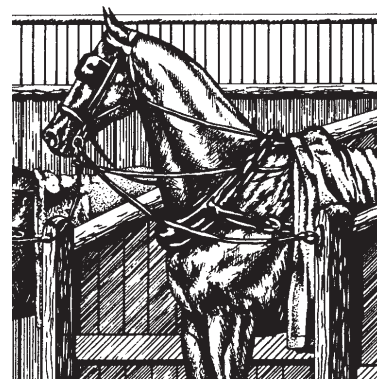


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ADS Launches New Web Site

On August 15, the ADS launched its new and improved website. Our main goal is to create a well-designed site that is both pleasing to the eye and easy to navigate. It will be an interactive site, allowing members to obtain the information they need quickly and efficiently.

Site Areas:

American Driving Society - If you are looking for a form or the table of shaft measurements you can find it here in the main ADS Web site. This area houses the majority of the ADS content including specific information for members, organizers, licensed officials, those new to driving as well as seasoned competitors. Over the next several months we hope to dramatically expand the content in this area by pulling information from the old site, gleaned articles from past editions of *The Whip* and *The Wheelhorse* as well as creating new pages from suggestions we have received from your website feedback e-mails. Areas of focus will be the Driving Basics section and the Regional pages of the site. We are currently "re-engineering" some of the most used ADS forms, to make them more web friendly, electronically fillable and easier to use.

NEW Online Omnibus - This will provide competitors and others the detailed competition information currently available in our printed version. Changes and updates to competitions will be posted in this area of the site. We have linked e-mail addresses, event websites and entry forms to each page to make it easier for competitors to communicate with show organizers and submit their entries for each of over 75 ADS recognized events.

My ADS - This section is actually a completely separate web application provided by third party vendor. This secure site gives members the ability to update phone numbers, e-mail addresses and physical addresses. You can purchase merchandise and memberships online from the new store as well as register for events like our Annual Membership Meeting.

With your November renewal information you will get a User Name and a Password to the get into the "ADS Members Only"



sections of the site. Eventually, content like the Rule Book and Membership directory will be included in this section along with other ADS owned content.

ADS Forum - Have a question about a carriage, problem with your horse, or just want to connect with other driving enthusiasts? Go to the ADS Forum section and start a topic. There are even special forums for Organizers and Licensed Officials that are only for their use. Have a suggestion for a new area?

Drop the moderator an e-mail and we will consider your request.

Areas Under Development

Forms - Many of our forms still contain the old address and have outdated information on them. Over time these forms will be replaced with new fillable forms that are easy to use and web friendly.

Classified Ads - Soon there will be a new classified section where members can post their ads to the site including photos.

Calendar - We are working on a calendar application that will allow members to post items to the calendar including, local driving events, clinics and other driving related happenings.

Past Results - The results from prior years will be converted over to the new site format.

Call for Volunteers

Are you computer savvy and want to give back a little to the organization? We could use your help.

We are looking for people that are familiar with:

- Adobe 7.0 Professional for work on converting forms.
- Microsoft compatible databases for work on a new member application.
- Html code for web page conversions.
- Web development for data driven applications project in a Microsoft environment.

For more information contact Susie Koos Acker at 608-237-7382 or Susie.koos-acker@americandrivingsociety.org

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The President's Message

by James Keathley

By the time you read this the Board of Directors will have elected me your President unless someone rescued me by volunteering for the position. During a recent election campaign for Governor in Tennessee a candidate was asked by his friend "what will you do if you actually win the election?". At that time the State's budget was in the red and there seemed to be no prospects for a happy future. An innovative person with business experience was elected and today, as a result of sound business practices, the State is in the black and again prosperous.

Today, our beloved ADS has some of the same problems as well as others that are unique to our type of organization. But actually, they translate into a very exciting time for our Society. There are problems to be dealt with of course, but nothing that members working together can't solve.

One of the things that we would all like to accomplish is to involve more members in the management and the activities of the ADS. All of us have

been aware for years that the membership is a pyramid with a large base supporting a few drivers at the top of the pyramid. In short, many people have seen the ADS as an organization only for competition drivers. It is true that our mission as a national governing body requires that we regulate the driving sport to include promulgation of rules, selection and licensure of officials, and recognition of shows, as well as many other competition oriented activities. But the ADS has accepted for many years the need to support the vast number of drivers in our country, which are people that are not interested in competing except to perhaps see a competition as a spectator. These individuals are interested in driving, but only for the sheer fun of it. No rules, no red tape, nothing to stand in the way of just plain old fashioned fun as they drive their horses, ponies, and mules. And because these drivers are independent spirits it is difficult for them to feel that an organization is relevant to them. That was yesterday! Today, the ADS supports and endorses all types of driving

activities as long as it is as safe as possible for the driver and the horse.

The ADS also must negotiate a growing relationship with the national governing body, The United States Equestrian Federation. (USEF) More breed shows, which are recognized by the USEF are adding driving classes and they are looking to the ADS as the driving organization to help standardize the driving rules. The ADS and USEF many times have a shared role in the regulation of competitions at the advanced/FEI levels. This partnership sometimes has slippery slopes but your ADS leadership is committed to assume our responsibility of ensuring that both organizations function seamlessly in our joint efforts.

I am looking forward to meeting more members and visiting and participating in ADS regional activities. The veteran leadership and the new leaders of the Society are committed to the concept of offering more ways for more members to be involved. Are you ready?

- New Website continued

Quotes from Feedback E-mails

General Comments: What are your likes and dislikes about this site?: **Very friendly, easy to navigate. I especially love the history page. I see that there is plenty more to come. I'm glad you got the site launched even if there is a bit more work to be done. It is a vast improvement over the old rusty trusty site. I love the "My ADS" feature. Moving up in the world! Merridy Hance**

General Comments: What are your likes and dislikes about this site?: **Everything looks awesome! Leslie Hernandez**

General Comments: What are your likes and dislikes about this site?: **I think this site has vastly improved. Much easier to navigate, and highlight areas without a lot of fuss. Good for you, or us!!! Gina West**

The following passages are from the book *Driving by His Grace The Duke of Beaufort*, published in 1890, Chapter VII, Part II by Col. Hugh Smith-Baillie

✓ A beginner should commence by learning to drive one horse.

✓ Do not imagine that you can learn to drive really well in a short time. If you wish to excel, learn from a good coachman, and pay attention to what he says, watch him carefully when he drives. Drive as much as you can, for you cannot expect to become proficient until you have served a sort of apprenticeship, and have driven all sorts of horses, and have had experience.

✓ Learn the names of every strap and all parts of the harness; without this you cannot explain to your groom what to alter when alteration is necessary, as is frequently the case if you are driving different horses in one set of harness. Study the position of the bit in a horse's mouth, and the use and abuse of the curb-chain.

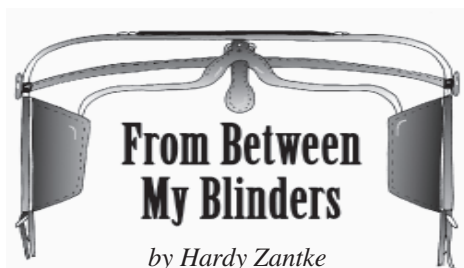
Hints To Beginners

✓ Never strike a horse for shying, but if possible let him look well at the thing that has alarmed him. The horse that is hit for shying will in all probability get into the habit of making a bolt away from the whip, and it may get a man into great difficulty if a horse shies at the top of a hill and then makes a bolt expecting the whip.

✓ Never feel the horses' mouth when passengers are getting in or out of a coach, for horses are almost certain to move when their mouths are felt. Vast numbers of hats are spoilt every year by the horses moving when people are getting into a cab or carriage, and it is nine times out of ten the fault of the driver.

✓ Drive as much as possible with one hand, having the right hand always ready; nothing looks so bad as keeping the whip hand continually on the reins.

✓ Never touch a horse with the whip when the whip hand is on the reins, as it looks very unworkmanlike.



There is an old wisdom that the pleasure is as much in the journey as in the destination. Nobody should agree more with that than we - driving horses with carriages. But for many of us this is the case not only literally, when actually driving, but also in the more abstract sense - and perhaps the true meaning of it - when we live together with our horses and bring them along - training them to, hopefully, become better.

In the last *Whip* I had some thoughts about relationships and linked training horses to raising children. Let me add to that thought. We all know and agree that just as children need proper education so do horses, unless we are content with having some pasture ornaments, which certainly has its benefits as well. So if that is what you like, I have no problem with that, they are fun to look at, but we can't drive them.

Most parents send their children to school for part of their education - but some also home-school. With horses it seems the percentage of "home schooling" is much larger. Most parents who home school also put a lot of effort into educating themselves for the task, and even parents who do not home school often educate themselves with parent education classes and educational books. I am certain that their children benefit from it, the same as our horses benefit when we too educate ourselves to the proper training of horses. There is enough literature available for that task, but it does require the effort to study it.

I always find it amazing to see all the different horse sports which show the vastly different tasks that horses can be trained to. It proves that if we just want it badly enough to make the effort and are consistent and explain it properly to our horses, we really can teach them almost anything, as long as they understand us and are physically and mentally able to do so.

To me and for the sport of my interest - Combined Driving - that means Dressage as the foundation.

Unfortunately for some, dressage is still a double four letter word, but all it really means originally is "training". We are very fortunate in this country that many years ago the ADS Combined Driving Committee set up our sport in four different levels - from Training Level through Preliminary to Intermediate and on to Advanced. Each level builds on the previous one and is a little more challenging for horses as well as drivers, so both are brought along together. Our Dressage Committee similarly developed dressage tests which are also built up through these four levels. Both followed the examples from ridden dressage as well as Combined Training and Eventing.

We start at Training Level with easy large figures: 40 meter circles, Working Trot and Walk and a Free Walk on the long rein. At the Preliminary Level we add Lengthened Walk and Trot, 20 meter half circles and 30 meter circles and recently, the Stretching of the Frame. At Intermediate Level we add Collected trot and 20 meter circles. Only at the Advanced Level do we use the FEI Tests which add Extensions and 15 meter circles. This is just a very brief outline of the progression. There are more details as also some other requirements change through the levels, always starting from easy and progressing to the more difficult, as longer halts, longer rein backs, quicker transitions, more difficulties in the movements for both horses and drivers.

The progression through our dressage tests also follows the German Training Scale which is well known in ridden dressage but equally applicable in driving. It starts with Rhythm & Regularity, followed by Freedom, Relaxation & Suppleness, (Training Level) then develops Contact and Acceptance of the Bit, Engagement & Impulsion, Straightness which includes Bending, Roundness (Preliminary Level), Collection (Intermediate Level) to finally Self Carriage & complete Confidence (Advanced). The steps are partly overlapping and all interrelated, so please take my reference to our levels just as an approximation.

I believe that this systematic progression is crucial for the proper education of our horses. If any of the steps are skipped some of the foundation will be lacking. Nothing will work

without proper Rhythm and Regularity, nor without Freedom and Relaxation. If our horses never learned to stretch down and out with their necks at the Free Walk on Training Level, they cannot develop the proper Contact and Acceptance of the bit. Without that they cannot develop Engagement nor Impulsion nor bend properly. And without that they won't be "round" and will never develop any collection, without which Extension is not possible either.

Not all countries do this similarly through such levels. Some just have a lower "Club" level and a "Novice" and "Open" level beyond that. Their dressage tests do not show the progression as we do in our tests and as we have them also in ridden dressage tests. I think the proof is in the pudding. At World Championships our drivers are usually at the top in dressage. This is probably not the only reason for that, but I firmly believe that it is one very important building block.

Note:

Hardy Zantke has written a complete series on the German Training Scale which can be found on <http://www.carriagedrivingworld.com/Archive.php>



Mickie Bowen Will Be Keynote Speaker at Pacific Regional Learning Weekend

ADS Pacific Region Director, Phyllis Rumley, has announced that Mickie Bowen, of Unionville, Pennsylvania, will be the keynote speaker at the region's Learning Weekend on November 4-5. It will take place at the Clovis Rodeo Grounds in Clovis, California. Activities for the weekend will include clinics, demonstrations and the Meeting of the Minds plus a regional meeting of ADS members. In addition, Tom Knicker, Chairman of the ADS Combined Driving Committee will be a speaker. For more information contact: Phyllis Rumley Pacific Region Director prumley@netptc.net or 559-841-5304.

The American Driving Society Fund Update

It is thrilling to read in the latest issue of *The Whip* the success of the exciting programs that are being supported and encouraged by the ADS Fund. Regional development, Young Drivers and International Initiatives are all thriving. The programs of the Fund are providing models that are being duplicated throughout the regions to the benefit of the driving sport. That is a very exciting development, and with your help the opportunities we have launched through the ADS Fund are flourishing. You have read about young driver camps in Tennessee, North Carolina, New Hampshire, Indiana and Florida, international singles training in cooperation with the US Equestrian Federation, and Regional Meetings.

All of this has been made possible through the generosity of many members and friends. Their benevolence has set The Fund on a positive path for our sport. Not yet reported is the ADS Fund's participation as a supporter of the US Disabled World Championship Team. (Diane Kastama, a member of Team USA, recently returned from Holland with a well deserved Gold Medal.) The Fund has also committed to help overcome the deficit faced by our single drivers competing in Italy and to support regional educational opportunities which are on the drawing board for later this fall.

Momentum is positive and will continue to grow with your financial

assistance. We are grateful to the many members who have already contributed. If you have not yet made your contribution we would ask that you consider making a donation to the ADS Fund. Your contribution is essential to the success of the American Driving Society Fund and is sincerely

appreciated. Please help us advance all the programs which are so important to the development of the sport of carriage driving. Thank you!

For more information about the ADS Fund, please visit americandrivingsociety.org. or contact Jamie O'Rourke at 484-832-4365.

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

The American Driving Society Fund

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Address _____

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Mail or fax to: ADS, P.O. Box 278, Crosse Plains, WI 53528, fax 608-237-6468

☐ Single:	\$25-\$99
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☐ Four-in-Hand:	\$500-\$999
☐ Leader:	\$1000-\$2499
☐ Wheeler:	\$2500-\$4999
☐ Coachman:	\$5000 +

☐ 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:

- ☐ The Young Drivers Program
- ☐ The International Opportunity Initiative
- ☐ The Regional Development Program

The Courteous Driver....

- Is on time - checks in with the starter or section timer.
- Says 'Thank You' to volunteers.
- Doesn't leave ruts on the lawn with his golf cart or ATV.
- Really cleans out his stall before leaving.
- Completes entry forms with all numbers, copies of cards and health papers before sending to secretary.
- Lets someone know if he can't arrive during daylight hours.
- Dresses properly to accept awards.
- Writes a personal thank you to the organizer and landowner.
- Observes signage (no parking, put manure here, etc.)
- Uses a dipping bucket to get water from the tank to prevent spreading of disease.

The American
Driving Society
Wishes All Competitors
Challenging Competition,
Safe Driving
and Good Fellowship.

2006-2007 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.

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
- 1** Whips n Wheels of the Texas Panhandle - Clinic with John Greenall. Contact: Cece and Dave Yelek. 806-753-4400
- 4-8** **ADS ANNUAL MEETING** & The National Drive. The Kentucky Horse Park, Lexington, KY. Contact: Maureen Sayre; 513-542-2293; email: MWSayre@netscape.com
- 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: bnnrMrphy@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
- 14** Carriage Driving 101 Clinic with Anita Alden. Galloway Farms, New Bolton, MI. Contact: www.odysseytrainingstables.com
- 14-15** ***PROUD MEADOWS DRIVING TRIAL**, Proud Meadows Farm, Waxahachie, TX. Training, Preliminary, Intermediate. Contact: Paula Long,; H: 817-478-8782; email: pl.kd@sbcglobal.net
- 18** ***NC STATE FAIR HORSE SHOW**, State Fairgrounds, Raleigh NC. Pleasure Show, Horse, Pony, Multiples Novice. Contact: Scarlett Mattson W: 919-733-4845 Fax: 919-733-9572

- 20-21** Martin's Fall Auction: Coaches, Carriages, Sleighs and Antiques. Lebanon Fairgrounds, Lebanon, PA. Contact: 717-354-6671; Fax: 717-354-8248; email: martinauctioneers@frontiernet.net
- 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, Beavercreek, OR; Training, Preliminary, Intermediate. Contact: Tish Hodges; H: 503-632-4966; email: tishhodges@msn.com; Cell: 503-312-6269.
- 27-29** ***OKLAHOMA HARNESS HORSE ASSOC. COWBOY COUNTRY CDE**, Payne County Expo Center, Stillwater, Oklahoma. Training, Preliminary, Intermediate, and Combined Test; Contact: Denise Dougherty; H: 580-237-7903
- 28** ***HALLOWEEN HUSTLE**, Oak Run Farm, Moorpark, CA. Pleasure, Obstacles, Marathon, Other. Contact: Sandy Welcker; H: 805-584-3755.
- 28-29** ***PINE TREE CDE**, Southern Pines, NC. Training, Preliminary, Intermediate. Contact: Amy Dragstra; H: 910-245-3290; Fax: 910-245-8658
- 28** Dutch Know Fall Pace. Lancaster County Central Park, Lancaster, PA. Contact: www.lancasterhorse.com/dk2006/dk_info.html or Chandra Mast, 717-314-4635.
- 29** ***16TH ANNUAL GSH&CS PLEASURE DRIVING SHOW**, Horse Park of New Jersey, Allentown, NJ Dressage, Pleasure, Obstacles. Contact: Ellen Weisfeld, H: 732-928-7477; email: ewgnhb@aol.com

NOVEMBER

- 4-5** **ADS PACIFIC REGIONAL LEARNING WEEKEND**; Clovis Rodeo Grounds, Clovis, CA. Clinics, Demonstrations, Meeting of the Minds and Regional Meeting. For more information contact: Phyllis Rumley Pacific Region Director; mrumley@netptc.net or 559-841-5304
- 11** ***CHAPTER ONE FARMS DRIVING TRIAL**; Pedricktown, NJ 08067; Training, Preliminary. Contact: Dr. Helene Paxton; H: 856-299-5124; W: 410-620-3462; Fax: 856-299-6772; email: IM@chapteronefarms.com; Cell: 443-253-4135.
- 11-12** ***HAVEN HILL DRIVING TRIAL**; Navasota, TX. Training, Preliminary, Intermediate. Contact: Marlene Collins; W: 936-870-6794; email: marlene@horsesensetrading.com; Cell: 936-870-6794.

DECEMBER

- 2-3** ***BLACK PRONG HOLIDAY DRIVING TRIAL**, Black Prong Equestrian Center, Borden, FL. Training, Preliminary, Intermediate. Contact: Tracy Norton/Marc Johnson. H: 352-486-1234.
- 2-3** ***THE TAMPA TRIALS ADT**, Bob Thomas Equestrian Center, Tampa, FL. Training, Preliminary, Intermediate. Contact: Erika Matulich 4909 Stanley Rd, Plant City, FL 33565 H: 813-982-2200 C: 813-784-8484 F: 813-982-9709 Email: ematulich@ut.edu (preferred method of contact)

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FEBRUARY

- 10-11** ***FLORIDA STATE FAIR**, Florida State Fairgrounds, contact: Peg Edmondson, W: 941-484-4687 F: 941-484-9130 Email: MEmond333@aol.com
- 24-25** ***AUSTIN HORSE PARK PLEASURE DRIVING COMPETITION**. Austin Horse Park, Weirsdale, FL Contact: Robyn Orser W: 352-

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750-5500 x221 F: 352-753-3105
email: rorser@continentalacres.com

MARCH

24 *NTW SUNRISE RIDGE DRIVING TRIAL, Sunrise Ridge, Paradise, TX. Training, Preliminary, Intermediate. Contact: Paula Long H: 817-478-9782 email: pl.kd@sbcglobal.net

APRIL

12-15 *GEORGIA INTERNATIONAL HORSE PARK, Georgia International Horse Park, Conyers, GA. Training, Preliminary, Intermediate. Contact: Mary Deatherage Email: marydeatherage@bellsouth.net

20-22 *RAM TAP COMBINED DRIVING EVENT, Fresno, CA. Con-

tact: Gina Miner; H: 925-371-5325;
email: gwminer@AcornNMR.com

MAY

3-6 *GARDEN STATE COMBINED DRIVING EVENT, Horse Park of New Jersey, Allentown, NJ. Training, Preliminary, Intermediate, Advanced. Contact: Heather R Walker 15 Cedar Rd, Whitehouse Station, NJ 08889 H: 908-439-3171 C: 908-343-6476 F: 908-439-3318 E: email: walkers_whimsea@yahoo.com

18-20 *GAYLA BLUEGRASS CDE, Gayla Driving Center, Georgetown, KY. Contact: Leslie Hernandez; W: 502-863-5113; Cell: 502-867-3098; Fax: 502-867-0081; email: gayla3329@aol.com

JUNE

2-3 *MICHIGAN HORSE DRAWN VEHICLE ASSOCIATION BLUE RIBBON CLINIC AND HORSE SHOW, Kalamazoo, MI Jr., Novice Whip, Novice Horse/Pony, Open Horse/Pony. Contact: Joyce Miller H: 517-321-6229, email millerj@msu.edu

3 *TURNING POINTE BENEFIT DRIVING EVENT, Turning Pointe Therapeutic Riding, Asahway, RI. Training, Preliminary. Contact: Laurie K Allen, 524 Pequot Trail, Stonington, CT 06378 H: 860-535-8384 C: 860-271-1662 email: laur3all@sbcglobal.net

Quotables

"There will always be tension between the rule makers and the participants, particularly when the participants are professionals."

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HRH The Duke of Edinburgh

In Memoriam

Judson Wright

Jud Wright died on July 25, after suffering a stroke several weeks earlier. He was 90 years old. A long time California resident, Jud and his wife, Frances, who preceded him in death, were instrumental in the development of driving in the west, giving lessons, encouragement, and welcome advice on proper turnout, harness, carriages and horsemanship. Jud served on the Licensed Officials Committee of the ADS for many years, and was an Honorary Director. A licensed judge and technical delegate for both Pleasure Driving and Combined Driving for many years, he was awarded status as Judge Emeritus at the Williamsburg Super Clinic in 2004.

Contributions can be made in his memory to Hoopes-Addis Education Trust, c/o Audrey Bostwick, 844 Deep Run Rd., Perkasio, PA 18944.

Classified Ads

Classified ads are accepted for the Wheelhorse Newsletter, *The Whip* magazine and will also be posted on the ADS website (www.americanandrivingsociety.org). The cost is \$1.00 per word with a \$15.00 minimum for 1 month insertion in the next available print publication as well as 30 days on the website. For 2 months and 60 days, the cost is \$2.00 per word, etc. Payment must accompany ad text (checks, Visa and Mastercard accepted). Ads will be posted on the website within 1 week of receipt.

HORSES

GOLOSO'S STRELLA ESPLENDOSO: 3 year old rose grey filly, mature at 15.2 – 15.3 hands. Trainer's favorite with 4 months professional training. Driven single and double, Traffic safe, very willing and responsive. Lightly started under saddle. Sire is imported Registered Andalusian Goloso XV Dam is ° Percheron ° Standardbred. "Stella" is registered Half Andalusian. 100% sound and healthy with all shots, worming and hoofcare up to date. \$7,800 will be going back into training in October or November and price will go up accordingly. Please contact Connie at cj.toenings@verizon.net or call 260-829-1230 NE Indiana. (1/1)

TWO BUCKSKIN MORGAN PONY DRIVING PROSPECTS for sale. 5 year old 14 hand mare - sells in foal or open. 13.1 hh yearling filly will mature to 14 hands. Nominal delivery fee. Visit www.homesteadmorgans.com for pictures and details or call 1-877-789-3399. (1/4)

CARRIAGES

1860'S AUTO SEAT BUGGY AND GOVERNMENT PONY CART, both restored. Photo's Available \$2,800.00 each. Call 440-933-4770. (1/2)

HARDWICK ALUMINUM ROAD CART. \$1800.00 Used synthetic Quick hitch training harness \$150.00 Easy entry jog training cart \$175.00 All for medium horse 317-862-4904 317-440-5561 (1/1)

HARNESS

MISCELLANEOUS

FOR SALE: DRIVE/TRAIN YEAR ROUND IN SUNNY SOUTH CAROLINA. Intersection of I-20 & I-95 (Florence) 70+/- acres. 2 barns, trails, unique home - much much more! \$795,000. See pictures & info www.carriageacres.com, 843-665-1042 Carriageacres@worldnet.att.net (1/1)

COMPETITION CONES, \$22.00 each. Marker Balls \$2.00 ea. For practice at home, Pleasure Driving Shows, and CDE's. Accepting Mastercard/Visa....Phone Gayla Driving Center, 1-800-360-5774. (KY) (1/6)

PHENOMENAL OPPORTUNITY!!! Position open for head of Combined Driving Program at Blue Mounds Equine Center, Mount Horeb, WI. 4-in-hand and competitive experience desired but not necessary. Contact aadams@minitube.com (1/1)

News From Garden State CDE

Following on a long, ongoing discussion on the subject at the Garden State Combined Driving Event, the organizers have decided to forego FEI approval in 2007, and offer a USEF National Event, May 3 - 6.

When Garden State first applied to the FEI for approval in 2004, the event was one of only four FEI events in the country. In 2006 there were seven, and an eighth is in the wings. But there are very few national events currently being run in the U.S.: Fair Hill (MD); Katydid (SC) just added Advanced this year; and Woodside (CA). And there's one event offering Advanced in western Canada, too. All of these are wonderful events, and the rules under which they operate are almost identical.

One result of this dearth of national events is that those American officials who are "r" and would like to move up

to "R" are faced with a dilemma. They are required to judge the Advanced level in order to be promoted, but they are not eligible to judge at an FEI event. The old "Catch 22".

There's also the issue of drivers who want to move up from the lower levels to Advanced, but aren't ready for or interested in international competition: they may want to move slowly, and may not wish to pay the additional fees associated with competing at the FEI level. Another problem, from my point of view, is that drivers are not able to compete with an HC entry in the Advanced division, something allowed within the USEF rules but not in the FEI. If a driver is so fortunate as to have more than one horse or pony, or pair, or four-in-hand to compete, by providing them that opportunity we may be fostering future medal winners.

We will certainly not change the standard we've worked hard to set at Garden State. It's a very good, friendly, low key competition at a lovely, conveniently laid out facility with excellent footing for the marathon and a quality course. We will still hire the best FEI officials available, so that Advanced drivers will be able to qualify their horses at the event. We will also hire American "r" judges who have potential and will benefit from the experience of working with top level judges. And we will allow HC entries. We think all of this is important to the best interests of combined driving in the U.S.

Garden State is also trying something else new this year: the event will offer all four divisions, Training through Advanced. We'll see how it goes!

- Heather R. Walker, Organizer



Martin Auctioneers Announces Large 2 Day Carriage Auction for October

Hundreds of Antique & Used Horse Drawn Vehicles at Lebanon Fairgrounds

New Holland, PA — Paul Z. Martin Jr., President of Martin Auctioneers, Inc. of New Holland PA, is slated to have another large & exciting carriage auction at the Lebanon Fairgrounds in Lebanon PA on Friday, October 20th & Saturday, October 21st. Hundreds of Horse Drawn Vehicles of every type, size, style & condition will be sold during the two day event. "This fall's auction is going to be another memorable event," stated Martin, auctioneer for over 35 years. "We have a particularly nice assortment of antique commercial vehicles this year, as well as many sleighs" he added.

Buyers travel from all over the United States, Canada and Europe to attend Martin's famous carriage auctions on both coasts. Although there are vehicles in every price range, Martin's carriage auctions are known for attracting the quality vehicles sought after by collectors. "We have an enormous

database of carriage collectors & restorers as well as pleasure & competition drivers," states Shirley Morgan, sister to Paul Martin and Office Manager at Martin Auctioneers. "We are known for attracting good buyers, and that's what draws in the good vehicles. This fall we have a nice array of quality antique vehicles with desirable makers such as Brewster, Sturtevant & Larrabee, Studebaker, Babcock, A.T. Demarest and others," she adds. Specialty vehicles in the auction will include a beautifully restored hearse, several milk delivery wagons in excellent condition, a restored Standard Oil Company Wagon and a new 3/4 size Concord Coach suitable for parades & picnics. A hand painted Sedan Chair and a Russian Troika will also be sold.

It's not just carriages, though. The event features carriage lamps, fine harness, quality appointments,

miniatures, equine collectibles, books, prints, antiques and surprises of all kinds. On Friday the catalogued items are sold in the North Hall, starting at 9AM and often going as late as midnight. "Carriages are lined up and one at a time, rolled up onto the turntable and sold. It's a great spectacle," says Paul Martin. Several Miniatures & Model carriages from the du Pont collection will be included in the Friday evening session. On Saturday, action moves to the West Hall and the Field Sales where five or more auctioneers could be going at once. "Uncatalogued vehicles, harness, riding & driving appointments, furniture, agricultural items and almost anything could turn up," he concludes.

For a color flyer and more information, contact Martin Auctioneers at (717) 354-6671 or visit their website at www.martinauctioneers.com.

World Championship Results Diane Kastama Wins Gold!

Diane Kastama brought home a gold medal from the **IPC World Carriage Driving Championships for Disabled Drivers**. Held Sept. 16-20 in Hellendoorn, Netherlands, seven countries fielded teams, and 24 individual drivers started the competition. Kastama, of Arroyo Grande, California, competed with her own Welsh Cob, Jasper, while teammate Mary Gray, of North Yarmouth, Maine, borrowed Anton, a Norwegian Fjord. Unfortunately, Gray was eliminated in the marathon. Kail Palmer-Miller served as Chef d'équipe for Team USA. Hardy Zantke was a member of the international ground jury.

At the **World Equestrian Games** held in Aachen, Germany, The U.S. team, comprised of James Fairclough, Tucker Johnson and Chester Weber, finished 8th out of 16 countries.

Team gold was won by Germany; silver by Belgium, and bronze by The

Netherlands. Felix Brasseur of Belgium won individual gold, with The Netherlands' Ysbrand Chardon winning the silver medal, and Germany's Christoph Sandman, the bronze.

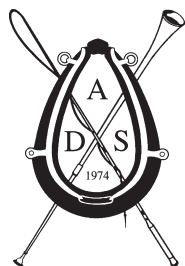
Chester Weber gave the U.S. team an early lead by winning the dressage, outscoring 48 other competitors; he was 20th in the marathon, but an unfortunate elimination in cones ended his medal hopes. Johnson scored 5th in dressage, 18th in the marathon, and 25 in cones, for a 14th place finish overall. Fairclough, finishing in 20th position, scored 25th in dressage, 21st in the marathon, and 10th in cones.

At the **World Single Driving Championships** held September 20-24 in Pratoni del Vivaro, Italy, Sterling Graburn, the individual driver for the United States, was the top placing North American driver, finishing 18th. Graburn finished 13th in dressage and

4th in the marathon, putting him in 4th place going into cones, but he was unable to keep his position. Fred Merriam finished 4th in dressage followed by team members Eleanor Gallagher in 15th, and Scott Monroe 16th. Uncharacteristically, Merriam missed a gate in a hazard and was eliminated, and turnovers for both Gallagher and Monroe wiped out any medal hopes for the U.S. team. Canadian driver Courtney MacGillivray finished in 25th position, with Carole Dailley in 49th out of 74 competitors.

Individual Gold was won by Great Britain's Paul Sidwell, Silver went to Cecilia Qvarnstrom of Sweden, and Bronze to Dieter Lauterbach of Germany. Team medals: Great Britain: Gold; Sweden: Silver; Germany: Bronze.

Complete stories on all three World Championships will be published in the December issue of *The Whip*.



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