



## FEBRUARY 2021 NEWSLETTER



**Please join us on a February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021  
At 7:30pm**

For a General Meeting on Zoom!

Look for an email invitation to join Zoom.

One of our members, Lori Nelson, who has a saddle fitting business, will be our speaker for our meeting. Lori will be showing us a video on saddle fitting and then a question and answer afterwards.

### **Please Renew Your Membership for 2021**

Send your Membership renewal, signed Waiver and \$70.00 check to:

Mindy Sivright  
937 Queens Lane  
Glenview, Illinois 60025

Please make checks out to Lake County Mounted Posse or LCMP

### **Letter from The President:**

Our January Zoom meeting had a nice member turn out. My hope is this will continue. Each month we are going to have a different subject for our trail riders, in hope of learning something new each month! We have a full calendar started for this year. If anybody wants to sponsor a trail ride please do so. Its very easy and Sandy Monk and myself will help you. Listed in the newsletter are some suggested locations and dates.

We would like to add a section to our newsletter, "news from our members". If anyone has news they would like to share, we would love to hear it. This can be anything from getting a new horse or having a child. Lol Or if someone gets an award, we want to be proud of you too. Let's keep connected with what's happening with our club members.

Hopefully with the Covid vaccine we can have a closer to normal summer of events. We are planning on it! Come join us for trail rides, parades and hopefully a play day.

Vickie Wancho -2021 LCMP President

## Committee Contacts

**Trail Rides** – Chairperson, Vickie Wancho Co-Chair, Sandy Monk. Check your calendar for dates there are too many dates to list! Maintains beverages/supplies for rides, play days and parades.

**Parades** – Chairperson, Betsy Faitz – Maintains schedule, equipment and information on parades

**Horse Show** – Chairpersons, Ghislaine DeKoning, Kelly Dickson – Primary contacts, establishes sub-committee for sponsors, ads, showbill, prizes, food, etc.

**\*Holiday Party** – Chairperson – Need member to chair this event

**Associate Liaison** – Sandy Monk

**Communications Chairperson** – Jennifer Friel, maintains FB

**Legislative Committee** – Lynn Goodall, Member Liaison with Lake Count Forest Preserve and Wisconsin

**Website** – Jennifer Friel, Website facilitator

**\*Bazaar/Tack Sale** – Ghislaine deKoning, Primary contact and organizer. We need a Co-chair for this event.

**Fall Ride** – LCMP 2021 Board

**Play Days** – Sandy Monk, maintains schedule, hosts, information on play days

**Non-Riding Events** – Vickie Wancho – Posse get together's

**Associate Resource** – Sandy Monk, Primary contact for Associates, helps organize, communicate and execute the Associates Play Day

**Posse Apparel** – Coordinates ordering Posse shirts, uniform ties and patches

**\*needs another person to volunteer**

## 2021 Parades Begin!

We are happy to announce that the Posse currently has 3 requests to participate in local parades. These dates are dependent upon Covid-19 guidelines. The dates are:

July 5<sup>th</sup>, Mundelein

June 20 (subject to change) Libertyville

August 21<sup>st</sup> Grayslake

We are still waiting to hear from other villages if they are going to have parades this year. If you're interested in participating as a rider, ground crew and/or set up, please contact Betsy Faitz 847-601-4810

**Sign up for Trail Rides!!! Yay!!**  
**By Vickie Wancho**

**It's Time to start planning our trail rides for the season!!!!**

Hosting a trail ride is easy. First pick a day then a location then the food you want to serve. The posse will reimburse all expenses up to \$250.00. Drinks paper goods are provided. We have many supplies so please contact me with what you need so I can check to see if we have it. That's it!!!

Suggested locations but not limited to, are: Sterling Lake Ill., Chain O Lakes Ill., Lakewood Forest Preserve, Ill., Rush Creek Ill., Rock Cut Ill., Glacier Park Ill., and Bong in Wis. And Southern Kettle Moraine Wis. (have multiple parking lots). These are just a few we use on a regular basis but we are open to other trails if you have idea for one. I have a list of dates open that are open with no other activities involved. If we don't get any volunteers to host trail rides, we will make up the schedule and fill in locations.

Open dates are:

April 10<sup>th</sup> or 11<sup>th</sup>

April 17<sup>th</sup> or 18<sup>th</sup>

June 27<sup>th</sup>

Dates that are planned are:

March 13<sup>th</sup> St. Paddies Day Ride, Hosted by Val Weber at Lakewood FP

May 8<sup>th</sup> Mother's Day Ride, Hosted by Jennifer Friel, location TBD

June 13<sup>th</sup>, Hosted by Mindy, Kelly and Betsy, location TBD

July 18<sup>th</sup>, Hosted by Sandy Monk at Rush Creek

## Trail Ride News and Protocol

Because of the COVID-19 virus, a new protocol with the serving of food is necessary. The Posse will supply the beverages of water, pop and tea, as usual. The food that is served will need to be individually packaged or served behind the table by the Host, who will be wearing a mask and gloves. So, if you bring a dessert like brownies, cut them into individual serving sizes and put them in little baggies for our members to pick up without handling the pan. In addition, single serve snacks like chips, granola bars, cookies and other similar items are acceptable choices to have. The board is also asking that masks be worn while you are in line to get your food and to try to keep 6 feet distance from one another. The board understands that this is a pain, but we want our events to continue and to keep our members as safe as possible.

We **will not** have coffee and donuts in the morning, so plan accordingly. If you choose to bring something to share, please make sure that it is individually wrapped. We are learning like everyone else, of the protocol to hosting an event.

The Posse Board will have hand sanitizer, sanitizing wipes and gloves to keep things clean. We can't wait to see you all. Let's ride and have fun!!!

Vickie Wancho  
2021 LCMP President

## News from Our Members

Anna and Tomasz Krystek are happy to announce the birth of their daughter.

Apolonia (Pola) Eva Krystek  
October 27, 2020  
8lbs 2oz 20 inches

From Anna:

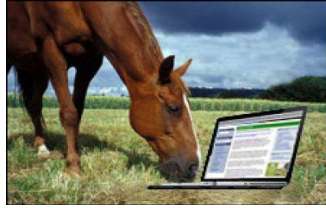
Pola is now almost 3 months old and she can't wait to meet her LCMP family. Right now, she doesn't get to see many people but loves spending time with brother Jack and all our critters. She has not been to see Doc (Roy's Horse) yet but she has some horse toys to get her on the right track. Roy would be happy to know she already has a pair of pink cowgirl boots. We miss you all and hope everyone stays healthy.



Also, we would like to wish a Happy Birthday to the following members:

Bob Karstenson	Jan 15
Mindy Sivright	Jan 17
Maverick Houghtaling	Jan 18
Jane Reinke	Jan 26

**We have a new email address!**  
**lakecountymountedposse1957@gmail.com**



**WEBSITE and FB INFORMATION**

[www.lcmp.info](http://www.lcmp.info)

[bhoughtaling1248@gmail.com](mailto:bhoughtaling1248@gmail.com)

For our Facebook page and our website, please send to us pictures from your rides or other activities you have done this summer. 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.

**2021 Officers and Board**

**Officers**

Vickie Wancho – President  
Sandy Monk – Vice President  
Mindy Sivright -Secretary  
Ghislaine DeKoning – Treasurer

If you have any membership questions or concerns, please feel comfortable to contact any officer and we will help however we can.

**Posse Wear**

The link for Besco can be found on our website is [www.lcmp.info](http://www.lcmp.info) and you can find a link here to easily make your purchases.

**Anies 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”*



## **MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

- 3/10/21 - **General Meeting** via ZOOM – 7:30pm Watch for email invitation on your email  
We have Lori Nelson speak to us about Saddle Fitting.
- 3/13/21 – **Trail Ride** Hosted by Val Weber at Lakewood Forest preserve arrive at 9:30 ride at 10:00 lunch at 12:00
- 3/17/21 - **Board Meeting** via ZOOM – 7:00pm. [Happy St. Paddies Day!](#)





**2021 LCMP APPLICATION / RENEWAL & RELEASE FORM**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

(If an Associate - Sponsor's Name) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number (home): \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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

E-Mail address (**PRINT CLEARLY**): \_\_\_\_\_

If you do **NOT** wish to have your name, address, phone number, or email listed in our club directory, please indicate here what you **DO NOT** want listed: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you permit contact information above to be emailed to membership for proofing?      Yes       No

How many horses does your family currently own? \_\_\_\_\_

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 The newsletter is available 24/7 via our website...[www.lcmp.info](http://www.lcmp.info). and is emailed to the address you provide.

**HARD COPY** of the monthly newsletter will no longer be mailed. IF you DON'T have internet access please specify      here: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Our secretary will contact you to make arrangements to get the newsletter to you.

**Family membership** including dependent children under the age of 21.....\$70.00

**Single membership** including member's dependent\* children under the age of 21 AND including companion.....\$70.00

**Associate membership** (family or single details as above) .....\$70.00

\* Dependent children defined as unmarried & living at home.

**MAKE PAYMENT TO: LAKE COUNTY MOUNTED POSSE**

**SEND TO SECRETARY: Mindy Sivright 937 Queens Lane, Glenview, Ill. 60025**

Posse functions are volunteer dependent. Please indicate below where you would be interested in volunteering:

- TACK SALE \_\_\_\_\_
- HORSE SHOW \_\_\_\_\_
- CLINICS \_\_\_\_\_
- PLAYDAYS \_\_\_\_\_
- PARADES \_\_\_\_\_
- SPONSOR TRAIL RIDE \_\_\_\_\_
- FALL RIDE \_\_\_\_\_
- GUEST SPEAKERS \_\_\_\_\_
- CHRISTMAS PARTY \_\_\_\_\_
- Interested in learning about serving as Officer or Director*



**RELEASE, WAIVER, HOLD HARMLESS, AND INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT**

The undersigned, as a Participant/Spectator/Visitor/Guest/Client (collectively "Participant"), on his/her own behalf and, if applicable, as the Parent(s)/Legal Guardian(s) of a minor Participant (minor included as "Participant"), for good and valuable consideration, agrees to the following terms and conditions of this Release, Waiver, Hold Harmless, and Indemnification Agreement ("Agreement"):

**1. Assumption of Risk and Waiver:** Participant understands and accepts the risks of engaging in Equine Activities, while mounted or unmounted, as well as merely being near a horse, mule, or pony (collectively "equine"), including: (i) The propensity of an equine to behave in ways that may result in injury, harm, or death to persons on or around them; (for example: jump, run, kick, buck, bolt, spin, rear up, strike, bite, etc.); (ii) The unpredictability of an equine's reaction to sounds (for example: machinery, equipment, doors opening and closing, snow and ice falling, rain, wind, thunder, voices, etc.), sudden movement, and unfamiliar objects, persons, other animals, or other things; (iii) Certain hazards such as surface and subsurface conditions; (iv) Collisions with other equines or objects; and (v) The potential of a participant to act in a negligent manner that may contribute to injury to Participant or others, such as failing to maintain control over the animal, not acting within his or her ability, or riding while under the influence of drugs or alcohol. Participant agrees that engaging in equine activities under this Agreement includes, but is in no way limited to, those defined in the Illinois Equine Activity Liability Act, as well as riding another's equine, petting, leading, driving, feeding, watching, transporting, and otherwise interacting with or merely being in the vicinity of equines ("Equine Activities"). Participant understands the injuries, death, loss (both personal and property), and property damage that may result from the accepted risks of engaging in Equine Activities or just being near an equine, that equines are powerful and have the potential to be dangerous, even without warning, and that the risks listed in this Agreement are just a sampling and Participant is not relying on Released Parties (as defined below) to list all possible equine-related risks. Participant therefore agrees, on his/her own behalf and on behalf of his/her minor Participant, that he/she understands and agrees to assume the risks and dangers inherent in Equine Activities, agrees to at all times to be responsible for Participant's personal safety, remain financially responsible for Participant's medical expenses, and waives Participant's right to any claims arising from participation in or observation of any Equine Activities, riding a horse belonging to Participant or someone else, whether on or off the property where the horse is stabled and/or transported to, being near an equine, or merely being present on real property owned, leased, rented, borrowed, visited, organized upon, trail riding across, or otherwise occupied by Lake County Mounted Posse, and its respective officers, directors, guarantors, indemnitors, agents, employees, volunteers, independent contractors, guests, visitors, invitees, trainers, organizers, guides, and others acting on their behalf (collectively "Released Parties") regardless of whether or not Participant's presence on such real property is related to equines or Equine Activities.

**2. Release, Hold Harmless, Indemnification:** Participant agrees to release and hold Released Parties harmless for any illness, injury, death, damage, or other loss (collectively "Loss") incurred, by Participant, or to Participant's property, unless caused by Released Parties' willful and wanton misconduct. Participant agrees to indemnify Released Parties against any Loss sustained or suffered by any third party, whether caused by Participant directly or indirectly, and which includes reimbursement of Released Parties' attorneys' fees.

**3. Governing Law and Time Limitation:** This Agreement shall be construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Illinois. All disputes relating to the interpretation and enforcement of this Agreement shall be resolved exclusively by the state court in Lake County, Illinois. The parties hereto hereby submit to the jurisdiction and venue of the Court for such purpose. Participant agrees that any and all claims and/or causes of action for Loss by Participant against the Released Parties must be brought within one (1) year of the date accrued and any claim for personal property Loss is limited to \$500.00 (Five Hundred Dollars).

**4. Attorneys' Fees:** Participant agrees to reimburse Released Parties for any and all attorneys' fees and costs incurred by Released Parties in enforcing the terms of this Agreement and/or in defending or prosecuting any claims or causes of action involving, or in any way relating to, Participant.

**5. Participant Certification:** Participant certifies that he/she has read this entire Agreement and understands, agrees, and intends on his/her own behalf, and on behalf of minor Participant, spouse, heirs, agents, representatives, relatives, successors, and assigns, to be bound by all of the terms and conditions contained herein.

**WARNING UNDER THE EQUINE ACTIVITY LIABILITY ACT, EACH PARTICIPANT WHO ENGAGES IN AN EQUINE ACTIVITY EXPRESSLY ASSUMES THE RISKS OF ENGAGING IN AND LEGAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR INJURY, LOSS, OR DAMAGE TO PERSON OR PROPERTY RESULTING FROM THE RISK OF EQUINE ACTIVITIES**

**Signature required by all members, companions, and dependents.**

(Participant signing on own behalf **and** as Add'l Parent/Legal Guardian of Minor Participant)

Signature

Print Name

Date

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