



Simeon Gray drove Bristol's Temptation to Reserve Novice Champion at Maine Carriage Days. Story on p. 8. Jim Leiby photo.

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Lowell Nelson and his Morgan, Jesse at The Waterfall at Happ's in June 2010. Photo by Wendy Ross

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A Message from The Executive Director



Since this is the 35th anniversary of the ADS as an incorporated business in the state of New York, I decided to put together a slide show based on the

early editions of the *Whip* for the annual Members Meeting. I went to the bookshelf and carefully started leafing through those very first editions.

Charles Kellogg (trainer/coach Craig Kellogg's father) was the first editor of the *Whip*. He did a bang-up job of providing the membership with a communication tool that kept them informed and abreast of the events, people and stories concerning this new equestrian sport of carriage driving that was growing in the United States.

The more I read, the more engrossed I became by stories about the struggles the founding directors faced. One of their first challenges was to craft a set of rules that were not so strict as to stifle the sport, but that were supportive enough of carriage driving traditions to maintain its grace and style. These rules were later adopted by the American Horse Show Association (AHSA), now the United States Equestrian Federation (USEF).

In order not to lose track of this valuable information, we are planning to run a tribute to the past in the *Whip* starting with the February issue. I hope that you will enjoy as much as I did learning about the history of our society.

Susie-

A Letter to Intermediate Competitors

Thank you for participating in the inaugural year of the American Driving Society Intermediate Championships. It was really exciting to see so many competitors at the Intermediate Level. There were 46 single pony competitors, 45 single horses, 19 pairs of ponies, 13 pairs of horses, one tandem pony, two pony teams, six horse teams, and four VSEs.

I know that everybody joins in congratulating this year's Champions and Reserve Champions.

Single Pony Champion: Terri Jones, Washington

Reserve Single Pony Champion: Debbie Schuster, Ohio

Single Horse Champion: Megan Sibiga-Keenon, Oregon

Reserve Single Horse Champion: Nifty Hamilton, Florida

Pony Pair Champion: Linda Yutzy, Texas

Pony Pair Reserve Champion: Donna Yanik, Oregon

Pair Horse Champion: Patricia Hastings, Vermont

Pair Horse Reserve Champion: Rae Fisher, Ontario

Tandem Pony Champion: Mark Dahlberg, Wisconsin

Pony Team Champion: Eleanor Gallagher, North Carolina

Pony Team Reserve Champion: Heather Schneider, Florida

Horse Team Champion: Gerard Paagman, Alberta

VSE Single Champion: Merridy Hance, Washington

VSE Pair Champion: Wanda Lusk, Washington

The final placings and scores for all who participated are available online at www.americandrivingsociety.org. Some of the names we know and some are new. That is part of the purpose of this program—to encourage people to move through the levels of competition, as well as to encourage events to provide more levels to the competitors.

Our plan is to continue this program in 2011 and we need your input to help make it even more fun and challenging than it was in 2010. We really want your comments and suggestions as we prepare the criteria for next year. Please give us your suggestions and comments on things you liked, things you didn't like. You can send your suggestions to me at Ellen.ettenger@americandrivingsociety.org.

The Championship and Reserve awards will be given at the ADS Annual Meeting at Gayla Driving Center October 8, during the World Equestrian Games. I invite you to attend and receive your award, support your fellow competitors and cheer on our four-in-hand drivers. I hope I will see you there!!!!

Sincerely,

EllenMarie Ettenger, American Driving Society Competition Specialist

Northwest Whips Welcome New Intermediate Championships

We drivers from the Northwest Region of the American Driving Society extend our thanks for recognition as champions and reserve champion in the first North American Intermediate CDE Championship. We're thrilled with our achievements; we've worked long and hard to get here.

We'd like to say a hearty thank you, too, to the venues that supported us by offering Intermediate level classes. We competed at Beaver Creek, Birds Hill, Happ's, Inavale, Shady Oaks, and Vineyard Classic. West and east, south and north, our venues welcomed us. Teddy Bear Fjords' CDE now welcomes us, too, as the program grows. This championship helps to grow excellence among venues as well as drivers and horses.

This program has given us renewed feelings of purpose and excitement. We feel a kind of a kinship with drivers from all over North America as we pursue common goals. We're expanding our participation in continuing efforts to excel.

We'll all be at it again for 2011! We thank you for the excellent program and for the thrilling recognition.

In fellowship,

Gerard Paagman, Horse Fours
Terri Jones, Single Pony
Megan Sibiga, Single Horse
Wanda Lusk, Pair VSE
Merridy Hance, Single VSE
Donna Yanik, Pair Pony (Reserve)

Members Support ADS Fund

By Jamie O'Rourke

In mid-July and mid-September, two fundraising events benefiting the programs of the ADS Fund were generously organized by members.

The first was a barbeque hosted at Big Sky Farm in Southern Pines, North Carolina by Claire Reid and Kelly Valdes. The event brought together youngsters developing their skills, seasoned drivers aspiring to national and international championships and the legendary Southern Pines driving community. All attending enjoyed good food and good company in support of the many programs the Fund provides to assist the development of the driving sport around the country.

In mid-September, The Laurels at Landhope reprised its popular effort to generate funds for driving through the ADS Fund. Once again competitors were offered the opportunity to leave dirty stalls at the end of the event if they would donate their stall deposit to the ADS Fund. A large number of competitors cheerfully participated. This was a real win-win for everyone: Competitors were relieved of that last job after a long show, while they helped the development of the sport they enjoy so much.

The efforts of just these two groups generated more than \$9,000 to provide increased and enhanced opportunities to learn about and enjoy the sport of driving in all its forms. Imagine what we could do if each Region took up the challenge and organized a fundraiser on these models or through their own creativity.

Please help continue the growth of driving nationwide, encourage the participation of youth and recognize achievement through your contribution. It is important to the success of ADS Fund programs and the future of the ADS. Your contribution supports each facet of driving and your gift will be gratefully recognized in the Whip.

Thank you!

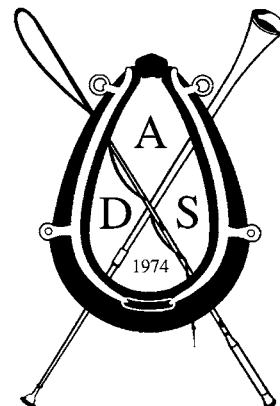
For more information about the ADS Fund, please visit americandrivingsociety.org or contact Jamie O'Rourke 484-832-4365.

Classified Ads

Classified ads are accepted for the *Wheelhorse* at a cost of \$1 per word with a \$15 minimum for a one-month insertion in the next available *Wheelhorse* publication. Payment must accompany ad text (checks, Visa, Mastercard accepted).

COMPETITION CONES: \$27 each. Marker Balls \$2.70 each. For practice at home, Pleasure Driving Shows, and CDEs. Accepting MC/Visa. Phone Gayla Driving Center 1-800-360-5774. (KY)

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Birds Hill International CDE Still Breaking New Ground

By Melanie Brydges Down
Photos by Susan Lisoway

The 17th annual Birds Hill International Combined Driving Event took place on July 17-18 in Manitoba. Despite the event's extensive history, this year was one of several firsts for the Birds Hill CDE. For the first time, a Very Small Equine (VSE) competed. Jenny Hamill, 13, of Stony Mountain drove her VSE Marshall. The rules of Combined Driving make special allowances for this type of competitor; the dressage ring and marathon course are altered to



Jenny Hamill, age 13, of Manitoba and her grandmother Betty Conrad tackle the Birds Hill water hazard with VSE Marshall

accommodate VSE entries. During the obstacles portion of the marathon, an enthusiastic crowd cheered for Jenny and admired the energetic mini as she and Marshall negotiated the water and other obstacles like seasoned competitors. Organizers hope this is the start of an active class of VSEs for Birds Hill.

Another first was the addition of a new class. After a weather postponement when a thunderstorm rolled in Saturday afternoon, drivers and spectators were delighted Sunday afternoon with the presentation of a Developmental Junior Driver class in which five whips aged 10 to 15 drove horses ranging from a miniature to a Morgan through a cones course designed specifically for the class. The CDE ground jury (Hardy Zantke, Lorraine Hill and Doug Orr) kindly agreed to oversee the class and Hardy Zantke pro-

vided coaching comments to the young drivers at its conclusion. The purpose of the class was to allow junior drivers the experience of driving at a major event, to receive coaching from a knowledgeable judge and to help young drivers prepare to compete in the full event some day. This type of class is unique in Canada, to the Birds Hill CDE.

The final notable first for this year's Birds Hill was the entry of a four-in-hand. Gerard Paagman of Invermere, British Columbia and his team of four black Friesians were first-time competitors. Paagman, originally from the Netherlands, has competed for the Dutch Combined Driving team. At the conclusion of the Manitoba event, he marvelled at the quality of the Combined Driving venue at Birds Hill Park and how welcoming the people were. This was his first trip to Manitoba and he plans to be back for the Event in 2011.

Overall, comments from California-based Hardy Zantke, president of this year's Ground Jury, reflected how pleased he was to see the four-in-hand competitor from British Columbia and the great course design Birds Hill Park offers, with clustered obstacles which make it easier for drivers to plan their route, officials to manage, and spectators to see all of the action. Once again, Fred Gutoski designed exciting marathon obstacles and a unique cones course whose cloverleaves challenged even the most experienced drivers.

Manitoba competitors shone at this year's event. With top contenders such as Deb Laderoute of Alberta absent due to her training schedule in Kentucky for this fall's World Equestrian Games, and many other regular top American and out-of-province competitors sidelined due to WEG training or injuries, Manitoba drivers put on a great show. Four of the seven classes were won by Manitoba drivers. The remaining three classes were won by drivers from Wisconsin, Nebraska, and British Columbia.



Bryanna Down, age 15, of Manitoba and her father

Gerard Paagman of British Columbia drove his four-in-hand of Friesians at Birds Hill; grooms are Mariska Torny and Sarina Westenberg of The Netherlands.



Results: Training Division VSE, Jenny Hamill; Training Single Horse, Bryanna Down; Prelim Single Horse, Ruth Rob; Prelim Single Pony, Julie Dahlburg; Intermediate Single Pony, Erika Rob; Intermediate Pairs Horse, Barb Simmons; Intermediate Team Horse, Gerard Paagman.

For more information about the sport of combined driving in Manitoba, please visit www.manitobadrivingsociety.com.

Ball Down, Cone Under ...

Frequent contributor Louisa Emerick was in Florida early this year when she captured this Cones moment, in which the penalty did not exactly reflect a near miss.



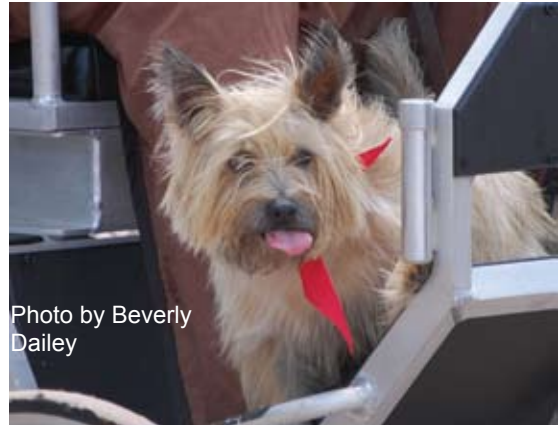
Training Level: A column and forum for new driving enthusiasts

By Deby Stewart

Whew, it's been hot here in South Florida! I just happened to look at my October 2009 column and I guess it was pretty hot last summer too, as I was complaining about the 90-degree temperatures even then. Between the heat and the frequent rains this year, our property and the areas around it have turned into complete mud holes. Our farrier has had to return a lot more often, as the mud sucks shoes off almost as fast as he can nail them on. Thank goodness that's one thing I don't have to worry about, as TigerLily is barefoot, but the Thoroughbreds especially are suffering.

Now that it looks like it may soon be comfortable to drive, I decided to buy a new cart. This will temporarily solve the "too-fat-to-fit-between-the-shafts" problem TigerLily's been having, and since I'm getting an aluminum cart I'll be able to go play in the rain and mud if I want to. The four-wheeled carriage can stay safely (and cleanly) in the garage for more formal occasions. The cart is being made for me and as soon as I can pick it up and hitch TigerLily, I'll share the fun with you.

Earlier this month we had the first driving show in a very long time down here in the "driving wasteland" (as I call it). Energetic Florida Whips member Bettina Scherer put together a wonderful Classic Carriage Show at the gorgeous Palm Beach Equestrian Center in Wellington, normally home to A Circuit hunter and jumper shows. Some friends from Ocala made the five-hour drive down and I helped out a bit with harnessing and cart-sitting. Somehow shows are always more fun when you're helping someone rather than just watching, don't you think?



The best part of all was that carriage driving was introduced to lots of new people who may never have had the opportunity to see anything like it. The 25 competitors got many admiring looks and we all answered tons of questions from really interested spectators. There were the requisite classes: Reinsmanship, Pleasure, Cones, Carriage Dogs and even a small Hazards course. Everyone looked beautiful and the horses seemed to be on their best behavior. The Draft class had only one entry and my friend Beverly, who went with me, is now declaring that by the time of the next show we will have our draft-type horses in top shape so that we can be a part of it too.

So who knows? I may show someday after all. TigerLily is going to be horrified!

Till next time,

Deby

Miniature Horse Driving Drill Team Performs at the WEG



The Arizona Mini Mystique, an American Miniature Horse precision driving drill team, will perform daily October 3-10 as part of the WEG Showcase Entertainment in the Equine Village at the Kentucky Horse Park.

The drill team has taken part in other major events including several Rose Parades, the July 2009 Stampede and the Del Mar National Horse Show. The intricate maneuvers that the team performs to music include the Box Cross and Suicide Wheel.

The drill team raised money for the trip to Kentucky by putting on clinics and driving seminars, and by holding tack and garage sales.

Photo courtesy of Arizona Mini Mystique

In Praise of the Unlikely Driving Horse

By Linda Evans

When I lived in Ohio, I did volunteer work for CanterOhio, a non-profit rescue group for off-the-track Thoroughbred racehorses. I had no experience with Thoroughbreds before I started volunteering; my opinion of them was based largely on comments I had heard over the years regarding “those crazy Thoroughbreds.” After fostering about a dozen of them, however, I found them to be lovely, well-trained horses.

In hopes of keeping unwanted horses from going to slaughter auctions, CanterOhio offers free advertising on its Web site to trainers who have horses they want to sell. My job as a volunteer was to go to the racetrack or farm where the horse for sale was stabled, take a digital picture and write an ad for the horse. I then forwarded the picture and ad to our Web master to be posted on the CanterOhio Web site.

One trainer who had successfully sold all but one of his horses lamented to me that he had not sold his remaining horse. This horse raced successfully until age 12, when—although he was injury-free—the trainer said he just gave up and would no longer run. I explained that the horse had probably not sold due to his age. People buying Thoroughbreds to re-train want horses between 4 and 6 years old to make the training worth their time.

At this point, the trainer asked me if I would like to have the horse. I asked in disbelief if he wanted to give him to me. His reply was a simple “Yes!” “For free?” I asked. Again his answer was, “Yes, I just want the horse to have a good home.” I didn’t hesitate. Against my husband’s objections, I brought the racehorse (whose registered name was Snuffy) home. We already had two horses and we were going to Florida for the winter. We really didn’t need another horse! But Snuffy turned out to be a great trail horse for my husband, Dan. He was not spooky and never refused to do anything that we asked of him.

We eventually made Morriston, Florida our permanent home. This past November, my Lipizzan driving horse injured his neck and it took the biggest part of the competition season to heal. I missed driving terribly while the Lipizzan was recuperating and decided I would try to teach the Thoroughbred to drive. When I mentioned this to my neighbors and driving friends, however, they all looked at me with skepticism. “Good luck!” was the usual response, followed by “You’re going to do this yourself?” They rolled their eyes in disbelief. By now, Snuffy was 15 years old.

I felt confident in my training abilities, as I had trained all of my horses to drive over the years and Snuffy had such a willing attitude. I started longeing him in harness, then progressed to long lines. When he became bored with each step, I would move on to the next. He pulled the dray over the lime rock roads where we live without a hitch.

I bought an easy entry Hardwick Jog Cart from an ad in



Dan Evans forged a partnership with Snuffy, a retired Thoroughbred racehorse. Photo by Linda Evans

the Florida Whips newsletter to begin his driving training. When I felt he was comfortable in every aspect of his training to date, we hitched him to the cart. I drove around our pasture the first few times and it was uneventful. We progressed to driving on the roads in Steeplechase Farms Subdivision with Dan walking beside me in case I needed assistance. After a week or so, he joined me in the cart and a driving horse was born!

Dan has been gatoring for me for more than 25 years and one day he said he would like to try driving Snuffy himself. I schooled them for two months in preparation for the Steeplechase CDE. We practiced basic dressage, drove cones and went for leisurely drives in Goethe State Forest. On opening day we sent our entries in for the Green Driver/Green Horse division. Boots Wright graciously donated her services as Dressage Judge at Steeplechase, where Dan got a surprising 61 percent on his—and Snuffy’s—first ever dressage test. He went clean in Cones and had a great Marathon. (He had time penalties because we didn’t want to push for speed in this first event, but Snuffy bravely faced the four hazards with no hesitation.)

In his past life Snuffy was a champion racehorse, winning his owner more than \$100,000. When he quit running and winning, he became a throw-away horse that no one wanted. We gave him a new life and a new career where he can again become a champion. We did what many thought could not be done. Dan had so much fun competing he wants to continue to train for the driving events next fall.

The moral of the story: There doesn’t have to be such a thing as a throw-away horse. All horses can be taught to be useful with time, love and proper training. Don’t let anyone discourage you. Believe in yourself and pursue your dreams. Maybe someone out there has a pasture ornament with the potential to become a safe and reliable driving horse. Our lives have been blessed with the gift of this “throw-away” horse!

Maine Carriage Days Enjoys Balmy Weekend

By Mary Fowler
Photos by Jim Leiby



Dan Steinke and his pair won Best Gentleman Driver in addition to the Multiples Championship.

The 33rd annual Maine Carriage Days was blessed with great weather this year, a welcome relief after last year's deluge. Officiating were Macy Hill from Virginia in charge of the Pleasure ring, Margot Clark from Massachusetts (who stepped in at the last minute to judge Dressage when our scheduled judge had a medical situation that prevented her from coming), and Susan Koso from Massachusetts, our Technical Delegate.

On Saturday morning the day started with an "Intro to Carriage Driving shows" clinic with India Haynes from Maine. This was a popular clinic which, in the past, traditionally preceded the competition. It was well received this year. Part of the fun of an ADS recognized driving show is the variety of driving turnouts represented. This makes it especially interesting for the spectators. This year we had three pairs of horses (two pairs of Morgans and one pair of Chevaux Canadiennes), four VSEs, a Hackney Pony, a Draft Cross, a Friesian, a Standardbred, a Holsteiner and several single Morgans of various colors and sizes. We had four very competent and competitive juniors who all drove in regular divisions: Anna Bigelow, Jordan Davis, Olivia Fowler and Simeon Gray. Look for their names below and see how well they did! We also were able to offer a few special classes to three drivers with disabilities. It was very inspiring to see these drivers put their all into this. They were very dedicated and patient with scheduling arrangements. We had a good representation from the New England states with drivers hailing from Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont and Connecticut.

Friday evening kicked off with a competitors' briefing and a marvelous wine and cheese reception in the Topsham Fairgrounds' lovely wooden gazebo. The timed obstacle course designed by David Fowler was open for walking as was the course for the Sunday's Marathon Pace. The dressage classes took place Saturday afternoon with competi-

tors proceeding directly to their Timed Obstacles class after their dressage test. Cheryl Rivers from Vermont, driving her lovely chestnut Morgan Hotspur's Red Rowl, won the Intermediate dressage and the Overall High Point Dressage for the day with a score of 73.7 percent. The Pleasure ring started Sunday morning with a full roster of classes for every level of ability. At the close of the Pleasure classes, many competitors took part in the last class of the day, a Marathon Pace whose varied course covered a little more than 3k with six creative and colorful hazards placed along the way. Everyone seemed to enjoy this tremendously. The day ended with awards which held some surprises and was an enjoyable social time.

There were a variety of special awards offered this year. Best Overall Dressage Score, sponsored by Knight Equestrian Books, was won by Cheryl Rivers and Hotspur's Red Rowl. This combination also took home High Point Morgan, sponsored by Maine Morgan Horse Club, and the Open Single Horse division, sponsored by Snowfields.



Cheryl Rivers and her Corgi won the Carriage Dog class in addition to Cheryl's numerous other successes of the weekend.



for excellence in presentation throughout the competition; this year it went to Karen Marlin. Finally, Grand Champion of the entire show was won by a Olivia Fowler and her Hackney Pony, Tazmanian Devil; Reserve Champion of entire show was won by an out-of-stater who drives a lovely miniature horse—Linda Petersen with Kateland's Diamonds In Disguise. Congratulations to all competitors for a job well done. Thank you to all those who sponsored a class,

Division awards were based on four classes: Timed Obstacles, Turnout, Working and Reinsmanship. For the VSE division the champion was Linda Petersen driving Kateland's Diamonds In Disguise and the Reserve went to Jordan Davis driving Alfie. The Open Single Pony division was won by Olivia Fowler driving Tazmanian Devil and the Reserve was Donna Thurston driving Ben. Cheryl Rivers won the Open Single Horse division; Reserve was claimed by Margaret Bailey driving Kennebec Ladyhawke. The Novice division, sponsored by the Maine Driving Club,

Olivia Fowler (above left) was the show's Grand Champion with her Hackney Pony Tazmanian Devil. Jordan Davis and Alfie (below) were VSE division Reserve Champion.



division or award and/or donated services, goods or expertise to make this show a wonderful success.



Linda Petersen came from out of state to earn overall Reserve Championship with Kateland's Diamond in Disguise.

Curt Bonney and his Chevaux Canadiennes (below) won the Gentleman to Drive class and were Reserve Champion in the Multiples division.

was won by Karen Highlander Coress and the Reserve went to Simeon Gray driving Bristol's Temptation. Last but not least the Multiples Division, sponsored by Patsy and Dave O'Brien and by Peter von Halem, was the source of some good-spirited rivalry among the three gentleman drivers who handled their pairs. Good friends both in and out of the ring provided for a very enjoyable time by all. It was very close, but the Multiples division champion was Dan Steinke and the reserve was Curt Bonney.

Several awards were based on total points in the entire competition. Dan Steinke won Best Gentleman Driver; Olivia Fowler won both Best Lady Driver and Best Junior Driver. This year the Maine Driving Club sponsored a new High Point Maine Driver award as an incentive to whips who reside in Maine, and Olivia Fowler won the lovely gift basket full of Maine-themed items and goodies. The Helen Sanborn Perpetual Trophy for the overall high point pair, which is a beautiful silver cup, was sponsored by Helen H. Holman and awarded to Dan Steinke. Dan and Beth Steinke sponsored the Col. P. Downing Perpetual Trophy, awarded





by Hardy Zantke

Time to Think About Youth Championship Applications

This is the month! WEG! Excitement! Medals around necks! ADS Meeting! Winners on the Podium! Our ADS Intermediate Championship awards given out for the first time this year! (For those awards, you didn't have to do anything other than to show up and drive well on the Intermediate Level. ADS—namely Ellen Ettinger, Mike Arnold and Boots Wright—did the rest. Thank you to all who did it and who participated. Results are on page 2.)

Now therefore seems like a good time to remind our Young Drivers to prepare for sending in their applications for the annual ADS Youth Championships. Contrary to the Intermediate Championship, here you have to do a little more: YOU have to fill out your application CORRECTLY and send it in to the ADS office in time to be received by November 30 . . . and before you do so, you should read the rules. They are easy; it's just one paragraph for each category: Recreational Driving, Pleasure Driving and Combined Driving. You'll find the information on the ADS Web site www.americandrivingsociety.org under Awards Programs - Youth Championships, together with the Application.

Here are the main items:

For Recreational Driving we would like your logbook where you logged in the hours that you drove yourself (not as groom or passenger, and not counting the hours you used to tack up or unharness, strictly driving time with YOU on the reins), with each entry signed off individually by an adult ADS member. (Note that one blanket signature for the entire logbook will not do, as surely nobody can remember at the end of the year if all the dates and hours entered were done so accurately.)

Youth CDE Drivers should send in their best scores from ADS recognized CDEs and HDTs above Training Level. (Sorry, no ADTs and no Training Level.) To check which are your best scores, you may have to do a little math: Prelim CDEs count as they are, on Intermediate you get 15 percent credit, and on Advanced 30 percent credit; all HDT scores get a 15 percent surcharge. Take a look at the Web site for some examples.

Youth Pleasure Drivers should send in their best results from ADS or USEF Pleasure Shows judged by ADS judges.

Best results are those where you beat the most other drivers in a class, with one point for each driver who finished behind you plus 3 extra points for a first, 2 points for a second and 1 point for a third place. Please note that we need results from two different groups of classes, one result from Working/Reinsmanship or Turnout classes, and a second result from any other type of Pleasure Driving class. Please have your results signed off by the show secretary and include how many drivers were in your class; contrary to CDE driving, that information is often not shown on official results, so you or your mom may not be able to get that quickly off a Web site.

As in the two previous years, we plan to announce the three winners in the January Wheelhorse and have a profile of each of them in the May *Whip*. Each winner will be eligible for an ADS Grant of up to \$750 to attend an ADS Youth Clinic or similar event in 2011, and will also receive a special sports jacket showing their Championship.

So let's have your entries, my young friends.



Samuel Arnold was one of the young drivers who participated in this summer's Big Sky Camp in Southern Pines, North Carolina.

2010 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. ADS recognized events that are printed in either Omnibus will not be listed in the Wheelhorse calendar. For a complete up-to-date calendar listing, visit www.americandrivingsociety.org/calendar.asp.

September

25-10/10 WORLD EQUESTRIAN GAMES: Kentucky Horse Park, Lexington, KY. www.alltechfeigames.com. Driving events scheduled for 10/7-10.

October

2-12/31 LICENSED OFFICIALS APPLICATIONS DUE: Will be reviewed and acted on by February 2.

8 ADS ANNUAL MEMBERS' MEETING: in conjunction with WEG, at Gayla Driving Center (Georgetown, KY). For details call ADS office, 608-237-7382.

17 THE JAMESWOOD CLASSIC AT BELLE GREY FARM, Belle Grey Farm, Upperville, VA; www.bellegreyfarm.com. Pleasure, Obstacles, Marathon, Concours d'Elegance. Heather Briggs, H 540-592-3462, C 703-774-4688, admin@bellegreyfarm.com

28 ADS BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING: Online meeting, 7:00 pm CDT

November

13 Festival of Driving Pleasure Driving Show, Queen Creek, AZ. Division Champions, obstacles classes. Two arenas, classes for everyone. Prize list: Dana Moore, 602-361-4561.

OMNIBUS CHANGES

In response to ADS member comments, the Wheelhorse Calendar of Events will henceforth include changes in Omnibus listings, ADS meetings, deadlines for Licensed Officials applications, and those events sponsored by or of interest to ADS members. Please submit activities for publication in ADS publications and on the ADS Web site to the ADS office. View Omnibus Web pages for complete updated information. http://americandrivingsociety.org/06_omnilistings/adsomnibusindex.asp

GRASS RIDGE CDE, Sonoita, AZ: Officials Updated

PINETREE CDE, Southern Pines, NC, Oct. 23-24: Officials Updated

HALLOWEEN HUSTLE, Thousand Oaks, CA, Oct. 30, 2010: Contact information updated, corrections made.

CORRECTION TO BUYER'S GUIDE LISTING

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Skunk River: ANYTHING but Skunked!

Organizer Mary Winter's diary of the tribulations and triumphs of the Skunk River HDT appears in the November *Whip*. We had space there for only a few of Derith Vogt's photos, so thought it might be nice to use this space to share a couple more.



Katy Rhinehart and Buck Naked in their dressage test. Katy loves to hear the announcer say, "And now, Katy Rhinehart driving Buck Naked ..."



Julie Dahlberg and Jesse James negotiate the Drums Along the Skunk hazard with navigator Sandee McKee.



Vanessa Carlson driving Angel at the Oklahoma Harness Horse Association's summer Pleasure Driving Show. Photo By Andrea Boody, Shoofly Photos

See the full story about the OHHA show in the November *Whip*.

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