Whips & Wheels Driving Club

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July 9th, 2011

It was hot, the shelter was wonderful, plenty of room for us to spread out with 3 grills (only one in use though). We had lots of great food as usual. Tommy and Jim Godbey were our grill chefs with Jeff Hardy overseeing them. Karen said she counted 27 people attending. Our silent auction brought in about \$80.00 I think. Faith had a hard time keeping her mother from buying everything on the 2 tables!



Meet your Board of Directors

Whips and Wheels Driving Club has been growing quite a bit over the last few years, so we shouldn't take for granted that everyone knows everyone else. Everyone certainly should know the officers and directors, however, who have volunteered to make decisions and plan events on behalf of the membership at large. Officers are elected for a two year term. There are two permanent directors, and three directors with a two-year term. Thus we have a group of nine, an odd number to break a tie vote, although for the most part decisions are made through discussion and contention is rare. The most urgent topic is generally, "What should we do next, and where can we do it?"

Currently the position of head whip (president) is held by Penny Godbey. Penny is an equestrienne of many years' experience, formerly a breeder and active member of the NC Paint Horse Association. Penny now drives a pinto mini named Calvin, and contributes to the club with her organizational skills and personal contacts throughout the equestrian community.

Head Navigator (vice-president) is Penny Brandon: also a long-time equestrienne, former owner of a registered Percheron carriage horse, and now shopping for a driving horse of somewhat less stature. Being currently horseless allows more time for planning events, taking lots of photographs, producing the annual club calendar, and maintaining the club facebook page.

The Score Keeper is Tricia Hardy. One of the original founding members of the club, Tricia has

been editor of the newsletter since the very first one in December 2005. Tricia also maintains membership files and insurance waivers, holds the club equipment, maintains the club website, and hosts the quarterly directors' meetings. Tricia is a tireless volunteer and invaluable member of the club.

Club Treasure Keeper (treasurer) is Pat Granzyk. Pat has been driving horses for many years, is a long-time member of the club, and a faithful volunteer. Although driving less than in years past, Pat continues to attend events and support the club with her volunteer activities.

Two-year term board members are Doug Prevette, Barbie Black, and Faith Bradshaw. Faith is the previous club president, and one of the founding members. Faith drives a matched pair of white Percheron mares that have been in regular attendance at club events. Faith hosts the annual Valentines Drive every February, and is very active in other ways, as well. Barbie Black, former president of the American Driving Society and licensed judge, lends her professional expertise to many club discussions, and her emphasis on safety is a constant reminder to us all. Doug Prevette has been an active member of the club for many years, with his beautiful black Percherons. We hope he will continue to participate in the years to come.

Permanent directors are Nancy Faller and Tommy Cope, both founding members. The very first club fun drive was held at Paradox Farm in 2005, and there have been many more events at Paradox over the years. Nancy Faller is generous with her time and with her property, and the club is extremely fortunate to have her as a member. Tommy Cope is a long-time horseman who has trained more driving horses than he can remember (Who was that grey horse in the 2010 calendar?). The second club drive, in January 2006, was held at TLC Farm. TLC is also a favorite driving venue, and the club has been fortunate to return there year after year.

The Board of Directors' meetings are held quarterly, generally in Mocksville at MAD Ceramics/Horseramics, Tricia Hardy's shop. Any club member is welcome to attend. Please contact Tricia Hardy for times and directions. Also, if you have an issue that you would like to bring before the board, please contact Penny Godbey to be

added to the agenda. The current board has almost completed the two year term for which it was elected, and will hold elections for new officers in November. If you wish to serve as an officer, you should be nominated by another club member for the slate of candidates. Service on the board requires a commitment in time, but is rewarding for the participants.

Whips and Wheels Driving Club has had many changes in membership over the years, but is fortunate to have many of the founding members still active as participants and leaders. New members add fresh ideas and expertise, and are welcomed into the group. We hope there continues to be interest in carriage driving as a sport and WWDC as an active association for the promotion of recreational driving, social interaction, education, and fun.

BOD Meeting July 18th, 2011

Barbie Black, Faith Bradshaw, Pat Granzyk, Penny Godbey, Penny Brandon and Tricia hardy were in attendance. Barbie brought a guest Patty Bishop.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30. The previous Board minutes were passed out Faith motioned we accept and seconded by Barbie, minutes were approved. Pat said the balance in the treasury is \$1883.15. The Silent auction at the July 9th picnic brought in \$75.75 and the Continuous Drive in June \$100.00.

Penny Godbey has too much on her plate at the moment and wants to cancel the August event, but Patty Bishop and Barbie Black later volunteered to take it over since we already have the Woodleaf Community Center booked and Penny had already talked to possible speakers.

Faith talked about a possible new place for us to hold our September event. Faith, Marilyn Colvin & I went there Saturday July 16th to check it out, riding, not driving. The owner of Small Town Stables in Statesville www.smalltownstables.com is very willing to work with us in setting up a drive. It was VERY WET when we were there and that will be a problem since there is a hill going down from the barn and back up and it was VERY slick red clay. He did tell Faith he could open up a lower pasture for us to park in since there is very limited parking up at the barn as long as it is not WET! In addition,

there is a gate to access the trails without using the hill. There is a good size arena for us to set up a cones course. These trails are not good for show carriages, they still need to do a bit of trimming, they have only been open for about 1 year, but the trails are wide, flat (once you get down that hill and carriage accessible. The board approved Faith setting up a drive there and picked Sunday Sept 25th (Saturday is a busy day for guided trail rides there). Faith & I will mark out a trail on Sat and we can bring our cones to set up a demo in the arena for after lunch. This will be a good experience for the boarders there to get used to carriages and see what fun we can have with the cones. The cost will be \$15.00 per turnout or horse & rider and we will bring our own lunch. There is a tack shop on the premises too if anyone is interested.

Barbie told us about a MINI CDE to be held in Chesnee SC. The WWDC has been challenged to join in the team challenge. Info from the E-mail I was sent and passed on is below. **Contact PRICE STORY** for more information Price Story p story@bellsouth.net

Dates, Oct. 17, 18. Yes, that is a Monday, Tues but it will allow us to piggy back with the horse trial at the farm and use the temp. stalls instead of having to contract for stalls, significantly raising the cost. To be run basically according to ADS rules. 4 hazards which will include 1 water hazard, no more than 4k on the marathon. We will keep it as flat as possible. Training, Prelim, a mini donkey division?. Forgiveness for those who overgrew the ADS 39" requirement. Dressage and cones on Monday, marathon on Tues. Who out there is interested and will come? We need to know we have at least enough to pay the minimal bills. The farm is between Chesnee SC and Forest City, NC off 221.

Barbie presented a list of Rules generated from 3 or 4 different clubs she has belonged to over the years. Penny Brandon will type them up and we will pass them on. We will be asking everyone to read and sign that they understand them. This way we will have something in writing if we should have to ask someone to correct a possible safety hazard. We want to get serious about safety; we don't want anyone getting hurt, or any of our equine companions. I was also asked to send out a copy of our general rules to all members. Look for it in your

e-mail as a separate attachment. From now on ALL our fliers will have the following information on them. "ALL riders or passengers in a carriage or on a horse, 18 years or younger will be REQUIRED to wear a helmet. Helmets are STRONGLY suggested for everyone else. "

"Patty Bishop was present at the BOD meeting and requested the Whips and Wheels Driving Club consider sponsoring a benefit for Grace Hodge who has Cystic Fibrosis. The benefit would be at Paradox Farm on October 22nd following the WWDC Halloween Drive. Patty presented her ideas on the activities and types of events she had planned. Patty is also seeking volunteers to help her with the benefit.

After discussing Patty's proposal, the decision was made that it would be better if the benefit was not sponsored by the club, but was held as a separate event starting at 1:00 following the WWDC Halloween Drive. The club will publish information about the benefit in the newsletter and encourages anyone who would like to volunteer to contact Patty Bishop." To contact Patty Bishop for further information, call 704-278-1045 or Patroicia.Bishop3@va.gov or petmom1@att.net

Penny Brandon says our face book page is doing well.

The meeting adjourned 8:00

Looking for driving helper near Hillsborough NC Min age 12, but no maximum. No experience necessary but need good horse sense. I will teach the person about carriage driving in exchange for their help. When we travel, I pay ALL expenses.

Types of Help needed:

Driving at home in Cedar Grove, NC. evenings or weekends only.

Navigator for occasional combined driving competitions and practice clinics.

Occasional carriage business for hire: special events with team of draft horses: Helpers are PAID for this work. Contact Reba Wagner

Wagne045@mc.duke.edu or

919.730.3320 Cell

WHIPS & WHEELS DRIVING CLUB PRESENTS:

TACK CLEANING TIPS

DATE: 08/27/11 TIME: 10am to 3pm

Change in Location, Now at: Salisbury Blueprints, inside the KMD Building Salisbury NC

<u>Upstairs</u> in the lunch Room

GUEST SPEAKERS:

Dr. Jay Moore, Veterinarian

Dr. Karla, Equine Chiropractor

Kenny Johnson, Barefoot Farrier

Bring your friends and join the group as we share the tricks to perfect tack cleaning.
Bring saddles, bridles, harnesses, halters, etc., an old sheet, terrycloth towels, a bucket, sponges and be prepared to clean! A variety of driving whips will be displayed also.



Lunch provided by Jersey Mike's—\$7.00/person Desserts/drinks would be appreciated

Schedule for 2011:

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

August 27th Salisbury Blueprints, inside the grey KMD Building Salisbury NC Upstairs in the lunch Room 1001 W Innes St, Salisbury, NC

We will meet <u>upstairs</u> in the lunchroom of the **KMD Building**. (The Building is grey and has a glass front.) Parking in the front, sides and rear of the building.

Lunch \$7.00 RSVP to Patty Bishop **(704) 278-1045** See attached Flier

Directions Salisbury Blueprints (KMD Building)

From Mocksville take 601 South, go straight through the blinking light (601 will turn right) and continue on West Innes Blvd. After you go under the bridge the KMD Building, (Salisbury Blueprints) will be on the right, on the corner where West Innes, Old West Innes & Institute St all come together. Sonic will be on the other corner. From I-85 take East Innes cross over S Main St and continue on West Innes. Sonic will be on one corner and the KMD Building (Salisbury Blueprints) will be on the other at the intersection where West Innes, Old West Innes & Institute St. all come together.

September 25th **Sunday** Small Town Stable drive 645 Whites Farm Road Statesville, NC 28625

For more information, contact Faith Bradshaw 704-213-7076

Directions: From I-40, take 77 north. Take exit **54** for **US-21**. Slight right onto **US-21 N/Turnersburg Hwy** 433 ft. Turn left onto **Jennings Rd** 1.8 mi. Turn left onto **Whites Farm Rd**

October 22nd Halloween at Paradox Paradox Farm, Nancy Faller Mocksville NC 27028 336-284-6581

From I-85 take Jake Alexander Blvd exit, go left stay on Jake Alexander Blvd until it T's with Hwy 601, go left stay on 601. About 12 miles you will see signs to Paradox Farm. The farm is on the left, trailer entry will be at the bottom of the hill.

From I-40 take the Farmington Road exit, left over ramp to end, go right on Hwy 158, through Mocksville about 4 miles south you will come to the intersection of 801 & 601. Go straight about 2 miles. The farm will be on your right, go past the farm to the bottom of the hill. Signs will be there for the trailer entrance on the right.

November 19th Turkey Trot at **T.L.C. Farm, Tommy & Karen Cope** 331 Feedmill Road Advance,
NC 27006 336-998-4915

<u>From I-40 & Hwy 158</u> take 801 south (approx 5 miles) to Advance, turn right on Feedmill Road. The farm is at the end of the road.

<u>From Hwy 64</u> take 801 north (approx 6 miles) to Advance turn left on to Feedmill Road. The farm is at the end of the road.

December 4th Christmas party @ Tuckers **From I-40 & Hwy 158** take 801 south (approx 5 miles) to Advance. Tucker's is on the left **From Hwy 64** take 801 north (approx 6 miles) to Advance. Tucker's is on the right.

*BYOL= Bring Your Own Lunch!

Classifieds:

11/06 Sierakowski & Son 2 wheel cart, newly replaced seat, brakes, 36" wheels, 2 sets of shafts, fits a 15'-16' horse, good little cart just doesn't fit my horse properly, \$2000 OBO, pictures available, contact Carol Carter @ flatriverfarm@netzero.net

Carol Carter Flat River Farm Hurdle Mills, NC

I'm offering my mini Amish: cart[easy entry, new in 2003-4, lightly used and well kept] and harness[black leather, new, ec] for 500.00. Lucy Spencer, 768-6480 spencer-555@live.com

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Deadline for articles is the 25th of each month with a publish date of the 30th.

November 1st is good for the following year.

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NEW & Renewing current Memberships AFTER November 1st will run through the next year:	
Family Membership (2 or more people) \$25.00 Single N	Membership (1 person) \$15.00
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NOTE: Membership will run from January 1 st through December 31 st . NEW Memberships joining AFTER June 30 th 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

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