

CLOUD 9 RANCH, INC.

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Week 44
November 9th, 2023

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CLOUD 9 RANCH 2023 EVENT Schedule



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DATE	SPONSORED BY	EVENT	LOCATION	TIME
11/10/2023	CONSERVATION	CHILI COOK-OFF	PAVILION	6PM
11/11/2023	ACTIVITIES	VETERANS DAY DINNER	PAVILION	6PM
11/21/2023	CONSERVATION	BIG BUCK/BIG DOE CONTEST ENDS	SALES OFFICE	DARK
11/24/2023	C9R	FREE PANCAKE BREAKFAST	PAVILION	8AM-10AM
11/24/2023	C9R	EXTREME ROCK CRAWL	PAVILION	10AM
11/25/2023	CONSERVATION	WHERE'S WALDO HUNT	PAVILION	NOON
12/31/2023	C9R	NEW YEARS PARTY - LIVE BAND - HARMS CROSSING	PAVILION	7PM

1ST PLACE \$100

FREE TO ENTER!

CHILLI COOKOFF

November 10th

2ND PLACE \$50

3RD PLACE \$25

at the Pavilion

6PM

Cloud 9 Ranch Conservation Committee



Hi Everyone!

We have had great weather this last week, but winter is quickly coming. We had a great Propane Certification class here on Wednesday and now I am happy to report we can fill propane again 24/7, we do have some upcoming changes to make to be in compliance with the Missouri State Propane Association and will announce those in next weeks 9 Lines, thank you for being patient with us during this process. Again we are now in our off season and as a reminder if your camper is out on a pad, unplugged the daily usage is \$3.00 a day. We still have some fun events coming up this month and I encourage our members to come out and participate!

- As a reminder we have our C9R conservation committee hosting a Chili Cook Off this Friday, November 10th at 6:00pm at the Pavilion, and to celebrate our Veterans the activities committee is hosting a Veterans Day Dinner on Saturday, November 11th at 6:00pm at the Pavilion, come out and enjoy 2 nights of food and friends.
- Fogey and Wilder Campgrounds will be closing for winter on November 30th, 2023. All campers, trailers, etc. need to be removed by December 1st, 2023.
- A friendly reminder regarding the Cloud 9 Ranch Storage Compounds 2 & 3. Starting January 1st, we will start charging the daily storage and towing fee's for moving any items to a non-secured area on Cloud 9 Ranch (as noted in the rules below).

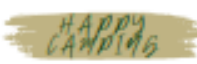
We have many units in the compound with no # displayed or poorly displayed and unreadable # that needs to be corrected ASAP! These units can also be moved to a non-secured area pending legal action or recovery by the owner.

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H. Items left in the locked compounds 2 and 3 must be moved within two (2) years. If you are not able to move the item(s) you may request a one-time six (6) month extension. The one-time request for extension must be submitted to the Ranch Manager in writing no less than ten (10) business days before your two (2) year allotted time expires. Please get in touch with me immediately to resolve this issue. Mike Edmonds at gm@cloud9ranch.com.

a) If you do not move your stored items within the time frame mentioned above, you will incur daily storage fees, as per current Fee Schedule, while the Ranch completes its due diligence to notify you of the sale of your property.

b) Any items that have not been removed from locked compounds 2 and 3 within six (6) months after the allotted time has expired may be removed and placed in a non-secured area pending legal action or recovery by owner. Daily storage fees will cease once item is moved to a non-secure area by order of Ranch Manager or designee.



Ranger Report

**Joey Hedrick-
Head Ranger**



A word from the Rangers Station

***Tickets are not posted until they are finalized by management.**

11-9-2023
No Tickets to Report!

If you have any questions in regards to rules, feel free to contact a ranger.

**Grab your copy of the 2023 Rule Book at the Gatehouse, you may also access a copy online at <https://cloud9ranch.com/about/rules-fees/>
As always, it is the Ranger's Stations' proud privilege to serve Cloud 9 Ranch's owners and guest.**

Joey Hedrick





AGENDA
Cloud 9 Ranch Club, INC.
Board of Directors Meeting
November 4th, 2023 @2:00PM
C9R Pavilion

Call to Order: Lee Krout, President

Invocation:

Pledge of Allegiance: All

Approval of the August 21st minutes: John Mallott, Secretary

Management Reports: Mike Edmonds

Financial Report: Brad Clement, Treasurer

Open Mic: (3 minute limit)

Committee Reports:

*Activities

*Conservation

*Ranch Riders

*Craft House

*Rules/Bylaws

*Fire Dept.

*Planning

*Chapel

*School House

*Ballot

*ADA

- Hauled 10 loads of clay to the top of Spring Hill and XX Road that turns into Lonnie's Lookout and rebuilt the entrance corner.
- The vapor lights in compound #3 have been replaced with LED lights and several more added. We are down to rewiring a run of lights that ran through the center of the compound and a back set of poles and we will be installing LED lights there also.
- Pressure washed the church steeple.
- We went through all campgrounds replacing burnt 30- and 50-amp receptacles in preparation for Halloween weekend.
- Located and dug up and replaced 20 feet of 6-inch sewer line in Powder Mill campground. Mike said that a very large rock had been put into the sewer line cleanout and caused a blockage.
- Set up for the Halloween auction, then had to move all our auction items to the Big Top due to the rain forecast.
- Brush Hogging the fields for the winter.
- Hauled loads of scrap metal to the recycling center.
- We purchased a used F-250 pickup truck for the Resource Department. This truck will be outfitted with a snowplow for next year.
- Disassembled dead picnic tables, sorting out boards for table repair or trash and table legs that are useable or scrap. John Mallott asked Mike Edmonds if he planned to build any more new picnic tables this winter. Mike said that he could use 100 more new picnic tables. Mallott asked Mike to seek price quotes on materials for up to 100 picnic tables and report back to the board on the costs for consideration.

In conclusion we look forward to all projects, repairs, and improvements this winter season that cannot be done during the in-season. Just a reminder your Ranch is beautiful when it snows! Come down and rent a cabin!

Thanks Mike!

Happy Camping

Mike Edmonds, ranch Manager

Financial Report: Brad Clement, Treasurer

Nothing new to report

Open Microphone (3 minutes):

Bruce Bowers said that he had reviewed the 2024 budget as approved. He said that he estimated the Ranch was \$49,000.00 to the good on the 2023 budget. Mr. Bowers said that revenues overall were down about 3%.

Committee Reports:



Activities: Harvey Reel reported fund balance \$6,899.00. Next activity is November 11th Veterans Day meal and end of the year 50/50 draw for annual dues payment.

Conservation/Gun Range: Chuck Russell reported fund balance \$15,813.65. Installed steel plate targets at the 100-yard line and need to replace rail ties for backstop at then shooting range. Plans to raise the shooting benches about 6-inches. Annual squirrel hunt we had 7 teams that harvested 93 lbs. of squirrels Winning team had 26 lbs. 12 oz, the largest squirrel weighed in at 1 lb. 8 oz. October 28th Scavenger Hunt we had 95 entries, we hid 40 scare crow people on trails with 20 kid prizes and 20 adult prizes. Deer rifle season opens November 11th Big Buck/Big Doe Contest open. Raffle for a crossbow is ongoing and will be drawn on November 25th. Chili Cook Off Contest is Friday November 10th at the pavilion 5:30 pm. Last the Finding Waldo hunt will be Saturday November 25th as well. Sign up starts at 12:00 noon.

Ranch Riders: No report

Craft House: Melinda Althoff reported fund balance of \$4,926.98. New playground equipment was higher than anticipated and would take longer to raise funds. Several sources were found that had good used playground equipment for sale. Craft House purchased two sets of playground equipment and are waiting to be installed next spring as we need to clean the equipment before installation takes place. Lee Krout stated that he and Mike Edmonds have looked at several different locations around the Craft House for the playground and would get with Melinda to discuss a location. Lee also offered the pea gravel from the former adult clubhouse site for the playground.

Rules/Bylaws: No report

Fire Department: Asst. Fire Chief, Chuck Russell reported fund balance \$21,010.59. Tanker truck reported out of service awaiting replacement of an oil pan for the engine. Plans to sell off the blue Dodge pick up and the red Chevrolet brush truck and purchase a newer 1-ton truck for a combination brush/medical truck. This will upgrade our equipment and capabilities.

Planning: Darin Weatherford still working on pool designs and concepts, looking at overall needs of the Ranch. Anyone that has any ideas or suggestions contact the Planning Committee. If any member is a contractor and is interested in bidding on projects, contact us and we will provide you with a RFQ.

Chapel: No report

School House: No current Rep. Lee Krout, BOD President proposed and idea to use some of the school space to create a Cloud 9 Ranch Museum where members could place past items on display for all to enjoy the history of the Ranch.

Ballot: No report

ADA: John Mallott reported to all members that the recent pool proposals were just a concept and those members with ADA concerns should be assured that all current ADA requirements will be in the final design of the pools. Any licensed Architect/Engineer in Missouri will not design a pool without ADA requirements as it would place liabilities upon their license. The ADA and Planning Committee will review all plans before accepting them to assure compliance. Mike Miles asked about the Handicap campsite in Powder Mill. He asked when the concrete pad was going to be poured. John Mallott asked Bruce Bowers if it was in the original plans and Bruce said that it was but not completed. John Mallott also said the electrical box was too far back into the pad and made dropping a rear door, due to the slope of the terrain, impossible for a wheelchair to exit RV. Mike Edmonds asked Bruce Bowers where the fiber cable was located in proximity to the pad. Bruce indicated he knew the location and would get with Mike Edmonds. Mike Edmonds indicated that possibly the electrical box could be moved forward on the pad. Discussion continued with Lee Krout asking the ADA Committee to come up with a plan on who could use the pad and how long to wait for unoccupied pad on holidays before making use of it to a non-handicap member.

Old Business:

Wastewater Treatment Plant update: Lee Krout said that Horner and Shiffrin Engineers are getting specifications on the correct material that should be placed into the filter tanks. The plan in place of using the three good waste lagoons to dump into and letting the solids drop out and liquids flow into the treatment plant are working out well at this time.

Rental Cabins update: John Mallott reported that five of the six recently purchased cabins build out are completed and being rented. The sixth cabin is the ADA compliant cabin and should be finished within a week or two. This will complete this project.

Update on fiber optic project: Lee Krout reported that two vendors to repair and/or replace fiber optic cable have been to the Ranch and looked the project over and should be providing a bid shortly. Several of the areas of the fiber have been damaged due to animals chewing into the fiber causing damage.

Update on pool project: Darin Weatherford reported that the Planning Committee is dealing with the only company that has provided drawings so far. Looking for any other pool vendors who would like to provide concepts and designs.

New Business: Assign BOD Reps to Committees by Lee Krout, President.

Activities: John Mallott

Conservation/Gun Range: John Mallott

Ranch Riders: Mike Miles

Craft House: Darin Weatherford



Rules/Bylaws: Everett Pitcock

Fire Dept.: Brad Clement

Panning: Darin Weatherford

Chapel: Brad Clement

School Hose: Everett Pitcock

Ballott: Everett Pitcock

ADA: John Mallott

Appeals: Everett Pitcock

Banking Accounts and removal of past individuals: Lee Krout

Set Fees and Fines for 2024: Lee Krout

Rentals: Discussion on raising the rental fees of cabins and mobile home by \$15.00 per night was discussed. John Mallott asked what the price of a room was in a hotel in west Plains as compared to the Ranch prices for a cabin. The price difference was more in West Plains, but members must consider the drive to/from the Ranch and if they had consumed and alcohol. The discussion of the cost of cleaning supplies, trash service and utilities has increased since the increase. Lee Krout discussed the possibility of reducing the mid-week price to try and attract members to the Ranch during the week. The current reservation program will not do this, but Lee will investigate the possibility of tweaking the program for the future. The motion was made by Darin Weatherford to increase rental fees by \$15.00 and seconded by: Everett Pitcock. The vote was unanimous.

Maintenance Fees: Increase of the monthly Maintenance Fee by 10% or \$5.00 per month was discussed. Mike Edmonds pointed out that dumpster fees had increase by \$40,000.00 over previous years, Lee Krout said that the Ranch received notice from the insurance company of an increase in premiums of at least \$17,000.00 and utility cost were up. Also discussed the need for additional funds to update facilities such as the exhaust hood system in the restaurant, roof on the T-Top, and other proposed improvements. The paved roads are in need of repair along with the cost of the upcoming pool project. Motion to raise the monthly maintenance fees by 10% (\$5.00 per month) and the increase to be earmarked for Capital Improvements. Second by Everett Pitcock. The vote must be a super-majority.

Lee Krout: Yes

Brad Clement Yes

Mike Miles NO

Darin Weatherford: Yes

Terry Wilcox Yes

John Mallott Yes

Everett Pitcock Yes



Maintenance Fees Continued: Erly full year payment of Maintenance Fees discount was discussed by John Mallott. Motion made by John Mallott that if a member's annual maintenance fees (\$660.00) were paid by January 31st of each calendar year a discount of \$30.00 would be deducted from their Annual Maintenance Fees. The discounted price paid in full would be \$630.00 Seconded by Darin Weatherford. The vote was unanimous.

Fines: The fine schedule was discussed with Lee Krout stating that the Ranch does not operate off fines. Fines are there to deter someone from breaking the rules as established. A motion was made by John Mallott to accept Appendix I 2024 Fine Schedule as submitted with no cost increases. Seconded by Brad Clement. The vote was unanimous.

Acceptance of 2024 Fee Schedule: Mike Miles made a motion to accept the 2024 Fee Schedule as approved by the BOD. Seconded by Darin Weatherford. Approved by unanimous vote.

Prorated Compound Fees: Discussion by John Mallott and Lee Krout on the compound fees that are charged to someone and then they vacate their compound during the year the next person on the list must pay a full year's compound fees. John Mallott said that several members have discussed this with him regarding this matter. Lee Krout discussed the issue that when a member signs an agreement at the first of the year to rent a compound space it is an agreement for a year. Mike Edmonds did agree with this as it is in the agreement. Brad Clement said that he felt it was a yearlong contract when signed at the first of the year. The discussion led to the new member taking over the vacated compound spot and them receiving a discount prorated quarterly. John Mallott said that with the even amount of \$200.00 per year on compound and \$180.00 on container boxes it would be easier to figure by quarterly than dealing with smaller change. John Mallott made the motion to prorate the cost of a new contract on a vacated compound/container space on a quarterly basis. No refunds to be provided back to the original contract member. Seconded by Brad Clement. The vote was unanimous.

Recent Wilderness Way Stage Stop Vandalism: John Mallott open discussion about the recent men's restroom vandalism to the Wilderness Way Stage Stop. Mallott stated that he felt the Board of Directors should take a more serious approach to incidents of this nature. Mallott said that he would ask that the BOD consider a \$1,000.00 reward for information as to the person(s) responsible. Lee Krout said that in law enforcement it is common that rewards are offered to seek information and determine who was responsible. Mike Miles asked if this was going to be the offer on all incidents. Lee Krout said that each incident and the level of damage could be evaluated, and a reward amount offer set by the Ranch Board. It was discussed that information that only provided a name was not grounds for the reward but multiple individuals who can substantiate the person(s) actions, a name and confession or video etc. could be used to prove who is responsible. John Mallott made a motion to offer a \$1,000.00 dollar reward for information and proof of person(s) responsible for the vandalism to the Wilderness Way Stage Stop. Seconded by Mike Miles. The vote was unanimous.



Reinstatement Fee: Lee Krout brought up the issue with the members that reach a \$500.00 debt are placed into an inactive status. To be reinstated a member must pay the \$500.00 plus late fees and a \$100.00 reinstatement fee. The issue is that several members seem to use it on an annual basis. Several BOD members stated that monthly maintenance fees ought to be a part of the reinstatement fees. Krout stated that he did not want to make the fees so high that someone could not make payment and be reinstated for full membership. Mike Edmonds said that if an individual member has a unique situation and comes to him, he has in the past and will work with any member stating that hardship can happen to anyone. Terry Wilcox made a motion to increase the reinstatement fees to \$300.00 Seconded by Darin Weatherford. The vote was unanimous.

Rock Crawl: Terry Wilcox announced that a special rock crawl will be held on Saturday November 25, 2023, at 08:00 a.m. signups at the pavilion. Wilcox stated this will be a more intense rock crawl which will require the use of winches.

Meeting Adjourned: Lee Krout Called for a motion. Motion made by: Mike Miles Seconded by Darin Weatherford

Unanimous vote.





Veterans Day Dinner

hosted by Activities Committee



Saturday, November 11th
6:00pm
at the Pavilion

EXTREME

ROCK CRAWL

FRIDAY,

NOVEMBER 24TH

RIDE STARTS

AT 10:00AM AT THE

T-TOP

FREE PANCAKE
BREAKFAST AT
9:00 AM AT
THE PAVILION



GOT FLEX?



NEXT LEVEL
POWERSPORTS & MARINE

WHERE'S WALDO HUNT



NOVEMBER 25TH
12:00 PM



AT THE PAVILION



UTV/ATV TRAIL SAFETY

Whether you are new to riding or have experience it's always a good idea to be prepared. Here are a few ideas of items to keep with you to ensure you and your crew return to camp safely.



- First Aid Kit
- Fire Extinguisher
- Tire Plug Kit or Air Compressor
- Tow Straps and Winch
- Map, Compass, or GPS
- Flash Light
- Emergency Tool Kit: Vice Grips, Pliers, Allen Wrenches, Zip Ties, Duct Tape, Screwdrivers, etc.
- Extra Bolts & Nuts
- Chainsaw
- Bug Repellent
- Water or Gatorade
- High Protein Snacks
- Sunscreen

Please keep in mind if you become stranded due to machine failure that Cloud 9 Ranch and the Ranch Rider Club are not responsible to provide rescue to your machine. However, should you have a medical emergency or injury please call the Gatehouse. They will send Cloud 9 Ranch First Responders immediately as well as contact the County Ambulance and Air Medical Transport if needed.



Directory



Membership Status

Weekly Update

Current Members: 3549
 New Memberships Sold: 0
 Membership Deed Transfers: 5
 Memberships Reinstated: 1
 Memberships Deeded Back: 0
 Memberships Inactivated: 0

ACCOUNTING & DEEDS OFFICE

Monday - Friday
 8 am - 4 pm
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SALES OFFICE

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GATEHOUSE

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TRADING POST

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Friday - Saturday Only
 12 pm - 9 pm
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TRADING POST RESTAURANT

Sunday - Wednesday
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 Thursday - Saturday
 8 am - 8 pm
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SWIMMING POOLS

ADULT POOL
 CLOSED until next season.

FAMILY POOL

CLOSED until next season.

CRAFT HOUSE

Closed for the Season

GAS STATION

Open 24/7
 Card-Pay-At-Pump

SHOOTING RANGE

Daylight Use Only

VALLEY STAR SCHOOL HOUSE

Closed

CHAPEL

Worship Service
 Sundays at 10 am

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

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- CHAPEL BASEMENT IS A NON PET FRIENDLY SHELTER



EMERGENCY LIGHTS & SIRENS

NO FLASHING RED OR BLUE LIGHTS OR SIRENS EXCEPT AS AUTHORIZED FOR EMERGENCY PERSONNEL



NOTICE

- THE LEGAL DRINKING AGE IN THE STATE OF MISSOURI IS 21. IT IS AGAINST STATE LAW TO CONSUME, PURCHASE, OR POSSESS ALCOHOL IF YOU ARE YOUNGER THEN 21. NO ILLEGAL ACTIVITY OF ANY KIND IS ALLOWED



REMINDER!

STOP AT THE GATEHOUSE EVERY TIME UPON ENTERING AND EXITING THE RANCH. HAVE YOUR ID'S READY. OBEY POSTED SPEED LIMITS.

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NEXT LEVEL
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