

A MID-ATLANTIC WEEKEND OF PLEASURE DRIVING
MORVEN PARK INTERNATIONAL EQUESTRIAN CENTER, LEESBURG, VA
AUGUST 6-9, 2009

The Mid-Atlantic Regional Pleasure Driving Weekend committee invites you to the 2009 Regional Meeting and the National Membership Meeting of the American Driving Society, to be held at the Morven Park International Equestrian Center, Leesburg, Virginia. Morven Park is a historic estate that has been home to two past governors of Virginia, was the home of the Morven Park International Equestrian Institute, and also houses the Museum of Foxhounds and Hunting.

The weekend's goals have always been: good driving, good friends, and good food, with a little education and entertainment thrown in for good measure! You will also have the chance to meet ADS Board and Committee members, and participate in the Annual Meeting of the Membership.

The stables will open at 11 AM on Thurs, August 6 and close at 3 PM on Sunday, August 9. Driving activities will be planned throughout the weekend as well as fun things for people without horses, see the schedule. Drives will be marked and posted on the main notice board.

Our gathering place for this year will be a 40x60 foot tent that will be set up near the stables and will be "Command Central" with a notice board posted with up-to-date information for each day. It will also be our dining hall and meeting place for informal discussions.

Dinner on both Friday and Saturday will be in the tent (country casual attire). Friday night will be Italian Night and Saturday dinner will feature a real open air barbeque. The Mid-Atlantic Regional Meeting will be held prior to Friday night's dinner. During and after Saturday's dinner, we will have a silent auction of driving related and other items donated by driving enthusiasts, equestrian supply companies, and other vendors, proceeds to go to the ADS Fund which supports all activities in our sport of carriage driving.

Mid-Atlantic Regional Pleasure Driving Weekend Committee 2009

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Cell phone **EMERGENCY CONTACT** with the ORGANIZING COMMITTEE
between Thursday morning, August 6, 2007 and Sunday morning, August 9, 2007.

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PLEASE DO NOT USE THESE NUMBERS EXCEPT FOR TRUE EMERGENCIES DURING THE WEEKEND

ACCOMMODATIONS

HOST HOTEL: Lodging Information: [Holiday Inn, At Historic Carradoc Hall](#), 1500 East Market Street, Leesburg, VA 20176, 703-771-9200, Fax 703-771-1575, \$115 per night, Reserve before July 7, mention the American Driving Society.

Lansdowne Resort : 44050 Woodridge Parkway, Lansdowne, Virginia 20176, Reservations: 877-509-8400

aloft Dulles North: 22390 Flagstaff Plaza Ashburn VA 20148, Phone: (703) 723-6969

Hampton Inn & Suites Leesburg: 117 Fort Evans Road NE, Leesburg, VA 20176 P: 703-669-8640 Fax: 703-669-8641

Best Western Leesburg Hotel: 726 E Market Street, Leesburg, VA, 20176, P: 703/777-9400

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. All drivers must be a current member of ADS and/or one of the regional ADS Driving Clubs.
2. Anyone attending the Driving Weekend eighteen years and younger requires the signature of a parent or guardian.
3. Grooms /assistants must turn 14 years of age by December 31, 2008 and be skilled enough in horsemanship and driving to render assistance.
4. Full refund of all fees if entry is canceled prior to the registration deadline. Refund of registration and stabling cancellation **received IN HAND** by Tuesday, August 4, 2009 upon presentation of veterinary note. Food fees refunded for late cancellation only if we can sell your food tickets.
5. **The organizers place a premium on safety.** Your vehicle and harness must be in safe condition. ~~We DO NOT allow pneumatic or wire-spoke wheel vehicles.~~ All turnouts **MUST** fill out the safety questionnaire and go through our **SAFETY CHECK** prior to their first drive – **NO EXCEPTIONS!** You will be given a visible tag when you successfully pass the safety check. This tag is to be clearly displayed on your turnout throughout the weekend. Horses should be fit and well schooled for driving in open fields and along dirt roads, where you might encounter deer, riders, hikers, bikers, and possibly some automobiles and other carriages. (You do not need to go on public roads with automobile traffic in order to enjoy the grounds.) All carriages must carry a **spares kit**, which will be checked during the Safety Check. Bicycle flags and slow vehicle signs should be on all carriages. We also strongly recommend each person on your carriage wear an **ADS medical armband** that provides specifics on an individual's medical situation in case of an emergency. ADS armbands can be ordered on the Registration Form or purchased at the Registration Desk throughout the weekend. Line drives will be in contact with the stables via cell phones. If you prefer to drive with a small group or alone, we strongly suggest you carry some means of communication (**cell phone or CB**).
6. **Leaving horses unattended while put to a vehicle or removing the bridle or detaching the reins from the bridle BEFORE UNHITCHING ANYWHERE on Morven Park grounds is prohibited. Failure to comply will result in revocation of driving privileges for the remainder of the weekend with no reimbursement of fees.**
7. Novices are welcome and encouraged to attend this event but you and your horse(s) should be sufficiently schooled to handle open spaces and you and your horse(s) should be traffic-safe. There will be at least one line drive each day; some will be specifically geared to the newcomer while others will be planned for more experienced drivers and horses. When you are not driving, there will be ample opportunity for you to learn more about your horse, your harness, your carriage, etc.
8. Children, if accompanied by their parent(s) or guardian(s), are welcome at this event. Qualified children between the ages of 14-18 are allowed to drive if accompanied by a knowledgeable driver who is their parent, guardian, or instructor. However, all junior whips **MUST WEAR PROTECTIVE HEAD GEAR.** Failure to do so will result in loss of driving privilege for the turnout by ANY driver (junior or adult) for the remainder of the weekend with no reimbursement of fees.
9. Morven Park has 120 permanent stalls for our use.). Doors are sturdy. **THE ONLY BEDDING PERMITTED IS SHAVINGS.** You may bring your own bedding or request it on the registration form, but other types of bedding are not allowed. If this presents a veterinary problem for your animal(s), contact Samea Baker. You may request a stall for use as a tack room (same fee as other stalls). If there is room we will try to accommodate. Stalls will be assigned to registered drivers with animals first. We ask that you try to share tack stalls in order to maximize use. If you don't know anyone to share with, request a tack stall, enclose full payment, and indicate "will share". We will refund half the cost if we can arrange a "tack-roommate" for you. If you live close to Morven Park, you are welcome to trailer in each day. There is a \$10 day fee. However, all horses staying on the grounds overnight must be in a stall.
10. Unfortunately there is no covered storage for carriages. It is definitely best to bring a tarp to cover your vehicle overnight or store in your trailer to protect it from dew or, dare we mention it, rain.

11. August weather in Virginia is characterized by the three H's, hot, humid, and sometimes hazy. Appropriate dress for the weekend is cool, comfortable, and casual. There is no need to plan anything fancy for dinner, but you are welcome to do so if you wish. Nights can be cool, so come prepared if you will be camping.
 12. **ATTENTION COACH DOGS:** Dogs must be leashed at all times on the grounds unless they are in/on a vehicle. **THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS EVEN FOR THE BEST BEHAVED DOG IN THE WORLD.**
 13. The organizing committee has secured permits for the tent on Friday and Saturday night for those participants who would like to BYOB beer or wine. Please do not consume or possess alcoholic beverages at any other times or places.
- **IF YOU CAN'T FIND THE ANSWER TO YOUR QUESTIONS IN THE ABOVE INFORMATION CONTACT ONE OF THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE LISTED ON COVER PAGE.**

See you in August!

ADS ANNUAL MEMBERS MEETING

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

August 6-9, 2009

Thursday August 6

Time	Activity	Location
9-12pm	Multiples for Judges	B Barn/Bedford Arena
1-5pm	LO Clinic, classroom discussion	Hoffman Lounge
1-3pm	Line Drive Around Park	designated route
4-6pm	Executive Committee	Hotel
6:30-9pm	Licensed Officials Meeting (closed)	Hotel: Dana's Room

Friday August 7

Time	Activity	Location
8:30am	Driver's Meeting	Barns
9-11am	LO Clinic: Mock Pleasure Show	Bedford Arena
9am-1pm	LO Clinic: Live Judging Practice, TD Issues	Bedford Arena
9-11am	Drive On Your Own	Trail, designated route
11am-12:45pm	ADS Marketing Committee	Hoffman Lounge
11am-4pm	Tours of the Mansion, Carriage Collection Tours on the hour, \$5 for one or both tours.	Mansion, <i>mention ADS at Coach House visitor center, bring participant badge.</i>
1-4pm	Continuous Day of Driving	Bedford Arena, Trail
1-3pm	Regional Directors Meeting	Tent
1-2pm	LO Clinic Lunch Break	Hoffman Lounge
2-4pm	LO Clinic Wrap Up, evaluations of morning practice	Hoffman Lounge
3-5pm	Governance Committee	Hotel
4-5pm	CAA Proficiency Prep Course \$10	Hoffman Lounge
5:15-6pm	Mid-Atlantic Regional Meeting	Tent
6pm	Friday Night Italian Dinner	Tent

Saturday August 8

Time	Activity	Location
8:30am	Driver's Meeting	Barns
9am-12noon	Multiples: Learn What It Takes	Bedford Arena
11am-4pm	Tours of the Mansion, Carriage Collection Tours on the hour, \$5 for one or both tours.	Mansion, <i>mention ADS at Coach House visitor center, bring participant badge.</i>
12-5pm	CAA Evaluations	Bedford Arena
12-1:30pm	CDE Committee Meeting, open forum	Tent
1-4pm	Poker Drive	Trail
1:30-2:30	Conditioning Your Horse for CDE	Hoffman Lounge
2-4pm	Pleasure Driving Committee	Hoffman Lounge
3-4pm	Event Standards Committee	Tent
4-6pm	ADS Annual Members Meeting	Tent
6pm	ADS Silent Auction	Tent
6pm	Steak and Ribs BBQ Dinner	Tent

Sunday August 9

Time	Activity	Location
8:30am	Driver's Meeting	Barns
9am-1pm	ADS Board of Directors Meeting	Hoffman Classroom
9am-1pm	Additional CAA Evaluations if Needed	
9am-1pm	Drive On Your Own	Trail, designated route
1-4pm	Tours of the Mansion, Carriage Collection Tours on the hour, \$5 for one or both tours.	Mansion, <i>mention ADS at Coach House visitor center, bring participant badge.</i>
3pm	Event ends	

Mid-Atlantic Weekend of Driving and ADS Annual Meeting

August 6-9, 2009
Morven Park Leesburg, VA

Registrations must be received postmarked by July 24, 2009

RETURN TO :Gayle Stinson, 368 Jonestown Rd,Oxford, NJ 07863

Phone: (908) 470-0500, Fax: (352) 465-2947,E-mail: welshponypower@yahoo.com

NAME: _____ ADS #: _____
ADDRESS: _____
CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: (home) _____ Email: _____
(cell) _____

Regional Club Affiliation : _____ Brandywine _____ DelMarVa _____ Garden State _____ GEA
 _____ Hunterdon _____ James River _____ My Lady's Manor _____ Piedmont
 _____ Plantation _____ Potomac _____ Susquehanna W & W
 _____ Shenandoah _____ Other _____

WHIP I will be coming for : _____ Weekend \$80.00 _____
 One day (circle day) TH FRI SAT SUN Per /day \$30.00 _____
 I will bring # _____ Grooms or guests Weekend \$30.00 _____
 TH FRI SAT SUN Per /day \$15.00 _____

One groom/assistant suggested for singles. One groom/assistant REQUIRED for Pairs/Tandems. Two grooms/assistants required for unicorns/four in hands. All other passengers will be considered GUESTS and will require a registration fee.

HORSE'S NAME	BREED	HEIGHT	SEX	COLOR	SPECIAL NEEDS
1					
2					
3					
4					

STABLING Per horse, entire weekend \$80.00 _____
 Per horse, per night \$30.00 _____
 Day fee per trailer \$10.00 _____
 I would like a tack stall (will share yes no) Same fee as horse stall _____

STALL DEPOSIT Separate check please, will be returned on check out when stall is stripped.\$50/stall _____

BEDDING SHAVINGS AVAILABLE AT \$8.00/bag _____ #bags _____

CAMPING FEES Four spaces available with electric, no water \$30.00/night _____
 Rough Camping available, no fee, BUT NO SHOWER FACILITIES ON GROUNDS

DINNERS FRIDAY NIGHT # attending @ \$25.00 _____
 SATURDAY NIGHT # attending @ \$25.00 _____

MULTIPLES CLINIC short lessons with Mickie Bowen driving multiples \$25.00 _____

MEDICAL ARMBANDS \$10.00 _____

CAA PROFICIENCY TESTS

Facility fee covers all levels	\$20.00	_____
Level 1	\$60.00	_____
Road Test	\$15.00	_____
Road Test book	\$10.00	_____
Level 1 book	\$15.00	_____
Level 2	\$45.00 per unit	_____
Level 2 book	\$15.00	_____
Level 3	\$55 per unit	_____
Level 3 book	\$15.00	_____
Total for CAA Proficiency Test		_____
(include in total registration to Mid Atlantic Regional Pleasure Driving Weekend)		

TOTAL Registration fee,Stabling,Bedding,Dinners,Camping,Armbands	TOTAL	_____
	Check #	_____
	Stall deposit check #	_____

ALL PARTICIPANTS, INCLUDING WHIPS, GROOMS, PASSENGERS, AND GUESTS MUST PRINT THEIR NAME AND SIGN AND DATE THE FOLLOWING RELEASE

I understand that neither the American Driving Society ("ADS"), its officers, The ADS Mid-Atlantic Regional Pleasure Driving Weekend Committee (the "Committee"), its officers and members, and/or any officials of the ADS Mid-Atlantic Regional Meeting and Pleasure Driving Weekend, August 6-9, 2009 (the "Event"), nor the property owners accept any responsibility for accidents, damage, injury or illness to the horse, owners, riders, drivers, grooms, passengers, attendants, spectators or any other person or property in connection with this Event. I hereby expressly agree for myself and my principals, representatives, employees and agents: (1) to be bound by the rules and the by-laws of the ADS and any local rules of this Event, (2) that every horse, driver, attendant, groom and/or passenger is eligible as entered; and (3) to accept as final any decision of the Event officials on any question arising under the ADS rules and by-laws or any local rules of the Event, and agree to hold the ADS, its officers, directors, employees and agents, and Event officials and organizing committee harmless for any action taken. I am fully aware that horse sports, including driving, and this Event involve inherent dangerous risk of serious injury or death and by participating I do so voluntarily and expressly assume any and all risks of injury or loss, and I agree to indemnify and hold ADS, its officers, directors, employees and agents, and the Event officials and organizing committee, harmless from and against all claims including any injury or loss suffered during or in conjunction with the Event, whether or not such claim, injury or loss resulted, either directly or indirectly, from negligent acts or omissions of the ADS, its officers, directors, employees and agents, and the Event officials and organizing committee.

SIGNATURE OF WHIP _____ DATE _____

SIGNATURE OF GROOM _____ DATE _____

SIGNATURE OF GROOM _____ DATE _____

SIGNATURE OF CHILDS PARENT/GUARDIAN _____ DATE _____
 (Participants 18 years and under require the signature of a parent/guardian)

SIGNATURE OF GUEST _____ DATE _____

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MAIL TO: Mid-Atlantic Driving , c/o Gayle Stinson, Treasurer, 368 Jonestown Road, Oxford, NJ 07863-3137
 Make checks payable to: Mid-Atlantic Regional Pleasure Driving Weekend or M.A.R.P.D.W.

Please check that you have enclosed all of the following:

- ____ Completed registration form (one per whip) including signed release
- ____ Copy of negative Coggins test for each horse/pony (Dated since 08/09/08)
- ____ CHECK FOR TOTAL OF REGISTRATION FEE
- ____ SEPARATE CHECK FOR REFUNDABLE STALL CLEANING DEPOSIT