Lake County Mounted Posse, Inc.
State of Illinois

OCTOBER 2025 NEWSLETTER

Our next **General Meeting** is **Wednesday, October 8, 2025**

We will meet at Yorkhouse Tavern & Table in the Encore Room

4555 W. York House Rd., Wadsworth, IL

The restaurant will be open if you would like to dine prior to the meeting. You can eat in the restaurant before the meeting or bring your meal upstairs to the meeting room. Food orders may take a bit to receive. Parking is on the east side of the building. If you would like to view the menu offerings, here is the website: www.tavernandtable.net

No Speaker Scheduled – Stay for Bingo

TRAIL RIDE ETIQUETTE

Dear Members,

With a few trail rides left in the season, a friendly reminder to our members and guests of the standing procedures regarding trail rides. As a rule, we want to ride out on our sponsored rides as a group. Our intent is to leave as a group; we will call out to mount up (and gather for a picture whenever possible) and then announce the “trail boss.” For each ride, we will have a volunteer trail “boss” (term in keeping with the spirit of the Old West”) to lead our rides as their horses’ temperament and spirit allows. As our rules highlight, the trail boss can convey authority, but this doesn’t necessitate them being at the front of the group, therefore, as needed they may appoint assistant trail bosses to lead, or lead from within the group. If for any reason you must leave the group, please make sure to let the trail boss know. Below is from our Posse Bylaws:

5. TRAIL RIDE ETIQUETTE AND RULES: The Posse Trail Boss and appointed assistant trail bosses are responsible for maintaining common sense practices to make riding the trails as safe and enjoyable as possible for everyone, regardless of the individual riders experience and/or horsemanship skills. The Trail Boss’s authority is absolute and will insist on the following basic rules: • Do not pass the lead trail boss; the trail boss sets the pace. • Do not lag behind or become separated from the group. • Stay on designated trails. • No racing or horseplay! • Pass other riders only at the walk or slow jog. Warn riders going in the same direction of your intentions to pass. • Absolutely no litter on the trail! Carry all refuse with you and dispose of it properly. • Clean up after every ride and event. Parking areas must be left free of manure, hay and bedding materials. Picnic areas should be spotless before leaving. • Additional

rules will be published or announced as required for specific trail ride activities. Each member is expected to follow these rules for the safety and enjoyment of all. • Each Member is responsible to follow the rules of each specific venue i.e. Forest Preserve, State Park.

Happy Trails, Debi Neuman and Kimberley Moon

HOLIDAY CHRISTMAS PARTY 2025

See Attached Flyer for Cost, Time and Location

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

October

10/05 **Roy's Fall Ride** – Old School Forest Preserve, use parking lots D & E. See Attached flier - Check in at 8:30am

10/08 **General Meeting –** Yorkhouse Tavern & Table in the Encore Room. 4555 W. York House Rd., Wadsworth, IL. Meeting will start promptly at 7:00 but come early and eat dinner

10/18 **Trail Ride** –The Riding Club of Barrington Hills has a weekly "walk only" ride on Saturdays at 10:00 AM. Pam Ziedman will be hosting the ride as follows: arrive by 1130, lunch at noon. Ride after lunch will be 2 hours long. Return for dessert. Lunch will be ham and turkey sandwiches, and fruit/veggie tray. Please bring a dish to share. Address is 361 Bateman Rd., Barrington Hills, IL

Participants should have a Cook County Forest Preserve Horse Trail Tag which can be purchased online at the Cook County Forest Preserve website: http://fpdcc.com/recreation/equestrian/

PLEASE NOTE: the pass/tag is only good for 24 hours. You set up an account and then purchase and can only buy ONE pass per account holder. The Forest Preserve has advised buying the 2025-2026 Annual Rider License (No Tag) which is good for the year, rather than the day pass.

For those risk-takers among us, we have heard that no-one ever buys the day pass and no-one gets checked.

10/19 **LCMP Horse Show** – Spring Grove Horse Park, Illinois. See attached flier.

10/22 **Board Meeting –** 7:00 pm Thirsty Horse**.** If you would like to attend a Board Meeting, please contact Debi Neuman and she will add you to the agenda. Be sure to let her know what you would like to discuss with the board

10/25 **Chain O Lakes Halloween Trail Ride** – Come in costume and win a prize. Prizes for best rider costume and prize for rider/horse combination. Donuts and coffee at 9, ride out at 10, lunch at noon. Lunch is build your own sandwich (may change depending on weather). Halloween surprises! Bring a dish to pass and a chair. Host Debi Neuman, Jen Friel.

November

11/2 Trail Ride. Host is Vickie Wancho. Times and locations TBD

TENTATIVE DATES FOR FUTURE ACTIVITIES

Date	Activity	Contact
Saturday, Dec 6th	***SAVE THE DATE***Holiday Party at Parkside in Ingleside	Betsy Faitz / Board

REMINDERS

If you are interested in running for a board position, please notify Jennifer Friel. All positions are open: President; Vice President; Secretary and Treasurer.

TREASURER'S REPORT

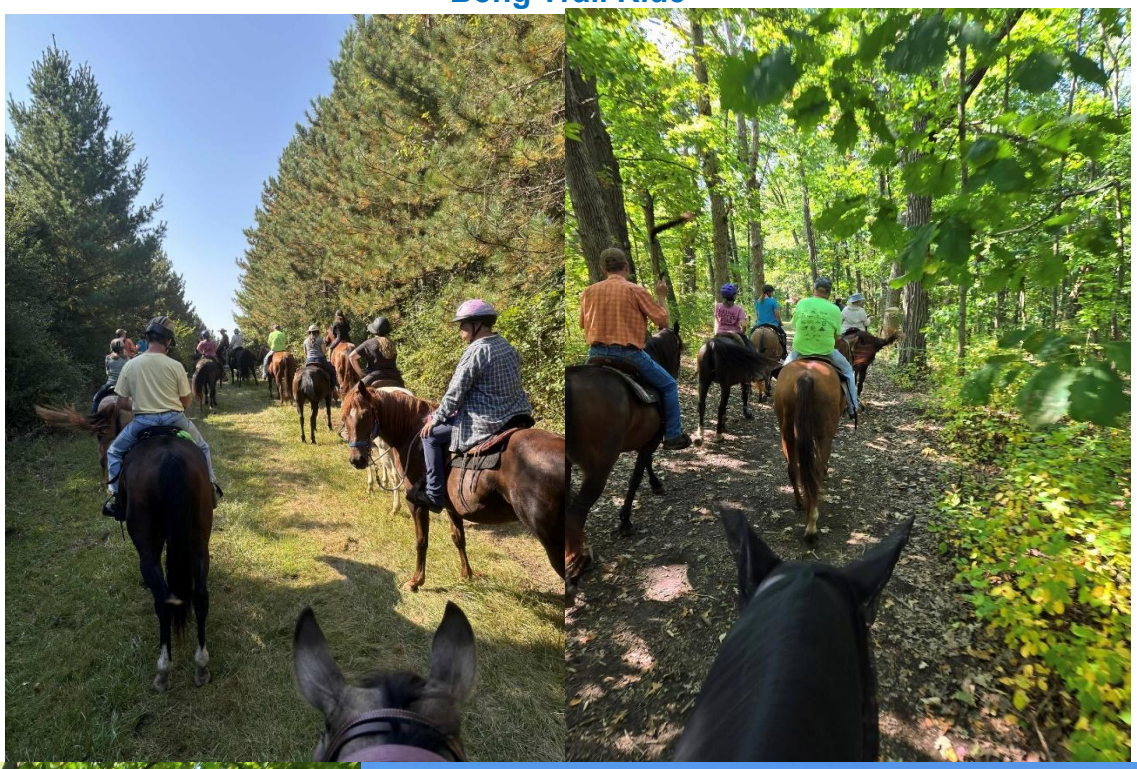
Our total income for 2025 so far is $2,789.69. This is what we have taken in versus paid out so far this year. The balance sheet (our net worth) at the end of September is the amount in our checking and the amount of our CDs ($13,752.14). This amount does not reflect all the expenses for the horse show and the Christmas party.

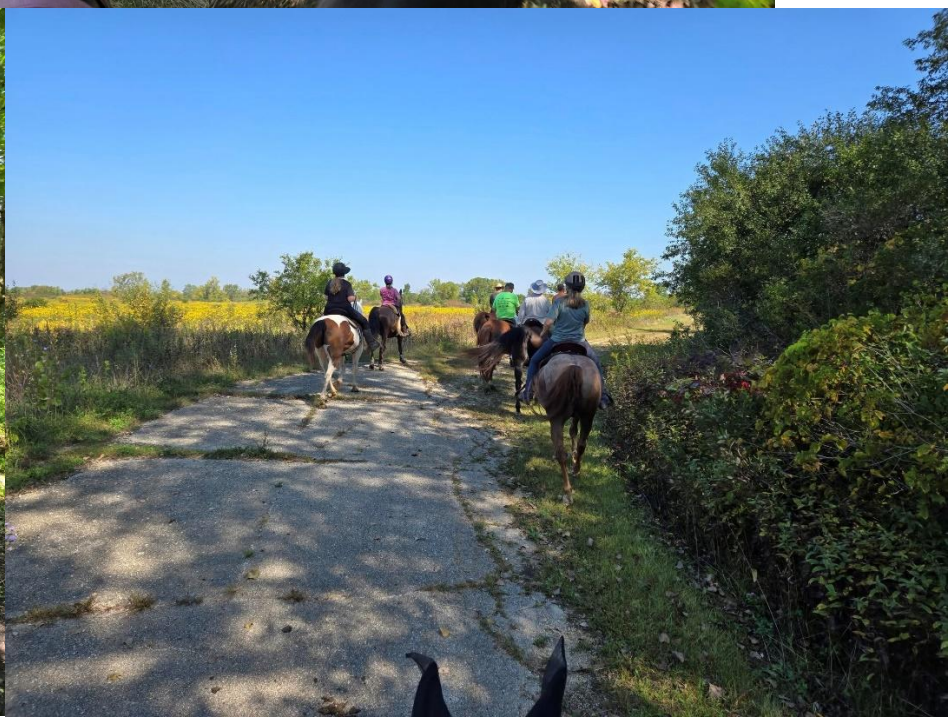
Income/Expenses	
Membership Dues	$ 4,550.00
Painting Party	$ (188.01)
Horse Show Sponsors	$ 4,978.24
Horse show Expense	$ (2,890.84)
Parades	$ 782.14
Christmas Party	$ (1,000.00)
Misc Cost	$ (914.85)
Insurance	$ (1,555.00)
Trail Rides	$ (1,378.22)
Fall Ride	$ 875.00
Bowling Party	$ (22.81)
Play Day	$ (445.96)
Net Income 2025	**$ 2,789.69**

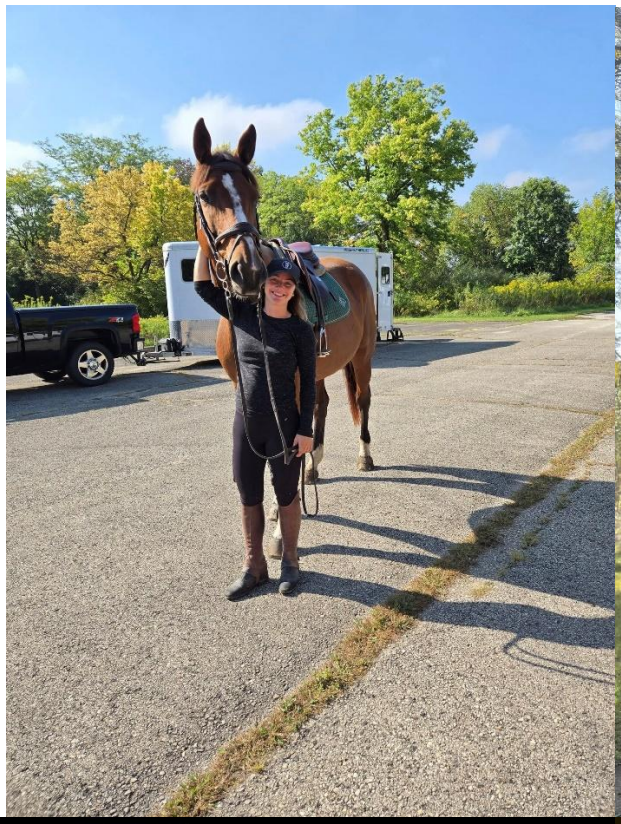
CD	$ 9,970.94
Checking Act	$ 3,781.20
Balance Sheet	$ 13,752.14

WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO?

Bong Trail Ride







Van Patten Woods/Sterling Lake Trail Ride

WEBSITE and FB INFORMATION

www.lcmp.info
friel.horses1996@gmail.com

For our Facebook page and our website, please send to us pictures from your rides or other activities you have done this season. We want all members and potential members to see what we are up to and that the club is still riding and active. If you are planning, spur of the moment, to go out and ride the trails, send us a message and we will post it on Facebook. The board voted that it doesn't have to be a LCMP sponsored event to post this on our Facebook page. Some members may not be able to join a club ride but may have the time to ride at another time. This is also a way to stay connected with our members and to not have to ride alone.

If you are interested in helping with the website, please contact Matt Friel for details.

WEBSITE PICTURES

For new members and anyone who want to update their picture on the Posse website, please send your photo to Matt Friel at webmaster@lcmp.info. Please send the picture as an attachment in your email.

COMMITTEE CHAIRS & TEAMS

The membership cannot thrive without the help from our members on various committee jobs. This year, we would like to put together teams to assist with each Committee Chair. **We need volunteers** - please contact Jennifer Friel or Debi Neuman if you are interested in helping out. The Board will help you all the way. Thank you so much!!

Committee	Chairs
Associate Liaison/Resources	Lynn Goodell & Beth Santi
Communications/Website	Jennifer & Matt Friel
Fall Ride	Ghislaine deKoning & Jennifer Friel
Holiday Party	Betsy Faitz & Debi Neuman
Horse Show	Ghislaine deKoning / Kelly Dickson
Legislative Committee	Lynn Goodell
Non-Riding Events	The Board
Parades	Betsy Faitz & Mindy Sivright
Play Days	The Board
Possee Apparel	Betsy Faitz & Matt Friel
Trail Rides	Kim Moon & Debi Neuman

OFFICERS FOR 2025

President: Debi Neuman
Vice President: Mike Mahan
Secretary: Beth Santi
Treasurer: Ghislaine deKoning

If you have any membership questions or concerns, please feel let us know – we'll help however we can.

POSSE WEAR

Link for Besco: https://bescoawards.com/main.sc

Link for The Lettering Machine for T-Shirts: https://theletteringmachine.com/LCMP/shop/home

ANIE'S JAMS AND JELLIES

Message from Anie Weiler:

"If anyone needs some jam, they can contact Ghislaine deKoning. The jam(s) will be outside on her table with a separate jar for payment. If they live near me, they could come to my house and in the back, I will have their order on the table. See you soon, Anie Weiler"