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Driving Tradition In to The Future

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From The Top

Happy New year everyone !! looking at a new year, a new President, new dressage tests, new combined driving rules, and the list can go on and on for each of us.

Hope your new year resolutions will continue to get motivated and moving forward. Lots going on in the next few months so keep an eye on the club calendar and the website for club and other information. Both Renie and Karen do a great job keeping us up to date in the newsletter and on the website.

Thank you for introducing your friends to our activities, encourage them to become members so they can take part in our activities. Please remember to wear a mask and be mindful of social distancing when you are participating in any activities.

Be safe and stay well.

Cheers, *peggy*

Things are Happening Around Aiken

There was a **Fix-A-Test** with Marcie Quist at Katydid Farm on Friday, Jan 22st. Then on Jan 23-24 the **Windsor Winter 1 HDT & CT** had a good turnout. Drivers did their dressage tests and cones on Saturday and about half of the drivers had signed up for the HDT so their marathon was on Sunday morning. We had great weather for all three days and wonderful volunteers to help out. The biggest complaint I heard was cold hands. Thanks again to Jennifer Matheson for opening up Katydid Farm and to Peggy Dils for being the fantastic Secretary.



Watch your calendar for WW2 & 3 and come join the fun.

Megan Fullgraf drove her new pair in Training level, here's what she had to say . . .

Hard work and perseverance paid off this weekend! Siren had a fabulous first training marathon. She powered thru the water hazard like a pro...thank goodness for Patty and her expert guidance! I'm so thrilled with this new combination! "

Calendar of Events (highlighted items are ADC events, bold are local to Aiken)

DATE	EVENT NAME	CONTACT or RSVP	WHERE
	CHECK WITH CONTACT PERSON FOR ANY CANCELATIONS OR RESTRICTIONS		
FEB 5-7	GRAND OAKS CLASSIC AND CT & DERBY	ADS / GRAND OAKS RESORT	OCALA, FL
FEB 13-14	WINDSOR WINTER 2 HDT/CT @ KATYDID	ADS / JENNIFER MATHESON	WINDSOR, SC
FEB 18-21	SPRING FLING CDE	USEF	OCALA, FL
FEB 20	WINDSOR TRACE WINTER CONTINUOUS DRIVE [SEE INFO BELOW]	LISA SINGER	WINDSOR, SC
FEB 24	ADC EDUCATION AFTERNOON [SEE BACK PAGE]	DEBBIE BEVAN	TBD
FEB 28	ADC AUDUBON DRIVE [SEE PAGE 3 FOR DETAILS]	ADC WEBSITE	JACKSON, SC
MAR 4-7	Grand Oaks March CDE	USEF	OCALA, FL
MAR 6-7	WINDSOR WINTER 3 HDT/CT @ KATYDID	ADS / JENNIFER MATHESON	WINDSOR, SC
MAR 20	WINDSOR TRACE CT	ADS / LISA SINGER	WINDSOR, SC
APR 1	ADC ANNUAL MEETING 2-4 PM	ADC WEBSITE	AIKEN, SC
APR 8-11	So. PINES CDE & CT T/P/I ARE ADS — A IS USEF	USEF / ADS / CHP	RAEFORD, NC
APR 17-18	AIKEN CARRIAGE CLASSIC @ HIGHFIELDS	ADS / ADC WEBSITE	AIKEN, SC
APR 21-25	KATYDID CDE CAI 2* P/I/A [USEF Adv & INT CHAMPIONSHIPS]	JENNIFER MATHESON / TIEC	MILL SPRING, NC
MAY 1-2	CARRIAGE CLASSIC IN THE PINES	ADS / MCDC	So PINES, NC
MAY 21-23	WINDRIDGE HDT & CT		MOORESBORO, NC
MAY 26-30	KENTUCKY CLASSIC T/P/I/A @ HILLCROFT FARM	USEF	PARIS, KY
JUN 4-6	ELK CREEK CDE T/P/I/2	ADS	ELKTON, MD
SEP 17-19	TIMBERLAND CT & HDT T/P/I ARE ADS — A IS USEF	USEF / ADS / CHP	RAEFORD, NC
SEP 23-26	TRYON CDE	USEF / TIEC	MILL SPRING, NC
NOV 4-7	WINDSOR TRACE CDE & CT ADS P/I CHAMPIONSHIPS	ADS / LISA SINGER	WINDSOR, SC

ADC NEWS

Our next **Audubon drive** will be held on **Sunday, February 28th**. Please RSVP on the ADC website.

At this time Covid protocol is still in place. MASKS required! So, for those who wish to join the gathering after the drive . . . Bring a chair and your own lunch. Drinks & desserts will be provided by the club.

The **Annual Meeting** will be **April 1st** at Gaston Livery Stables from **2-4pm**. Wine and cheese provided. There will be a guest Speaker. Please RSVP on the ADC website.

Additions & Corrections to Club Roster

For those of you who received the club roster in the mail please make the following correction: Caroline McSwain should be Columbus, NC not GA. We apologize for not catching the error.

Future new members will be listed by name only, for privacy, in a new column "Welcome New Members"

All horses, ponies, and VSEs
Training & Preliminary
Combine Drivers
and
Pleasure Drivers



Start with dressage, then immediately continue to the Cross Country Trail course of cones, some pleasure elements with 3 obstacles for CD.



**Windsor Trace Winter
Continuous Drive
Saturday
February 20, 2021**

Greenfields & Chateau Log Farms

Information:
Windsor Trace CDE
or
Not So Royal Windsor Drivers
Facebook pages
or
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Board Meeting Minutes Jan 2021

Present: Peggy Dils, Carl Zimmerman, Karen Marlin, Ann Mitchell, Sue Dougherty, Tim Novak

On phone: Jane Hostetter

Member present: Gayle Novak

Minutes accepted

Treasurer's Report given and accepted

OLD BUSINESS:

Poole's CT was a success. Thanks to Janelle Marshall for organizing it.

Karen stated that she has posted on our website other events that are not ADC.

Membership directory went out.

Gerde Museum closed.

Gaston Livery Stable has a new "special adhesive" painted roof.

Education day at Katydid on January 19th 12-3pm

Spring Pleasure Show will be at Highfields.

NEW BUSINESS:

The storage of our equipment trailer at the storage Facility will now have to pay rent.

The Board decided to Give \$100. To Great Oaks in memory of Charles Matthews.

Audubon drive will be February 28th. RSVP to website. Bring your own lunch. Drinks and desserts will be provided.

To put an ad in our Newsletter will cost \$100. for a year.

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Adjourned 6:45. Next meeting February 8th, 6 pm at Gaston Livery Stables

TREASURER'S REPORT JAN 2021

The beginning checking account balance for the month of December 2020 was \$19,304.45. There were \$934.31 in deposits for the month. Debits totaled \$1,124.20. The ending checking account statement balance is \$19,114.56.

There were no additional outstanding checks, giving the club an actual checkbook balance of \$19,114.56.

Respectively submitted, Karen Marlin



Club Membership

Membership applications are available on the website, www.AikenDrivingClub.com When you print yours out for renewal make a few extra copies. They are great to have on hand so you can invite old and new friends to join us.

Newsletter Deadlines

Deadline for articles, photos and classified ads is the 20th of each month. Photos must be sent by e-mail as a JPG format with name/s of persons and if possible the name of the horse/s.

Classified Ads

Classified ads for ADC members are free and will run for 3 months unless otherwise noted. Business Card ads are \$100 Yr. Non-members may place ads for \$25 (will run for 3 months). Check can be mailed to Aiken Driving Club, PO Box 271, Aiken, SC 29802

Submissions

Send all submissions to:
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FROM OUR EDUCATION COMMITTEE

A beautiful sunny afternoon saw 40 club members gather at Katydid farm to improve their knowledge of driving. Shelly Temple and Nancy Tomlinson shared lots of information about training and what to look for when developing your equine partner. A big thanks to them and the demo drivers, Muffy Seaton, Dan Rosenthal, Mary Baillie, Laurel Pyatt, Janelle Marshall, Peggy Keeler, and Taylor Bradish. It was very informative to have the judges point out good examples of the horses movement and figures required in the different levels of dressage tests. Thanks so much for all who participated.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Wed. February 24th is our next Education afternoon

Judge, Mickie Bowen and competitor, Tracy Higgins will tell you all you need to know to enter an ADS pleasure show. They will share information about classes offered in the up coming **ADC Pleasure Show, April 17 & 18**, how to prepare for competing and tips for managing at the show.

Watch for the location and time to be posted for our next education session on Feb 24th.

