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My Apologies

I would like to apologize for February's "print" version of the newsletter. It seems the formatting gets messed up when I try to E-mail it to our printer and I didn't catch the numerous discrepancies before it went out in the mail. To Claudette Robinson especially, your business card ad seems to have disappeared from the printed version, I am sorry. From now on I will hand carry a printed version from my computer to have copies made. I also had Amanda's phone number wrong, the E-mail address for Linda Harbison was wrong and the street address wrong for people to mail memberships to Pat on the web site. I think I have managed to fix everything. Note Pat Granzky has a new E-mail address.

Welcome, to our newest Members:

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**If you ride on Sundays during
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see page 4: Summary of the Sunday Hunting Study

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REMINDER: if your dues are not paid by the end of March you will no longer receive a newsletter. You can always check it out online at www.whipsandwheelsdrivingclub.org

We are now up to 23 members plus their families!

Minutes from the March 11th Meeting:

10:30 Tommy welcomed everyone.

Pat read the treasurer's report (which I missed while looking for the minutes from the last meeting!) I think someone told me we had \$600.00 in the account. Pat had membership address lists for those who wanted them.

Tricia read the minutes from the February meeting.

Tommy talked about our upcoming Tanglewood drive. We won't need group insurance since we will be basically going to the park as individuals just to drive, not hold an event. Bring your own lunch and meet at the campground parking lot at 1:30 pm. When you enter the park you will make the first left and follow it around to the parking lot, you will NOT go past the guard shack where you would normally pay a \$2.00 fee to enter the park.

We discussed whether or not the Carriage Classic in the Pines should be a WWDC event and decides it shouldn't be. There are at least 4 of us planning on going to show and we will try to get our horses stabled in the same barn.

Nancy Faller will hold another "Drive" at Paradox for the group on May 20th starting at 10:00 am. More info to come as it is assembled.

We decided to go to Blowing Rock June 17th if Linda Harbison can make arrangements for our group and parking. If you would like to stay overnight you will need to make reservations since camping space is very limited. The number to call is: Blowing Rock Equestrian Preserve 828-295-4700.

Amanda reported that only 1 person has returned their survey about what we would like this club to do.

Tommy says we don't have enough money in the treasury to purchase insurance yet, but if we do it will probably be with Star H Insurance since they are local and have the best rates. We would be able to hold 7 events and carry the insurance to where ever our event is being held. We would have 1 Million in coverage. The question was asked if some one were to hold an event and we had to cross over someone else's land would we still be covered and would all the navigators, spectators etc be covered.

Nancy Faller has a new farrier who has re-located from hurricane Katrina and she highly recommends him. If you are looking for a new farrier give her a call for more information.

We discussed more ways to raise money for the club. A 50/50 at every event was high on the list of things to try. Another group I belong to (Sauratown rails Association) sells Chicken Pies to raise money, it is our biggest money making thing aside from the grants we get to maintain trails. We just had our fund raiser and we sold over 520 pies, we make \$4.00 off of each pie. The pies are made by Mrs. Pumpkin's Bakery in Winston-Salem. Raffeling a colt was another option we talked about.

I brought up the fact that at least 2 people have been turned away from listing classified ads since they were not members. It was decided that from now on non members could list things in our classifieds (newsletter & web site) for \$10.00 each month. It would cost you at least that much to list them in the paper.

It was brought up we might want to drive in a Fourth of July Parade. We would need to find out who is having a parade and any other particulars. Pat Granzyk will talk to the people who hold the Easter Show at Oak Ridge about bringing back the driving classes. Of course it's to late for this year.

The Dixie Draft Horse Sale will be March 24-25th in Troutman. There was info in our last newsletter and on our web site.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:10 and we started our Harness clinic.

WWDC SCHEDULE of EVENTS

April 23rd at 1:30 **WWDC** Trail Drive @ Tanglewood Park. Meet at the campgrounds.

May 5-7th Carriage Classic in the Pines. There are at least 4 of us planning on showing.

May 20th Paradox Farm 10:00 am Nancy hasn't decided what to call it.

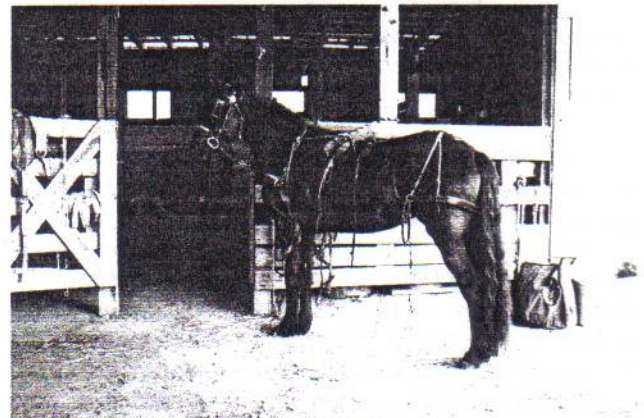
June 17th Blowing Rock Drive, Linda will call to make reservations for the group to park. Linda Harbison 922-3234 CP 416-3759

October 28th or 29th? Halloween Drive @ Paradox Farm, info to come as we plan it!

From the President's Carriage:

March 11, 2006: Whips & Wheels Driving Club just completed another event for March, a harness clinic for members & visitors at T.L.C. Farm. Demonstrations of single harness and team harness shown by some members along with a very good question and answer session. Thanks to everyone for bringing a good potluck lunch enjoyed by all. The afternoon session was cut short by a much needed, early spring thunder storm. RAIN!

Tommy Cope,
WWDC President



Summary of the Sunday Hunting Study

Submitted by Barbara L. Oslund
NCHC Trails Consultant

The North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission (NCWRC) is currently conducting a study to evaluate the attitudes and opinions of North Carolina's citizens regarding hunting on Sundays, and to gather information that will assist the Governor and the General Assembly in determining whether a change in the current prohibition on Sunday hunting is appropriate. If the law is changed to allow Sunday hunting, it could affect all public gamelands and all private land. [A Sunday hunting study proposal (HB 505), originally introduced to the legislature in March 2005, was intended to focus on "select gamelands"; however, that bill was never ratified and this current study has a wider scope and has been authorized by the Governor.]

The NCWRC has contracted with Responsive Management, Inc. and Virginia Tech, to conduct the study over this year using standard public opinion survey methods. The study will gather opinions about Sunday hunting from various stakeholder groups across the state and conduct an extensive telephone survey of the general public and a mail survey of hunters. The study will also examine potential impacts on North Carolina's economy, hunting seasons, management of hunted wildlife populations, and the operations of the NCWRC. Responsive Management and Virginia Tech will provide a final report (expected in November 2006) that will be transmitted to the General Assembly and to the Governor's Office.

The North Carolina Horse Council (NCHC) is recognized by the NCWRC as a stakeholder, and we had representatives at stakeholder meetings held in January 2006 in Raleigh and Greenville. Other stakeholders have included land managers, wildlife biologists, various recreationists, large private/corporate landowners, hunting clubs, and hunting supply retailers. The meetings have been well-run with respectful discussion of the advantages and disadvantages of Sunday hunting.

The next step will be more in-depth discussion with focus groups, and the NCHC will endeavor to remain involved with this process. There will be 12 focus groups, consisting of hunters, sports enthusiasts, and other stakeholders. These will not be public meetings, but they will involve selected groups and people across the state. The study will also involve mailing up to 2400 surveys to licensed hunters, followed by 1200 random phone call surveys to NC residents to ask questions about their opinions on Sunday hunting.

The NCHC does not have an official position regarding potential Sunday hunting in North Carolina. Our participation in these meetings has been to make

others aware of the affects Sunday hunting (particularly deer hunting) could have on rural equestrian properties and recreational riders accustomed to riding on private lands on Sundays, and the general economic impacts of recreational riding and the NC horse industry.

The NCHC encourages our membership and any others that may be affected by a change in the hunting law to submit your comments. The NCWRC has a link on their website where any citizen can learn about the study and submit comments about the Sunday hunting issue (and a mailing address for those who wish to submit written comments by regular mail). The website address is <http://www.ncwildlife.com/>, and follow the "Sunday Hunting" links to get to the comment submission portal. Also, if you are interested in how "gamelands" came to be and why there are limited opportunities for trails on these lands, visit the Equestrian Land Conservation Resource website <http://www.elcr.org/>, go the "resource library" and look for the article titled "*What It Means to Have Trails on Pittman-Robertson Funded Land*". Finally, keep visiting the NCHC website <http://www.nchcouncil.com/> for periodic updates on the Sunday Hunting study.

Note: this is the Editors Opinion

We need to voice our opininions if we don't want to loose our ONLY day to ride in resonable safety during hunting season. Hunters have six days a week they can hunt, why do they need to take away our only day to ride without the fear of being shot at?

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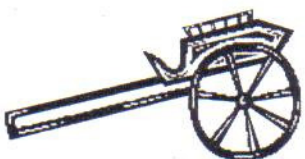
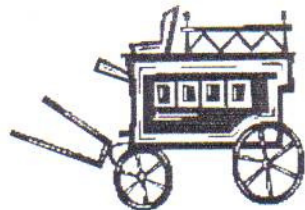
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Check all that apply: ☐ New ☐ New after June 30th ☐ Renewal
Family Membership (up to 4 people) \$25.00 Extra people \$5.00 each

Total Enclosed \$ _____

NOTE: Membership will run from January 1st through December 31st. Any one joining
AFTER June 30th will be prorated at \$12.00 for the remainder of the year.

Make checks payable to:
Send Form & Check to:

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