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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S CARRIAGE

The Valentine Drive was a big hit with lots of public exposure. Thank you to everyone who attended. It has been brought to my attention that we are known as the club who puts on FUN events. I hope we can keep this up. Looking forward to a really fun up coming year. See you at Paradox Farm in March, which is the next event.

"Keep your hooves on the ground."

Faith Bradshaw

NEWS FROM THE VICE.....

Well here we are and February is almost behind us but that means warmer weather is closer! I think we have a very exciting year ahead of us. Thanks to all that attended the January meeting held in Mocksville. It seems like the club is certainly growing by leaps and bounds. To all of those new members, please don't be shy and certainly keep in touch with members as we are here to help in any way and even get together for weekend drives (or ride!). Another suggestion to those of you who are new to driving would be to consider joining the American Driving Society (ADS) It offers an array of great information and even great educational articles as well as upcoming events. They publish the "Whip" which is sent out quarterly as well as the Wheelhorse and the Omnibus.

2008 MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE DUE...

(IF YOU HAVE AN 07 AFTER YOUR NAME ON THE ADDRESS LABEL)

THANK YOU IF YOU HAVE ALREADY RENEWED

We had a great turnout for the Valentine Drive and Faith did an "Awesome" job putting it together. What a great piece of property! We are always appreciative of new places to drive and need to remember when we are at events to be considerate of property conditions. It was very nice to see all the different sizes and driving combinations of horse and carriage. I really missed being able to drive myself as I recently herniated a disc in my back and will need some down time. Hope all of you are getting some driving in and are planning to attend some of our fun events. Until next month.....

Drive on!! Linda Harbison, VP

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CCC's AMY NEARY CLINIC

JAN 31-FEB 1, 2008

by Tricia Hardy

I had the pleasure of attending the Amy Neary Marathon Safety Clinic put on by the CCC this soggy weekend. I arrived at Claudette's Farm where Precious & I were to spend the night, after taking the "scenic route" through Lake Lure to get there. One of these days I'm going to get down there with out getting lost or going way out of my way! The group met at 4:00 at Allen Bridges Farm to walk the obstacles and discuss the many ways to approach them depending on the level of you and your horse/ponies training. The shortest way is not always the fastest way especially if you are a novice like me. Staying on the same rein for all your turns can also shave time off of your score making the difference between a blue or the red! After we were all thoroughly frozen we went back to our "residences" to feed our animals and get ready for a potluck dinner at Jackie's at 7:00. Some how I managed to get there with only 1 wrong turn! We were warmed up with some wine and very good food and conversation! It had started to rain while we were there, then continued to rain all night long! We ended up with 2" by morning (I had a small lake right underneath the door to my tack room on the trailer!) We started late (waiting for the last of the cold rain to finish). The actual hands on clinic had to be moved from Allen Bridges farm to Allen Thomas' farm, who just happened to live right next door to Claudette. I had soooooo far to travel to get Precious there, Jody & I actually walked through the fence dividing the two properties & hitched up at the arena since it was SO WINDY by the time it was our turn! We were broken up into groups of 2 with the more advanced people going first, then us novices. We did gates and serpentes, with Amy telling us when our horses heads were at the "plane of

the letters on the gates” so that we could get a feel for the position of when we should be turning in the obstacles. For the serpentine/cones she did the same but trying to let us get a feel for where our horses shoulder was. (I hope I didn't get that backwards). Precious got her first experience being driven in some VERY STRONG winds! We were in a covered arena but it was still very scary for her, but she did well. If any one gets a chance to take a clinic with Amy I would highly recommend it, she gave us a lot of individual attention even though she was working with two of us at a time. Thank you Amy & Thank you CCC.

SO YOU WANT TO LEARN TO DRIVE!

Tricia, the interest in the beginners clinic is growing. Emily, Nancy and I discussed the event and it is going to be an all day event and the cost is \$35.00 per person with BYOL. There will be a slide show presentation in the beginning with hands on learning to harness and questions and answer session during the lunch break. We are making a flyer and will forward to you as soon as it is ready.

Thanks, Tonya

VALENTINE DRIVE

by Tricia Hardy

What a great day. I don't have all the fact & figures, but we had a great turnout with LOTS of spectators to encourage us on in the cones and we added quite a few NEW Members to our ranks. The rain the forecasters were calling for held off all day but it was cloudy. One of the landowners twin daughters & a friend, were up all night baking goodies for a donation table they set up for their Aunt who has Lou Gehrig's disease, I don't think they had to many items left by the end of the day. We had a reporter & photographer out from the Salisbury Post* to watch us

and Katrina of Pole Star Studios** was taking videos of us in the cones! I don't think any of us will end up on America's Funniest Videos though. The Trace Pace was run around the outside edges of all the hay fields, around a pond and through some woods with a one hill to climb. Of course we had to apply lipstick and give our partner, dog whatever.... in the carriage (or even the lipstick person!) a great big smooch! Connie didn't know what she was getting herself into when she volunteered for lipstick duty. We also had to stop and someone in the carriage had to eat a Banana as fast as they could. Emily Ureche won that part of the contest!

There was some confusion about the results of the Cones, it was pretty hectic figuring the results with faults and such but here are the results as reported to me: **TRACE PACE:** Pairs: 1st David Moser, 2nd Emily Ureche, 3rd Doug Prevette. **PONIES:** 1st Erin Hoyle, 2nd Pat Granzycck, 3rd Claudia Galup. **HORSE:** Tricia Hardy (the only horse entered!) **Horse & Rider:** 1st Liz Patten (the only horse & rider entered!)

CONES: **PAIRS:** 1st Emily Ureche with 1 fault, 2nd Doug Prevette 2 faults, 3rd David Moser with 5 faults. **PONIES:** 1st Shawn (Pat Granzycck's grandson) NO faults, 2nd Poly Hixson NO faults, 3rd Nancy Faller 1 fault. **HORSE:** Tricia Hardy 1 fault (the only horse entered!) David & Charlette Moser won a basket of Valentine goodies for having traveled the longest distance to get to our event. Mugs were given as thank you gifts to our WONDERFUL VOLUNTEERS.

Thank you Faith for a wonderful day.

***Salisbury Post:** Go to salisburypost.com and check out the great story they wrote about us then check the photo gallery to see ALL of the pictures that they took.

**** Pole Star Studios:** to view the video try either of these links. (The second link is the one that worked for me.)

<http://polestarstudios.com/blog/?p=31>
<http://polestarstudios.com/blog/movies/Cones.mov>

SCHEDULE FOR 2007:

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

March 29th Saturday "So You Want to Learn to Drive!" Paradox Farm See Flyer on our web site for full details. Start time 10:00 am BYOL Fee: \$35.00. Others who wish to just come and drive on the property are welcome. Emily will not be using the trails for this seminar.

April 5th Saturday Trail Drive @ Doug's 9:00 will start with a plowing demonstration then about 11:00 we will follow Doug on the trails around his farm. After lunch we will have a cones or obstacle course set up. BYOL Fee:\$15.00

April 27th Sunday Dinner Meeting @ 5:00pm at one of the Golden Corrals in Winston Salem. The location to be announced at a later date.

May 17th Saturday Horse Driving Trail @ Paradox Dressage Cones and a Marathon/obstacles course. BYOL Fee: \$35.00 This will be informal (don't have to dress up like @ a show) A great way to get a taste for what happens at the big events. NOTE: there will be an HDT at Tryon put on by the CCC May 31-June 1st.

June 28th Saturday Blowing Rock a day pleasure drive but if you wish you can make arrangements to camp/board your horse and drive the whole weekend.

July we will try to arrange something a Leyland Farm

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

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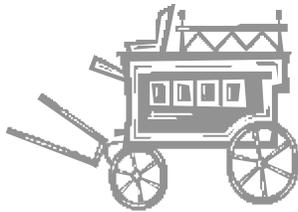
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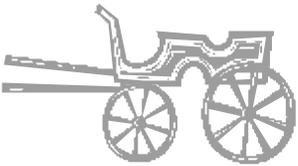
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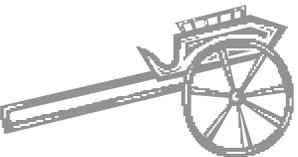
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Total Enclosed \$ _____



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