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THOROUGHBRED TRAINING CENTER



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October 16th 2010



From the Presidents Carriage

Hello everyone,

FINALLY.... looks like Fall has finally arrived. Hopefully, the cooler weather will have everyone eager to drive. WWDC has several events scheduled for the upcoming months, so be sure and check the Events Calendar.

We certainly had a good turnout for the De-Spooking Clinic at Paradox Farm. Barbie did a great job helping us expose our horses to a variety of spooky objects. Thanks to Barbie for organizing this event.

October 16th will be the big day for Thoroughbred Training Center as they hold their 1st HDT (and hopefully not their last). Beth, Sean and everyone at TTC is very excited to be hosting this event and are asking for volunteers to help. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Beth McCashin at 336-998-5280. Don't forget, if you are participating in the event to send your entries to Tricia Hardy.

You don't have to be participating or even volunteering to come to Supper at TTC on Friday, October 15th at 6:30pm. The menu will consist of: Salad, Grilled Chicken, Roasted Potatoes, Vegetables, and more. After supper, Beth will "fire" up the bonfire and we can spend some time socializing (rumor has it that we may even be snacking on s'mores!!). The cost of the Supper is **\$12.00** and RESERVATIONS are required so there will be plenty of good food available. Reservations can be made to Tricia Hardy.

I hope everyone has their costume ready for Halloween at Paradox on Saturday, October 30th. If you have never attended this event, you need to make plans to be there this year. This is truly a FUN event!!

Our Facebook Page continues to grow and is a great place to view all the great photos that have been taken at the events.

Happy Driving

PennyG

PARADOX Farm De-SPOOKING Clinic



September 18, 2010

What a perfect day for a clinic after all this HOT weather! The farm thoroughly attired in de-spooking items, Goats (real) a lion, giraffe, zebra, & elephant (not real but pretty scary with helium balloons tied to them, waving in the strong breeze). Bulls, a cow, a lady in a tub, cavaletti, barrels, tarp, flares, tires whirly gigs and flags and a

lot of other stuff hanging in trees, a brand new tractor, lawn mower and a leaf blower which did blow the minds of a few horses!

I think we had nineteen participants; some people brought two or three horses. We had a good mix of riding horses and carriage horses, speaking of which some of the riding horses got a chance to be near the carriages. After we finished with the de-spooking some of us either stopped for lunch or hitched up or saddled up to go out and enjoy the trails on the farm. Thank you Nancy for allowing us to come to your farm and to you Barbie for putting this clinic together for us. It was great. You can never get enough de-spooking for your animals. I will try to post the pictures we took on face book and our web site.

BOD Meeting Sept 17, 2010 @ MAD Ceramics

Penny Godbey called the meeting to order at 6:46 with Tommy Cope, Barbie Black, Nancy Fallor and

Tricia Hardy in attendance. We had nor treasurer's report available. The minutes of the last BOD meeting were read.

Penny wanted the opinions of the other board members about having signed blank checks available when there is a speaker or the need to pay for room rental (like at the Susan McCrimmon clinic). We all felt a speaker *should be paid when they are finished* and not have to wait for a check to be sent in the mail. Since Penny is now President, we need to have the signature card at the bank changed from Tommy Cope to Penny Godbey and she should have a checkbook or at least a few checks available. If nothing else, she should have signed blank checks to pay the speaker and room rent. We also discussed holding a second "indoor" event as a regular thing for the hot months. Everyone was pleased with Susan's clinic and getting out of the heat.

We have 42 people following WWDC on Face Book and there is an area where you can RSVP to any of our events. I was asked to put a link to face book on our web site.

We discussed the De-Spooking clinic to be held tomorrow. (If anyone has any old mattresses they would like to get rid of, Barbie would love to take them for the NEXT de-spooking clinic! The dump would not let us take any of the mattresses they had there for possible "infestation" reasons!

We discussed the upcoming HDT, the dinner, the course, Face Book responses and volunteers. I met with Beth Thursday to give her the paperwork I printed from the ADS web site and she gave me the entries she has received so far. PLEASE if you are planning on stabling, YOU MUST call Beth, her barn is now full and she will need to arrange with OTHER barns near her farm to accommodate any more horses. As to volunteers, Beth is planning to give them a one year Elite Membership worth \$50.00, check out her website to see what that entails. Barbie met with Lyle Peterson at TTC on Sept 7th. Lyle will be our TD and obstacle/cones course designer. We will be using the water as an obstacle, but it will be optional for training level. The course will be up to 6k of rolling pasture, with six obstacles for Preliminary and five for training. Beginning training will be a shorter course perfect for minis and drafts that are out of shape. Even though there will be a show going on the weekend

before, we will be able to set up the obstacles and course. I will be meeting with Beth again on Oct 4th to help set up the order of go for the competitors.

Nancy informed us Halloween is really on her mind and they are working feverishly to get the farm ready, so start working on your costumes! Tommy has not been able to confirm our Christmas dinner date yet.

We discussed early events for next year. Of course we will hold a January Dinner meeting with a possible speaker, but we are considering moving it to Ryan's in Salisbury. This way we might have more elbowroom and not keep being interrupted by the server bringing meals in while we are trying to hold the meeting. Penny G is going to check into it. While we were on speakers, we talked about possible topics. Deb Metcalf of Net Posse (stolen & lost horses), A certified Fire department speaker to talk about barn fires and prevention, large animal rescue or the NC HORSE Council. Tommy wants to hold the Fire talk and will arrange something for Jan 8th, every date from now until then seemed to be booked but he wants to do this before winter, since the extra things we do to keep a barn, water etc from freezing cause many barn fires.

We adjourned at 8:03pm.

As of 9/7/2010, Pat reports we have a balance of \$1710.09 in the checking account.

Carvers Creek State Park

Action Alert: Please Comment ASAP!!!

This news comes from Barb Oslund, the NCHC Trails Consultant. We need all NCHC members and trails enthusiasts to act on this as soon as possible!!

There is a current public input process for the new Carvers Creek State Park Master Plan. This new NC State Park will ultimately include over 4,000 acres and is being planned in the Sandhills in Cumberland County and in the heart of Central NC horse country. The land has historically been used by local equestrians for trail riding and includes a historic farm (and stables) that was once the estate of James Stillman Rockefeller. Unfortunately, none of the current plans for the park include riding or carriage driving trails. The NCHC has been told by the State Parks Planner Max Rogers, and

Deputy Director Carol Tingley that this is still an open process and they encourage our review and comments. The park plans can be viewed on line at <http://www.ncparks.gov/Visit/parks/cacr/main.php>

All comments are due by September 27, 2010. There is an on-line survey document that can be completed, but it doesn't currently include horse trails as a choice for recreational use. Remind State Parks Planners that equestrians are part of the recreation community! Please make comments encouraging State Parks to include riding and/or carriage driving trails, and send those comments directly via email to Max.Rogers@ncdenr.gov If you live in Cumberland County or adjacent counties, we encourage you to also copy your comments to your County Commissioners and State Representative.

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Remember: the continuation of trails and trail riding in North Carolina is a privilege we dare not take for granted!

Please make every effort to submit your comments on this.

We thank you so very much!

[The North Carolina Horse Council](#)



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From the NCHC Newsletter:

The White House Conference on America's Great Outdoors continues to welcome comments on the Americas Great Outdoors Initiative website:

<http://www.doi.gov/americasgreatoutdoors/>. It is very important that trail riders and trail drivers voices are heard. The response from hikers, mountain bikers, OHV users has been huge; unfortunately, equestrian response is rather weak, as is all too often the case. Add your opinion to the discussion! The AHC and the Equine Land Conservation Resource (ELCR) are actively participating in this effort and NCHC has submitted comments.

We attended the CCC Pleasure Driving show in Tryon this past weekend and had a blast. Jeff, our niece Maryanna & nephew Paul were my navigator helpers, while Jeff's Mom & Sister (also named Tricia) were my cheering section. It was hot Friday and Saturday and we were rained out on Sunday, but with the points Precious, Maryanna, Paul & I accrued on Saturday we won the Obstacle Grand Championship. Maryanna & I won 2nd in Ladies to Drive. The CCC puts on a great show and their volunteers are wonderful.

Thank you CCC, Tricia Hardy

SCHEDULE FOR 2010:

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

October 16th HDT at Thoroughbred Training Center Mocksville. For details and updates, see http://www.whipsandwheelsdrivingclub.org/ttc_hdt.htm

October 30th Halloween at Paradox

November 20th Turkey Trot at TLC

December 5th ?? Christmas Party @ Tuckers?

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

CLASSIFIEDS:

NOTE: Ads are FREE to PAID members and will run for 2 months then be deleted unless you request them to be run for another 2 months. Must be horse related, i.e. no washers dryers etc.

NONE @ THIS TIME

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BRIEF description of Business/Web Address:

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Check all that apply: New Family New Single New after June 30th Renewal

NEW & Renewing current Memberships **AFTER November 1st** will run through the next year:

Family Membership (2 or more people) \$25.00 Single Membership (1 person) \$15.00

Total Enclosed \$ _____

NOTE: Membership will run from January 1st through December 31st. NEW Memberships joining **AFTER June 30th** will be prorated at \$12.00 (Family) & \$7.50 (Single) for the remainder of the year and any one joining or renewing a current membership after November 1st is good for the following year.

Make checks payable to: **Whips & Wheels Driving Club**

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