dinner meeting will be held on Saturday, February 12, 2011, at the **Mount Airy Fireman's Activity Hall in Mount Airy, MD** (same location as the past two years). Please consider donating items to the Silent Auction. If you have tack in new or excellent condition, or if you can offer horse-related services or products, please consider making a donation to the Silent Auction. Even things non-horsey have been a big success at the auction. More information coming in the January issue of the Newsletter – and watch the TROT website!

Questions about the Annual Meeting? Contact Priscilla Huffman at 301-646-4422 or [priscillahuffman@verizon.net](mailto:priscillahuffman@verizon.net).

## ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL TROT JUDGED PLEASURE RIDE

*Priscilla Huffman*

Good riding weather and a beautiful venue contributed to another successful annual Judged Pleasure Ride held on Saturday, September 25. We had 57 riders participate in the 10-obstacle course held at the Montgomery County Agricultural History Farm Park. Many positive comments were received from the riders, especially those who had never been to the Ag Park.

Deneen Martin served as the ride manager and liaison with the park management. She coordinated the many details involved with a ride of this size. The park is always a gracious host, and had fields mowed for the ride, with the help of Ron MacNab who mowed additional areas. Trailer and car parking was expertly handled by Dick Huffman with the assistance of Art Thacher.

Suzanne Anderson led the team of outriders - Cathy Diamond and Amy Kimble. Between the three, score sheets were picked up during the ride to facilitate the scorekeeping.

The judges were coordinated by Priscilla Huffman, with assistance on the day of the ride from Judy Thacher. Each obstacle was assigned a judge and assistant. We are so grateful to all of the judges and assistants for volunteering their time: Sim Shanks, Susan Railey, Mary Prowell, Val Kit, Ron MacNab, Janet MacNab, Sharon Cappeluti, Sharon



**Backing up**

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## President's Message

Ron MacNab, President

It is hard to believe we are heading into November. September and October flew by before I could fully grasp them. We are heading into the busiest time of year for TROT. Late Fall is when we conduct our membership campaign. There is a renewal application in the back of this newsletter, and we will be sending renewals separately by mail.

November is when we form a nominating committee to find candidates to fill openings on our Board of Directors. Now is the time to send your name and interest in participating on the Board to Suzanne Anderson at [trailsendfarm@verizon.net](mailto:trailsendfarm@verizon.net). The Board meets the first Tuesday evening of each month to plan the affairs of TROT. Those who cannot attend in person, call-in using a special toll free number. If you would like to become more involved, please step forward. We need your help.

In January we conduct our booth at the Maryland Horse Expo. We need people to man the booth on two hour shifts from Thursday afternoon through Sunday. Volunteers greet passers by and explain to them what TROT does and invite them to join our organization.

In February, TROT conducts its Annual Dinner and Silent Auction. This year the event is scheduled for February 12 at the Mount Airy Fireman's Activity Center. It will be a pot luck dinner as usual which means the eats are especially good. Kyle Jossi and her crew will be hosting the Silent Auction where items and services can be purchased well below competitive prices. The Annual Dinner and Silent Auction is when the membership elects new Board members.

The first Tuesday in March is when the Board elects its Officers. My term as President of TROT ends and a new President will be elected. I will remain on the Board and will continue to be active. With the extra free time, Janet and I hope to travel more this year

TROT is a wonderful organization. I do hope some of you will step up and join the management of TROT.



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Hardy, Denise Marshall, Fred Pearce, Cathy Yingling, Kylee Lewis, Judy Brodbeck, Terri Czarski, Br. Roger Nelson, Jason Cooper, Karen Penharlow, Kevin Penharlow, Laury Lobel, Linda Reed.

Janet Drazek, our scorekeeper for several years, keeps improving her process so scores were readily available. (Note: Due to a computational error a few scores were incorrect as presented at the ride, however the corrected scores are available on our web site [www.trot-md.org](http://www.trot-md.org).) Deneen handled registration with the assistance of Kelly Kelley, Linda Reed helped escort judges to their stations, and Angela Jones helped at the TROT booth and apparel sales.

Many thanks again to everyone whose hard work and support made this event so successful again this year.



### Winners for each division are:

**Champion** – Amy Grimm

**Reserve champion** – Kevin Yungk

**Oldest horse** - Sara Fleming, Patti Mathes (both horses 28 years young!)

**Oldest rider** - Shirley Hovermale

**Youngest rider** - Sasha Lobas

**Junior rider** - Sasha Lobas

**Novice rider** - Barbara Sollner-Webb

**Open rider** - Luida Galinaitis

**Quarter horses** - Luida Galinaitis

**Arabians and half-Arabians** - Sally Hartley

**Thoughtbreds, Appaloosas and other registered breeds** - Katherine Coviello

**Gaited Breeds** - Annissa Koontz-Baldwin

**Grade (no particular breed)** - Jo Hutzell

**Warmblood** - Val Willis



**The pesky Cows and Sheep**

More JPR photos on pages 6, 10, 11



## Combined TROT/MHC Trial Ride at Fair Hill

Ron MacNab

Some days everything goes right. This was one of those days. The sky was clear; the air was fresh, the landscape gorgeous, and 27 mounted riders traversed one of the greatest riding areas on the east coast. Louisa Emerick led the ride telling of the history and pointing out many of the features created by Mr. DuPont on this estate.

Louisa is exceptionally qualified to provide the tour. She grew up riding on the estate when it was owned by the DuPonts. She now lives adjacent to the estate and rides the trails from her back door.

Among the features pointed out:

- Fair Hill was used for raising prize cattle, crops, fox hunting, horse racing, cattle shows and the county fair.

- The cattle sheds, near the stable area, were used for cattle shows often held prior to racing at the stadium.
- The fences buried in cement were built to prevent deer and foxes from entering or leaving the compound.
- A cistern was built that supplied water throughout the compound.
- A large granary with large silos and huge hay storage area was constructed to feed his cattle.
- Following Mr. DuPont's death, Fair Hill was leased by the famous King Ranch to raise cattle.

Following the ride, many of us attended the Maryland Horse Council's Annual Picnic where we were treated to you can eat pork barbecue and chicken. The meal was terrific and accompanied by a blue grass band. Naomi Manders was honored for her life work of improving trailriding opportunities in Montgomery County. Throughout the dinner, tours were made available of the world renowned training and therapeutic center at Fair Hill.



## TROT Ride -Breezy Loop Boyds, MD

Sunday September 26, Ride leader Ron MacNab  
Ron MacNab

The forecast called for 1/10 inch of rain ending at 10 AM. At 7:00 AM there was drizzle in the air. By 8:00 it was a down pour. By 9:00AM the rain ceased but drizzle continued. Of the fifteen who signed up for the ride, eight brave souls showed up. All of us were wondering if this was a good idea. Would the rain start again? By 10:00 AM the drizzle stopped. By 11:00 it was a beautiful day with blue open skies.

Last year I canceled the ride because of soft trail conditions. This year the trails were hard from drought and remained hard following the short rain.

For those who have not ridden Breezy Loop, you should reward yourself and ride it. The countryside is beautiful and the trails are marked exceptionally well. EPIC has also added two additional loops to Breezy making it a little longer.

We rode from 10 to 12 arriving back for lunch at noon. Following lunch, four of us rode the trail again. The day was just too tempting and beautiful not to ride.



# FALL DEER HUNTING SEASON HAS STARTED

Nancy Osgood

All riders should be aware of the hunting seasons in their areas. Many areas have expanded hunting, managed hunts, and police sharpshooting. Maryland State hunting dates for 2010-11 are outlined below. For more detailed information, members are encouraged to check the Maryland State Department of Natural Resources website: <http://dnr.maryland.gov> – or go directly to the hunting schedule page [http://dnr.maryland.gov/huntersguide/pdfs/Hunting\\_Seasons\\_Calendar.pdf](http://dnr.maryland.gov/huntersguide/pdfs/Hunting_Seasons_Calendar.pdf). There are two hunting regions, Region A (Garrett and Allegany counties, only) and Region B (all other counties). In most cases, the dates are nearly the same but the bag limits differ. Also, be sure to consult with individual counties, as they may have special requirements. Since most TROT members reside and ride in Region B, the following dates were compiled for that region

**Hunting hours:** One half hour before sunrise to one half hour after sunset.

**Bow season is in progress and ends Jan 31.** Bow hunting is Oct 25-Nov 26; Dec 13-17; Jan 3-6; and Jan 10-31.

**Muzzleloader season is Dec 18 through Jan 1.**

**First day of firearms season is:**

**Junior Hunt Day - November 13.**

**Regular firearms season - Nov 27-Dec 11; and Jan 7-8.**

**Sunday Deer Hunting** Sunday deer hunting is permitted on private lands in many Maryland Counties. Sunday hunting dates are November 7 and 14 for bow hunting, and Nov 28 for firearms. Check Counties open to Sunday hunting for the two regions at <http://dnr.maryland.gov/huntersguide/regionb.asp> and <http://dnr.maryland.gov/huntersguide/regiona.asp>.

**Managed Hunts and Park Police Sharpshooters.** The State and several Counties have deer management programs that include managed hunts on public lands, as well as park police sharpshooters. State parks that have managed hunts include Fair Hill (Cecil County), Gunpowder Falls (Baltimore and Harford Counties), and Ft. Frederick (Washington County), Patapsco Valley (Baltimore), and Seneca Creek (Montgomery). Montgomery and Howard Counties have managed hunts and police-based sharpshooting in many county parks, as do other counties. The dates for managed hunts are posted in parks, so you should always be aware of park closures for these events. For example, in Montgomery County, from January through March, Park Police sharpshooters will hunt deer at 10 parks between 5:30 p.m. and sunrise, when the parks are closed.

- Montgomery County managed hunt and sharpshooter dates are listed on [http://www.montgomeryparks.org/PPSD/Natural\\_Resources\\_Stewardship/Deer\\_Management/deer\\_population\\_mngmnt.shtm](http://www.montgomeryparks.org/PPSD/Natural_Resources_Stewardship/Deer_Management/deer_population_mngmnt.shtm).
- The Howard County and WSSC schedules are at <http://howardbirds.org/howard/deerhunt2010-11.htm>.

**Game other than Deer.** There are legal hunting seasons throughout the year for game other than deer. Consult the schedule on the DNR website at [http://dnr.maryland.gov/huntersguide/pdfs/Hunting\\_Seasons\\_Calendar.pdf](http://dnr.maryland.gov/huntersguide/pdfs/Hunting_Seasons_Calendar.pdf).

**Keep some simple safety tips in mind.** Make sure to wear something fluorescent orange during the entire hunting season. There are vests, jackets, and helmet covers to choose from. It is remarkable how well these items can be seen from long distances. It is also a good idea to stay in open areas, where there is good visibility. And many riders sport a bell to let hunters know they are not a target! If you see hunters, be sure to let them know where you are riding – and remind them that other riders may be in the area. Please always be respectful to lawful hunters – their licensing fees provide important funding for our parks.

## Membership Report

Jeanne Bond, Membership Chairman

TROT would like to welcome our newest members:

Emily Sopensky	Arlington, VA	Arlington Co.
Deena Carnahan and family	Port Republic, MD	Calvert Co.
Cheryl Resch and family	Highland, MD	Howard Co.
Jackie Voorthuis and family	Potomac, MD	Montgomery Co.
Kathryn Belill	Silver Spring, MD	Montgomery Co.
Judith Artman	Upper Marlboro, MD	Prince George's Co.

And a special welcome back to some members from the past

Lona Crist	Arlington, VA	Arlington Co.
Curtis Meadows and family	Phoenix, MD	Baltimore Co.

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## County Updates

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### Need volunteers

as contacts or coordinators for **Baltimore, Charles, Calvert, and Talbot Counties**. If you have an interest to act in this capacity, please contact Ron MacNab, TROT President, [rmacnab@comcast.net](mailto:rmacnab@comcast.net) or call (301) 622-4157

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### Carroll County

*Anne Bennof*

November 14, 2010 • Sunday • 9:00am – Noon, **Piney Run Trail Work Day sponsored by the Carroll County Equestrian Council**. Meet on parking lot at end of Martz Road (off Rt. 26 Liberty Road) 9:00 am - Noon. Bring your own tools. For more information: Darlene Welsh, 410-861-5634, or email [EqCenterMgr@aol.com](mailto:EqCenterMgr@aol.com). See more events at [www.carrollcountyequestriancouncil.org](http://www.carrollcountyequestriancouncil.org).

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### Howard County

*Pat Oliva*

First I would like to report on a trail in Michaux State forest in PA. Many of us TROT members ride in this forest. There is a blue blazed trail there that runs adjacent to the Appellation Trail (AP) and ends at an AP camping site off Old Forge Road. There is a short side trip to a breath taking view of the mountains at a rock cropping. There has been one hiker who wants the trail closed to riders and bikers. I have talked to him with no avail. There is a path that turns the horses off the blue trail just before the AP camping area. This gentleman has put barriers up to block the horses from this detour. This forces them into the camping area to the ire of all AP hikers. I have removed these barrier many times but they keep getting bigger.

With Ron's okay I wrote to the forest as a TROT member asking for help. A Forest ranger met me on site and we hiked to the area. The barriers on each side on the stream crossing were over my head and six more had been placed along the horse trail up to Swift Run road.

The ranger saw the attempt to force horses off the trail and the forest signs (not placed by the Forest Service) saying the trail was closed to horses. I offered to put the signs up redirecting the horses but he said the forest would do it. I

have removed four of the barriers and made detours around the rest. The trail is open.

The ranger knows and has talked to the hiker. The barriers will hopefully stop.

**I have put so much significance on this because this is a prime example of a organization asking for help in solving a problem from a state. It is the respectability of our membership that give TROT this recognition. I thank each of you for this TROT support!!**

#### *Update:*

*I checked on the blue trail Oct. 7. BUMMER!!!! All my markers were gone and all the barriers I removed were back up and higher. Plus all the detours I made were blocked with barriers. To boot,- He placed barriers on the road coming off Swift Run. I worked hard to open it up. I got through but a group will have to wait. Sadly the Ranger is off until Tuesday.*

*I saw the signs on the upper entrance and he is including bikers. Ranger Gelnett stated the signs were not placed there by the forest service.*

*One man is NOT going to close this trail to all users!!*

In Howard county the parking area for Western Regional Park has been roughed up and just about forty feet of trail need to be improved before the park will be open to horses.

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### Montgomery County

*Ron MacNab*

#### **Trail work.**

Many thanks to Amy Kimble, Ben Sugar and their volunteers. Amy led trail work at Seneca Creek State Park and Monocacy State Park. Ben Sugar and his volunteers conducted trail work at the Rachel Carson Park, Little Bennett Regional Park, Lower Magruder Trail, Northwest Branch.

#### **Porta Potty**

Those of you who ride at Little Bennett Regional Park will be glad to know that TROT is sponsoring the Porta Potty to be placed at the equestrian parking lot located at the end of Prescott Road. This parking lot is used by many TROT members in Montgomery and surrounding counties.

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### Prince Georges County

*Lynn Skillman Gulley*

Acredale Park plans are being revised which gives us one last chance to speak up. Basically, is there anything that would make the park more user friendly to the equestrian community? Ring will probably still go but I have suggested one or two round pens. Neighborhood community supports dog park expansion and parking, but was not in favor of another soccer field.

I am signed up to attend the October 19 Trails Summit.



# Trail Maintenance

## Trail Clearing Update

Amy Kimble

### SENECA CREEK TRAIL SYSTEM

I attended a meeting on Seneca Creek Trail System on August 7. The Department of Natural Resources proposed requesting additional trails. Five trails and nine miles of new trails were approved. Feedback on names for these trails, signage and proposed pathways would be appreciated. The following workdays have been set up – with the mountain biking group MORE taking the lead.

Sunday, November 7, 9:00am-1:00 pm

Saturday, December 4, 9:00 am-1:00 pm

It was proposed that the trails be 4 feet wide with a 2 foot brushed shoulder. Horseback riders (TROT being one group) have been asked to go in and clip the higher stuff that the walkers would have a harder time reaching. These 9 miles of trail will be multi-use. I was excited to hear they will be putting a trail parallel to the greenway but on the other side of the creek for multi-use.

Please RSVP to Amy Kimble (301)748-8310 and I will follow up with MORE. MORE has generously offered to Train CREW LEADERS for trail projects. Please let me know if you are interested.

Please let me know of any other priority areas that are in Frederick, Howard, Montgomery or Carroll Counties you

would like to have us focus on. I still would like to do Tucker Lane to Oak Hill Road in the WSSC property.

Thank you for your support!

The photo shows a great turnout of enthusiastic volunteers at the Seneca Creek State Park trail maintenance day spear-headed by MORE.

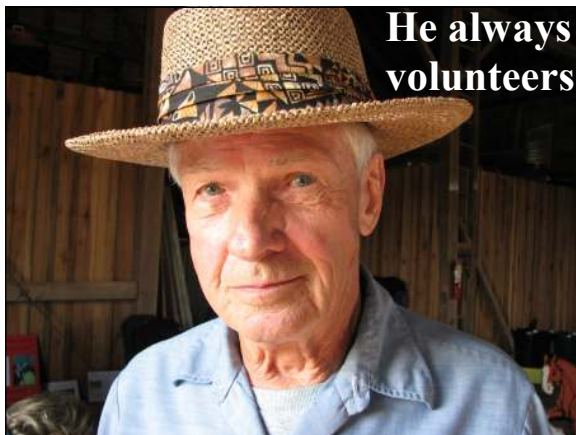


1st. Day of Clearing the recently approved trails at Seneca Creek State Park

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Volunteers in training



He always volunteers

### JPR Photos



Computing the scores



On to the next obstacle

(Trail Maintenance continued from page 6)

## Montgomery Parks - MNCPPC

Ben Sugar, Trails Volunteer Coordinator, Volunteer Services Office

After a lengthy hiatus, we're getting back to weekend work on the trails with volunteers this fall. As usual, there are lots of great projects to take on, so I hope you'll join us for some. Volunteer trail workdays are scheduled all over the county for almost every weekend between now and Thanksgiving. **View the full calendar and sign up for any or all of the upcoming dates** by going to the Montgomery County Volunteer website ([http://www.montgomeryparks.org/PPSD/ParkTrails/trail\\_volunteer.shtm](http://www.montgomeryparks.org/PPSD/ParkTrails/trail_volunteer.shtm)). Hope to see you on the trail soon!

Check out these other upcoming workdays and consider pitching in!:

- **November 14**, Rock Creek Regional Park (Lake Needwood): begin reroute/redesign of the Parilla Path and Gude Trail.
- **November 20**, Wheaton Regional Park: Replace a footbridge on the Deer Hollow Trail.

## Don't Leave Valuables in Your Car/Truck/Trailer

Brenda Senseney

A friend of ours was riding the C&O towpath near Sharpsburg and had her truck broken into – back window broken and purse stolen in early September. The Park Police came and took fingerprints, and said there had been 14 vehicle break-ins in August along the towpath north of Sharpsburg. I recall there was a rash of break-ins at Little Bennett Park a few years ago too. Members could use a reminder to take everything with them in a fanny pack (not in a saddle bag) or leave most belongings at home when out riding!

### LOOKING FOR RIDING BUDDIES and NEED A RIDE/SHARE A RIDE.

This section of the Newsletter is for folks who are looking for riding partners – either for meeting up on the trail or for sharing a trailer ride. Linking up with other trail riders is fun – and economical! We want to provide a forum space for people looking for a traveling partner, so please write to the TROT Newsletter at [nlosgood@verizon.net](mailto:nlosgood@verizon.net).

**Do you have a second horse?** I'm a new member of TROT and very interested in joining in on some of the trail rides, but I'm only leasing a horse right now and he doesn't trailer very well. Also, I don't have my own trailer. So I am interested in any members who might have a second horse they'd like to get out and about on the trails. I'd be happy to share expenses, etc., and I do have my own tack. Donna Kinsella [kinsgold@aol.com](mailto:kinsgold@aol.com)

**Looking for a trail buddy and transportation!** I'm looking to go on trails, including TROT rides. I live in Damascus and my horse is also in Damascus on Long Corner Rd. I work evenings so I can go on rides during the day, the earlier the better. I'm ok with any pace but right now my horse is out of shape so I need to take it easy on the poor boy!

Christiane Ritcher [lapado2000@gmail.com](mailto:lapado2000@gmail.com)

**I am a new member** of TROT but I do not own a trailer. I would love to go on any of the rides if someone from my area has an extra trailer spot. My horse is stabled in Upper Marlboro, MD. I would also like to connect with others

for smaller/casual rides at any time? My contact info is: Ellen Lichtenstein 240-595-0669 or [ellen.lichtenstein@gmail.com](mailto:ellen.lichtenstein@gmail.com)

**Looking for a horse** to go on TROT rides. I would like to ride your horse (if you have an extra one) on a trot trail ride. I rode for 20 years, but have not recently. I am in the Ellicott City/Catonsville area. I would be happy to share all expenses. Contact: Susan Doukas (410) 461-6872. email: [sdoukashorse@yahoo.com](mailto:sdoukashorse@yahoo.com)

**I have a Tennessee Walker and we love to trail ride.** He is 16.2H and approx 1400 lbs. I don't have a trailer but I know his previous owners had to transport him in a trailer suited to draft-size horses. I am dying to go riding at FairHill, Rosaryville State Park, Patuxent and one day on the beach. Riding my horse on a beach is on my bucket list. So, if anyone lives not far from Harwood, MD (Annapolis area) and wants to get together on the weekends or on school holidays, please get in touch. Thanks, happy trails, Jane ([cjanezarate@gmail.com](mailto:cjanezarate@gmail.com)).

### GREAT GIFT IDEA FOR ANY HORSE LOVER!

TROT yellow ceramic coffee mug.

Price: \$8.00 plus \$2.75 shipping (domestic only).

Email: [nlosgood@verizon.net](mailto:nlosgood@verizon.net) and put "TROT MUG" in subject line.



### ANOTHER GREAT GIFT - TROT WEAR

Order TROT wear for great gifts. TROT has logo T-shirts, jackets, and sweatshirts. Comfort and class while you are riding the trails! Contact Ann Bennof at [trotfour@aol.com](mailto:trotfour@aol.com).





## A Few Good Members

*Suzanne Anderson, Susan Grey, Deneen Martin*

TROT's Nominating Committee is seeking volunteers and nominations for election to TROT's Board of Directors. This is a two year commitment. The Board meets the first Tuesday evening of each month at alternating locations. Board members may attend in person or by phone using a toll-free conferencing system.

The requirements for a Director, as established by our bylaws, are as follows:

**(b) Terms.** A Director shall serve for two (2) calendar years, beginning with the first board meeting after the regular annual meeting. The term of office may be extended an additional two (2) years if so desired by the Director. Upon completion of four years, a Director may make their candidacy known to the nominating committee and stand for reelection. To maintain office, Directors are required to attend, in person or by phone, a minimum of 75% of the board meetings held in a 12-month period. Failure to attend

at least 75% of the meetings will constitute a resignation by the Director

**(c) Duties.** The Board of Directors shall have supervision, control, and direction of the affairs of the association, execute the policies and decisions of the active membership, actively promote the association's objectives, and have discretion in the disbursement of funds. It shall also determine the minimum amount of annual dues required for membership in the association. It may adopt such rules for the conduct of its business as shall be deemed advisable, and may, in the execution of powers granted, appoint committees or agents to work on specific problems or reports. The Board shall report to the membership on its activities at the annual meeting. It shall meet on the call of the President or the Secretary or on demand of 20 members of the association.

To apply or nominate someone to the Board, please email a letter of interest or nomination to Suzanne Anderson at [trailsendfarm@verison.net](mailto:trailsendfarm@verison.net).

Application deadline is January 21, 2011.



## ALSO WANTED! A few good riders!

As you know, TROT is an all-volunteer organization. We count on our members to provide the services that are so important to the local trail riding community. Why not become more active in TROT? You will meet a group of really fine people – dedicated to trail riding and protecting our trail riding future. Become one of the TROT insiders!! Please consider one of these opportunities.

### TROT Trail Ride Coordinator for 2011.

We are looking for someone to take over this position for next riding season. This is a great opportunity for a TROT member to get to know other active trail riders! What are the main responsibilities The first job is to work out a ride schedule - by contacting and signing up ride leaders for local group rides. The ride leaders then act as the main contact point for ride participants. Once the ride schedule is determined, the Ride Coordinator works with the Ride Leaders to develop written descriptions of the rides and coordinates with our TROT web master to post the descriptions on the TROT website and update them as needed when schedules change. For each upcoming ride, the Ride Coordinator sends out email reminders to the general membership and sends ride information (membership forms, sign up sheets, etc) to each Ride Leader. When Ride Leaders or ride participants have questions on TROT Ride Guidelines or other ride issues the Ride Coordinator will answer the questions or forward them

to the appropriate TROT Officer or Activity Leader. Finally, the Ride Coordinator provides pictures of rides and descriptions for the TROT Newsletter when provided by participants or Ride Leaders. If you enjoy participating in the trail rides and have been thinking about becoming more active, this is the perfect time. Our 2010 Trail Ride Coordinator, Allison Abernathy, has offered to tutor her replacement! Many of the trail ride leaders have been doing their rides for years and know the routine, and are also a big support for the Trail Ride Coordinator. Please contact Ron MacNab (301) 622-4157 or [rmacnab@comcast.net](mailto:rmacnab@comcast.net)

### Silent Auction Coordinator for the 2012 Annual Dinner Meeting.

Our own Kyle Jossi has coordinated the annual silent auction for 5 years. She has become an expert and has taken the Silent Auction from a fun sideline to the annual dinner to a major fundraising event – and shopping extravaganza! Kyle has offered to coordinate the 2011 Silent Auction but is looking for a volunteer to act as the 2011 understudy – with the idea of taking it over the 2012 Auction at the Annual Dinner. Please consider this position – this is a real “part time” job – with the primary responsibility to solicit sale items, cataloging and pricing items, and getting some friends to help with logistics on the night of the annual dinner. Please contact Kyle ([bossyjossi@verizon.net](mailto:bossyjossi@verizon.net)) or any board member if you have questions. Please volunteer!

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## Trail Resource Guides.

These are volunteers who are happy to show TROT members their favorite trails on an individual basis. See the contact information on the TROT website: <http://www.trot-md.org/parks.php#guides>





# Annual Membership Application

\_\_\_\_\_ New Membership

\_\_\_\_\_ Membership Renewal for Year 2011

Name of Applicant (PLEASE PRINT) \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse/Sig Other \_\_\_\_\_ Other family members \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

County \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell/Alternate Phone \_\_\_\_\_

*Please circle any information you do not want included in our Membership Directory. All membership information is for the private use of TROT members. We do not release any membership information outside this organization.*

Annual membership rates for January 1 – December 31:

One year membership	\$20.00 per year	<input type="checkbox"/> Single	<input type="checkbox"/> Family
Contributing member	\$30.00 per year	<input type="checkbox"/> Single	<input type="checkbox"/> Family
Sustaining member	\$50.00 per year	<input type="checkbox"/> Single	<input type="checkbox"/> Family
Additional contributions	\$ _____	<i>(tax deductible)</i>	

Number of membership cards required \_\_\_\_\_

*Membership is for the calendar year. All individuals included in a family TROT membership must be members of the same family living at the same address. Additional contributions are welcome and help to preserve the trails you ride on. TROT is a tax exempt, nonprofit organization and contributions are tax deductible.*

Please make checks payable to Trail Riders of Today and send this form and your check to:

**Jeanne Bond, TROT Membership**  
494 Christopher Road, Warwick, MD 21912

Phone: 410-275-1858 (home) 301-520-5350 (cell)  
Email: [TrotMembers@hotmail.com](mailto:TrotMembers@hotmail.com)

## VOLUNTEER

WE NEED YOUR HELP! Please check any areas where you would be willing to assist.

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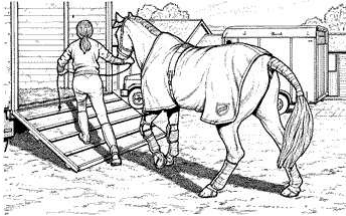
## UPCOMING RIDES

Allison Abernathy, Trail ride coordinator

Contact the ride leader to reserve a space on the ride and for information about start time and directions.

All ride participants must:

- wear hard hats,
- be TROT members (membership forms will be available at the ride for non-members).
- provide a copy of a current negative coggins for each horse.



- if needed, bring a snack for get together after the ride.  
**Contact ride leader for details.**

For any additional questions about TROT rides, please contact Allison Abernathy [abernathy.allison@epa.gov](mailto:abernathy.allison@epa.gov)

Most leaders volunteer year after year because they have so much fun! It's a great opportunity to meet other TROT members and maybe find a new trail buddy.

**WANTED:** suggestions of other places to ride and volunteers to be ride leaders. Please contact Allison Abernathy (see above).

## 2010 TROT TRAIL RIDE CHALLENGE

TROT Trail Ride Coordinator, Allison Abernathy, is challenging all TROT members to participate in the 2010 organized trail rides and win awards! Go to <http://www.trot-md.org/2010-trailride-challenge.php> for the details and rules; then get ready to take up the challenge! ride.

Be at the Annual Meeting on February 12, 2011 to find out the winners!!

### Anacostia Park - Saturday, November 20

Ride leader John Angevine

This is a favorite TROT ride that closes out our ride season. Folks who have attended this ride say they are amazed with the spacious trails and beautiful scenes along the Anacostia River so close to downtown DC. The ride may encounter bikes, fishermen, some asphalt, as well as a scenic view of the historic Lincoln Cemetery. Ride leaders will provide water and granola bars.

In the saddle at: TBD, Location/parking: TBD, Contact :John at 301-937-0014



Parking area before JPR



Parking area during JPR



Waiting for results



Waiting for results



**JPR photos**

A small sample of ribbons and awards.

*Note: Some could not wait to try their new fly masks on their horses.*



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**Horse Boarding** – Field board plus (feeding available twice a day); available for 2-3 horses in small, private barn catering to trail riders. Direct access to Patuxent River State Park and Rachel Carson Park with miles of public-access trails. Owner operator lives on premises, assuring individual attention to the horses. Ideally located in Sunshine, MD (Montgomery County). Friendly barn – other boarders are active TROT and CMSC members. \$245 per month, plus feed cost based on individual horse's needs. Contact Marie at (301) 774-4330 or [marieathq@verizon.net](mailto:marieathq@verizon.net). 5/10

**Brookeville, MD: full care field board** on 95 acre farm with access to Rachel Carson, Hawlings River and Patuxent trails. Includes feeding, hay, worming, blanketing, handling for regular vet and farrier. Group turn-out, large fields, run-in sheds, safe fencing, round pen. \$225-275/mo depending on feed needs. Limited space available.

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**Belle Cote Farm: Field board** available for adults on a private farm in Burtonsville, MD. Lighted outdoor arena and direct access to WSSC trails. \$250/mo. Prefer retired, semi-retired, or non-showing horses. Contact Debby at (301) 641-8594 or email at [bcfarmgirl@hotmail.com](mailto:bcfarmgirl@hotmail.com)

## HORSES - SALE, LEASE OR FREE

**Belle Cote Farm: Several nice horses available for lease** to adults, 21 years and older, on a private farm in Burtonsville, MD. Lighted outdoor arena and direct access to WSSC trails. \$175/mo. half lease. Different lease options are available. Contact Jennifer at (301) 641-8903 or email at [bcfarmgirl@hotmail.com](mailto:bcfarmgirl@hotmail.com)

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## SERVICES

The Second Sunday Seminars started in October! Callie Fulmer, riding instructor and trainer will be hosting the seminars. We will be starting with a series on functional conformation and then other topics like knot tying, first aid, and how horses learn will be covered. The cost is only \$30, and the seminars are located in Clarksburg, MD. You can find more information at [www.secondsundayseminars.com](http://www.secondsundayseminars.com) or call Callie 703-508-2939. 11/10

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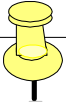
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## TROT Organizational License Plate

It has come to our attention that TROT is eligible to order organizational Maryland license plates for our members. The license plate would have the TROT logo, two stacked letters and four numbers. The cost is \$25 and must be done through TROT. At this time we are seeing if there is sufficient interest in this. If you think you would like to have a TROT license plate for \$25 please contact Susan Railey at [susanrailey@verizon.net](mailto:susanrailey@verizon.net).



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*from the Newsletter Staff*

### **IMPORTANT REMINDERS FOR ALL TROT MEMBERS!**

**Save the dates - January 20-23, 2011**, the **HORSE WORLD EXPO** is at the Timonium Fair Grounds. Volunteer NOW to help TROT staff our booth. Get a free day's admission to the Expo if you sign up by December 14. Contact Janet MacNab at [janet\\_macnab@comcast.net](mailto:janet_macnab@comcast.net) or 301-622-4157.

**Save the Date - February 12, 2011**, for the **TROT ANNUAL MEETING – POTLUCK DINNER AND SILENT AUCTION**. The meeting will again be held at the Mount Airy Fairgrounds. Watch for details in the January Newsletter.

**RENEW your TROT Membership for 2011**. See page 9 for the Membership Renewal Form. Please know that your membership is extremely important to TROT in its quest to preserve trails. Numbers matter! Membership dues are the same as last year – still a bargain! Be a part of the Maryland trail riding tradition – Renew Today!



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