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From The Top

Wishing everyone a safe, healthy and happy new year, with lots of fun with your two and four legged friends . . .

Be sure to READ the newsletter and check our Website for up coming activities and please RSVP correctly so we can best serve you. Keep in mind the only way to be part of some of these activities is to be a driver, groom/essential person, or to be a volunteer.

Let us hear from you with new ideas and perhaps some clinics for those interested... Keep in touch.

HAPPY NEW YEAR...

CHEERS *peggy*



RECOGNIZED CHAPTER



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		
JAN 2-3	GRAND OAKS SHORT FORMAT <i>[USEF SANCTIONED/No ADS RECOGNITION]</i>	GRAND OAKS RESORT	OCALA, FL
JAN 9	POOLE TRAINING CENTER CT	ADC WEBSITE	SWANSEA, SC
JAN 15-17	NATURE COAST CAC DT & CAC CT	ADS	OCALA, FL
JAN 20	ADC EDUCATION EVENT <i>[SEE PAGE 4]</i>	ADC WEBSITE	WINDSOR, SC
JAN 23-24	WINDSOR WINTER 1 HDT @ KATYDID	ADS / JENNIFER	WINDSOR, SC
JAN 27-31	Grand Oaks CDE <i>[USEF SANCTIONED/No ADS RECOGNITION]</i>	GRAND OAKS RESORT	OCALA, FL
FEB 6	POOLE TRAINING CENTER CT	ADC WEBSITE	SWANSEA, SC
FEB 5-7	GRAND OAKS CLASSIC, CT & DERBY	GRAND OAKS RESORT	OCALA, FL
FEB 13-14	WINDSOR WINTER 2 HDT @ KATYDID	ADS / JENNIFER	WINDSOR, SC
FEB 28	ADC AUDUBON DRIVE	ADC WEBSITE	JACKSON, SC
MAR 4-7	Grand Oaks CDE <i>[USEF SANCTIONED/No ADS RECOGNITION]</i>	GRAND OAKS RESORT	OCALA, FL
MAR 6-7	WINDSOR WINTER 3 HDT @ KATYDID	ADS / JENNIFER	WINDSOR, SC
MAR 19-21	BLACK PRONG CDE & CT	ADS	BRONSON, FL
MAR 20	WINDSOR TRACE CT	ADS / LISA SINGER	WINDSOR, SC
APR 8-11	So. PINES CDE & CT	ADS / CAROLINA HORSE	RAEFORD, NC
APR 17-18	AIKEN CARRIAGE CLASSIC	ADS / ADC WEBSITE	AIKEN, SC
APR 21-25	KATYDID CDE @ TIEC	JENNIFER MATHESON	MILL SPRING, NC
MAY 1-2	CARRIAGE CLASSIC IN THE PINES		So PINES, NC
MAY 21-23	WINDRIDGE HDT & CT	ADS	MOORESBORO, NC
MAY 26-30	KENTUCKY CLASSIC @ HILLCROFT FARM	USEF	PARIS, KY
NOV 4-7	WINDSOR TRACE CDE & CT <i>ADS Pre/INT CHAMPIONSHIPS</i>	ADS / LISA SINGER	WINDSOR, SC

Annual Christmas Drive

December 12th was our annual ADC Christmas drive. This year the drive was around the trails in Windsor Trace. We had 21 turnouts enjoy driving a marked course around the Trace, singing Christmas carols and getting a collection of sweet treats.

The decorated carriages were fabulous! Santa Claus came with Rudolph leading the way in his tandem, closely followed by the Grinch, collecting packages as Santa dropped them I'm sure. We even had a representative from the Nutcracker! Thank you to everyone who participated, we loved your decorations! Thank you also to the wonderful folks who gave their time to volunteer! Nothing happens without them. Special thanks to Lisa Singer for designing the course.

The Winner of our Christmas Drive
for Best Costume Award & Volunteers Choice was
THE GRINCH!!
Nancy Mullen, whip with Jerry and Joy Milano, Elfs

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

Board Meeting Minutes Dec 2020

Present: Peggy Dils, Carl Zimmerman, Karen Marlin, Sue Dougherty, Ann Mitchell, Tim Novak.
On phone: Jane Hostetter

Minutes accepted.
Treasurer's report accepted.

OLD BUSINESS:

Christmas Drive a great success. 21 carriages. Fun had by all. Best costume went to Nancy Mullin dressed as the Grinch. THANK YOU Sue Dougherty!

Members asked to go to our website. Great information. If you want something posted or pictures but on the site contact Karen Marlin.

Member's directory completed and will either be hand delivered or mailed.

Gerde Museum closed for the winter.

Education: January's will be a Deb Bevan's. Shelly Temple and Nancy Tomlinson will talk about what judges will look for for a driver to move up a level.

NEW BUSINESS:

Upcoming driving events

January 9, 2021 CT at Poole's Training Center. Dressage tests will be the same as the ones at Katydid's CT and HDT. Also, beginners are encouraged to come and try your hand at a CT.

February 6, 2021 pleasure drive at Poole's.

Katydid HDT on February 12th and 13th and March 6th and 7th.

It was brought up to the Board, by Sue Dougherty, that there are members asking about who ADC makes donations to. From now on donations will be printed in the newsletter.

ADC is thrilled that the American Driving Society has recognized Dotty Paul as the volunteer of the year. Congratulations!

And congratulations to Janelle Marshall who was honored as the top driver in Australia!

Adjourned 7pm

Next meeting January 11, 2021 at Gaston Livery Stable.

TREASURER'S REPORT NOV 2020

December 9, 2020

The beginning checking account balance for the month of November 2020 was \$18,732.07. There were \$1983.17 in deposits for the month. Debits totaled \$1410.79. The ending checking account statement balance is \$19,304.45.

There were additional outstanding checks of \$250.00 giving the club an actual checkbook balance of \$19,054.45.

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. Non-members may place ads for \$25 (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 the Education Committee

A sunny November afternoon found 20 Aiken Driving club members sitting in the midst of horse trailers at Hitch N Tow in Aiken. Owner Paul Batton and his brother took time to educate us on trailer maintenance and what to look for to make sure a trailer is safe to haul horses. They explained how things worked and showed us examples of what to look for to avoid being broken down on the road. We so appreciate them taking time away from their schedule to talk to club members.



Upcoming Education Events . . . Mark your calendars and RSVP

Mark your calendar for January 20 (rain date Jan. 21) **for the next club education afternoon.** The focus will be assessing your horses training with the focus on learning what judges look for at the different levels of a dressage test. Demo horse and driver combinations will drive parts of the new Dressage tests and Judges Shelly Temple and Nancy Tomlinson will point out what to look for from a judges point of view and how to know if your horse is ready to move up the levels.

Even people who don't plan on showing will find this helpful in developing your horse or pony for relaxing pleasure drives.

Location: 327 Pine Acres Rd...Debbie Bevan and Gretchen Schmidt's arena

Time: 1:00. To 3:30

Bring your own chair and beverage for the afternoon, Wear a mask [Covid protocol]

There is a rain date in case we have rain...if it looks like rain we will post the date change on the club Facebook page and the NSR Facebook.



Windsor Trace CDE

November 4-7, 2021

PROUD HOST OF THE ADS NORTH AMERICAN PRELIMINARY
& INTERMEDIATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

CDE and CT

Training, Preliminary,

Intermediate & Intermediate II

VSE, Small Pony, Pony, Horse

Located at Greenfields in Windsor, SC



SAVE THE DATE!!!