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INTERESTS

Education and promotion of Clydesdales
Clydesdale history and genetics
Trail Riding
Driving and training horses
Teaching others to harness
Introducing the public to the world of horses

ABOUT ME

Allow me to introduce myself, my name is Cristen McDonell, and I am running for a 2020 open position on the Clydesdale Breeder's of the USA Board of Directors. I hope to share my goals and ideas with future generations of Clydesdale owners and create a positive influence in this industry.

As Clydesdale draft horse breeders, we are the designated "architects" for this amazing horse. However, it isn't just about breeding. Architects are responsible for realizing a project. They design, create, and they build. As Clydesdale breeders, we are responsible for designing and creating a great animal. It starts with a well-bred animal, but as the owners, it is what we can teach and how we help the horse grow that should be our ultimate goal. Quality bloodlines and genetics is where it starts, but it builds into an exceptional quality horse through manners, intelligence and superb training. My goal as the owner of High Limit Farm LLC is to promote the Clydesdale breed through the exhibiting, marketing, and breeding of exceptional Clydesdales.

Thank you to those of you that encouraged me to run for this opening. I am very excited at the possibility of presenting a positive and honest portrayal of this community of amazing people that love this breed as much as myself.

MY EXPERIENCE

Step 'Em Up Harness Club - Founding Member 11/19-present

I am responsible for laying the foundations of a new driving club in North West Missouri. A driving club encompassing a wide range of activities from pleasure driving, harness carting, horse shows, international combined driving, and even farm work has been laid out. Through the education of beginner drivers, we are preserving the lost art of harness driving.

High Limit Farm LLC – Owner 2/18–present

My responsibilities as a working Clydesdale farm, include showing my Clydesdales at local equine events, educating the public about the majestic Clydesdale breed, importing Canadian lines to refresh the black and white Clydesdale bloodlines, training quality horses with exceptional temperaments, and focusing on being a productive member of the CBUSA.

Pony Up Horseback Excursions LLC – Owner 4/17–present

Pony Up Horseback Excursions is my traveling trail riding business. We guide clients by matching up horses and guests in their experience levels. We explore different campgrounds and riding experiences, so that families can ride safely and enjoy learning about horses. Whether it be providing camp horses for the YMCA kids, a local parade or a trail ride to Mt. Rushmore, I love sharing my experience and enthusiasm for horses.

United Country Property Solutions LLC – Realtor 10/10- present

I am responsible for helping clients buy, sell, and lease properties within the state of Missouri. I advise clients about market conditions, facilitate negotiations between buyers and sellers, counsel clients on appraisals, financing, home inspections, mortgages and all aspects of real estate.

The Meadows – Property Manager/Owner 5/93-present

As a property manager/owner, I maintain positive cash flow on over 100 rental properties a month. I accomplish this by advertising vacancies, negotiating and enforcing leases, resolving tenant complaints and making the hard decisions that a large rental community can face. I effectively promote a positive atmosphere desired by my residents that is reflected in the number of referrals I receive each month.

