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## Highlights from the Annual Meeting

by Susie Koos Acker, ADS Executive Director

The National Drive was a perfect host for the 2008 American Driving Society Annual Members Meeting and Board of Directors Meeting. More than 100 ADS members gathered in the main tent to hear what was happening with their Society.

Each committee chair gave a presentation on their committee's accomplishments and goals for 2009. Larry Brinker, the new chairman of the Dressage Committee, announced the creation of long-awaited new Arena Driving Trial tests. The committee is also working on some new tests especially for the lower levels that will involve one handed movements.

The Combined Driving Committee, chaired by Tom Knicker, has been collaborating with the newly formed Rules Committee, chaired by Simon Rosenman, to incorporate the new FEI rules into our rulebook. This effort effectively puts the ADS ahead of the 2009 rules curve.

The USEF has in the last few years introduced Carriage Pleasure Driving Rules-based on the ADS rules. The Pleasure Driving Committee is actively working to make sure that those rules stay in sync as much as possible. Jeff Morse and his committee of dedicated volunteers are also searching out new classes to offer at ADS-recognized Pleasure Driving competitions.

Education will be the focus for the Licensed Officials Committee. Dana Bright, the newly-elected chair, will lead an effort with the new Education Committee and Gerry Pearson to provide more comprehensive training to our officials.

ADS President, Jim Keathley awarded Simon Rosenman the President's Award for his tireless efforts at bring our Rulebook into the 21th century, making it possible to download different sections of the Rulebook in different formats. With his leadership, the Rules Committee developed a process for implementing rule changes once a year, making it easier for officials and competitors to keep up to speed on new rules.

At the close of the meeting 15 new members were elected to the ADS Board, representing 13 different states. These new board members will officially take office on January 1, 2009. For the first time in its history the ADS then held a very successful new board member training session, led by Vice President Pat Cheatham. This training gave the new members the background they needed to actively participate in the Board of Directors meeting held on Sunday.

The 2009 budget dominated the conversation at the Board of Directors meeting. The Finance Committee, led by Treasurer Bill Lawson, gave the news that the ADS is not impervious to the effects of a sour economy. The income from advertising revenue has greatly decreased in 2008 and is unlikely to get much better for

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## A Message from The Executive Director



At the Annual Meeting we elected 15 new Board Members... 15 people from all walks of life, residing across the country.

They have agreed to commit their time, efforts and personal resources to supporting the sport that they love. Each one came with ideas and suggestions for how they could help the Society achieve its goals. The enthusiasm and energy that these new Board Members bring to the Society will help to ensure success into 2010.

Sadly we say good bye to a few Board Members, that have given enormous amounts of time and energy to the benefit of the Society: Susan Koso, our tireless Secretary; Marcie Quist, dedicated chairman of the Licensed Officials Committee; "Burger Bob" Koopman, the best membership salesman a group could ever have; Jay Hubert, the "safety guy" author of our Safety Checklist; Don Hayes, Central Regional Director willing volunteer at any competition; Mary Anne Boyden, Southwest Regional Director, the voice for that vast area; Dr. Barbara Chapman, Director at Large and champion for Combined Driving, Walt Rector, Director at Large, and active member of the Finance Committee.

If you see them out and about at a driving event, be sure to thank them for their service to the sport of carriage driving.

*Susie Koos Acker*

## Reflecting on a Good Year

By Pat Cheatham, ADS Vice President

As Thanksgiving approaches, I've been thinking over all that's happened in the ADS during 2008. With high fuel prices and the general downturn in the economy, you might think our sport would seriously suffer. That doesn't seem to have occurred. We actually had more ADS-recognized events in 2008 than last year and our membership numbers are up. We were well represented by ADS members in international competition, we've done better on our budget than we thought possible and the ADS Fund had its best year to date in supporting our sport. Add to those accomplishments the successful effort to find and hire a new editor, Sandra Cooke, for the *Whip* and the development and publication of for our Rulebook in its new format, and I think you'll agree that 2008 has been about as good as it could get.

For those of you who couldn't join us, the 2008 ADS membership meeting held in conjunction with The National Drive was a great success. In addition to wonderful early fall weather, the charms of the Kentucky Horse Park and the camaraderie of more than 300 drivers, the ADS went about the business of our Society. Some highlights of this year's meeting weekend include:

- The biannual election of our Board of Directors. This year's slate includes 15 new Board members.
- A promise (or maybe a warning) from Dressage Committee Chair, Larry Brinker of new dressage tests including one-handed movements for Training, Preliminary and Intermediate.
- A huge turnout of well over 100 members for our Annual Membership dinner. President Jim Keathley used the occasion to present the new ADS membership pins to members who have been with the ADS for 20, 25, 30 or more years.
- About 70 percent of the more than 300 folks attending this year's National Drive were ADS members. Additionally, our ADS staff signed up 15 new members during the week.

All in all, a very good year for the sport of driving and for our ADS.

## Help the ADS Reduce Expenses: Get Your Wheelhorse Online.

The ADS spends more than \$12,000, mailing and printing 8 issues of Wheelhorse Newsletter each year. Do your part in helping us reduce cost, not issues, by electing to receive your Wheelhorses by e-mail.

If you renew online and need to get a hard copy you can indicate that in your personal demographics. If you renew by mail, you can check the box to receive a hard copy.

But better yet, leave them both BLANK and enjoy your full color online version, with no reservations!

# ADS Fund Update: US World Singles Championship Team Receives Largest Team Grants to Date from The ADS Fund

by Jamie O'Rourke

The ongoing support you provide the ADS Fund coupled with the yeoman efforts of enthusiastic supporters including Wendy Ying, Heather Schneider, Katydid Driving, Claire Reid, Kelly Valdes, The Brandywine Carriage Club and The Laurels CDE provided the largest pool of grant funds available to date to help our World Single Horse Championship Team members realize their dreams of representing the United States in Poland in September.

Each year our US Championship teams are faced with significant costs associated with training and participation on our behalf at championships rarely held outside of Europe. Sizeable shipping costs alone create large deficits over the funds available from the US Equestrian Federation. USEF makes a significant commitment to the driving sport, but there is still a large gap to be overcome so that we can send our best-prepared and most competitive teams. These teams are composed of drivers who are dedicating significant time and resources as they follow a dream of representing our country.

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2009. On a brighter note, membership retention is up and because of office cost-cutting efforts in the production of our publications, the ADS still on track with the current 2008 budget.

The committee produced a list of scenarios that would help us reduce our costs and asked the ADS Board of Director's for guidance.

One area of discussion centered around the production of the Wheelhorse. Although the Wheelhorse is offered online, we still spend more than \$12,000 a year mailing and printing hard copies. Many of the members who request a hard copy could receive it electronically. The Board decided to ask the membership to voluntarily reduce the number of printed copies sent, to only 10 percent of the membership. If that is not accomplished the next step could be to reduce the number of issues produced each year.

The production of the Omnibus was scrutinized by the Finance Committee which discovered that including it within an issue of the Whip would not yield significant cost sav-

ings balanced against the loss in advertising revenue. However, mailing the Omnibus with the Whip but as a separate publication shows promise of at least a \$2,000 savings. The Board referred this scenario back to the committee for more research.

On the plus side, the Marketing Committee led by Paige Horine, has an aggressive agenda for 2009 that will help us boost membership and the exposure of the ADS. This should help us in both the membership revenue and advertising categories.

Jennifer Matheson, chair of the new Development Committee (which is in charge of the fund-raising efforts of the Society), reported that we are low on unrestricted funds and need to raise more money in that area in order to better support the goals of the Society into 2009.

Times are changing and the ADS is going to have to move aggressively with the changes in order to continue forward. Some changes might be more temporary in nature but others might make good business sense to enact more permanently. Time will tell.

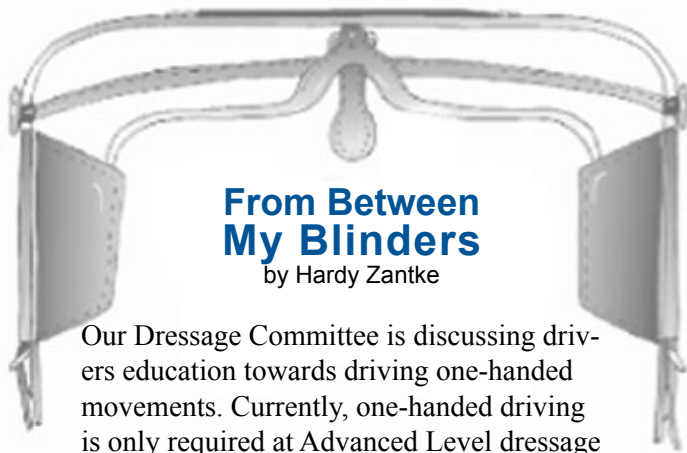
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## Classified Ads

Classified ads are accepted for The Wheelhorse newsletter at a cost of \$1 per word with a \$15 minimum for one month insertion in the next available wheelhorse publication. For two issues, the cost is \$2 per word, etc. Payment must accompany ad text (checks, Visa, Mastercard accepted).

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## From Between My Blinkers

by Hardy Zantke

Our Dressage Committee is discussing drivers education towards driving one-handed movements. Currently, one-handed driving is only required at Advanced Level dressage tests. Perhaps we should get drivers used to

it earlier in our dressage tests, as it is a big jump up to having to do the very difficult one-handed movements that are required in the newer FEI tests. So introducing one-handed movements at lower-level dressage tests could prepare our drivers better for the step up to Advanced. But much more importantly, I think the ability to drive one-handed on occasion is really the proper way to drive - as it enables the right hand to use the whip without losing the contact with the right rein, nor disturbing the horse in the mouth. Proper use of the whip is essential, not only as a forward driving aid, but also for proper bending. I wrote about this subject in more detail last year in the June and September *Whip*. For the same reason our Pleasure drivers are also often asked to show how well they are able to drive some one-handed movements in Reinsmanship classes.

So where do we start to introduce one-handed movements? Just at Intermediate Level, or why not build it up even from the very beginning, e.g. at Training Level to lay the foundation for proper driving? Perhaps at Training Level just ask for part of a straight line to be driven one-handed, for example part of a diagonal, or part of the center

line - each time perhaps about half of that line. Then at Preliminary Level perhaps ask for an one-handed circle, and at the Intermediate Level a one-handed circle followed by a straight line, or a one-handed deviation? That way we could start laying the foundation for proper driving at Training Level and then build up the skill more on each level.

Yes, this would add a new challenge to each level. Some of you may not like such a new requirement. But for once it would not dumb down our sport and it might help to teach better driving.

So why not let us know how you feel about this? You can do so by e-mail to [dressage@americandrivingsociety.org](mailto:dressage@americandrivingsociety.org) or by regular mail to the Dressage Committee c/o The ADS, POB 278, Cross Plains, WI 53528

Either way, don't expect any changes overnight. These things do take a couple of years before you see them out there. First we must agree on what course to take, then new tests have to be developed by the Dressage Committee, have to be published, and then have to be used by organizers, who must include them in their Omnibus entry, which usually is due about half a year in advance of their event. So even if all would go smooth and quickly, realistically we could hardly see such new tests being used before 2010. But we need to start somewhere. Should we do so now?

See Larry Brinker's column in the December Issue of the *Whip* for more information.

**Reminder to all our Young Drivers:** Please send in your entries for the ADS Annual Young Drivers Championships. You find all details including the application form on the ADS website under Young Drivers - Championships. All entries are due postmarked by Nov 30th at the latest.

## 2009 Rulebooks Available Online after January 1

The ADS will produce a new Rulebook effective on January 1, 2009. It will contain all the new changes that have occurred at the FEI level (Advanced) and will move us closer to having a synchronized set of rules with the USEF in regards to Pleasure Driving competition.

The Rulebook will be downloadable to ADS members for **FREE**. If you would like to have a paper copy you will need to remit an order form, along with a \$10 payment. The form is available on the ADS Web site at [www.americandrivingsociety.org/forms.asp](http://www.americandrivingsociety.org/forms.asp). Or you can purchase directly from the online store.

For those of you who receive paper renewals, an order form will be included in your mailing. Life members will also receive an order form in the mail.

## 2010 Rule Change Proposal Deadlines

- 6-1-09 Deadline for accepting Rule Change Proposals (RCPs) for 2010 Rulebook
- 6-30-09 Technical Committees' review of RCPs
- 7-31-09 Publish proposals on ADS Web site and invite member input for 30 days
- Fall ADS Meeting - committee's final review, BOD approves changes.
- 12-1-09 Posting of advanced copy
- 1-1-2010 Rulebook effective date

## 2009 Membership Renewals

The ADS membership renewal notices have been sent via e-mail to all members from whom we have a valid e-mail address.

Please consider renewing your membership electronically as it saves the Society a significant amount of money in postage and printing as well as staff time to organize, stuff and mail thousands of letters.

If for some reason you did not receive the e-mail notice, you can simply:

- Login to the MyADS side of the Web site
- Click on My Transactions.
- You should see an open Membership Order.
- Click on the Order and you will be taken to a payment screen.
- Enter your credit card information and wait for the receipt to be e-mailed to you.

You can also print the order form and mail it to the ADS with your check if you prefer to renew that way or regular paper forms will be sent out on December 1, 2009.

If you experience any trouble with your renewal or need to have your password reset please give the office a call at 608-237-7382, Mon. -Fri., 9-4pm CST.



## New Life Membership Opportunity

Have you been thinking about purchasing a Life Membership to the ADS? Initiated by an ADS member, the opportunity to purchase a Life Membership over a two year period was passed at the October Board of Director's meeting in Lexington, Kentucky. The board voted unanimously to allow a Life Membership beginning in 2009 or 2010, valued at \$1000 to be purchased with two payments of \$500. In 2011 the Life Membership cost will increase to \$1500 but the opportunity to purchase over a two-year period will remain.

Life Members currently make up 12 percent of our total memberships and have been the source of financial security for the society over the years. More importantly, the purchase of a Life Membership shows your commitment to the sport of carriage driving.

Upon her high school graduation Anastacia Luce, who competes in CDE's and Pleasure Driving events with her Haflinger mare, Cory, asked her parents for a Life Membership for her graduation present. Anastacia loves to drive and wanted to stay connected to the ADS through college and the next phases of her life. Her Life Membership insures her of that connection.

## Membership Changes from Annual to Anniversary

At the July Board of Director's Meeting held in Massachusetts, it was decided to change the membership period from January 1 thru December 31, to the date an individual purchased their membership. For example; if someone purchases a membership in October, their membership would expire September 30 of the following year.

This allows members to receive the maximum value of their membership regardless of the date they sign-up. We hope that this will help our membership drive efforts at Equine Affaires, breeds shows and other trade fairs by being able to sell memberships that are current, no matter the time of year.

However, if current members renew after their membership expires, they will not be mailed previous copies of the Societies publications as we have done in the past. Their membership will effectively be canceled and then restarted upon their payment. Competitors MUST supply organizer's with copies of their membership card with their entries to prove their current status.

*Don't miss an issue of the whip  
make sure to renew your membership  
before December 31, 2008.*

If you are interested in purchasing a Life Membership for yourself or a family member please contact the ADS office at 608-237-7382.



# 2008 Calendar of Events

## Bold Type Indicates an ADS Recognized Competition

All driving activities may be listed in the Calendar, but as space is limited, please submit only dates of activities that are open to all ADS members. For a complete up-to-date calendar listing, visit [www.americandrivingsociety.org/calendar.asp](http://www.americandrivingsociety.org/calendar.asp).

### December

**13-14 THE TAMPA TRIALS HDT:** Bob Thomas Equestrian Center, Tampa, FL; Train., Prelim., Inter., Adv.; Erika Matulich, H: 813-982-2200, C: 813-784-8484, F: 813-982-9709, [ematulich@ut.edu](mailto:ematulich@ut.edu)

### 2009 January

- 10 **Gilcrest Farm Winter Series Mod HDT:** Windsor SC; [www.gilcrestfarm.com](http://www.gilcrestfarm.com) Train., Prelim., Inter., Adv.; Irene Gillis, H: 803-648-4500, C: 803-646-1175. [ponylady@earthlink.net](mailto:ponylady@earthlink.net)
- 14-18 ADS SPRING BOARD MEETING:** *To be held in conjunction with the USEF meeting. Cincinnati Ohio at the Hilton Cincinnati Netherland Plaza Hotel. More Info.*
- 17-18 NATURE COAST HDT:** Black Prong Equestrian Center, Bronson FL; Train., Prelim., Inter., Adv., Black Prong Equestrian Center W: 352-486-1234, C: 352-615-6460 [blackprong-center@aol.com](mailto:blackprong-center@aol.com)
- 29-2/1 **Equine Affaire®:** The Nation's Premiere Equine Exposition & Equestrian Gathering; Pomona, CA [www.equineaffaire.com](http://www.equineaffaire.com)
- 29-31 **CAA Learning Weekend:** Florida Carriage Museum & Resort, Wiersdale, FL. Details contact Jill Ryder 1-859-231-0971

### February

- 7-8 FLORIDA STATE FAIR:** Florida State Fairgrounds; [www.floridastatefair.com](http://www.floridastatefair.com); Levels: Pony, VSE, Single Horse, Pairs/Multiples, ADT hazards/cones; Contact: Amy Uniss, W: 813-740-3500, C: 813-477-3136, F: 813-740-3502, [unissa@doacs.state.fl.us](mailto:unissa@doacs.state.fl.us);
- 8 **SWEET HEART ADT:** Hesperia, CA; [www.whipersnappers.com](http://www.whipersnappers.com); Levels: Train., Prelim., Inter., Adv.; Contact: Suellen Hall, H: 661-944-4677, [suellenhall62@yahoo.com](mailto:suellenhall62@yahoo.com).
- 14 **Gilcrest Farm Winter Series Mod HDT:** Windsor SC; [www.gilcrestfarm.com](http://www.gilcrestfarm.com) Train., Prelim., Inter., Adv.; Irene Gillis, H: 803-648-4500, C: 803-646-1175. [ponylady@earthlink.net](mailto:ponylady@earthlink.net)
- 14 **Saratoga Driving Association Presents "Get Ready for Spring: A Midwinter Driving Conference.** Verdoy Firehouse Latham New York; Scheduled speakers include Holly Pulsifer & Scott Monroe. Come learn and network in a relaxed and comfortable atmosphere. Lunch included in registration. Carol Frank 518-459-1235
- 20-22 FLORIDA HORSE FESTIVAL & CARRIAGE SHOW:** Florida Carriage Museum & Resort; [www.fcmr.org](http://www.fcmr.org); Levels: Junior, VSEs, Singles, Pairs, Multiples Horses and Ponies; Contact: Kacy Tipton-Fashik, H: 352-598-3034, W: 352-750-5500 x 229, C: 352-409-1398, F: 352-753-3105, [kacy.fashik@fcmr.org](mailto:kacy.fashik@fcmr.org);
- 26-3/1 SUNSHINE STATE CAI:** Florida Horse Park; [www.flhorsepark.com](http://www.flhorsepark.com); Levels: Prelim., Inter., Adv.; Contact: Susan Gilliland, H: 352-489-6586, C: 813-220-8226, F: 352-489-9284, [s\\_gilliland@msn.com](mailto:s_gilliland@msn.com)

### March

1 **2009 JULY-DECEMBER, OMNIBUS ENTRIES DUE**

- 7-8 BLACK PRONG HDT:** Black Prong Equestrian Center, Bronson FL; Train., Prelim., Inter., Adv., Black Prong Equestrian Center W: 352-486-1234, C: 352-615-6460 [blackprong-center@aol.com](mailto:blackprong-center@aol.com)
- 11 **Gilcrest Farm Winter Series Mod HDT:** Windsor SC; [www.gilcrestfarm.com](http://www.gilcrestfarm.com) Train., Prelim., Inter., Adv.; Irene Gillis, H: 803-648-4500, C: 803-646-1175. [ponylady@earthlink.net](mailto:ponylady@earthlink.net)
- 14-15 ARIZONA HDT:** Goree Farms, Coolidge, AZ; [www.azcarriage.org](http://www.azcarriage.org); Levels: Train., Prelim., Inter., Adv.; Contact: ADCS HDT Committee, H: 928-636-4228, [mjatonna@com-speed.net](mailto:mjatonna@com-speed.net)
- 19-22 LIVE OAK INTERNATIONAL CDE:** Live Oak Plantation, Ocala, FL; [www.cailiveoak.com](http://www.cailiveoak.com); Levels: Inter., Adv.; Contact: Susan Gilliland, H: 352-489-6586, C: 813-220-8226, F: 352-489-9284; [s\\_gilliland@msn.com](mailto:s_gilliland@msn.com)
- 28-29 NTW SUNRISE RIDGE HDT & DRIVING WEEKEND:** Paradise, TX; [www.northtexaswhip.org](http://www.northtexaswhip.org); Level: Train., Prelim.; Contact: Kate Morgan, H: 817-523-4616, C: 817-688-9580, F: 817-523-4616 (call first please); [katermorgan@gmail.com](mailto:katermorgan@gmail.com)

### April

- 2-5 **Equine Affaire®:** The Nation's Premiere Equine Exposition & Equestrian Gathering; Coumbus, OH [www.equineaffaire.com](http://www.equineaffaire.com)
- 4 **Gilcrest Farm Winter Series Mod HDT:** Windsor SC; [www.gilcrestfarm.com](http://www.gilcrestfarm.com) Train., Prelim., Inter., Adv.; Irene Gillis, H: 803-648-4500, C: 803-646-1175. [ponylady@earthlink.net](mailto:ponylady@earthlink.net)
- 4 **CHAPTER ONE FARMS SPRING ADT:** Pedricktown, NJ; [www.chapteronefarms.com](http://www.chapteronefarms.com); Levels: Train., Prelim., Inter., Adv.; Contact: Helene Paxton, H: 856-299-5124, W: 410-620-3462, C: 443-253-4135, Fax: 856-299-6772, [hpaxton@chapteronefarms.com](mailto:hpaxton@chapteronefarms.com)
- 10-12 SOUTHERN PINES CDE:** Carolina Horse Park, Raeford, NC; Levels: Prelim., Inter., Adv.; Contact: Claire Reid & Kelly Valdes, H: 910-692-4164, C: 910-603-2449, [fkvaldes@aol.com](mailto:fkvaldes@aol.com)
- 18-19 SPRING FLING ADT:** Florida Carriage Museum & Resort; [www.cypresskeep.com/springfling](http://www.cypresskeep.com/springfling); Levels: Train., Prelim., Inter., Adv.; Contact: Erika Matulich, H: 813-982-2200, C: 813-784-8484, F: 813-982-9709, [ematulich@ut.edu](mailto:ematulich@ut.edu) (e-mail is preferred method of contact, put "Spring Fling" in your subject line);
- 24-25 **Martins Auctions:** New Holland, PA; 38th Annual Spring Auction of Coaches, Carriages Sleighs, Appointments and Antiques [www.martinsauctioneers.com](http://www.martinsauctioneers.com)
- 25-26 PLUM CREEK CARRIAGE CDE & COMBINED TEST:** Agarita Ranch Lockhart TX; Train., Prelim., Inter., Sharon Gorry H: 913-728-2197 C: 512-585-5450 [swgorry@sun-flower.com](mailto:swgorry@sun-flower.com)
- 24-26 RAM TAP CDE:** Ram Tap Show Grounds, Fresno, CA; Levels: Train., Prelim., Inter.; Contact: Gene Hagberg, H: 559-689-3186, C: 559-389-6041, [showtime93653@hotmail.com](mailto:showtime93653@hotmail.com)
- 25-26 GREAT OAKS HDT:** Great Oaks Farm, Newnan, GA; Levels: Train., Prelim.; Contact: Mary Deatherage, H: 256-964-1999, W: 256-313-5344, C: 678-360-1359, F: 256-964-

1999 (please call first), [marydeatherage@bellsouth.net](mailto:marydeatherage@bellsouth.net) or [deatheragem@bellsouth.net](mailto:deatheragem@bellsouth.net);

## May

- 2-3 SHADY OAKS SPRING HDT**, Shady Oaks CA.  
Levels: Train., Prelim., Inter., Adv.; Bonner Murphy, W: 209-462-2209, C: 209-481-0843, Fax: 209-462-9780; [bnrnr-phy@aol.com](mailto:bnrnr-phy@aol.com)
- 9-10 GMHA DRIVING TWO-PHASE & ADT**: Green Mountain Horse Association, South Woodstock, VT; Levels CDE: Training, Prelim., Inter., Adv.; Levels ADT: Train., Prelim., Inter.; Contact: Karey Manner, W: 802-457-1509, F: 802-457-4471, [kmanner@gmhainc.org](mailto:kmanner@gmhainc.org)
- 15-17 GAYLA BLUEGRASS CDE**: Gayla Driving Center, Georgetown, KY; [www.gayladrivingcenter.com](http://www.gayladrivingcenter.com); Levels: Train., Prelim., Inter.; Contact: Debbie Banfield, H: 502-863-5113, C: 502-542-0032, F: 502-867-0081, [gayla3329@aol.com](mailto:gayla3329@aol.com);
- 15-17 VINEYARD CLASSIC CDE**: Woodland Stallion Station, Woodland, CA; [www.wssvineyardclassicde.com](http://www.wssvineyardclassicde.com); Levels: Train., Prelim., Inter.; Contact: Harriet Merritt, H: 925-968-9805, C: 925-548-5566, [hl\\_merritt@yahoo.com](mailto:hl_merritt@yahoo.com)
- 17 27th ANNUAL MY LADY'S MANOR PLEASURE DRIVING SHOW**: Spring Valley Park, New Freedom, PA; [www.mlmdc.org](http://www.mlmdc.org); Levels: Open Horse/Pony, Multiples, VSE, Junior, Novice Driver, Novice Equine; Contact: Dana Bright, H: 717-246-2351, [cdeponyz@comcast.net](mailto:cdeponyz@comcast.net) or Anne Council, H: 717-993-8956, C: 717-880-3840, [birchhollow\\_anne@verizon.net](mailto:birchhollow_anne@verizon.net)
- 23-24 CAROLINA CARRIAGE CLUB DRIVING HDT**: Foot hills Equestrian Nature Center, Tryon, NC; [www.carolinacarrriage.org](http://www.carolinacarrriage.org); Levels: Train., Prelim.; Contact: Price Story, H: 828-891-7571, C: 828-242-7954, F: 828-891-9453, [p\\_story@bellsouth.net](mailto:p_story@bellsouth.net) or Sue Hrizuk, H: 864-224-6046, [suecapt@yahoo.com](mailto:suecapt@yahoo.com)
- 29-31 GARDEN STATE CDE**: USEF Selection Trial for Pairs and Ponies; Horse Park of New Jersey, Allentown, NJ; Levels: Train., Prelim., Inter., Adv.; Contact: Horse Park of New Jersey (Heather Walker), H: 908-439-3171, C: 908-343-6476, F: 908-439-3318, [walkers\\_whimsea@yahoo.com](mailto:walkers_whimsea@yahoo.com)
- 30-31 PLEASURE DAYS CARRIAGE DRIVING SHOW**: Tejon Ranch Equestrian Center, Lebec, CA; [www.whiprsnappers.com](http://www.whiprsnappers.com); Levels: Novice Whip, Open Horse/Pony, Multiples, VSEs; Contact: Veronica Campbell, H: 562-431-7264, W: 562-431-7264, [t.v.campbell@verizon.net](mailto:t.v.campbell@verizon.net)

## June

- 6 CONNECTICUT VALLEY DRIVING TRIAL**: Haddam Meadows State Park, Haddam, CT; [www.cvdridingclub.com](http://www.cvdridingclub.com); Levels: Train., Prelim.; Contact: Bill & Nancy Lawson, H: 860-349-8745, C: 860-490-4667, [wwlawson@sbcglobal.net](mailto:wwlawson@sbcglobal.net)
- 6-7 TEDDY BEAR'S CDE**: Mead, WA; [www.teddybearford.com](http://www.teddybearford.com); Levels: Train., Prelim., Prelim. Open; Contact: Warren & Sylvia Riddle, H: 509-464-4490, W: 509-926-6217, F: 509-928-8689, [info@teddybearford.com](mailto:info@teddybearford.com);
- 6-7 MHDVA BLUE RIBBON CLINIC & HORSE SHOW**: Kalamazoo Fairgrounds, Kalamazoo, MI; [www.mhdva.org](http://www.mhdva.org); Levels: Junior, Novice Whip, Novice Horse/Pony, Open Horse/Pony, Multiples, VSE, Draft; Contact: Michelle T. Ridley, H: 517-712-7085, [ridley@msu.edu](mailto:ridley@msu.edu)
- 7 BRANDYWINE CARRIAGE PLEASURE DRIVING SHOW**: Ludwigs Corner Horse Show Grounds, Glenmoore, PA; [www.bvdc.org](http://www.bvdc.org); Levels: Junior, Novice, Open Single Pony/Horse, Multiples, VSE, Park Type, Draft Type; Contact: J. Samea Baker, H: 610-310-0962, [baker\\_js@yahoo.com](mailto:baker_js@yahoo.com)
- 13-14 ELK CREEK CDE**: Fair Hill, Elkton, MD; [www.fairhillinternational.com](http://www.fairhillinternational.com); Levels: Train., Prelim., Inter.; Contact: Diane Trefry, W: 410-755-6855, C: 443-553-1453, F: 410-755-6110, [dtrefry@verizon.net](mailto:dtrefry@verizon.net) or Lisa Singer, H: 610-388-7901, C: 610-960-8695, F: 610-388-2473, [chateauog@aol.com](mailto:chateauog@aol.com)

- 13-14 ORLETON FARM EDEN HILL PLEASURE DRIVING SHOW**: Stockbridge MA; Juniors, Novice Whip, Pony, Horse, Multiples, VSE's, Contact Carole Frank, H:518-459-1235, [cfrank@nycap.rr.com](mailto:cfrank@nycap.rr.com)
- 13-14 SUMMER FESTIVAL CDE**: Wilton, CA; [www.claystationhorsepark.com](http://www.claystationhorsepark.com); Levels: Train., Prelim., Inter.; Contact: Clay Station Horse Park, H: 916-687-7948, F: 916-687-7948, [claystationhorsepark@frontiernet.net](mailto:claystationhorsepark@frontiernet.net)
- 19-21 METAMORA CDE XXV**: Windrush Farm, Metamora, MI; [www.metamoracarriagedriving.org](http://www.metamoracarriagedriving.org); Levels: Train., Prelim., Inter., Adv.; Contact: Jim Pierce, H: 810-664-2102, C: 248-495-8089, [jastoneoak@aol.com](mailto:jastoneoak@aol.com)
- 19-21 COLUMBUS CARRIAGE CLASSIC**: Fireman's Park Columbus WI; Juniors, Novice Whip, Novice/Open Horse & Pony, Multiples, VSE's Drafts Contact: Debbie Bevan 608-692-6465, e-mail: [bevan@maqs.net](mailto:bevan@maqs.net)
- 19-21 HAPP'S CDE**: Ethel WA; Levels: Train., Prelim., Inter.; Contact Maureen Harkcom H: 360-978-4562, W: 360-978-5064, F: 360-978-6667 [maureen@happsinc.com](mailto:maureen@happsinc.com)
- 26-28 BROMONT INTERNATIONAL CDE**: Bromont Quebec, CAN, Levels: Train., Prelim., Inter., FEI. Contact: Roger Deslauriers H: 450-534-0787, C: 450-534-9524, F: 450-534-0417 [info@internationalbromont.org](mailto:info@internationalbromont.org)
- 27-28 SKUNK RIVER HDT**: Three G Farms Equine Center, Ames, IA; <http://bitsiowa.org>; Levels: Train., Prelim.; Contact: Mary Winter, H: 515-232-3019, C: 515-450-1041; [mwinter@iastate.edu](mailto:mwinter@iastate.edu)
- 27-28 SHADY OAKS SUMMER HDT**, Shady Oaks CA.  
Levels: Train., Prelim., Inter., Adv.; Bonner Murphy, W: 209-462-2209, C: 209-481-0843, Fax: 209-462-9780; [bnrnr-phy@aol.com](mailto:bnrnr-phy@aol.com)
- 27** Susquehanna Valley Whips and Wheels Pleasure Driving Show: Hughesville PA; Your choice of a one or two day show, championships in all divisions including grand champion for the two day combined high scoring pony, horse and novice; Tina Cornell 570-784-4793
- 28** Susquehanna Valley Whips and Wheels Sporting Day of Traditional Driving: Hughesville PA; Pony Horse and Novice; Tina Cornell 570-784-4793

## July

- 18-19 LORENZO DRIVING COMPETITION**: Cazenovia NY; Juniors, Novice Whip/Horse/Pony, Open, Multiples, VSE, Contact: Lisa Shotzberger H: 610-469-6556, C: 484-942-5750, [fredshotz@yahoo.com](mailto:fredshotz@yahoo.com)
- 25-26 CARRIAGES IN THE PARK, CLEVELAND CDE**: Cuyahoga Valley National Park, Cleveland, OH; Levels: Train., Prelim.; Contact: Robert Burrows, H: 330-334-1528, W: 330-697-8325, C: 330-697-8325, [rburrows@opgmail.com](mailto:rburrows@opgmail.com)

## August

- 1-2 SARATOGA CARRIAGE CLASSIC PLEASURE DRIVING SHOW**: Berkshire Equestrian Center, Richmond MA; Class include obstacles, arena driving, dressage working and more. Gina Handy 518-583-4316

## SEPTEMBER

- 1 2010 JANUARY TO JUNE, OMNIBUS ENTRIES DUE**
- 11-13 VILLA LOUIS CARRIAGE CLASSIC**: Prairie Du Chein, WI; Single Horse, Pony, Multiples, VSE Open, Novice, Juniors; Mike Rider W: 608-326-4436; [info@carriageclassic.com](mailto:info@carriageclassic.com)



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