



JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2023

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Presidents Letter

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Greetings Horse-Loving Friends!

I hope 2023 has started with good health and happiness for people and critters alike! The MLHC board met this week to start planning events for the year. I am so thankful to have a dedicated group of people to make our club something special.

Our first MLHC member meeting will be on **Monday, March 13th, at 6:30 pm at Mansfield Park**. There will be a pitch-in dinner. Bring your money to renew your club membership and get trail passes for Prairie Creek.

Saturday, April 1, 2023, will be our first trail/barn clean-up day. We will meet at the club barn at 9:00 a.m. Please plan on joining us. Many hands make light work! If you can't work on trails, we need your help cleaning and organizing our barn area!

Mark your calendars for the annual **MLHC Round Up June 9-11** at Indian Hill Campground. We always have a great time! There will be a scavenger hunt, obstacle course, silent auction, dinner, and music. Please look around for horse-related items for the auction or if you have a horse service (training, massage therapy, etc) that you would be willing to add to the auction. If you are interested in being a sponsor for the Round-Up please contact a board member and let us know!

We need and appreciate YOUR help with trail clean-ups, the Round-Up, the Tennessee Walker Horse Show, and the Muncie Dragway Night of Fire.

This club is a 501Cc3 nonprofit organization. Your donations are tax-deductible and we do things to help people and animals. Please come to the March meeting to hear more details about the fun activities and events our club is doing this year! Spring is just around the corner and we can get back out and camp with our friends and families and ride our horses!

2023 Member Meetings & Trail/Barn Clean Up

March 13th

Member Meeting @ Mansfield Park / Pitch-In

April 1st

Trail/Barn Clean-up 9 am (Many hands make light work!)

May 6th

Trail/Barn Clean-up 9 am (Many hands make light work!)



November 13th

Member Meeting/2024 Elections @ Mansfield Park / Pitch-In

Other interesting spring events in our area:

- **March 14-15;** Delaware Fairgrounds Ag Days.
- **March 30-April 2;** the Indiana Equine Round Up at the C Bar C Expo Center in Cloverdale.

My name is Julie Carter, MLHC 2023 Vice President. I joined the MLHC in 2016 and became a member of the Board of Directors in 2019, served as President in 2020 & 2021, and Vice President in 2022. Serving on the MLHC Board gives me the opportunity to assist in enhancing the development of the club and the horse trails at Prairie Creek. Being part of the MLHC has allowed me to meet some amazing horse enthusiasts, as well. I have had a lifelong passion for horses and began riding while in my mother's womb. As a kid, I was a member of Henry Co 4-H Horse & Pony for 10 years and competed in barrels, poles, and flags in a statewide horse show with Contest Riders Association. I currently own 3 Paint horses, Vandy, Sue, and Scout, all of whom I trained. I enjoy experiencing adventures and making memories of trail riding and camping with the great group of MLHC members that I am privileged enough to call friends.



Hi, I am Greg Wilkins and I'm a career firefighter with over 33 years in the Muncie Fire Department and currently hold the rank of Battalion Chief. Nancy and I have been members of the Muncie Light Horse Club since 1989. During that time one or both of us have been on the board in one capacity or another. I am also a board member of the Indiana Trail Riders Association in my second term. I have been actively involved in the development and maintenance of the Prairie Creek horse trails for the past two decades. We enjoy trail riding and camping with our horses.



My name is Ilene Parrish, I am the treasurer of the club. I have been a member for about 20 years. Since the doctor told my husband it was not a good idea for him to be out riding a horse, we had to sell them. We still enjoy being around all the MLHC people and horses and helping with events. My hobbies include kayaking, biking, camping, and scrapbooking, and being with family & friends.



Hi, I am Lisa Cron, and I am starting my 2nd year as the president of the club. This is my 30th year as an elementary art teacher. My husband John runs the testing lab at Delta Faucets. We have a Great Dane, 3 cats, and my Kentucky Mt horse, Montana. We love spending time with our friends and families, especially our two grandsons! John loves riding dirt bikes and we both love camping and traveling.

God Bless!

Lisa Cron

MLHC President



Hello! My name is Jill Hall, I am a board member of the Club. I have been a member since 2000. I have a horse boarding facility north of Eaton Indiana, we provide riding lessons to kids of all ages. I love to trail ride & help the club as my back will allow, which hasn't been very much lately. I have 5 horses, 2 ponies (which we bring to birthday parties and events), 2 cats, and 5 Labrador Retrievers (4 chocolates & 1 silver).



Hi there, I am Lisa Taylor, Secretary of the club. I have been a member for three years and Secretary for two. I'm what you might call a free spirit with a heart the size of Texas. I have one horse and take care of several others which I call Barn Hippers. Proud momma of two cats and two Great Danes. The dogs and I love to camp with friends and ride the trails. I also craft, and knit, and currently learning to crochet, love the outdoors, and spend time with family and friends.



Hello! I am Micah Hardy, I have grown up with horses my entire life, as well as have been a part of The Muncie Light Horse Club, with my mother, since a child. I trail ride, barrel race, and pole bend. Horses are my life, love, and passion. I love camping, hiking with my dogs, and being outdoors. I LOVE dogs as well, I want to own a corgi, a long-haired dachshund, and an English or Australian shepherd in my lifetime. I love spending time with my family, friends, and my boyfriend, Colten. I also enjoy working out to stay healthy and fit. I try to go to the gym five times a week, along with cooking healthy meals, I am a sucker for sweets though! When I am not enjoying my hobbies, I am a full-time real estate agent with F.C. Tucker/Thompson, wanting to specialize in horse farms. I also work part-time at a wedding venue, The Crystal Coop in Anderson. Overall, I am excited to be a board member of the club and help bring new and fresh ideas to Muncie Light Horse Club!



Do you have suggestions for club events? YES? We would love to hear them. Send us an email at: muncielighthorseclub@gmail.com



2023 MLHC Membership Form

Date_____

Membership Type: *Family (\$25.00)* *Single (\$20.00)*

Select: *New Member* or *Renewal*

Name:_____ **Spouse:**_____

Address:_____

City:_____ **State:**_____ **Zip:**_____

Preferred Contact Phone Number:_____ **Spouse's Phone Number:**_____

Email Address:_____ **Spouse's Email Address:**_____

Would you prefer to get your bi-monthly (every two months) newsletter by email: YES NO

Please list any children or dependents below:

Name_____ **Age**_____ **Name**_____ **Age**_____

Name_____ **Age**_____ **Name**_____ **Age**_____

List the types of horse(s) you own:_____

Interest(s) you like to do with your horse(s) (i.e., trail riding, 4H, Contesting...etc):

Please circle things you would be attending or would be interested in helping with:

Trail/Barn Maintenance *Event Planning* *Horse Shows* *Trail Rides* *Youth Education* *Round-Up*

Christmas Party *Fundraising* *Event Setup* *Event Cleanup* *Other:*_____

With the payment of membership fees, I hold Muncie Light Horse Club harmless from any claims and/or litigation arising from club activities._____

(Your Signature)

Make checks payable to MLHC, please bring this form and your dues to the next club meeting, or mail them to: MLHC, c/o Ilene Parrish, 11085 W US 36, Losantville IN 47354



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2023 Event Calendar

March 13th - Pitch In Member meeting 6:30 pm @ Mansfield Park

April 1st - Trail/Barn Clean Up 9 am @ the Barn (Volunteers Needed)

Rain date 4/15

May 6th - Trail/Barn Clean Up 9 am @ the Barn (Volunteers Needed)

Rain date 5/20

June 9th, 10th, & 11th - MLHC Round-Up (Volunteers Needed)

July 6th, 7th, & 9th - Tennessee Walking Horse Show (Volunteers Needed)

July 29th - Night of Fire (Rain Date July 30th & Volunteers Needed)

December 3rd - MLHC Christmas Party @ Muncie Shrine Club