HCL ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING 2026

HAMILTON COUNTY LLAMAS

September 26, 2026

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Hamilton County Llamas

Organizational Overview

Mission

The HCL is for the sole purpose of making llamas available to the youth of Hamilton County, Indiana to lease, show, train, and educate for participation in 4-H, llama shows, and other events.

Governance

Board of Directors

Articles of Incorporation (2016)

HCL Bylaws (August 2021)

Policies and Guidelines

Standing Rules

Relationship to 4-H

4H Programs governed by Purdue Extension - Hamilton County

Llama Project Superintendent: TBD

Llama Trekkers Club: Kitty Bishop

HCL membership provides youth opportunity to lease llamas for showing in the Hamilton County 4H Fair

4-H Update

Kitty Bishop

4-H LLAMA TREKKERS CLUB

LEADER: Kitty Bishop

NEW EMAIL: 4hllamatrekkers@gmail.com

PLEASE SAVE THIS EMAIL ADDRESS - All 4-H info will be coming from this address moving forward

LOOKING FOR: Project (Barn) Superintendent, 2 additional 4-H leaders, Purdue Extension approved volunteers

TODAY: Please pick up showbill from Fair if you'd like and pick up your 4-H pin from this season also

Board of Directors

HAMILTON COUNTY LLAMAS

Bill Wozniak
President

Kelly Wren
Vice-President

Julie Wozniak*
Treasurer

Carson Adcock*
Secretary

Michele Gohr*
At-Large

Andrea Smith
At-Large

Robert Dragoo*
At-Large

*End of Term - Eligible for re-election

Winter Adoption

Jamie Smith

Winter Adoption Guidelines: November - March

- Winter is the hardest time of year for our llamas. The weather is hard on them and they are cooped up in smaller pastures. They need to be monitored closely for signs of illness, injury, or distress.
- Sign ups are going around. You can request up to 3 llamas.
- All members will be assigned 2 llamas. All llamas will be assigned 2 members.
- Crias are cute but are you ready for the extra work
- Spring Crias – will be assigned individually, need to be worked with for training to halter, grooming, touch all four extremities
- Fall Crias – will be assigned with their moms, do not work with them until advised by herd management

Winter Adoption: Expectations

- Llamas should be checked on weekly
- Communicate with other assigned member to try to space out visits or if you are going to be out of town to make sure they are going.
- Each visit: Halter and walk llama, check feet for signs of injury.
- Brush regularly to keep out mats and check body for signs of injury.
- Body score and/or weight check.
- Any concerns? Report them to herd management!!!! Numbers listed in barn. Do NOT send to winter adoption email as these are not checked daily.

Winter Adoption: Reporting & Logging

- Assignments will be made prior to November 1.
- Assignments will be sent via email but a list will also be posted in barn and on band.
- Google sheet will be used to log visits. Link will be posted on Band and sent in assignment email. (Easiest is to log when you go instead of waiting)
- If you are unable to access the google sheet. You may report your visits via email. hclwinteradoption@gmail.com
- Please send all reports by the last day of the month.

HCL Show Team

Julie Wozniak

HCL Show Team

Who We Are: HCL members who want additional opportunities to show llamas in ILR and ALSA sanctioned llama shows

Where We Go: Parent drivers pull HCL trailers and llamas to travel shows, usually around 10 per year are offered (you're not expected to attend them all), between March and November, locations as close as Indianapolis and as far away as Iowa, but most are in Indiana, Ohio, and Michigan

Why Join: Show Team gives you more opportunities to practice showing llamas, the more time you spend with llamas, the more you learn and the better trainer, caretaker, and showman you will be

Callout Meeting: Show Team will host a call out meeting in January, watch Band for meeting information

Herd Management

Maria Seager

Herd Management

Herd Management Overview

New Extended Lease Moratorium

Current Extended Leases: Fees

Task Force: How can you help?

Herd Management Expectations

Chores

Megan Obremski

Chores need to be a priority.

The llamas (and their health) are relying on YOU and YOUR PARENT.

If you love llamas and enjoy hanging out with them/working with them, you need to commit to keeping them healthy too!

Chores need to be a priority.

Reach out to the other people to see if you can meet or split tasks. We need to be sure nothing is missed.

Chores should be done before dark (except for the winter when it gets dark at 5:30/6:00PM).

Please don't wait until the last minute to figure out your chore plans.

Read the checklist and check off the items you completed. *TAKE PICTURES*

Be sure to email us!

Cleaning Pastures & Stalls

a BIG part of your chore duties!

- **TIME: Should take <u>at least</u> 45 min. to an hour.**
- **FILL UP A WHEELBARROW or 2!**
- **Scooping poop is not an option! This is how we keep our llamas healthy! Parasite eggs are in the poop… the more poop we scoop, the less parasites we have making our llamas sick.**
- **If you don't do your share it also makes more for the next person, which isn't fair or kind.**

People sent these pictures after chores...

Think of how much one llama poops in a day...
will this clean up the entire pasture? No!

Is this enough? No.








What Enough Looks Like!!

Events & Fundraising

Amy Pommer

MAKING LLAMA MAGIC HAPPEN!

Events & Fundraising Committee

Plan it. • Promote it. • Make it happen.

Community • Fundraising • Fun

Turning llama love into community connection + resources for HCL

EVENTS

Plan • advertise • execute

SPONSORS

Build local partnerships

GRANTS

Find • apply • grow

MERCH

Create • sell • support HCL

Why Your Help Matters

Events are one of the best ways to turn your membership into hands-on experience and community impact.

YOUR TIME = REAL VALUE

- Practice handling and working with llamas in different environments.
- Build confidence around crowds, new locations, and unexpected situations.
- Talk with the public and help people discover HCL and Llama Trekkers.
- Create the positive experiences that can turn visitors into future members.
- Event income helps keep membership dues as low as possible.







More volunteers = more opportunities for HCL!

Events Are a Team Effort

A great event is more than a llama appearance — it is a chance to represent HCL.



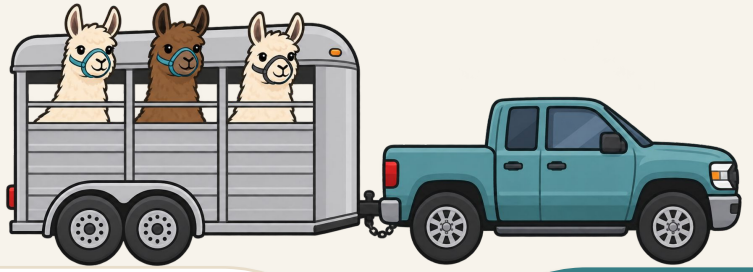




MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENT **Every member must volunteer for at least ONE event per membership year — or a $100 fine applies.**

Trailer Drivers Needed!

No drivers = no trailer = no events.



WE NEED MEMBERS WHO CAN DRIVE

Our trailer is essential to getting llamas, supplies,
and event equipment where they need to go.

- Help us expand the number of events HCL can accept.
- Take a turn so the same few volunteers are not carrying the transportation load.
- Ask questions before volunteering — the Events Committee can explain what is required to tow the trailer.
- If you are willing to learn more, please reach out to the Events Committee.

COULD YOU BE ONE OF OUR DRIVERS?

**Questions about towing requirements?
Talk with the Events Committee.**

Corporate Sponsors

A key fundraising opportunity — and a great way to build long-term community partnerships.

SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM

- Every member is encouraged to contact a minimum of two businesses.
- Contact the Events Committee before asking so businesses are not asked twice.
- You are responsible for coordinating sponsor recognition and thank you gifts (with help from the Events Committee).
- Members who generate $2,000 in sponsorships will have half their membership fees waived!

POTENTIAL SPONSORSHIP LEVELS

LEVEL 1	**$250**	Business listed on social media posts
LEVEL 2	**$500**	Business listed on social media and flyers
LEVEL 3	**$1,000**	Business listed on social media, flyers, signs at events
LEVEL 4	**$2,000+**	Business listed on all of above Llama Meet & Greet

NEXT STEPS: Email Events Committee• Return Forms • Due by February 28, 2027

How You Can Help

There is a place for every member on the Events & Fundraising team.

VOLUNTEER Sign up for at least one event each membership year.

DRIVE Ask the Events Committee what is needed to become a trailer driver.

PROMOTE Share HCL events and help us reach new audiences.

SPONSOR Help identify local businesses that may want to support HCL.

CREATE Bring ideas for merchandise, fundraisers, grants, or new events.

JOIN Join our committee! We are welcoming new members!!

Questions? Ideas? Want to help? • Reach out to the Events & Fundraising Committee!
events@hamiltoncountyllamas.org
Amy Pommer & Rosie Young

Treasurer Report

Julie Wozniak

FY 25-26 Budget v. Actuals (9/25/26)

Category	Budget Income	Actual Income	Budget Expenses	Actual Expenses
4-H Support			$1,130	$1,459
Admin			$22,975	$23,503
Events & Fundraising	$21,500	$43,273	$3,500	$3,673
Farm Management	$3,000	$3,685	$14,550	$15,969
Herd Management	$7,550	$14,107	$39,850	$32,793
Membership & Boarding	$48,380	$41,524	$1,775	$141
Show Team	$10,750	$12,249	$7,400	$8,373
Grand Total	$91,180	$114,838	$91,180	$85,911

FY 2026-2027 Board Approved Budget

Category	Income	Expense
Admin	$0.00	$26,160.00
Farm Management	$0.00	$15,300.00
Fundraising/Events	$31,040.00	$4,500.00
Herd Management	$8,750.00	$43,200.00
4-H Support	$0.00	$1,380.00
Membership & Boarding	$47,400.00	$0.00
Show Team	$10,750.00	$7,400.00
Budget	**$97,940.00**	**$97,940.00**

2026-2027 Membership Fees

Bill Wozniak

FY 2025-2026 Membership Fees

Youth Members – New Member Fee

Fee	Amount
Youth Member – New Member Fee (Per Youth)	$25

Youth Members – Annual Dues (Youth Defined as Eligible for 4-H Participation)

Fee	Amount
Youth Member Annual Dues – First Child in Family	$550
Youth Member Annual Dues – Second Child in Family	$525
Youth Member Annual Dues – Third Child in Family	$500

Adult Members – Annual Dues and Boarding

Fee	Amount
Adult Member Annual Dues – Non-boarding, organization support only	$50
Adult Member Annual Dues – Non-boarding, ability to show an HCL llama in ALSA and ILR shows, when available	$250
Adult Boarding Member Annual Dues	
Yearly Boarding for One Llama	$1,000
Medical Supplies	At Cost

HCL Show Group Fees - *For each ALSA and ILR show, not the Hamilton County 4-H Fair*

Fee	Amount
Show Team Fee (yearly)	$125
Trailer Fee (per show)	$10
Show Fee (stalling, mileage for trailer drivers, etc. – spilt by attendees)	At Cost

Other Fees

Fee	Amount
Extended Lease – 3 years or less	$600
Extended Lease – more than 3 years	$1,000
Medical Supplies for Leased Llama	At Cost
Farm Visit	$500
Off Farm Llama Visit Event – Member	$100 - $250
Off Farm Llama Visit Event – Non-Member	$750 - $1,000+
Trailer Personal Use – Members Only	$50/day

Farm Lease

Bill Wozniak

2026-2027 Member Requirements

Bill Wozniak

Member Requirements

Youth Families

- **Herd Days** – must attend 3 per year (offered every six weeks)
- **Farm Days** – must attend 1 per year with parent
- **Fundraising Events** – must attend 2 per year
- **Chores** - sign up for two chore slots per month before the first of each month

Adult Members

- Attend a **Herd Day** or a **Fundraising Event**
- Attend a **Farm Day** or exhibit active involvement with an **HCL Committee**

Membership Registration

2026 - 2027 Membership Year Registration

- Pay for Membership fees through this link
  - New membership
  - Youth membership full year
  - Youth membership ½ year
  - Youth membership custom amount
  - Adult memberships and boarding
  - Show team
- 2026-2027 payments via e-check or credit card

Having issues with the site or see an item that needs updating?

Email treasurer:
treasurer@hamiltoncountyllamas.org

BOD Election

Nominating Committee

Candidates Who Submitted Interest

Carson Adcock
Amy Gehen
Michele Gohr
Julie Wozniak

Nominations from the floor

Now we Vote

- **Complete ballots distributed**

- **Submit to nominating committee**

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