

WHIPS & WHEELS DRIVING CLUB

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FROM THE PONY Paddock

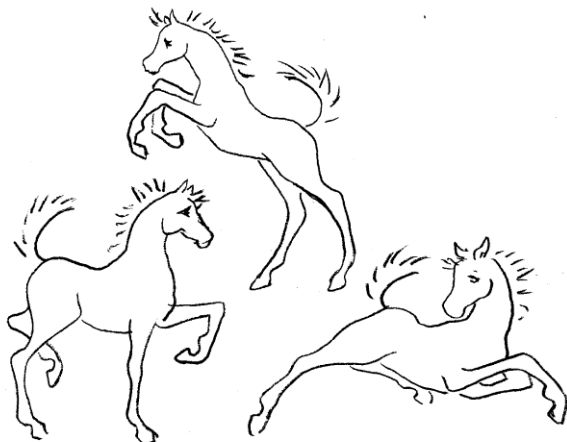
BABIES, OF COURSE!

Mares are amazing, aren't they? When people have babies, it is a big deal with hospitals and midwives and subdural anesthetics and and and. Not for mares...they would rather have their babies at night, by themselves, no people around, just doing their own thing.

Having "given up breeding" ponies, it just happened that I have a new baby! I bred Charm (New Forest Pony) who spends most of the summer bumpy and half bald from bug allergy and who tends to throw babies smaller than herself, to a small Hannoverian. I was expecting a baby on the 24th. I just KNEW that she would have the baby on the night of the 24th, enabling me to be up all night before the Trivia event and then fly out of Charlotte at 8 that night! So of course the baby came a week early, when I was out of state working anyway....Charm showed no indication that she was going to foal, just POOF! Tommy comes to the barn in the morning and there are eight legs in the stall..... chestnut filly legs and Charm legs.

To make it even more adventuresome at TLC, a Friesian mare came to board after foaling at another facility, with her gorgeous, upright, high stepping black filly.

This follows the ultimate adventure of a SURPRISE! filly born to Izzy, Pat G's mini mare. Pat has had this mare for over 365 days, and there was NO exposure to any kind of a stallion (well obviously, the fox was in THAT hen house!) and nobody thought she was pregnant! Except... I get to brag on that just a little, as my words to Pat at the last board meeting were something like "Daggone that mare looks pregnant!" Named Lizzy, this filly is about as spoiled as can be, having been carried around for most of the first 12 hours of her life and several times after that.



You can imagine the horse shuffling that has to occur to keep everybody happy. Kudos and thanks to the Copes for putting up with us!

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PICNIC AT ELLIS PARK

June 15th 2013

Faith organized our Red White & Blue themed picnic under the shelter at the Equestrian Center of Ellis Park. We had the grounds all to ourselves except for the occasional Frisbee Golfers, there is still a Frisbee about 30 foot up in a tree, I'll have to tell Craig on Wed when I see him! As usual, we had good food and companionship. Tommy cooks a mean hamburger and hot dog! If you walked away hungry it was your own fault, there was plenty of food and drink. Somehow we managed to have enough door prizes that everyone walked away with something! We reminded every one of the upcoming Mini Pony show next weekend at Ogburn Stables, please support it if you can. The club is sponsoring ALL of the driving classes. We would also like to get a list of any member who might be willing to help other members in the event of an emergency like Faith had 2 weekends ago. (See board minutes). The Board held a short meeting prior to the picnic, minute follow.

BOD MEETING

June 15th 2013 Ellis Park Equestrian Center

Meeting began at 3:12pm with Faith, Nancy, Tommy, Tonya, Bev and Tricia in attendance. Previous board minutes were passed out and approved

It was mentioned that people wondered why we had the picnic in June instead of July, it was an oversight on our part we will try to schedule next year's picnic in July. We talked about possible events for July & August since none are scheduled. We came up with a **Breakfast Drive/ Ride at Paradox for Saturday, July 20th**. Gates will open at 6:00am Drive/Ride at 7:00 and Tommy will cook Breakfast to be served at 8:30am. We are planning bacon & eggs, waffles, pancakes, doughnuts and coffee. I have a portable propane grill with griddles

and a waffle Iron, so does Tonya. Nancy & I both have generators to run the waffle makers and coffee pot.

We nominated Polly to host an event for August....see what happens when the President isn't there for a board meeting!!!!

Polly wanted to talk about sponsors (possibly for the poker drive that is still being worked on) and as a practice for any bigger events the club might want to put on. We who were present at this meeting didn't feel our club is capable of putting on a bigger event, we don't have nearly enough people to put one on and the club would not be "Fun" if we all had to work and couldn't drive. We all agreed we should support the other clubs who do put on the bigger events.

We talked about door prizes with the club paying for them, when they should be given and how much should we allow. We voted that the club pay for door prizes at the General Meeting in January, the Picnic and our Christmas party, with a \$50.00 limit for each event, with the presiding President in charge of the door prizes. Now if anyone is putting on an event and wants to supply door prizes at their own expense for other events, that is OK, that is your choice as he event holder. (Faith & I supplied the door prizes for this year's picnic.)

We talked about the mini/pony show we are sponsoring driving classes for next weekend and want to remind members of it at the picnic.

Polly suggested we think about a banner for when we sponsor classes like the above mentioned mini/pony show and it was also suggested we make a sign with arrows for club events. Nancy has graciously volunteered to make a banner 8'x3' with contact info (our website) and a sign with our logo, name and arrows on it for events. I made a motion that the money Polly had suggested (\$45.00) for this expense be donated to Nancy's rescue organization since she refused to be paid for it. We voted in favor, Nancy thanked us.

We tabled a request for slow moving vehicle signs sine you can get them at Tractor Supply for \$11.99.

Faith told us a horror story about being stuck two weeks ago for 5 hours waiting for someone from US Rider to get someone out to help her. US Rider is the ONLY insurance that will help you when hauling

horses!. I suggested we get up a list of people who might be willing to help other members if something like this were to happen again. Granted the first person on the list might not be available when called but if we had a list of people there would be others on the list we could also call. If you would like to add your name to this list e-mail me tjhardy2@yadtel.net.

So far we have:

Tricia & Jeff Hardy 336-751-0786 home
336-473-3161 Jeff's CP

Nancy Faller 336-978-1887

Tonya reported as of the May statement we have \$2065.75 in the treasury.

The meeting adjourned at 3:52pm

LIBRARY???

I know I have several shelves of horse books gathering dust, but not ones I want to get rid of. What would you think of establishing a lending library of horse books to share with members? We could have a central location for the books, they would remain your own property to take back whenever you wanted, have an on line list of the books, exchange them at monthly meetings, or something like that.

Let me or a board member know if you may be interested and we can take it up at the next board meeting.
Polly Hixson, MD



CARRIAGE DESIGNS IN CERAMIC COMPETITION

Ceramic "Master's" Trophy was won by Tricia Hardy at the SC State Ceramic competition June 8th for the Red vase covered with 3 Carriage Driving themes. It has handmade ceramic horse brass dividing each scene. The vase was texturized with bailing twine dipped in slip and coffee grounds dipped in slip.

The green bird vase won the Colors for Earth Award, which is given for the best use of CFE Products. This piece will also appear in Fired Arts & Crafts magazine as a step by step how to paint.



MINI / PONY SHOW JUNE 22, 2013

Due to the rain 2 weeks ago, the Benefit Fundraiser show for HERO had to be postponed from June 8th so there were fewer entries than hoped for. They had no expenses since the ribbons were donated and the judge worked for her lunch and would not accept any other payment. They took in \$100.00 in entry fees and \$475.00 in sponsorships (\$100.00 was donated by Whips and Wheels to sponsor the driving classes). ALL money goes straight to helping HERO rescue horses. They had a great day for a show. The minis were shown at halter with youth handlers and adult handlers, there was a costume class and 2 obstacle classes for youth & adult handlers. All the pony under saddle and driving classes were cancelled since there were no entries. Bev has told me the money our club donated will sponsor the driving classes at the next show Sept 14th since the driving classes were cancelled today. Sept 14th will be an OPEN show not just for minis and ponies so those of us with horses can come drive in the driving classes too.

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!**

JULY 20TH 2013 Breakfast Drive/ Ride at Paradox. Gates will open at 6:00am Drive/Ride at 7:00 and Tommy will cook Breakfast to be served at 8:30am. We are planning bacon & eggs, waffles, pancakes, doughnuts and coffee. I have a portable propane grill with griddles and a waffle Iron, so does Tonya. Nancy & I both have generators to run the waffle makers and coffee pots.

AUGUST Polly to host (a possible movie night????)

SEPTEMBER 7TH OR 21ST, 2013 Working with DCHA to set up a ride at Hamby Creek but it would have to be on the 7th.

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



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)

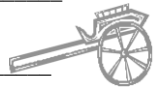
Please read and sign the WAIVER below & send with your application: Print a copy to keep



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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