

# The Scoop

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Presidents Letter:

Well, we are off to a great start this year with lots of activities planned. I would like to see all of you come to at least a few of them. If you don't want to drive, please consider coming to watch, eat, gossip, and laugh and learn. Most of the activities are young horse friendly and others drivers are here to help.

A committee meeting was held and after a long discussion, we have decided to postpone the ADT until May 2016 so we can do a better job of getting it together. We will have a cones competition on October 10 that is a little less complicated to put on. There will be several activities for VSEs (very small equines) so the drivers of these tiny bundles of fur can have more fun doing the activities planned. We also expect to have a bunch of maxi size horses attending these events too.

The Church Hill drive was attended by 3 carriage turnouts, Dot, Louie, and Kyra with a pair and a Phaeton, Kathryn Smith Anderson with a gray and a Surry, and Karen Sclater with her pinto and a surrey. The weather was just cool enough to make it feel like Christmas but not too cold to make us turn to icicles. The homeowners were grateful for our presence during their open houses and we enjoyed showing off our turnouts.

The Christmas party was a blast with a large variety of food that was so good that we couldn't decide which one was the best. The gifts were varied and lots of fun with a few "steals".

The next club meeting is on January 24<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 followed by the seminar at 10:30. We will be going over the ADS guidelines for all horses and VSEs. These were not put in place to be imposing but were written to keep everyone safe and having a good experience. We will also go over the calendar for the year and the budget. The address is: Hardy Central Baptist Church, 4655 Darbytown Road, Henrico, VA (This may come up as Richmond on the GPS).

See you all there,

**Dot Rugus** 

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2015 JRDA Budget					
Income					
2015 membership*			1,260.00		
Auction			350.00		
Club store			200.00		
Clinics/Educ	Clinics/Education		300.00		
Event - Cone	s Rally (entrie	s 24@\$30)	720.00		
Total Incom	е		\$ 2,830.00		
Expense					
Fixed expens	ses:				
Insurance			(1,000.00)		
Website			(150.00)		
ADS memb	ership		(60.00)		
Other Expen	ses:				
Donations			-		
Misc gifts			(100.00)		
Supplies			(50.00)		
Food/utensils			(100.00)		
Club Store	***		-		
Clinics/Edu	ıcation		(600.00)		
Event - 2016 ADT **			(1,500.00)		
Event - Cones Rally			(500.00)		
Newsletter			(10.00)		
Fun days/p	(200.00)				
Total Expenses			\$ (4,270.00)		
Gain/Loss			\$(1,440.00)		

			le Book

The 2015 ADS Rule Book is available for pre-order for \$25.00.

Rulebooks ordered after Jan 31<sup>st</sup> will be \$28 and subject to availability. We do one single press run, so when they are gone, they are gone!

Go to: www.americandrivingsociety.org

Footnotes:						
*Membership	collected	# members				
2013	\$1,895.00	126				
2014	\$1,020.00	68				
2015	\$1,425.00	95	estimated			
** 2016 ADT income and remaining expense will be included in the 2016 budget.						
***Club Store: Purchased a lot of inventory in						
2013, Recommend only pre purchase orders.						





### **Suggested JRDA Schedule**

JRDA members; **please** read and send your comments, revisions and alternate dates or additions to Dot at <u>carriagegrovefarm@comcast.net</u> or 804-556-4486. All dates are subject to change as the year progresses. It will be assumed that all members approve of this schedule unless I hear from you. We are trying to cut some of the business time spent at the next meeting by sending this to you earlier. We can put many of these events in place if we have an early start in planning.

**January 24<sup>th</sup>:** Saturday Club Meeting at 9:00 A.M., program 10:30 AM, ADS rules info. Especially for minis, also ponies and horses.

**February 21**<sup>st</sup>: Saturday Club meeting at 11:00 A.M. and program with Peggy Dils, information on running a successful show, at Daphne &Tom Lasser

March 21<sup>st</sup>: Saturday at 10:00 A.M., Fun day focusing on VSEs and Club meeting at Dorey Park

**April 17<sup>th</sup>:** Friday Club Meeting at 6:00 P.M., Sally Sutherlands? **April 18<sup>th</sup>:** Joe Yoder clinic at Sayre's

May 16<sup>th</sup>: Saturday, 10:00 A.M., Fun Day at Ruqus' farm & Club meeting May 23<sup>rd</sup>: Picnic drive 10:00 A.M., location TBA

**June 13<sup>th</sup>:** Saturday, 10:00 A.M., Drive and activity at Wayne Humphries' w/ Piedmont club & Club meeting.

**July 25<sup>th</sup>:** Saturday at 11:00 A.M., Annual Auction and swim party with Club meeting - Daphne & Tom Lasser's.

August 29th: Saturday, Show committee meeting and Club meeting

**September 12<sup>th</sup>:** 10:00 A.M., Drive at Pocahontas Park & Club meeting? **September 26<sup>th</sup>:** Joe Yoder clinic at Sayre's (Alternative date Oct 3<sup>rd</sup>).

October 3<sup>rd</sup>: Alternate date for Joe Yoder clinic at Sayre's or Green Springs Farm. Drive & Club meeting. October 10<sup>th</sup>: JRDA Cones Rally Show, Ruqus farm at 10:00 A.M.

**November 7<sup>th</sup>:** Saturday, Club Elections meeting **November 22<sup>nd</sup>:** Sunday, 10:00 A.M., Drive at Sabine Hall

December 12<sup>th</sup>: Saturday, 6:00 P.M., JRDA Christmas Party

December 13<sup>th</sup>: Church Hill Drive Sunday at 1:00 P.M., Chimborazo Park, Richmond, VA 2016

2016

May 7th: JRDA ADT

## **Pictures from the Annual JRDA Christmas Party**













### JRDA Seminar January 24th

From Breed Ring to ADS Competitions-a seminar for those interested in learning a new game! The JRDA is presenting a FREE seminar designed for drivers currently competing in fine harness and miniature horse driving events who are interested in learning about ADS events. This would also be informative for new drivers or those interested in competing but have questions about how, what, when and where. All are welcome to attend! It will be held on Saturday, January 24<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am. The regular club meeting will begin at 9 A.M. The location is Hardy Central Baptist Church, 4655 Darbytown Rd., Henrico, 23231. The seminar will discuss the differences between the two styles of driving including types of driving competitions, differences in harnesses and equipment, expectations of the horse at different types of ADS events, major rule differences and safety considerations. We'd like to have members attend to answer questions about the JRDA and carriage driving and provide the hospitality that carriage driving is known for. Light snacks and drinks will be provided. Participants who RSVP prior to January 22 will receive a folder with notes from the presentation, materials from the American Driving Society, Carriage Driving Association of America, and other resources as well as be entered in our door prize drawings. This will be a relaxed, interactive event designed to help interested drivers get the information and find the resources they need to consider carriage driving for recreation or competition. Please RSVP by 1/22 to Lynn Legg Imlegg@vcu.edu or leave a message at 804-229-9708





### The James River Driving Association

Presents...

### The Scoop on ADS Driving

A FREE seminar!

Saturday, January 24, 2015 10:30 am

Location: Hardy Central Baptist Church

4655 Darbytown Rd. Henrico, VA 23231

Light snacks and drinks provided.

Come learn about the American Driving Society and its role promoting safety and sportsmanship for carriage driving. The seminar will include an overview of harness and equipment used in ADS competitions, expectations of the horse and driver and types of ADS competitions with emphasis on the differences between fine harness and ADS competitions.



RSVP with your name, contact information, and number attending by 1/22 to receive a folder of seminar notes, information from the ADS and Carriage Association of America, and to be entered into the drawing for door prizes.

Contacts: Lynn Legg: @ <a href="mailto:linearing:linearing;">lmlegg@vcu.edu</a> or leave a message at @804-229-9708

Lisa-Marie Beckwith: springintothering@gmail.com 804-441-5206

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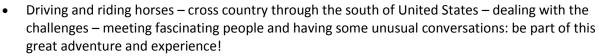
To learn more visit our Events Page or email admin@BelleGreyFarm.com

https://www.facebook.com/download/742425672492728/BG15-Entry.pdf

## We will drive and ride our horses from Murrieta near San Diego in California to Weirsdale in Florida

"Live your life with no regrets" - Caio Paagman

- We will drive and ride our horses from Murrieta near San Diego in California to Weirsdale in Florida
- We will leave November 1, 2014 and travel 20 25 miles a day [average] and arrive in Florida at the Grand Oaks Resort in Weirsdale on March 21, 2015



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We will begin our 2,500 mile 'The Caravan' adventure in Murrieta, California. On November 1, 2014 at 1.00 PM we will start at the beautiful farm 'Friesian Focus' and from there our journey will go to The Grand Oaks Resort in Weirsdale, Florida. Horses will be the primary mode of transportation. We will be driving carriages - pairs, teams, even a six in hand - but all equines ridden or driven are welcome. (Horses will be the main noun used but meant to include horses, ponies, mules and donkeys.) The planned route will take us through the many variances of the deep south of the United States: going through fields, over the road, through the desert, paved roads, gravel roads, no-roads, little towns and big cities! It is the biggest challenge and the biggest adventure! We will start on November 1, 2014. There will be a two week break at the end of December until January 9, 2015 and then we will arrive at the Grand Oaks Resort in Weirsdale, Florida on March 21, 2015.

Michael Muir, from California, and Gerard Paagman, from British Columbia, are the organizers and both men are extremely knowledgeable horsemen. They are very experienced in riding and carriage driving and long distance driving.

Of course we will be well prepared! However we also don't know what the 'unforeseen' will be. Will the weather help us or will we get snow when we are driving through Texas? Can we do an average distance of 25 miles a day or were we a bit too optimistic? We will use the best equipment but equipment failure is always possible, right?



The horses we will use for this journey are not only

essential to our goal but they are also our companions, friends and partners. If necessary, we will adjust our schedule to make sure that at the start, the finish and every mile in between, our animals will be healthy and happy!

This Caravan will be about driving and riding our animals and it will be about dealing with the challenges and the unforeseen. There will also be the beautiful scenery of a cross section of southern states and the pleasure of traveling with the wind in your hair and the sun on your face at a slower than usual pace. However, it will also be sooooo much more! We will be a team and

we will travel and grow together. We will also have some 'deep conversations'; our goals in life, how to get there and how to deal with ourselves when we feel insecure and don't know which route in life to take. Every week there will be a specially invited guest that will be part of our team for a day or longer. And with each special guest we will do a unique interview and discuss topics of how to deal with ourselves, what to do when we have to go into new directions in life, etc. We will document our journey and use modern social media to keep the rest of the world informed and updated. We will all learn from each other. A lot! We will have joy and deal with the unexpected. We will do it and it will be the best! And you know what? You can be part of it! (We) Gerard and Michael would like to invite you to join The Caravan with or without your horse. You may join up for a few hours, or for a day, or for a week or for the whole journey! Going cross country 'on or behind' a horse, mule, pony or donkey with 'The Caravan' will be the biggest long distance drive we have ever done. It will be a great adventure and it will be a big challenge. Please come, participate and go home at the end of the journey with a million best memories and so much more!

#### Michael Muir and Gerard Paagman



This information and more can be found here: <a href="http://www.thecaravan.me/">http://www.thecaravan.me/</a>

# Nicke Palsson Drivers Clinic & Lisa Singer VSE Clinic: Feb & Mar 2015



# **JRDA Cones Rally**



### SAVE THE DATE $\rightarrow$ Saturday October 10th, 2015

A fun cone obstacle driving competition consisting of three separate drives all utilizing the same course:

- 1. Traditional: drive through 10 pairs of cones in the shortest period of time. Knockdowns earn penalty points!
- 2. Fault and Out: drivers repeat the 10 cone course until a knockdown occurs or time expires. Points gained for each pair of cones successfully navigated.
- 3. Progressive: drive a course of 6 cones whose width becomes progressively smaller until a knockdown occurs or the course is complete. The faster the time the better.

# VSE (mini), pony and horse divisions

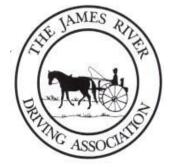
#### Miscellaneous:

- \$\$30 registration. Ribbons for each drive and overall rally champions
- Overall winner will be determined by results from all three drives.
- grass footing, standard cones widths
- same course used for all three drives to aid in memorization
- ❖ Begins promptly at 10 a.m. Course open for walking until 9:45 a.m.

Watch for registration materials at jamesriverdrivingassociation.com or contact Lisa at springintothering@gmail.com; 804-441-5206. Registration opens September 15<sup>th</sup>.

Carriage Grove Farm, Dot and Lou Ruqus 2545 Dogtown Road, Goochland, VA 23063





### **MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

(Membership runs from November to November)

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Spotsylvania, VA 22553

### JRDA VOLUNTEER FORM

Volunteer Descriptions (Brief Description – check al	l that interest you)
Volunteer Chairman: contacts volunteers, follow	
provides water, equipment, snacks, nametags	
Parking: set up the parking area	
Head Timer: arranges for stopwatches and score	forms to be available, sets clocks, prepares
clipboards with Secretary, instruct timers	
Announcer: calls all classes and gives general in	ıformation
In Gate: open the gate for competitors to enter	
Out Gate (If different) opens exit gate for compe	
Equipment Coordinator makes sure all equipmen	at needed for show is available and in place.
Concessions – Breakfast/Lunch	
Ring Master- communicates commands from jud	lge to announcer, keeps judge informed,
avoids problems, supervises ring; also gives out ribbo	ons unless there is a special person for this
Ring Steward – works in obstacles area and the C	Cone arena. Calls out numbers ensuring that
entries are present. Instructs entry, assists in line up,	and assists Judge as required.
Hospitality Coordinator – ensures that volunteers	
Cone Setters – measure and place cones, replace	cones that have been moved
Scorer – Records the Judge's placing	
Warm up: makes sure the next several competito	
Score Runner: Picks up score sheets and takes to	
Driving Marathon Cones Setter: Sets width of co	
Awards Steward – organizes ribbons, special aw	*
Barn Manager: Makes sure competitors are in co	orrectly labeled stalls, sells/provides
shavings, keeps barns free of trash and debris	
Safety Person – accidents/Harness check – EMT	
Scribe – works with judge, writes judge's comm	ents exactly as given, make sure competitor
is the same as test sheet and show schedule say	
VOLUNTEER FORM	CONTACT:
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### 'JRDA Sponsored' events are covered by the clubs insurance policy

11 Jan	Monster Mini CDE – Windsor, SC. All VSE CDE – Organizer Janelle Marshall 803-514-4490	
18 Jan	Windsor Derby Driving Qualifier #1 — Katydid Farm, Windsor, SC. For more information go to <a href="http://www.americandrivingsociety.org/06">www.katydidfarm.com</a> or <a href="http://www.americandrivingsociety.org/06">http://www.americandrivingsociety.org/06</a> omnilistings/01WindsorDD-1.asp	
14 Feb	Windsor Derby Driving Qualifier #2 – Katydid Farm, Windsor, SC. For more information go to <a href="http://www.americandrivingsociety.org/06">www.katydidfarm.com</a> or <a href="http://www.americandrivingsociety.org/06">http://www.americandrivingsociety.org/06</a> omnilistings/01WindsorDD-2.asp	
24 Jan	JRDA Monthly Meeting: 9:00 A.M., Program 10:30 AM, ADS Rule information. Especially for minis, ponies and horses. Hardy Central Baptist Church, 4655 Darbytown Rd., Henrico, 23231.	
21 Feb	JRDA to Host Peggy Dils of the Aiken Driving Club – at the home of Tom and Daphne Lasser – More information to come!	JRDA Sponsored
7- Mar	<b>Gilcrest Farm ADS Schooling HDT and CT – Windsor, SC.</b> Entries open 2/14 and close 2/28. For more information go to www.gilcrestfarm.com	
8 Mar	Windsor Derby Driving Qualifier #3 – Katydid Farm, Windsor, SC. For more information go to <a href="http://www.americandrivingsociety.org/06">www.katydidfarm.com</a> or <a href="http://www.americandrivingsociety.org/06">http://www.americandrivingsociety.org/06</a> omnilistings/01WindsorDD-3.asp	
15 Mar	<b>Morven Park ADT – Leesburg, VA</b> . Entries open Feb 3 <sup>rd</sup> and close March 10. For more information go to <a href="https://www.morvenpark.org">www.morvenpark.org</a> ++VSE Division!	
24-25 April	Martin Auctioneers Spring Sale – Lebanon Fairgrounds, PA 717-354-6671	
27-29 Mar	Windsor Trace CDE – Windsor, SC. Entries open 2/9 and close 3/2. +++ VSE Division!	
10-12 April	Southern Pines CDE – Raeford, NC. Entries open 2/15 and close 3/15. Contact Kelly Valdez at <a href="mailto:fkvaldes@aol.com">fkvaldes@aol.com</a>	
26-28 June	CAA Carriage Festival – Lexington, KY. USEF Carriage Pleasure Competition – held in the air-conditioned Alltech Arena at the Kentucky Horse Park Contact the Carriage Association of America-info@caaonline.com or go to www.carriagefestival.com or call 859-231-0971	
11-13 Sept	Villa Louis Carriage Classic – Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin, ADS Pleasure Driving Competitionheld on the lawn of the Villa Louis Historic Site. Contact Mike Rider – info@carriageclassic.com or go to www.carriageclassic.com or call 608-326-4436	
27-31 Jan 2016	2016 CAA/CWF Carriage Symposium- Colonial Williamsburg, VA	

### **CLASSIFIED ADS**

All ads will be posted to the newsletter for three months and then removed.

**For Sale:** Meadowbrook cart, excellent condition, asking \$650.00 obo. It is located in King William County, close to Ashland. Used with my Haflinger. Contact Cristi Anderson at <a href="mini.reef@hotmail.com">mini.reef@hotmail.com</a> or 804-386-9328 if interested.



**For Sale:** Two Pairs of Size 3 Cavallo Simple Horse Boots. They are brand new and have never been on a horse's foot. I bought them and waited too long to see if they fit my horses (they didn't), and now I can no longer return them. Simple and fast to put on and remove. Use this horse boot on rough terrain or slippery surfaces. They

retail for \$150.00 a pair. Asking \$100 per pair. Or if you buy both sets I will take \$175. Contact Cristi Anderson at <a href="mini.reef@hotmail.com">mini.reef@hotmail.com</a> or 804-386-9328



**WANTED** to buy or borrow: Easy Entry cart, cob size (14-15hh). Contact Cheryl Childress 804-784-0001 or <a href="mailto:cpc1996@gmail.com">cpc1996@gmail.com</a>.





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