

WHIPS & WHEELS DRIVING CLUB

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FROM THE PONY Paddock,

Safety First

Several members have expressed concerns to the board about cantering. As they or their horses maybe green, they are concerned that their horses maybe scared or bolt if another horse canters close to them. Remember when this was your own concern? The board has therefor established the following rules:

1. Members are reminded about the existing rule concerning pace in congested areas:

- **Horses must be ridden or driven at a walk while navigating an activity site or congested area.**
- A rider or driver must ask permission to pass another vehicle or rider on trails. Passing should only be done in a safe area and at a ****slow pace****.

Cantering is not allowed around other carriages, groups of people, vehicles or trailers.

2. Enter and exit all competition areas at a walk or trot.

3. You may canter if yours is the only vehicle in the ring.

4. You may canter in areas, if any are designated by the event sponsor. Green whips or horses may drive in these areas if desired. There should be a drivers meeting at the beginning of all events so all are aware of the rules for that event.

5. Minis are exempt if on a grade. (may canter up slopes, inclines, or hills)

WELCOME NEW MEMBER:

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BOD MEETING

Monday 4/15/2013 @ Mad Ceramics

The meeting was called to order at 6:48pm with Polly, Faith, Tommy, Nancy, Tonya, Bev, Pat and I plus one guest Penny Godbey, in attendance.

Previous BOD Minutes were not read, but are available in the Nov 2012 Newsletter.

Tonya reported we have \$2106.24 in the treasury.

We discussed the upcoming Moonlight Drive Ride at Paradox. Details will be posted on the website and a flier sent out as soon as a.s.a.p.

Faith volunteered to be our June 15th picnic coordinator. The picnic will be held at Ellis Park Equestrian center from 4-8pm see schedule in newsletter and online. Faith will keep track of who is bringing what so Please RSVP to Faith Bradshaw 704-431-4308 fbradshaw1953@yahoo.com

I would like to put on a Poker Drive Ride at Hamby Creek for our September 21st date. Bev and I will coordinate with DCHA, find out about insurance requirements etc. This will be a 50/50 fund raiser for both of our clubs, (help support DCHA in their maintenance of this trail, which they want us to come use). We are thinking \$100.00 grand prize offered by our club with door prizes. The entry fee would be \$20.00 for everyone and we would send out the carriages first, (unless riders want to go out with them) and riders later.

We talked about Woody Woodall's Derby Day. This is not a WWDC event. Faith suggested those of us going should wear our "Dress" attire for the cones demonstrations. Aprons, fancy hats, gloves, and we all agreed. If you don't have aprons I have a few extras I can share.

We finally heard from RL Adams (the lawyer who spoke at our January meeting) and he has asked if we have incorporated yet, it would make a difference in the corrections to our waiver. Penny

Godbey brought all the insurance information/policy and turned it over to Polly to go over. The board agreed we should incorporate and get "Not for profit management insurance" Polly will follow up on that. It was noted that ANY changes to our waiver must be reported to the insurance company.

Penny also told us she knows a 4H group who would love to volunteer at our events if we need them.

We talked about "Perks" for ACTIVE members since we do have extra \$ in the treasury. Possibly holding a free clinic or something. We would have to set a requirement on "Active", maybe using how many events you have attended as a driver/rider or as a volunteer.....We will think about this and bring our input to the next BOD meeting.

Safety was brought up again. We have to remember that we have new members who might be very new to driving or have GREEN horses. We need to respect this and drive accordingly. You also need to think about if you have a BIG horse and come up behind a MINI, it could be scary to the mini driver. Remember rules # 4 & 6 (red highlights are mine) in our General Rules and safety shown online and listed again below. At each event the person putting on the event should discuss where the areas for cantering are, **IF** there are any areas for doing so.

CLUB RULES

GENERAL CLUB RULES

(January 15th 2006 Revised October 28, 2010)

- NO Alcohol or drugs
- NO Horseplay
- At EVERY event, drivers and navigators will need to sign a Liability & Safety release for the farm holding the event. As of Nov, 2006 we have a [WWDC waiver](#), once signed and on file with the Secretary, is good for ALL WWDC Events until you revoke it with 30 days written notice.
- If an event is held where we will be on public roads you should have a

- slow moving vehicle sign on the back of your carriage (This is a LAW)
- Judges decisions ARE FINAL!
- Dogs at events MUST be on leashes AND under control if the event holder is allowing dogs at the event. (This will be a Farm specific rule).
- Any disciplinary actions will be the Presidents jurisdiction.
- REFUNDS: if an event is cancelled (including the rain date) all monies will be refunded. If the show goes on (Including the rain date and you can't make it), NO monies will be refunded.
- ADS Rules (American Driving Society) will apply to this club. www.americandrivingsociety.org

SAFETY RULES

FOR WHIPS AND WHEELS DRIVING CLUB

1. **Never** remove the driving bridle while the horse* is attached to the carriage*.
2. The driver must be the first person to board the carriage and the last person to exit the carriage.
3. The driver and passengers must be seated at all times while in the carriage, unless standing as navigator on the back of a marathon carriage especially intended for that purpose.
4. **Horses must be ridden or driven at a walk while navigating an activity site or congested area.**
5. **No horse should be tied and left unattended while hitched to a carriage.** Passengers should not sit in the carriage while tied.
6. A rider or driver must ask permission to pass another vehicle or rider on trails. Passing should only be done in a safe area and at a ****slow pace****.
7. The Whips and Wheels Driving Club **strongly** suggests the use of safety helmets while riding or driving. **Juniors 18-years-old or under must wear helmets while riding, driving or as a passenger in a carriage.**
8. All drivers must carry a whip while in the carriage.

* For the purpose of these rules, "horse" is intended to mean any animal: horse, pony, donkey, miniature horse, or other animal being ridden or pulling a vehicle. "Carriage" refers to any vehicle pulled behind said animal.

Bev Discussed a mini/pony show June 8th at Ogburn stables in Tobbacoville, to be put on by a 17 year old who wants to raise \$ for H.E.R.O. ALL money taken in will go to H.E.R.O., ribbons, judges etc are all volunteers or being donated. Since there are so many minis in our club, and thought there would be interest, they decided to add driving classes to this show. Polly suggested we sponsor a class or two, and Pat said we should just donate \$100.00. Pat made the motion to donate \$100.00 to sponsor the driving classes, I seconded and was approved. This is NOT a WWDC event, but it would help advertise what a fun club we are. The attire is very casual, they are planning on "FUN" stuff for the driving and maybe a pleasure class. They will be charging \$5.00 per class. This show is for minis and ponies up to 14.2".

Polly asked for suggestions for her May 25th event at Paradox. Open trail drive, Scavenger hunt and judged trail drive were some of the suggestions. Let Polly know what you would like to do! Polly Hixson 336-978-9785 phixson@gmail.com

Meeting adjourned at 8:39pm

NOTE: Bev & I will be attending a DCHA Board meeting in May, to present the Poker Ride Idea for Sept on May 13th

Our Moonlight Drive/Ride/Outdoor Movie show and Pot Luck dinner had to be cancelled due the forecast for heavy rains.

SCHEDULE FOR 2012/2013:

Regardless of the event riders, visitors and spectators are ALWAYS welcome. Please come check us out. **Event Fees:** Members \$15.00 per Turnout or Rider, Non-members \$20.00 per Turnout or Rider, Spectators & Visitors are Free.

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

MAY 25TH, 2013 Saturday Polly Hixson to host @ Paradox. RSVP to Polly Hixson
phixson@gmail.com 336-978-9785

JUNE 15TH 2013 Saturday Picnic at Ellis Park.

JULY & AUGUST are open, indoor event, pot luck supper, something out of the heat?????

SEPTEMBER 21ST, 2013 Saturday. Would you like to host an event?

OCTOBER 19TH, 2013 Saturday. Nancy to host at Paradox. Tentative date, need to check upcoming shows. RSVP to: Nancy Faller 336-284-6581 paradoxfarm@yadtel.net

NOVEMBER 16TH 2013 Saturday TLC Farm. RSVP to: Tommy Cope 336-998-4915 tlcfarm@yadtel.net

DECEMBER 8TH, 2013 Sunday Christmas Party. RSVP to Tricia@whipsandwheelsdrivingclub.org 336-751-0786



CLASSIFIEDS

4/2013

MEADOWBROOK DRAFT CART in Pittsboro, NC

Made by Winesburg Carriage, Ohio. 52" wheels. 84" shafts, tapering from 36" to 28" at tip. Seats upholstered in velveteen. Left seat folds up for back entry. \$1800. Contact Ellen Pearson at pearson522@embarqmail.com or 919 545 2014.



WHIPS & WHEELS DRIVING CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/WAIVER

MEMBERSHIP WILL RUN FROM JANUARY 1ST THROUGH DECEMBER 31ST.

PLEASE PRINT OUT FORM BELOW & FILL OUT THEN:

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: WHIPS & WHEELS DRIVING CLUB OR WWDC MAIL TO: TRICIA HARDY 547 JOHN CROTTS ROAD MOCKSVILLE, NC 27028

___ FAMILY MEMBERSHIP FULL YEAR \$25.00 (FAMILY MEMBERSHIP 2 OR MORE PEOPLE UP TO 4. VOTING PRIVILEGES 18 YEARS OR OLDER)

___ SINGLE MEMBERSHIP FULL YEAR \$15.00 (1 PERSON)

___ NEW AFTER JUNE 30TH WILL BE PRORATED: 1/2 YEAR \$12.00 FAMILY \$7.50 SINGLE (REMAINDER OF THE YEAR.)

___ NEW & RENEWING MEMBERSHIPS AFTER NOVEMBER 1ST RUN THROUGH THE FOLLOWING YEAR.

DUES ARE DUE THE FIRST OF JANUARY EACH YEAR.

TOTAL \$ ENCLOSED \$ _____ PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING CONTACT INFORMATION FOR OUR MEMBERSHIP/BUSINESS DIRECTORY

Name: _____ Farm Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

Business: _____ Web Site: _____

SHORT Description: _____

Work or Cell Phone: _____

Date Received: _____ (Office Use)

Please read and sign the WAIVER below & send with your application: Print a copy to keep



1st Adult/Parent/Guardian _____

2nd Adult/Parent/Guardian _____

1st minor (under 18 years) _____

2nd minor (under 18 years) _____ Date: _____

Whips & Wheels Driving Club Equine Release, Waiver and Indemnification

The undersigned participant, and his or her parent or legal guardian if under the age of 18 years, does/do hereby execute this release waiver, and indemnification for himself/themselves and his or her/their heirs, successors, representatives and assigns and, thereby agree(s) and represents as follows:

To release Whips and Wheels Driving Club, it's members, agents and representatives affiliated with this activity from any liability, loss, damage, costs, claims and/or causes of action, including but not limited to all bodily injuries and property damage arising out of participation in the activity, it being specifically understood that said activity includes the handling of equine by the undersigned participant. The undersigned person(s) further agree(s) to indemnify Whips and Wheels Driving Club, it's members, agents and representatives affiliated with this project, and hold them harmless for any loss, damage, cost, claim judgment, or settlement which may be brought or entered against them as a result of the undersigned person's participation in said activity.

If involved in equine activities pursuant to NC Chapter 99E of NC General Statutes, the undersigned(s) executes(s) this waiver of the undersigned(s) right to sue and agree(s) to assume all risks resulting from the "intrinsic dangers of equine activities". "Intrinsic dangers of equine activities" is defined as those dangers or conditions that are an integral part of equine activities, including but not limited to: (i) the propensity of equines to behave in ways that may result in injury, harm, or death to persons on or around them; (ii) the unpredictability of an equine's reaction to such things as sounds, sudden movement, and unfamiliar objects, persons or other animals; (iii) certain hazards such as surface and subsurface conditions; (iv) collisions with other animals or objects; and (vi) the potential of a participant acting in a negligent manner that may contribute to injury to the participant or others, such as failing to maintain control over the equine or not acting within the participant's ability.

This waiver shall remain valid unless expressly revoked by the participant or Parent or guardian of a minor. The revocation shall be in writing, which shall be addressed to the provider and shall become effective thirty (30) days after delivery to the provider.

The undersigned(s) should maintain all medical and health insurance to cover all risks of any kind in any place in livestock, equine, and/or other activities.

I the undersigned participant will ensure equipment is in good condition at all times, wear and use all safety equipment. Minors (under the age of 18) MUST wear helmets and be accompanied by an experienced driver when in the carts/carriages.

WARNING: Under North Carolina law, an equine activity sponsor or equine professional is not liable for an injury to or the death of a participant in equine activities resulting exclusively from the inherent risks of equine activities. Chapter 99E of the North Carolina general statutes.

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