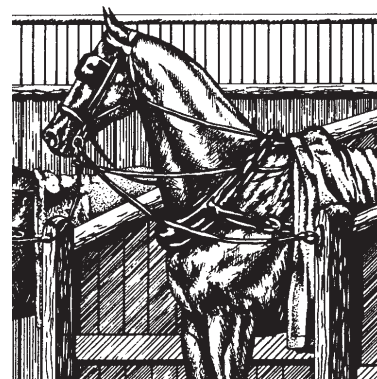


# The Wheelhorse



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## ADS Office Update

by Ann L. Pringle

Susan (Susie) Koos Acker and I are well into our transition planning. We expect that on March 1, the Cross Plains office will be up and running. During the time until March 1, we are committed to making sure that there is minimal to no interruption of service to our members, competition organizers and licensed officials.

Permanent phone and fax numbers will not be issued until later in February, however you can reach Susan on her cell phone at 608-235-1755. And of course the Metamora, Michigan office will be staffed until March 1. After March 1, a recording on the Michigan number will refer callers to the new number. All mail sent to Michigan will be forwarded.

### New Address:

**American Driving Society**

**P O Box 278**

**Cross Plains, WI 53528**

The physical move will take place between February 20 and March 1 which will most likely mean that we may not be able to fill merchandise orders, process memberships, provide materials to competitions and officials during that time. Please try to anticipate any needs you may have and contact us prior to February 20 to avoid any interruption of service.

And don't hesitate to contact either of us if you have ANY questions. The ADS website will be updated with information as soon as it is available. Visit us at [www.americandrivingsociety.org](http://www.americandrivingsociety.org).

## Important Dates and Reminders

While for many drivers, winter is not a busy time, but for those of use in the ADS office, Michigan or Wisconsin, it is the busiest time of all. In addition to physically moving, we are rushing to process membership renewals and send out cards, process competition fees, publish Organizers' Kits, process licensed officials renewals and send out their cards and much, much more.

Here are some important dates and reminders:

- If you have not renewed your membership, this is the last publication you will receive. **Renew now** so you won't miss the March issue of *The Whip*.
- March 20 is the deadline for listings to be submitted for the July-December issue of *The Omnibus*.
- Clinics for Licensed Officials are scheduled for:

- **Combined Driving Judges, Technical Delegates and Dressage Judges** at Iron Horse CDE, Caledonia, IL, August 4-6. Complete information will be mailed to all officials in June.
- **Pleasure Driving Judges and Technical Delegates** at My Lady's Manor, Winterstown, PA, May 21. Complete information will be mailed to all officials in June.

- Rule change proposals published in the January issue of *The Wheelhorse* were approved by the Board of Directors and took effect immediately (January 15, 2006). A supplement to the 2005 handbook with all changes made since the publication of the handbook can be obtained on the ADS website's homepage: [www.americandrivingsociety.org](http://www.americandrivingsociety.org)

## Proposed Rule Changes

The following rule changes have been proposed. They will be considered by the Board of Directors in March and if passed will become effective April 1. Written comments should be sent to the ADS office no later than February 28. Written comments will be distributed to the submitting committee and to the Board.

### ARTICLE 947.2.3

Change to read:

All persons on the vehicle in Competition B, Marathon, Section E, ~~Obstacles~~ must wear properly fastened protective headgear which meets or exceeds ASTM (American Society for Testing and Materials)/SEI (Safety

Equipment Institute) standards for equestrian use and carry the SEI tag. It must be properly fitted with harness secured. The responsibility for compliance rests with all the persons in the vehicle. Failure to comply results in elimination, and the competitor will not be allowed to continue in the Marathon.

Reason for change: Clarification that protective headgear must be worn on the entire Section E, not just in the obstacles.

### APPENDIX B - Arena Driving Trials 1.10

Change to read:

Drivers and Grooms: May participate with more than one entry. Grooms may

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# Treasurer's Update

*Bill Lawson*

I would like to introduce myself. Shortly before the Board of Directors meeting, held recently in Cincinnati, I was elected to fill the unexpired term of Treasurer of the ADS. My time in Cincinnati proved to be fast paced. The immediate goal was to review to financial health of the organization and make a presentation to the Board. This was done with the help of Richard Pringle, keeper of the books, and members of the Finance Committee. Since the ADS operates on a calendar year basis ending 12/31/2005, the report was a draft copy that included 2005 results and a proposed budget for 2006. More on these in a moment.

Each year the financial records are reviewed by a Certified Public Accountant with the results published in the June issue of the Whip. I expect that to happen this year as well, but in addition two others things are planned. By the time you read this, the final detailed but unaudited reports will be in the hands of Board members and available for review by the membership. Secondly when the accountant's review is complete, I plan to publish a more detailed version than has been customary in the past. All of this is intended to make better information available to the membership.

The health of ADS finances is a mixed picture. Due primarily to the success of the Lifetime Membership Program and a positive cash balance from the activities of the ADS Fund since its inception, we have good cash reserves to carry on the

conduct of the organization. What is not good are operational losses for 2004 (\$16447) and 2005 (a little over \$21000). The 2004 results were primarily the result of unusual one time legal expenses associated with the reorganization of the ADS to a 501c(3) organization. This allows donations made directly to the ADS to be tax deductible. The 2005 results came mostly from a combination of three factors. Part is a drop in net revenue from meetings and clinics. A second part is inflationary pressures on the net cost of our various publications together with the production of the an extra edition of the Wheelhorse in 2005. The third and most significant part resulted from the consolidation of most fund raising activities into the ADS Fund. For some time a portion of ADS operations has been supported by the generosity of our members through Leadership and Annual Appeal donations. ADS donations (except for Hoopes-Addis) are now shown going forward as part of the operation of the ADS Fund and not as ordinary revenue for ADS operations. Even though there are reasons for our financial results this is a trend not being taken lightly by your Board. The budget for 2006 as prepared projects a loss and is intended to be a working tool to help bring focus on issues we face for the coming year.

The one thing that is certain is that changes are needed and that the more input we get the better the decision making process will be.

*- Proposed Rule Changes continued*

ride in/on the vehicle in all phases. During dressage or Cones competitions grooms giving verbal or physical directions; sliding, lifting or moving the vehicle in any way will incur immediate elimination for the entry."

Reason for change: to allow drivers to compete with more than one entry and to redefine when/how a groom will be penalized for giving assistance.

## 3.2

Add new D and E

d) At the discretion of the Organizer, Cone pairs may be numbered with red and white markers placed on the cones themselves in lieu of Markers as required under Articles 962.5.1 and 5.6. One of the numbers should be rotated so the Competitors can see it from the previous obstacle whenever possible.

e) When individual cone pairs are numbered as in (d) above, Article 962.5.2 will not apply. The Competitor is considered to have passed through the obstacle when any part of the carriage passes between the cones.

Reason for change: to allow an alternate method of marking cones when space requirements can't support the standard method of marking.

## Omnibus Changes and Corrections

**Live Oak CAI:** March 16-19. Henk van Amerongen from The Netherlands will replace Tjeerd Velstra on the ground jury.

**Sunrise Ridge Driving Trial:** March 25. Competitors and grooms may go on course more than once if schedule allows.

## ADS Welcomes Life Members

The American Driving Society is pleased to add the following to the growing roster of Life Members. Life Members help to ensure a strong financial future for the ADS. Consider becoming a Life Member - you don't have to wait until the end of the year.

Ida Darleene Ellison, Manor, TX  
Shirley Hoffman, Longmont, CO  
Sandra Singleton, Puget Sound, WA

## Michael Freund Sponsors Driving Clinic for Junior Drivers at the 2006 Live Oak International Driving Event

Due to its huge success in 2005, World Four In Hand Champion, Michael Freund, an avid supporter of junior drivers, has again volunteered to conduct a driving clinic for junior drivers at Live Oak. The clinics will focus on reinsmanship and cones driving and will be held the morning of March 19, at the competition site.

The juniors will be able to demonstrate what they have learned in an exhibition competition during the Live Oak International in the main arena Sunday, March 19.

For additional information contact:  
Susan Gilliland (813) 677-3040  
Evenings, (813) 220-8226 Mobile  
s\_gilliland@msn.com.

## In Memoriam

### *Steve MacFarlane*

Stephen B. Macfarlane, 59, died following surgery in Louisville, Kentucky on January 11. Steve suffered a head injury resulting in edema complicated by blood thinning medication. Steve spent his lifetime as a multi-faceted horseman, winning championship titles in American Saddlebred, Roadster, Pony, and Coaching competitions. In addition to the Saddlebred show ring, Steve won regularly at North America's best Coaching competitions including Devon, the Royal Winter Fair, the Florida State Fair and Walnut Hill.

Steve is survived by his wife Marilyn, his son Stephen, Jr., two grandchildren and a sister. Services were held January 13 at Centenary United Methodist Church in Shelbyville, Kentucky with a reception following at Walnut Way Farm. Contributions may be made to the American Heart Association or the Hazelden Foundation.

### *Virginia (Ginny) Moss*

Ginny Moss of Southern Pines, North Carolina, passed away January 13. She was 97. Ginny Moss was the cornerstone of the equestrian community in Southern Pines. Foxhunting well into her 80s, she loved and supported all disciplines of equine sport. A service was held on January 19 at the Mile Away Cemetery in the Walthour Moss Foundation, attended by 400-500 with over 100 attending on horseback or in carriages. Memorials may be made to the Walthour-Moss Foundation, P. O. Box 978, Southern Pines, NC 28388 or to First Health Hospice, 150 Applecross Rd., Pinehurst, NC 28374.

## The President's Message

*Jody Cutler*

Another winter meeting of the ADS has come and gone. As we have done several times before, we met in conjunction with the USEF at their Annual Convention. Originally this meeting was supposed to be in New Orleans, however Cincinnati was a good alternative and the hotel we used was a wonderful place for a meeting. While we don't have the camaraderie we have with just the ADS at a meeting, we make up for it with the exposure of our members to the USEF at large and the exposure of non-ADS members to us. There is also the issue of cost - both to the Board members who otherwise have to attend two winter meetings and to the ADS which has minimal costs because meeting rooms, most meals and breaks are paid for by USEF sponsors.

The Executive Committee, the full Board of Directors and several committees met during the weekend. Some of the committee meetings were a bit informal - some taking place in the bar - but a lot was accomplished. United States Driving for the Disabled held their Board meeting during the weekend and that organization really seems to be moving forward.

We approved some rule changes. Our most pressing concern has been our financial situation. With the office relocation this year and the resignation of our Treasurer last October we really needed information and a new budget. Bill Lawson, our new Treasurer, Lyle Petersen, Richard Pringle (he keeps the

books) and Susie Koos Acker, our new Executive Director, spent many hours figuring out where we are and where we are going.

While the Fund is raising more money for the ADS than we ever have been able to raise in the past, it does impact the donations, such as the annual appeal and the Leadership fund, that helped with operating expenses. The Board felt they didn't want to give up the wonderful new programs established through the Fund, however we need to carefully look at our fundraising and budgets in order to have a balanced budget going into 2007. We have been eating into our reserves partially due to some extraordinary expenses the last few years, such as legal expenses associated with updating our bylaws.

Holly Pulsifer gave a preliminary report on future planning. She surveyed a group of members and reported on what that group perceives our strengths and weaknesses to be, what is important and what is not to the membership. She proposed some restructuring for the organization to further strengthen our education and membership programs.

One of the highlights of the Board Meeting was a surprise brunch for Ann Pringle. This was Ann's last meeting as Executive Director and it was a fitting occasion for a wonderful party. Ann will be stepping into her new shoes as Editor of the Whip starting March 1.

A report on the USEF meeting will follow in the March issue of the Whip.

## Budweiser Named Title Sponsor for Live Oak

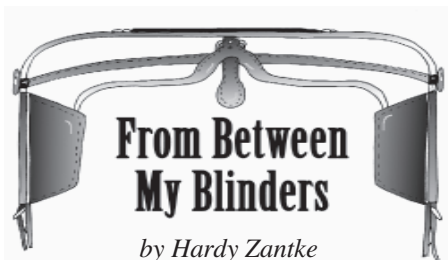
The Live Oak International Combined Driving Event welcomes Budweiser Select as its Title Sponsor for 2006.

March 16 - 19, 2006, Live Oak will host its 14th annual Event at Charlotte Weber's beautiful 4,500 Live Oak Plantation in Ocala, Florida. The 2006 Event has been selected by the United States Equestrian Federation as the 2006 National Four In Hand Championships and will be a Selection Trial for the World Singles Championships in Rome, Italy and the World Four In Hand Championships in Aachen, Germany this summer.

This spectacular Event, solely supported through the generosity of its sponsors and the efforts of its volunteers, serves the dual purposes of giving the public a chance to enjoy world class combined driving competition while also supporting many non-profit and charity goals, both locally and nationally.

In addition to the Trade Fair, open throughout the Competition, the new Horse Fever Horses will be on display during the Event, and the Classic Car Show and Coaching Exhibition will return Sunday. Admission is \$5.

For additional information about the Live Oak International, go to [www.cailiveoak.com](http://www.cailiveoak.com).



## From Between My Blinders

by Hardy Zantke

I am just back home from the USEF Annual meeting in Cincinnati where we also held the annual ADS Mid Winter Meeting. Hopefully there will be other reports on the meetings, so I would like to just share a few personal thoughts as perhaps fitting under the heading of this column.

In the last Wheelhorse I mentioned Holly Pulsifer's informal survey on how ADS members perceive the ADS. Holly shared the outcome of her survey at the meeting as a learning tool for the Board: how the members see us, where our areas of strength and weaknesses are in order to develop plans to become better.

I was happy to hear that it seems almost all of the survey answers saw the ADS purpose likewise. So it seems many of us agree on who we are and what our purpose is. Most also agreed on what we do well and where we could do better. Naturally the next question then is how can we improve in the areas where we don't do so well yet. While Holly shared some ideas in that respect with the Board, in my mind it all comes down to two basic points: Manpower and Money!

We are a National organization with a very small full time paid office staff, which is undergoing some changes right now with the transition from Ann Pringle as our retiring Executive Director after 20 years of faithful

service to Susan Koos-Acker in the same position. Over the years Ann has had some assistance in the office, but it was always a very small staff and to many of us has been close to a miracle what they accomplished. My heartfelt thanks go to Ann and likewise my very best wishes to Susie in her new job with us. Fortunately Ann will stay on in charge of our publications, *The Whip* and *Wheelhorse*, which hopefully will make the start a bit easier for Susie. Please let's all help her along where we can.

But this brings me to the next point: Besides that very small office, we are a VOLUNTEER organization. The office can just do a bare minimum of all the work that is needed and that is being done for and in our organization. I was happy to hear that we had a record number of directors attend this meeting as well as some committee members and general members. All of them pay for the trip out of their own pocket. All of them do their work for the ADS as volunteers, including all of our committee members, and many others, organizers, helpers, volunteers. What drives our sport and our organization is volunteers like you and me. Our country is good at that. I know none other where so much is done by volunteers donating countless hours of dedicated work as well as so much badly needed hard cash. That is the American spirit, that is what America is all about, and to very many of us that is very rewarding to see and do! And that is what YOU must do also where ever you see weaknesses in the ADS, where ever you think, we should be doing a better job! Don't just criticize, but put YOUR shoulder to the wheel and help push. Only that way can we help the cart move. When we are looking for a helping hand, let's first look at

the end of our own arm and use what's dangling down there.

Then with our own example of our own shoulder firmly against the wheel, we can start looking for others to join and help as well. So look around among your friends. See who has expertise that he could lend and think about how you can help motivate him to join and help.

Perhaps you are getting sick of these constant calls for help, money and action. And if so, yes, I understand, and was reluctant to even harp on this again in this issue, after looking through the last *Wheelhorse* and finding it dominated by similar cries for your help, your time, your energy and your money: Help on a committee, get a new member, send in a donation! But then a friend reminded me that scientists say it takes 17 times to repeat a message before it gets firmly implanted into our brains. So brace yourself, 15 more to come :-).

But as many things in life, this also goes both ways. If perhaps you tried to help before and felt that you were not heard, hey, please do try again. Maybe the committee where you tried to get something changed for the better would also need to hear it 17 times before it sinks in. So don't get discouraged. If it was a good idea and a good cause, keep pushing; get others ( 16 ? ) to join in with you, bring ideas forward not only from one, but from many, and then hopefully in one voice from many the cart will move. It will make it a better organization and it will make you proud to have helped with it.

Let's move it forward together and in the meantime, a very heartfelt THANK YOU to all those of you who are pushing, pulling and funding.

## The Carriage Pleasure Driving Committee of the USEF

I thought all you competitors might be interested in knowing a little something about what goes on on the "other side" of our sport. Hardy Zantke has written a fairly detailed account of the inter-relationship between the ADS, USEF and FEI in the last issue of the *Wheelhorse*. All these relationships are almost exclusively concerned with Combined Driving. Now, a third driving committee has been added to the USEF driving committee roster. It has the slightly awkward name as shown above. The reason is to avoid the confusion with "pleasure driving" in the breed shows, which is definitely not what we, at the ADS, consider pleasurable! Pleasure driving has been a stepchild of the Driving Technical Committee, since combined driving is an international discipline, and the committee has largely been dealing with international

CD rules, National Driving Championships, etc. Pleasure driving is not an international discipline, hosting world pleasure driving championships - too bad! We are rather like the hunter/jumpers. The jumpers are an international discipline, but hunters are not. So, although they are a united affiliate, like ADS, there are two committees - also a new thing for them - the Jumper Technical Committee and a Hunter Committee. One of the reasons for the Carriage Pleasure Driving Committee is to try to get the breeds that do driving, and almost all of them do, to follow our rules, which are the rules of pleasure driving in the USEF rulebook as well. And to grow the sport. There are many wonderful Saddlebreds, Morgans, Arabians, and other types of horses that are not cut out for the "show ring", but are

lovely horses and excellent athletes that do very well in the "alternate" disciplines of dressage, jumping and driving as we know it. The ADS has an excellent representation on the committee, with people that organize, compete and officiate, and there are representatives from most of the other breed affiliates, like Friesians, Hackneys, Andalusians, and of course the aforementioned Morgans, etc., that are represented on the committee. Joyce Hamblin and Karen Homer Brown, both ADS members, are the USEF advisors to this committee. There will be good information between all three of the driving committees, because we will receive each others minutes and meet when we can. So, that's the latest!

Cheers,  
Natasha Grigg

# The American Driving Society Fund Supports Regional Directors Program

Among the exciting opportunities created over the last year by the ADS Fund is the **Regional Directors Support Program**. It has immediately shown its importance in the creation of activities specifically tailored to the needs of each region. A budget is allocated and made available through your Regional Director. The purpose is to encourage driving activity of all types in your area. Results have included clinics and meetings such as the Pacific Region's Meeting of the Minds, the Southeast Region's Florida Whips Learning Weekend and the Mid-Atlantic Regional Meeting and Young Drivers Camp. Each received support through The Fund and all helped to advance our sport by providing a convivial gatherings place offering education and participation so that current and future ADS members could learn more about and enjoy driving. One of our 2006 goals is the further expansion of this program bringing greater driving activity into closer proximity of each member in every region.

To achieve this goal we need to be able to increase the resources available to our Regional Directors so that they can aid the development of initiatives specifically suited to each area. Would it not be wonderful if a regional meeting could take place in every region, if regional scholarships could be offered to more young drivers to gain competitive experience, if there could be additional camps to encourage their initial involvement and more grants to provide talented drivers with the chance to develop their abilities? That and more can happen through your support individually and through your clubs and competitions.

Recently a request was sent to each ADS affiliated club and competition asking for their support of the ADS Fund. We are asking each club and competition to make a donation of \$150-\$500 - an investment in the future of our sport. The ADS provides tremendous value to the competitions we recognize and the clubs that sponsor them. Value through our manuals and materials for organizers developed through many years of experience, value through the training of officials who aid the smooth running of shows and events. The fee charged by the ADS for these resources is nominal in comparison to the benefit. As organizers and club founders, we know

the tight budgets with which many work. But if you can contribute, The Fund could do more both regionally and nationally. If your funds are tight, consider soliciting donations from your club members or organizing committees or activities to meet this request. The benefits of The American Driving Society's programs will flow to everyone associated with our clubs and competitions. The participation of each associated club and competition will significantly increase our ability to aid initiatives important to fostering the driving sport in your area.

Each contribution receives our deepest gratitude and will be recognized in a special listing of Club and Competition donors in each issue of *The Whip* throughout 2006. Help us to enhance and increase driving in your area, please encourage your club and local competitions to join these generous friends of the ADS who contributed prior

to January 20, 2006. Thank you!

- ◆ *The Austin Horse Park Pleasure Driving Competition*
- ◆ *The Bucks County Horse Park's Pleasure Driving in the Park*
- ◆ *The Carolina Carriage Club*
- ◆ *The El Paso Riding and Driving Club*
- ◆ *Enchantment Driving Society*
- ◆ *The Farms Driving Trials*
- ◆ *The Garden State Horse & Carriage Society*
- ◆ *The Laurels at Landhope International*
- ◆ *The Massachusetts Carriage & Driving Society*
- ◆ *The My Lady's Manor Driving Club*
- ◆ *The Myopia Driving Club*
- ◆ *The National Drive*
- ◆ *The New England Morgan Horse Show*
- ◆ *The Oklahoma Harness Horse Assoc.*
- ◆ *The Weston Carriage Society*

For more information about the ADS Fund, please visit [americandrivingsociety.org](http://americandrivingsociety.org). or contact Jamie O'Rourke 484-832-4365

*Your sport needs your help to further the important goals of the Fund!*

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Your donation may be designated for the benefit of all of the important programs of the American Driving Society, a much appreciated option.

Or for the support of a particular initiative:

**Clubs and Competitions**

The Young Drivers Program

The International Opportunity Initiative

The Regional Development Program

# 2006 Calendar of Events

## \*Indicates an ADS Approved Competition

All driving activities may be listed in the Calendar, but as space is limited, please submit only date of activities that are open to all ADS members. Space does not allow us to list all local club activities.

### FEBRUARY 2006

**11-12** \***FLORIDASTATE FAIR**, Tampa, FL. Pleasure, Obstacles, Concours d'Elegance. Preliminary ADT. Contact: Amy Uniss; H: 813-477-3136; W: 813-740-3500; Fax: 813-740-3502.

**17-19** \***BLACK PRONG CDE**, Black Prong Equestrian Center, Bronson, FL. Training, Preliminary, Intermediate. Contact: Louise Stokes, H: 352-463-6850; Fax: 352-493-0355; email: lstokes@bellsouth.net

**18** Saratoga Driving Association - Get Ready for Spring, A Midwinter Driving Conference. Verdoy Fire Dept., Latham, NY. Contact: Gina Handy, gina.handy@saratogadriving.com/518-583-4316 or www.saratogadriving.com

**24-26** Linda Fairbanks Clinics. Las Cruces, NM (24-25), Roswell, NM (26). Contact: Cynthia Madden, 505-532-9595; email: cynthia@carriagehorse.com

**25-26** \***AUSTIN HORSE PARK PLEASURE DRIVING COMPETITION**, Austin Horse Park, Weirsdale, FL. Pleasure, Obstacles, Concours d'Elegance. Contact: Melissa Warner; W: 352-750-5500, x 229; Fax: 352-753-3105; email: melissa@continentalacres.com

### MARCH 2006

**10-12** \***ARIZONA COMBINED DRIVING EVENT**, Coolidge, AZ Training, Preliminary, Intermediate. Contact: Peter Atonna, H: 928-636-4228; email: mjatonna@commspeed.net

**11 - 12** The Driving Forum Conference & Trade Show, New England's Premier Driving Event. The Westford Regency Hotel, Westford, MA. www.driving-forum.com or call 603-673-3956 for information.

**16-19** \***CAILIVE OAK**, Ocala, FL Intermediate, Advanced. Contact: Susan Gilliland; H: 813-677-3040; Fax: 813-677-3112; email: s\_gilliland@msn.com; Cell: 813-220-8226

**25** \***SUNRISE RIDGE HORSE DRIVING TRIAL**, Sunrise Ridge Ranch, Paradise, TX. Training, Preliminary, Intermediate. Contact: Kate Morgan. H: 817-523-4616; W: 817-245-8042; Fax: 817-245-6622; email: kmorgan1@email.mot.com cell: 817-688-9580.

### APRIL 2006

**1** \***CHAPTER ONE FARM ADT**, Pedricktown, NJ, Training, Preliminary. Contact: Dr. Helene Paxton, H: 856-253-4135; email: tm@chapteronefarms.com Cell: 443-253-4135

**6-9** \***GEORGIA INTERNATIONAL CDE**, Georgia International Horse Park, Conyers, GA. Training, Preliminary, Intermediate. Contact: Mary Deatherage, H: 770-696-8603; W: 770-494-7544; Fax: 770-969-8603; email: marydeatherage@bellsouth.net; Cell: 678-360-1359

**7-9** \***SUNSHINE STATE CAI**, Ocala, FL. Advanced. Contact: Contact: Susan Gilliland; H: 813-677-3040; Fax: 813-677-3112; email: s\_gilliland@msn.com; Cell: 813-220-8226

**21-23** \***RAM TAP COMBINED DRIVING EVENT**, Fresno, CA. Training, Preliminary, Intermediate. Contact: Jackie Mills, H: 559-434-6649; email: rrub@comcast.net Cell: 559-916-2033.

**22-23** \***LORD STIRLING STABLE COMBINED DRIVING EVENT**, Basking Ridge, NJ Training, Preliminary. Contact: Nancy J Williams; W:

908-766-5955; Fax: 908-766-9783; email: nwilliams@scpark.org

**28-30** \***CEDARLANE FARM COMBINED DRIVING EVENT**, Oldwick, NJ. Advanced. Contact: Susan Gilliland; H: 813-677-3040; Fax: 813-677-3112; email: s\_gilliland@msn.com; Cell: 813-220-8226

**29-30** Andy Marcoux clinic in Illinois. Grant Park, Illinois. Contact: Marsha; 815-370-3443 or Judy; 815-465-6072 for reservations.

### MAY 2006

**4-7** \***CAI-B ALLENTOWN/GARDEN STATE CDE**, Horse Park of New Jersey, Allentown, NJ. Training, Preliminary, Advanced. Contact: Heather Walker, H: 908-439-3171; Fax: 908-439-3318; email: walkerswhimsea@aol.com Cell: 908-343-6476

**6-7** \***PLEASURE DAYS**, Templeton, CA. Pleasure, Obstacles. Contact: Ron Fairbanks, H: 805-237-8476; email: lfairbanks@excite.com

**5-7** \***CARRIAGE CLASSIC IN THE PINES**, Pinehurst Harness Track, Pinehurst, NC Pleasure, Obstacles, Marathon, Concours d'Elegance. Contact: Linda Long, H: 910-692-0943; Fax: 910-692-4203; email: llong6@nc.rr.com; Cell: 910-639-2359

**14** \***GMHA TWO PHASE DRIVING COMPETITION**, South Woodstock, VT. Training, Preliminary, Intermediate, Advanced. Contact: Natalie DiBerardinis, W: 802-457-1509; Fax: 802-457-4471; email: natalie@gmhainc.org

**19-21** \***GAYLA BLUEGRASS CDE**, Gayla Driving Center, Georgetown, KY Training, Preliminary. Contact: Debbie Banfield, W: 502-863-5113; Fax: 502-867-0081; email: gayla3329@aol.com Cell: 859-333-7940

**20** \***CONNECTICUT VALLEY DRIVING TRIAL**, Haddam Meadows State Park, Haddam, CT. Training, Preliminary. Contact: Andree Duggan, H: 860-345-4747; email: aduggan@frame-works.com

**20-21** Aiken Driving Club Spring Spectacular Pleasure Driving Show, Highfields, Aiken, SC. Pleasure, Obstacles, Concours d'Elegance. Contact: Joanne Goble, 803-649-0628; email: jmgray@aol.com

**21** \***24TH ANNUAL MY LADY'S MANOR PLEASURE DRIVING SHOW**, Spring Valley Park, Winterstown, PA. Pleasure, Obstacles, Marathon, Concours d'Elegance. Contact: Dana Bright; H: 717-246-2351; email: cdeponyz@suscom.net Cell: 717-471-7524.

**21** Third Annual Sporting Day of Traditional Driving; Erik and Mary Jensen's Thistle Hill, Franktown, Colorado. Contact: Betty Cherry; 303-681-2748; email: jensen2468@aol.com

**26-28** \***BROMONT INTERNATIONAL DRIVING - CAN AM CDE**, Bromont, Quebec, Canada. Training, Preliminary, Advanced. Contact: Michel Lapierre; W: 819-478-1411; email: lapierre@9bit.qc.ca

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**2-4** \***TRINITY CDE**, Hayfork, CA. Training, Preliminary, Intermediate. Contact: Frances Bowersock, H: 503-824-4888; Fax: 503-824-4887; email: beesock@colton.com; Cell: 503-307-0362;

**3-4** \***CAROLINA CARRIAGE CLUB HDT**, Tryon, NC. Training, Preliminary; Contact: Dale Govus; H: 828-286-4877; email: ponybaloney@bellsouth.net; Cell: 828-429-0457

**3-4** \***MHDVA BLUE RIBBON CLINIC AND PLEASURE DRIVING SHOW**, Kalamazoo Fairgrounds, Kalamazoo, MI Contact: Michelle Ridley; H: 517-712-7085;

**3-4** \***NWCDE'S STONEYBROOK DRIVING TRIALS**, Stoneybrook Stables, Eagle Creek, OR. Training, Preliminary, VSE. Contact: Tish Hodges; H: 503-632-4966; email: tishhodges@msn.com; Cell: 503-312-6269.

**3-4** \***NEBRASKA PIONEER CDE**, Lancaster Event Center. Training, Preliminary, Intermediate. Contact: Marjean McIntyre; H: 402-781-2474; email: tenpenny@compuserve.com; Cell: 402-432-9095.

**10-11** \***PACIFIC REGION DRIVEN DRESSAGE FESTIVAL**, Arroyo Grande, CA. Training, Preliminary, Intermediate, Advanced. Musical Kur. Contact: Ann McClure; H: 805-481-0530; email: makomc@msn.com

**11** \***BRANDYWINE CARRIAGE DRIVING SHOW**, Willowdale Grounds, Kennett Square, PA. Pleasure, Obstacles, Dressage, Concours d'Elegance. Contact: Kail Palmer-Miller, H: 610-469-9023; Fax: 610-469-9023; email: Equineconsulting@att.net

**16-18** \***HAPP'S COMBINED DRIVING EVENT**, Ethel, WA. VSE, Training, Preliminary, Intermediate. Contact: Maureen Harkcom, H: 360-978-4562; W: 360-978-5064; Fax: 360-978-6667; email: maureen@happs-inc.com

**17-18** \***COLUMBUS CARRIAGE CLASSIC**, Columbus, WI. Pleasure, Obstacles, Marathon, Draft, Traditional Day of Driving. Contact: Nancy Osterhaus; H: 920-623-4925; W: 920-623-4925; email: nancy@columbuscarriagehouse.com

**17-18** \***ELK CREEK CDE**, Elkton, MD. Training, Preliminary, Intermediate. Contact: Diane Trefry; W: 410-755-6855; Fax: 410-398-5020; email: unicornfarm@earthlink.net

**23-24** \***GRANITE STATE MORGAN HORSE SHOW**, Deerfield Fairground, Deerfield, NH. Pleasure, Obstacles, Dressage. Contact: Victoria Surr; H: 603-624-7577; W: 603-645-1811; Fax: 603-645-1811; email: info@freedomrider.com; Cell: 603-540-0933

**24-25** \***METAMORA COMBINED DRIVING EVENT XXII**, Windrush Farm, Metamora, MI Training, Preliminary, Intermediate. Contact: Larry Wheeler, H: 248-969-8220; lwheeler@azautomotive.com

**25** \***SKUNK RIVER HDT**, Three G Farms Equine Center, Ames, IA. Training, Preliminary. Contact: Mary Winter, 515-232-3019; Cell: 515-540-1041; email: mwinter@iastate.edu

### JULY

**15-16** \***NWCDE'S BEAVERCREEK COMBINED DRIVING EVENTS**, Lazy S Lumber Mill, Beavercreek, OR; Training, Preliminary, Intermediate, VSE. Contact: Tish Hodges; H: 503-632-4966; email: tishhodges@msn.com; Cell: 503-312-6269.

**15-16** \***BIRDS HILL INTERNATIONAL CDE**, Birds Hill Provincial Park, Winnipeg, MB. Training, Preliminary, Intermediate. Contact: Carolyn Lintott, H: 204-444-2514; email: cjalbl@mts.net

**15-16** \***LORENZO DRIVING COMPETITION**, Lorenzo State Historic Site, Cazenovia, NY Pleasure, Obstacles, Marathon, Concours d'Elegance, Combination. Contact: Phil Ferro, H: 315-469-

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5030; W: 315-464-4730; Fax: 315-464-4734; email: ferrop@upstate.edu

**24 \*NEW ENGLAND MORGAN HORSE SHOW**, Three County Fairgrounds, Northhampton, MA. Pleasure, Obstacles, Marathon, Dressage, Concours d'Elegance; Training, Prelim. ADT. Contact: Susan Koso; H: 978-777-7037; W: 978-232-2029; email: isyssusan2@aol.com

**29-30 \*EAST AURORA CARRIAGE DRIVE AND COMPETITION**, Knox Farm State Park, East Aurora, NY. Pleasure, Obstacles, Marathon, Concours d'Elegance. Contact: Elizabeth O'Donnell; H: 716-380-5724; email: lizodomellEADS@aol.com; Jean Benz: 716-652-1062.

#### AUGUST

**4-6 \*GMHA COMBINED DRIVING EVENT**, South Woodstock, VT. Training, Preliminary, Intermediate. Contact: Natalie DiBerardinis; W: 802-457-1509; Fax: 802-457-4471; email: natalie@gmhainc.org

**4-6 \*IRON HORSE CDE**, Sherwood Farms, Caledonia, IL. Training, Preliminary, Intermediate. Contact: Sue West; H: 815-337-4617; email: sue.west@truevalue.com

**12-13 \*LINCOLN CREEK CDE**, Centralia, WA. Training, Preliminary, Intermediate, VSE. Contact: Mickey Lofgren; H: 360-266-9415; email: mickey@grassmountainfarm.com

**16-20 \*WALNUT HILL CARRIAGE DRIVE COMPETITION**, Walnut Hill Farm, Pittsford, NY. Pleasure, Obstacles, Concours d'Elegance, Pleasure Drive. Contact: Bill Remley, H, W & Fax: 585-385-2555; W: 585-385-2555; email: billremley@aol.com

**25-27 \*CANNON CARRIAGE CLASSIC**, Valhalla Farms, Woodbury, TN. Pleasure, Obstacles, Marathon, Dressage, Concours d'Elegance, Draft. Contact: Jim or Jean Keathley; H: 615-632-2528; Fax: 615-563-4517; email: jkeathley@direcway.com

#### SEPTEMBER

**2-3 \*INDIANACDE**, Edinburg, IN. Training, Preliminary, Intermediate. Contact: David Sadler; H: 217-548-2300; email: davlin@direcway.com www.iwwi.org

**8-10 \*LAURELS AT LANDHOPE CDE**, Unionville, PA. Preliminary, Advanced. Contact: Mary O'Rourke; H: 610-486-6484; Fax: 610-486-6814; email: laurelslandhope@aol.com

**8-10 \*VILLA LOUIS CARRIAGE CLASSIC**, Villa Louis Historic Site, Prairie du Chien, WI; Pleasure, Obstacles, Concours d'Elegance, Combination, Draft. Contact: Mike Rider; W: 608-326-4436; email: info@carriageclassic.com

**9-10 \*GMHA FALL DRIVING CLASSIC**, South Woodstock, VT. Pleasure, Obstacles, Marathon, Dressage, Concours d'Elegance. Contact: Natalie DiBerardinis; W: 802-457-1509; Fax: 802-457-4471; email: natalie@gmhainc.org

**15-17 \*NASHOBA CARRIAGE CLASSIC**, Germantown Charity Horse Show Grounds, Germantown, TN. Pleasure, Obstacles, Marathon, Dressage, Concours d'Elegance; ADT, Training, Preliminary. Contact: Wanda Chancellor; H: 662-893-8879; email: wchanc1512@aol.com; cell: 901-335-9730

**16 \*RHODE ISLAND CARRIAGE DAY**, Celtic Cross Farm, Dudley, Massachusetts. Pleasure, Obstacles, Marathon, Dressage, Concours d'Elegance. Contact: Janice Meszoely; H: 508-339-3628; email: janice\_meszoely@yahoo.com

**21-24 \*CAI-B FALL GLADSTONE DRIVING EVENT**, Hamilton Farm Golf and Equestrian Center, Gladstone, NJ. Preliminary, Advanced. Contact: Ellen Ettenger; H: 352-465-0197; W: 609-586-6030 x 106; Fax: 609-586-6313 or 352-465-0197; email: shorty1956@bellsouth.net; Cell: 609-577-1487

**23-24 \*PIEDMONT DRIVING CLUB SHOW**, Foxcroft School, Middleburg, VA. Pleasure, Obstacles, Marathon, Concours d'Elegance, Draft. Contact: Marcia West; H: 434-971-8272; email: mwest@cvillefab.net

**27- Oct. 1 \*INTERNATIONAL DRAFT HORSE, MULE AND PLEASURE DRIVING SHOW**, LA County Fair, Pomona, California. Pleasure, Obstacles, Concours d'Elegance. Contact: Sharon Gifford; H: 951-928-0454; W: 909-865-4091; Fax: 909-622-5652; email: taylor@fairplex; Cell: 909-374-8139

#### OCTOBER

**1 \*PLEASURE DRIVING IN THE PARK**, Bucks County Horse Park, Revere, PA. Pleasure, Obstacles, Marathon, Concours d'Elegance. Contact: Teri Lewis; H: 610-847-8077; W: 610-294-9154; email: tlewis@epix.net

**6-8 \*CAI-B SHADY OAKS**, Lodi, CA. Preliminary, Intermediate, Advanced. Contact: Bonner Murphy; H: 209-462-9575; W: 209-462-2209; Fax: 209-462-9780; email: bnmrMrphy@aol.com Cell: 209-481-0843.

**7-8 \*CEDAR CREEK PLEASURE DRIVING EVENT**, Greenville, TX. Pleasure, Obstacles, Marathon, Concours d'Elegance. Contact: Ruth Graves; H: 903-883-4638; Fax: 903-883-4638; email: rufus1953@joimail.com Cell: 903-450-6748.

**13-15 \*KATYDID COMBINED DRIVING EVENT**, Katydid Farm, Windsor, SC. Preliminary, Advanced, Training Horse Driving Trial. Contact: Bernadette Clayton; 803-648-1695

**20-22 \*GRASS RIDGE CDE**, Sonoita, Arizona. Training, Preliminary, Intermediate. Contact: Jamie O'Rourke; H: 610-486-6484; W: 610-486-0710; Fax: 610-486-6814; email: grassridgecde@aol.com; cell: 484-832-4365

**20-22 \*FAIR HILL INTERNATIONAL**, Elkton, MD. Intermediate, Advanced. Contact: Diane Trefry; H: 443-553-1453; W: 410-755-6855; Fax: 410-398-5020; email: tubbyhorse@hotmail.com

**21-22 \*NWCDE'S FALL FROLIC DRIVING TRIALS**, Lazy S Lumber Mill, Beaver Creek, OR; Training, Preliminary, VSE. Contact: Tish Hodges; H: 503-632-4966; email: tishhodges@msn.com; Cell: 503-312-6269.

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# Notes From The Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee met at our winter meeting in Cincinnati. All, but three of us were there. It was gratifying for all of us to be able to talk with one another and get a feel for what we want to do. The Bylaw Committee is creating a draft policies and procedures manual and those of the NC are being fleshed out first, since we are already moving along. The entire Board received a copy of these. In the preceding issue, we let you all know that there will be a major election this Fall at the Annual Meeting of the ADS (date and location tba) and that we are looking for "a few good men" and women!

Currently, there are many wonderful board members and officers, but not everyone will be wanting to stay on, others have an expiring term, the president, and some have not been able to participate in the business of the ADS to the extent that it requires. So again, we ask you to please consider if you have the interest, time and skills to volunteer. We need people with

business backgrounds, organizational knowledge, writing capabilities, teaching/educational backgrounds, creative thinkers, enthusiasts, AND, of course, a serious interest in driving and the programs of the American Driving Society.

You should be able to come to the twice-annual board meetings and also spend a few days more before the actual board meeting, to attend the many other meetings that are taking place, so that you can make decisions based on actual participation in the workings of the group. These expenses may be tax deductible. The ADS has to move around the country for these meetings, so geography is a consideration.

We all look forward to hearing from you.

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## Carriage Classic in the Pines Returns

Please mark your calendars and watch for further information on the return of the Carriage Classic in the Pines, one of the Southeast Region's greatest Pleasure Driving Shows. The dates are May 5-7, 2006 and a prize list will be arriving soon. We will be back at our old location at the Pinehurst Harness Track in Pinehurst, North Carolina. Hope to see all of you there. For further information, contact Linda Long, 910-692-0943; email: [llong6@nc.rr.com](mailto:llong6@nc.rr.com).



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