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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S CARRIAGE

Hope everyone is taking advantage of the pretty weather to drive their horses.

We have had two drives since our last newsletter, one at Leyland Farm in Oak Ridge, NC on April 23rd. Several members showed up to drive. Since it was just a week after Easter, we were hunting for Easter Eggs. But with the nice day, a shower of rain came along, but everyone had a good drive.

Next was the Carriage Classic in the Pines at Pinehurst on May 5-7th, it was attended by several of our members. Some were there to watch, help, show and support our club. The ones that did show, won trophies and ribbons. It was a very good show and I am very proud of the showing our club made. Thanks to all. But as luck would have it the rain came again and Sunday events were canceled due to the storms and a lot of rain.

P.S. Remember we need your stories for the newsletter....stories about driving, your horse or any information and suggestions for places to drive. Your input is VERY important.

Don't forget May 20th at Paradox Farm. See you there.

Tommy Cope

WWDC

APRIL MEETING MINUTES:

Leyland Farm, April 23rd, 2006. After our Easter Egg Hunt, Tommy called the meeting to order 3:45 (under the covered arena due to a little rain) at Leyland Farm!

There are about 5 of us going to the Carriage Classic in the Pines.

RED NECKS HAVE A BLAST IN THE PINES!

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Nancy told us what she has planned for our next event at Paradox Farm, May 20th. Trail work in the morning and Obstacles & Games after lunch (**BYOL Bring Your Own Lunch**) drinks will be supplied! By the way Nancy, Congratulations on 5th place at the Georgia CDE!

Linda told us we don't need reservations at Blowing Rock to drive for the day, but we should probably let them know how many to expect when we go up to Blowing Rock. IF you are planning on overnight you DEFINITELY need to make camping reservations. The number to call is under WWDC list of Events.

Faith had talked to Tommy about fund raising possibilities (T-shirts & hats with our logo on them). The group thought that was an idea worth looking into so Faith was elected to look into costs etc.

Since so many places that are capable of handling events for us, are VERY concerned about liability, I suggested that if every family membership donated say \$20.00 above and beyond the membership fee we could purchase Insurance for the group to protect ourselves and the people who host events for us. By my count, we have 27 paid family memberships, that would be \$540.00 right there. Before I was finished talking, we had collected \$120.00! It was decided that we would add to our Membership application FOR THIS YEAR ONLY an Extra \$20.00 donation request. Hopefully by next year we will have a large enough membership that this won't be necessary. If we come up short with donations to pay for the insurance then the monies taken in from memberships already in the account could pay the balance. We don't want to deplete our treasury so early in the year since postage and copying costs seem to keep going up.

Someone asked about the monies taken in as fees for events WWDC puts on. Right now the person hosting the event keeps all the monies to pay for their expenses for hosting said event. It was suggested that any profits from these fees should go to the WWDC Treasury to help with expenses. I don't think we voted on this but the consensus was this was a good idea.

Linda questioned the Tanglewood problem, but there was no more information than we had discussed in the previous newsletter.

The Meeting was then turned over to Amanda who thanked everyone for coming and passed out the door prizes.

1st place Tommy Cope winning a Deviled Egg Dish

2nd place Linda Harbison winning a Bunny Bowl

3rd place Johnny Smith winning a Boy Bunny

4th place Tricia Hardy winning a Bunny, which she in turn gave to Jim Burnette to thank him & Sam for their hospitality.

5th place Faith Bradshaw with her pairs winning a Pair of Bunnies!

The meeting was adjourned at 4:10

And OH BOY! did we have fun getting all the trailers out! Some people got a LOT of practice backing up!

LEYLAND FARM EASTER DRIVE- WWDC

Story by: Amanda Cochran

"Oh my gosh" was the only thing I could think on Sunday morning when we arrived at Leyland. "Oh my gosh what a beautiful place, Oh my gosh where do I turn around!" It truly was a beautiful place- loads of green pastures, great arenas, superb trails- even though I only experienced them from the back of the easy-go as we marked trails, but none the less, a great place! Jim and Sam Burnette were exceptional hosts. While Sam busily cleaned and weed-eated, Jim took us out to mark the trails. Couldn't ask for nicer people!

Trailers started arriving around 12:30pm. Goal for the day? Fun on the trails. We hosted an Easter Egg Hunt on the advanced trail. Despite rain showers, everyone got all of their eggs, and the top times received beautiful Easter gifts made and donated by Tricia Hardy. Unless my mind fails me, there were 9 turnouts. Some did the hunt...others just enjoyed the drive. I think that the cutest thing I saw all day was Nancy Faller driving "Peanut", her pony, with an interesting navigator... Her DOG!

We had 8 visitors! Thank you for coming to be with us! In my eyes, we achieved our goal and everyone had a great time. We concluded the day with a business meeting in the covered arena. Thank you all for coming, and we hope to see everyone very soon! Also, to those who helped with the hunt, THANK YOU! Rain or shine, we have a dedicated group!

CLUB MEMBERS DID WELL!!!!

Story by: Tricia Hardy

Considering we're an "upstart NEW Club" we showed em what us "Red Necks" can do! WWDC was very well represented at the Carriage Classic in the Pines this weekend. We went with the attitude we were going to have fun...and we really did!

Nancy Faller was absolutely flabbergasted when she walked away with the GRAND CHAMPION Single Pony perpetual award. She & Peanut took a first in Turnout, 5th in Working and 3rd in the Cross Country.

Bill Norton received the GRAND CHAMPION Novice Pony Award (high Point) Championship work off, 1st in Turnout, 4th in Working and 3rd in Gentlemen to Drive.

Faith driving Crescent & Ellie won 3rd in Working Pairs, 4th in Reinsmanship and 1st in Cross Country!

Doug Prevette won 4th in Gentlemen to Drive driving Crescent & Ellie.

Amanda Cochran driving Blaze of Perfection in the single horse division won 3rd in Working, 4th in Reinsmanship, 5th in Turnout & 6th in Cross Country.

Linda Ward driving Doc Alibi in the pony division won 3rd in Novice, 2nd in Open turnout & 3rd in Reinsmanship. There were 23 ponies competing in this division!

Precious & I in the Single Horse division, won a 2nd in Reinsmanship, (I'm still amazed over that! Thank You Tommy for working with Precious and me, **I really could not** have done that with out you!) a 5th in Novice Working & 4th in Cross Country

And last but not least, our fearless leader Tommy driving Andy won 5th in the Cross Country for Ponies. I think there were others from our club there too but didn't get a chance to hear what they had done I do apologize for not listing you.

We did have a "bit of excitement". Here's Linda Wards story: The cross country was quite a challenge for the 1st time for Doc. Things were going good until we got to the water obstacle. We hit the post when he shied to the left and of course we turned over, but as you know in the driving world we must wear a hat, and I never lost my hat. I must say that water was nasty...I was flat on the bottom, as I opened my eyes....there was stuff floating around and I stood up immediately. The passenger with me, was fine and said here is the letter still in her hand. I am so thankful that the harness did break where it should so the pony did get free from the carriage. All is well with Doc and my carriage did not get damaged, only bent the step.

We had our own "ALMOST" mishap. Jeff and I were just about to start the Cross Country course when I felt like something was wrong with my seat...you might say something was wrong, the bolt holding the front of it had snapped! After the farrier fixed us

up with a new bolt I discovered one of my tug stop posts had disappeared! (We fixed that AFTER we finished the course.) Next time you see Jeff ask him about the Rail Road Tracks and brown shorts!

Sunday was a wash out, I mean that literally too thunder and lightning made them cancel the Marathon (parade through town). Then they had to cancel the "Pick your own route" since it was still raining. Everyone was disappointed, but none of us wanted to be out on the streets in thunder and lightning...most especially Faith! WE should all be very proud of our group! Many Thanks to those of you who came down to either help or support the competitors, we REALLY do appreciate you.

Photos of the show are on the following Web site from the professional photographer. www.eagle-eye-photo.com Click on Proofs then 5/6/06 Carriage Classic and all the pictures are divided by Class.

FROM LINDA WARD:

I hope you new drivers enjoyed the Classic as much as I do over the past 11 years. The committee is hoping to change the date to the 1st week-end in June due to other driving events that are on the 1st week-end in May and want to come to the Classic. Please call me about your thoughts on a new date and I will pass it on to Moore Co. Club
Linda Ward 336-993-4643

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

May 20th Paradox Farm 10:00 am. Trail work in the morning and Obstacles & Games after lunch (BYOL Bring Your Own Lunch) drinks will be supplied! You should hear what she has planned for us!

June 17th Blowing Rock Drive, Linda will call to make reservations for the group to park we will need a head count for this purpose. Linda Harbison 922-3234 CP 416-3759

(Linda) I called Blowing Rock to find out about the club going there for a June drive. They said that the June 17th weekend was fine. We did not need a reservation to drive on the trail. Only people that would be planning on camping overnight would need to make a reservation. They were very nice and seemed like they would welcome us with open arms. I think it's being managed by new people now.

July 21-22 Rockbridge County Fair Horse Show offers a lot for the driving exhibitors. There will be private driving lessons offered on Thurs. July 20 (on a first come, first served basis). Arena Driving Trials

will be held on Fri. July 21, and the Pleasure Driving Show will be on Sat. July 22.

We would love to have you come and bring as many others with you as possible!! The prize list is at the printer this very minute and will be ready for mailing, hopefully, by the end of this week. I will be glad to add your address to the mailing list.

Alice Martens Alicemartens@rica.net

August 5-6, CCDC 5th Annual Carolina Fall Classic J.B. Hunt complex Raleigh, NC Contact Linda Seawall 252-753-777 or Dede Bushneck 919-815-4723

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

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Pat Granzyk 6988 Lanvale Court Clemmons, NC 27012

CCC News Ned 12 noon, 5/5/06

The League of Hendersonville has kindly given financial support for our HDT and Pleasure Show events. As a way of CCC's thanks, Caroline Whittle is arranging a driving demonstration at a picnic they've scheduled at FENCE on Wednesday, May 10. It will be at 12 noon, starting in front of the pavilion. Presently she has volunteers Barbara Black, Sandy Taylor, Claudette Robinson, Paul Nordan, and Price Story. She needs details from you concerning your driving animal, vehicle, etc. so she may properly describe you. Contact her at 828/863-2442, 828/817-4834 (cell), or whittlehorse-works@alltel.net. If anyone else can participate, they are most welcome!

Mitzi Lindsey advises that, through generous donations, the Tryon Riding & Hunt Club is purchasing a horse am-



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balance. If you're interested in seeing one, a model will be on display at FENCE Thursday, May 11 at 6:00 p.m. In the April newsletter, I omitted our annual fun event, May Day Play Day. Details at the website. It commences 9:00 a.m. Saturday, May 13 at Mahlers' Meadow. A light-hearted day of nine fun classes, for 20 bucks.

Don't forget to enter/plugin/volunteer for our Horse Driving Trial, June 3-4, at FENCE. Dale is delighted with the number of entries already received.

I think you're up to date!

Note: I have reverted to using Microsoft Publisher since I spend entirely too much time trying to repair mistakes I created from not knowing how to use Microsoft Word. If you are depending on the E-mail version I am sorry if your browsers won't open it. I redid this newsletter in about 2 hours after spending 2 days trying to figure out why the art work would not print even though it appeared in the layouts. The newsletter is also be available on our web site, but the layout won't be the same as the print version. I apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.



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