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### FROM THE PRESIDENT'S CARRIAGE

April has been a very good driving month for WWDC Members and guests, especially the April 22nd Poker Ride and Drive. One of the largest turn-outs we have had with about 60 people who showed up.

Some dues have not been paid! Please send all unpaid dues and new memberships to our Treasurer. See membership application on back page for more information.

More good things are planned for the upcoming months.

Keep on Driving!

Tommy Cope  
WWDC President

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**CROSS COUNTRY PLEASURE DRIVE  
IN EAST BEND/BOONVILLE  
MAY 5TH  
&  
BLOWING ROCK JUNE 16TH**

### POKER RIDE APRIL 22, 2007

The members of R.E.I.N.S, Region 12 would like to thank Whips & Wheels for your help and support on our April 22 Poker Ride & Drive! If you do not know, REINS stands for Regional Equine Information Network System. We have taken a 32 hour course in all aspects of equine care and management and have passed a test to be certified by NC State and Ag Extension. Our primary purpose is to assist Ag Extension agents, but we never seem to be asked, so most groups put on their own educational programs. It is strictly volunteer, and you pay for the classes. Our area of coverage is "Region 12" which has too many widespread counties including Stokes, Surry, Yadkin, Davie, Wilkes, Forsyth, Ashe, and Watauga. Our next program is Tuesday, May 8, 7pm at Pat Land's "Annie's Farm" and the topic is "Special Needs" horses.

The Poker Ride raised funds for our group to promote programs and start-up money for a new **NC ONLY** equine rescue group called HERO, "Horse Education and Rescue Organization". We had a beautiful weather day, lots of participants, good food, and raised over \$1500 for equine welfare. The list owner for "[Carolinahorsegroups.com](http://Carolinahorsegroups.com)" attended and posted a glowing review to the group, see below. She sent us a few constructive comments for next time, but she did enjoy it!

Again, we would like to thank Trish Hardy, who did the flyer and helped with organization, Tommy who helped with registration, Dr. Nancy Faller for the use of her FANTASTIC Farm for the event, and all members who participated and supported our event. We had fun!

Sincerely, Bev Duval, REINS, Region 12

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My pony Maggie Mae was a rock star on her first 'official' outing! The Poker Run, sponsored by the Whips & Wheels Driving Club, was on VERY hilly terrain so Joe opted to not ride with me. Good thing because it would've been hard for my little girl. It was a long drive with 55 gates and many obstacles. After starting out a bit tentatively, Maggie took it all in stride, passing the riders left and right with her forward trot. She was belly deep in the water hazard but lunged right through. Never even batted an eye at the covered bridge and surged past the spooking horses when we came to the barn lot full of guineas and peacocks! She never even blew hard :) This is definitely a CDE pony!!!

Many thanks to the organizers of this event and the owners of Paradox Farm. The facility was first class - just lovely to ride/drive. It was great fun and I heartily recommend it. Even the port-potties were classy - rivaled the restroom at Devon with fresh flowers and beautiful paintings even!!

Pat Belskie, ASHEMONT Farm

### **CHILDREN'S HOME, APRIL 27TH 2007**

Amanda asked for volunteers to come drive at the children's Home in Winston Salem tonight. Doug Prevette & Faith Bradshaw were there with Frank & Joe, Amanda Cochran and Blaze, Pat Granzky and Nina and Jeff & I with Precious.

Winston-Salem is SUCH a fun place to drive a big rig! I am so glad Jeff was driving or I would have had to have some of that wine they were passing out to calm down enough to drive Precious! After I

finally calmed down so did she, and it turned out to be fun and a good training experience for her. The weather looked iffy but was quite pleasant. We spent some of our time ferrying people from the parking area to the big tent where the Donor party was going on, or just driving up and down the road. Then sat down to a meal prepared by the Outback steak house. Since Jeff has to punch in at work at 2:00am we loaded up and left after we ate. Precious' first time on the trailer after dark since the day after she was born and had to be hauled to Va. to try to save her dam.

by Tricia Hardy

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I heard from a reliable source that congratulations are in order. Nancy Faller has been trying to get into the top 10 finishers in a CDE. She not only got into the top 10 she placed SECOND in the Southern Pines CDE April 14-15th. Her navigator Tonya Barga says she has the bruises to prove it! A story and pictures will hopefully be in the next newsletter!

### **BOD MEETING: THURSDAY APRIL 26, 2007**

Tommy called the meeting to order with Nancy Faller, Pat Granzky, Faith Bradshaw, Linda Harbison and myself in attendance, to discuss renewal our insurance and to set dates for events for the rest of the year.

We talked briefly about how well our Poker Ride went and discussed some improvements if we should co-sponsor another one.

We talked about renewing members needing to pay for the full year even if they don't renew until after the June 30th deadline. The discounted fee should be for NEW Members only. I will amend the application to read "Any **NEW** membership after June 30th.....".

Pat presented a Treasurer's report available upon request. Briefly we have a balance of \$1416.11. We do need to pay our Insurance Premium in May and there will be more postage to pay shortly.

Linda Harbison has volunteered to be our "Welcome Committee" She will try to call every new member as they join to welcome them to our club.

Since I have been to The Fork Stables as a vendor & Latta Plantation to ride, I will try to contact them about our group driving at either or both places and set dates for a drive if we can.

Nancy is going to host a few mini CDE's at Paradox

Farm to help those of us who plan on attending the Tryon HDE June 2-3 and need to prepare for it or for those who are just interested in seeing what goes on. The dates will be as follows: May 19th and 26th to get ready for Tryon and June 24th. We will begin at 10:00 PROMPTLY on all the days listed! This is open to anyone who is interested.

July 21st Doug and Faith will host a Club Picnic at Doug's Farm (NO Horses, too hot!) They will supply the Hamburgers & Hot Dogs we will bring the trimmings: side dishes and desserts, more info about that later.

Nothing is planned for August at the moment, again too hot.....anybody have any ideas?

September 8-9 is the CCDC Show in Raleigh, I will try to plan Fork or Latta Plantation around this date if we are allowed to go to either place.

Of Course Nancy will host our second Annual Halloween bash. She has to check dates before we firm that up, but that shouldn't stop you from working on your costumes! I can't wait to see what everyone comes up with this year!

November is still open and of course we will try to find out what date is open for our Christmas party at the VFW in Advance. We will probably do it earlier in the day this year so the people who have to travel can come and still get home before it's to late..

The meeting was adjourned and Karen served us some great refreshments, Thank you Karen and Tommy for your hospitality. You always make us feel so welcome.

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Dear Friend of Trails,

Your immediate action is needed to ensure proper health care benefits for trail enthusiasts everywhere!

U.S. Senator Susan Collins (R-ME) and U.S. Senator Russ Feingold (D-WI) recently introduced S. 616 and Representative Michael Burgess (R-TX) and Representative Bart Stupak (D-MI) introduced H.R. 1076: "The HIPAA Recreational Injury Technical Correction Act."



This legislation addresses a loophole caused by a Department of Health and Human Services' rule making it possible for health care benefits to be de-

nied to those who are injured while participating in recreational trail activities. Identical legislation passed the full Senate in the 108th Congress and obtained 177 bipartisan cosponsors in the House.

S. 616 and H.R. 1076 aim at ending health care discrimination for individuals participating in legal transportation and recreational activities— activities like horseback riding, motorcycling, snowmobiling, skiing, and all-terrain vehicle riding— since these activities are listed as 'risky.' We think everyone should get behind this bill, even though it doesn't specify some types of trail users. If this is allowed to continue, it could have more far-reaching effects.

We are urging all trail enthusiasts to notify their Senators and Representatives to ask them to co-sponsor and support this bill.

You can TAKE ACTION now by making an appointment with your Congress member while they are at home on recess or by calling, emailing, or writing them.

To locate your Member online or to find their District Offices:

U.S. House of Representatives: [www.house.gov](http://www.house.gov)  
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To call your Member of Congress:  
US Capitol Switchboard (202) 224-3121

Library of Congress: <http://thomas.loc.gov>  
Comprehensive information about Congress, including legislation. Visit the American Trails website at [www.AmericanTrails.org](http://www.AmericanTrails.org) for updates.

Help get this important legislation passed and protect the rights of trail enthusiasts everywhere! This bipartisan legislation will offer outdoor recreation lovers the protection they deserve.

Please forward this message to your friends. Thank you for your help!

Sincerely,

Pam Gluck, Executive Director  
American Trails  
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<http://www.AmericanTrails.org>

P.S. Have you taken action yet to [protect Transportation Enhancements](#), the nation's largest funding source for trails, walking and bicycling? Visit the Rails-to-Trails Conservancy's website where you

can find projects funded near you and view a chart showing how your State was affected during the 2006 rescission. You can also easily write to your Governor on the RTC website. [Click here.](#)

## SCHEDULE FOR 2007:

*\*Regardless of the event being held, **visitors and spectators are ALWAYS welcome.** Please come and check us out!\**

**May 5th Saturday 10:00am** (rain date May12th)  
Cross country drive up in East Bend with Ross Chrisman as our trail boss. "Approximately" a 3 hour trail drive with Ross Chrisman leading us through trails and some roads up in the East Bend/Boonville area. There WILL be some steep hills and creek crossings AND some loose dogs. This will be on Public Roads and Private land belonging to friends of Ross Chrisman You will need a slow moving vehicle sign on the rear of your cart.

### **DIRECTIONS to Ross Chrisman's Drive**

From **Mocksville/Advance** areas: Take 601 North to 67. Turn RIGHT on 67 east, go about 3 miles then turn LEFT on Pendry Road. At the end of Pendry Road go RIGHT on Richmond Hill Church Road, about .2 miles GO PAST the first Limerock Road (the road is a big U) take the second Limerock Road after the Church (a LEFT) and go about 1 mile. Ross's house will be on the right and the trailer parking will be just beyond his house. If you are coming from I-77 take the Jonesville exit to 67 east and follow the above directions to Pendry Road.  
From **Winston-Salem**: Take 67 West to Wiesman Cross Roads. This is at least 4 miles after you go through EAST BEND. There will be a BLINKING light at the crossroads at the top of the hill. Make a RIGHT onto Smithtown Road and go 4/10ths of a mile. LEFT onto Richmond Hill Church Road and go 1.5 miles. Hard RIGHT on to Limerock Road and go about 1 mile. Ross's house will be on the right and the trailer parking will be just beyond his house.

We will try to put out arrows at the turns and for the parking areas. See you there. Remember the ride will start at 10:00 am. BYOL. Fee \$15.00

**June 16th Saturday:** Blowing Rock (If camping overnight you need to call for reservations and send a deposit. Call: Blowing Rock Equestrian Preserve 1-828-295-4700 Deposit checks c/o: BREP PO Box 650 Blowing rock, NC 28605)

**\*BYOL= Bring Your Own Lunch!**

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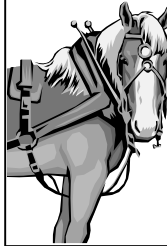
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Check all that apply:  New  New after June 30<sup>th</sup>  Renewal  
NEW & Renewing current Memberships **AFTER November 1st** will run through the next year: \_\_\_\_\_  
Family Membership (up to 4 people) \$25.00 Extra people \$5.00 each Total Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE:** Membership will run from January 1<sup>st</sup> through December 31<sup>st</sup>. NEW Memberships joining AFTER June 30<sup>th</sup> will be prorated at \$12.00 for the remainder of the year and any one joining or re-newing a current membership after November 1st is good for the following year.

Make checks payable to:  
Send Form & Check to:

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**6988 Lanvale Court**  
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