

NEWSLETTER 2024 4th QUARTER



DOUGLAS-ELBERT COUNTY HORSE COUNCIL

P.O. BOX 2572 PARKER, COLORADO 80134

www.dechc.org

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Purpose: to promote and improve the horse industry; to provide emergency related rescue; to educate and report horse related issues; to support trail development, safety and open space

Douglas-Elbert County Horse Council (DECHC)

Board of Directors

Sharon Jayne, President; Sue Kalamen, Vice President; Sherry Helmeke, Secretary; Monica Wheeler, Treasurer; Cindy Adams, Christine Exley, Kris Garrett, Kirk Inderbitzen, Laura Karlis, Jennifer Little, Diane Sanders and Carin Shuler

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Douglas-Elbert County Horse Council-DECHC-besides yourselves, ask your equestrian friends and acquaintances to become a member today.

For all upcoming meetings and events see our Calendar page at www.DECHC.org. You can even sign up for calendar updates.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

**By
Sharon Jayne**



Happy 2025!!! Hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and Happy New Year.

We are excited to announce the DECHC board for 2025:

President-Sharon Jayne

Vice-President-Cindy Adams

Secretary-Sherry Helmeke

Treasurer-Monica Wheeler

Board Member-Kris Garrett

Board Member-Chris Exley

Board Member-Sue Kalamen

Board Member-Jennifer Little

Board Member Diane Sanders

Board Member-Laura Karis

Board Member-Carin Shuler

Welcome our newest board member Carin Shuler! Please help me welcome in the 2025 board!

Hope everyone is heading down to the National Western Stock Show this year. If you're there stop by the Colorado Horse Council booth as most of our board members will be there over several days working at the booth. Good opportunity to renew your membership as we will have applications there.

This year our Annual Emergency Preparedness Clinic will be April 26th at the Douglas County Fairgrounds. We would love to fill the room. If you haven't been in a while, it might be time to get updated on current evacuation information. With the devastating fires happening in California, it is imperative that we all remember that this could be in our back yards as the Marshal fire 3 years ago in Colorado destroyed over 1000 homes. Are you Ready?

Please renew your membership and share with a couple of your friends. It is important to support the mission of DECHC.

If anyone has any suggestions, complaints, or ideas please feel free to give me a call or email me. My number is 303-570-4559 and email is majestictrail@aol.com.

Ride on!!

Photo Credit: Daily Mail Online

SAVE THE DATE: DECHC Preparedness Clinic Saturday, April 26, 2025



A recent reminder
Of how wildfires
can spread so
quickly any time of
the year.



EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS CLINIC

Brought to you by the Douglas-Elbert County Horse Council.

Saturday, April 26, 2025

9:00 am – 1:00 pm

Douglas County Fairgrounds, Multi-Purpose Barn
500 Fairgrounds Road, Castle Rock, CO 80104

Email nccadams3@gmail.com or majestictrail@aol.com with any questions.



FREE !



Topics include:

- Prioritizing
- Making prior arrangements
- Identifying your horse
- Preparing your facilities
- Preparing an Emergency Information Packet
- Preparing a Disaster Kit
- Time is of the essence
- What are my responsibilities for my horse while at the evacuation site?
- What do I need to reclaim my horse?
- What do I do with my other pets?

The Douglas-Elbert County Horse Council (DECHC) and the Douglas Elbert County Animal Response Team (DECART) are pleased to work together to present this clinic.

Spring Trail Rides

Ask for warm weather and muddy trails you shall get!



If you're making plans to get outside and enjoy the warm weather this weekend – expect muddy trails, and please keep a few things in mind:

- The best time to hike, bike or run is in the early morning when the trail is still frozen.
- If you come across mud on a trail, please go straight through the mud. It's tempting to walk on the side of the trail or in the grass, but that can cause erosion problems and damage plants.
- If you're on a trail and leaving lots of tracks or ruts, it's too muddy to continue. Consider finding a paved path for your weekend outing.

Explore Douglas County trails and open spaces on our webpage: dcoutdoors.org
Thank you for helping us keep our trails sustainable!

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Please remember to visit & contribute to our website and Newsletter

<http://dechc.org>

Next meeting: February 7, 2025 at 6:00 PM

At the Franktown Firehouse

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Charges for one year (4 issues) for Commercial/Corporate Memberships

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Half Page	\$ 50	\$140
Full Page	\$100	\$200



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Membership Application (please print clearly)

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Work _____

Email: _____

Type of Membership:

_____ Individual/Family \$15/annually

_____ Individual/Family \$200/Lifetime

_____ Organization \$50/annually

Name of Organization _____

_____ Commercial/Corporation \$75/annually

Name of Corporation _____

I would like to Volunteer for:

Evacuation sites _____ Be a Board member _____

Clinics _____ Other _____

Workdays _____

We host clinics about 4 times/year. Please let us know if there is a topic you would like to suggest:

Mail application and check to:

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Parker CO 80134