

# Aiken Driving Club

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*Driving Tradition In to The Future*

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## From The Top

As I write this it is the last day of summer and what a summer it has been...can't say it was normal... also just back from the Tryon CDE except for the day with (hurricane) Sally all went really well and Jennifer Matheson organized a great event...

Aiken was well represented in the winners circle and with National Champions... Congrats everyone... and of course Volunteers came from Aiken and a big thank you to them. Look forward to the spring CDE in late April for more driving at Tryon.

On the home front we are looking forward to our fall weekend of a drive at the Audubon and to celebrating our 35th anniversary. more to follow keep any eye on the Website....

Wishing everyone cool days for driving and getting back to cooler weather enjoy and be safe and be careful

Cheers, *peggy*

## JUST WHAT WE WERE LOOKING FOR !

*by Sue Dougherty*



When we decided to add another horse to our family I knew we wanted a mare on the smaller size of horse or a large pony. I also knew we wanted to focus on a horse with some potential for us to dabble in driven dressage. It took almost a year to find that horse, and as it turned out "River" was a combined effort of many members of the ADC.

Our new mare was found for us by trainer Janelle Marshall. She was owned by Ann Baughman, stabled at Pooles Training Center and bred by Claye Clyatt. We can't thank all of them enough for our wonderful girl.

"River" official name "River Dance", is a 7 year old, grey Connemara X. Her sire is the Connemara stallion "ArdCeltic Art" and her dam was Clay's lovely Arab/Friesian X mare. The Friesian being a wonderful stallion "Dan" who was then standing at the Poole's Training Center.

So far River is proving herself to be exactly the horse we were looking for, safe, sane but hopefully with enough flair to have some potential for the driven dressage ring. If we find that is not really what River wants to do, we will find what she does like and that is what we will do. We are definitely looking forward to life with our new girl!

# Calendar of Events (items in BOLD are ADC events)

DATE	EVENT NAME	CONTACT or RSVP	WHERE
	CHECK WITH CONTACT PERSON FOR ANY CANCELATIONS		
<b>OCT 21</b>	<b>ADC EDUCATION EVENT</b> [SEE LAST PAGE]	<b>DEBBIE BEVAN</b>	<b>WINDSOR, SC</b>
OCT 31	Windsor Trace Continuous Pleasure Drive & CD	LISA SINGER	WINDSOR, SC
<b>NOV 6-8</b>	<b>ADC FALL WEEKEND OF DRIVING</b>	<b>PEGGY DILS</b>	<b>TBD</b>
<b>NOV 8</b>	<b>ADC PLEASURE DRIVE @ AUDUBON</b> WATCH WEBSITE FOR DETAILS	<b>PEGGY DILS</b>	<b>JACKSON, SC</b>
<b>NOV 18</b>	<b>ADC EDUCATION EVENT</b>	<b>DEBBIE BEVAN</b>	<b>AIKEN</b>
DEC 4-5	GRAND OAKS DT	ADS / GRAND OAKS RESORT	OCALA, FL
DEC 4-6	ADS ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING @ GRAND OAKS	ADS	OCALA, FL
<b>2021</b>			
1/15-17	NATURE COAST CT & DT	ADS	OCALA, FL
1/27-31	Grand Oaks CDE & CAI 1*/2*	ADS / GRAND OAKS RESORT	OCALA, FL
2/18-21	SPRING FLING CDE (PENDING)	ADS	OCALA, FL
3/2-7	LIVE OAK INT (PENDING)	ADS	OCALA, FL
3/20	WINDSOR TRACE CT	ADS OMNIBUS / LISA SINGER	WINDSOR, SC
4/8-11	So. PINES CDE	ADS / CAROLINA HORSE PARK	RAEFORD, NC
<b>4/17-18</b>	<b>AIKEN CARRIAGE CLASSIC</b>	<b>ADS / ADC</b>	<b>AIKEN, SC</b>
4/21-25	KATYDID @ TIEC	ADS	MILL SPRING, NC
5/27-30	KENTUCKY CLASSIC @ HILLCROFT FARM	ADS	PARIS, KY

## Windridge DT & CT 2020

Thanks to Alicia Henderson for following the ADS Covid -19 Action Plan and allowing the Windridge Farms DT and CT to take place. With so many events being cancelled, Windridge offered an opportunity for us to see if our summer of training at home would bring positive results in a show setting.

Windridge Farm is located about 3 hours from the Aiken area and is always well attended by members of the Aiken Driving Club. This year, 8 members of the club (Peggy Keeler, Jim Hudson, Katy Rhinehart, Bonnie Fahrner, Gene Rhinehart, Karen Marlin, Laurel Pyatt and Ray Mansur) decided to go and test their skills over the weekend of August 29-30.

ADS social distancing guidelines were followed in stabling, in the trailer area and on course (including masks for both driver and navigator during marathon) and most communication was made via e-mail with minimal information posted on the information board.

In addition to the changes required by COVID restrictions, Mother Nature decided to throw another glitch into the weekend by sending the remnants of Hurricane Laura our way.

Those who drove dressage early on Saturday were greeted with a steady rain which continued until about mid-morning. Those who drove after that didn't get the rain but were treated to hot and humid weather conditions. However, competitors were just happy to be out competing after a summer with little going on.

Sunday (Marathon day), went off without any issues, and judging by the smiles we knew were behind the masks, everyone had a great time.

Once again, thanks to Alicia and her crew for putting on this event, the officials who came and judged and made sure everyone was safe and all those who volunteered to make it happen. I know that those of us who came from Aiken, or Maine as was the case for Karen Marlin, had a great time.



## Aiken Drivers Dominate !!! at the ADS North American Preliminary & Intermediate Championships

and the Champions are . . .

**Preliminary Single Pony:** Barbara Sims & Errisistable

**Intermediate VSE:** Kim Allen & Fudge

**Preliminary Single Horse:** Gene Rhinehart & BF Troubadour

**Intermediate Single Pony:** Jessica Reuterskiold & Wood's Kandi

Mill Spring, NC - September 20, 2020 - The ProElite Tryon CDE concluded with the Cones phase at Tryon International Equestrian Center (TIEC), wrapping up three days of competition and the ADS North American Preliminary & Intermediate Championships. The inaugural event saw competitors in 18 classes compete at the venue, marking the first time Combined Driving was hosted there since the FEI World Equestrian Games™ Tryon 2018 (WEG).

In the Championship Preliminary Single Pony Class, Barbara Sims (SC) and Errisistable, a 2009 Dutch Harness Horse mare came out on top with a total score of 119.32. In reserve, Jim Hudson (SC) piloted Razel CAF, his 2004 Halfinger mare, to a total score of 124.99. Sims and Hudson train together, she revealed, and were close competitors heading into the final phase: "We were second in Dressage, and we were four points behind then. After Marathon, we made up six points, so it was really close heading into Cones. Jim and I both train with Janelle Marshall, and he was even at my house twice last week training! That makes it really fun."

Aiken dominated in another category . . . with well trained, knowledgeable volunteers especially on Saturday/marathon day. Our club has awesome members.



### Classified Ads

Wanted: used harness for 11H pony. Prefer synthetic, but will consider leather. Pls call Judith @803-292-6541

### Club Membership

Membership applications are available on the website, [www.AikenDrivingClub.com](http://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.

**MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL DEADLINE is: OCT 1<sup>st</sup>**

### 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:  
Renie Gillis, [ponylady2017@gmail.com](mailto:ponylady2017@gmail.com)  
803-646-1175

**Past issues of the ADC Newsletter  
can be found on-line at  
[www.AikenDrivingClub.com](http://www.AikenDrivingClub.com)**

## From our Education Committee

Your Education committee has been busy putting together monthly presentations for you. We really hope many will take the opportunity to attend. In keeping with Covid-19 guidelines, we will have this year's presentations in outdoor type venues in the afternoons from 3:00 to 4:30. **You will need to bring your own chair and you are required to wear a face mask.** We will practice social distancing. Any questions or concerns should be directed to Debbie Bevan 608-692-6465

Mark your calendar and plan to attend

**October 21** Topic: Preparing for a Group drive/ride . . .

- Are You ready?
- Training tips and activities to prepare your horse
- Trail etiquette

**Speaker:** Kendra DeKay

**Location:** Bellehaven Farm. (Ronda & John McPherson's) 502 Pine Acres Rd, Windsor

**Time:** 3:00 - 4:30 pm Bring your own chair and face mask

Mark your calendar and save the date

**November 18** Topic: Transporting Equines & Trailer maintenance

**Speaker:** staff at Hitch-N-Tow

**Location:** Hitch-N-Tow, 1410 E Pine Log Rd, Aiken

**Time:** 3:00 - 4:30 pm Bring your own chair and face mask



*Congratulations to Taylor Bradish & Katydid Duchess  
on making the US Team !*

PHOTOS: KRISZTINA HOVATH/HOEFNET.COM, PICS OF YOU

# U.S. DRIVING TEAM

**TAYLOR  
BRADISH**

**JENNIFER  
HAMILTON**

**JENNIFER  
THOMPSON**

FEI DRIVING WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP FOR SINGLES  
PAU, FRANCE

## WINDSOR TRACE CONTINUOUS PLEASURE DRIVE AND CD

October 31, 2020

Greenfields and Chateau Log Farm  
1060 & 1070 Curb Chain Lane, Windsor, SC  
12:00 NOON

This is going to be a "FUN" yet educational practice for CDE and Pleasure driving in a different format yet loosely following ADS rules.

**Opening Date:** September 16,  
**Closing Date:** October 14, Entry Form must have a post mark date before Oct 14th --Space is limited to 25.  
**Divisions:** *Combined Driving (CD)*---Training and Preliminary. Loosely following ADS Rules  
**Judge:** Nancy Tomlinson  
*Pleasure Drive (PD)*---Training and Preliminary. Loosely following ADS Rules No Obstacles

**Format: CD:** Every turnout will do dressage then as soon as you exit the ring you immediately continue on the Cones Trail to the end-about 3- 4K . On the Cones trail you might come across interesting elements that are not cones, but there will be a bridge. There will be 20 plus cones and elements judge by observers.. If you get eliminated there will be no whistle --you just continue on to the end. Cones will be set at Standard settings. CD drivers will be doing 3 obstacles included on the Cones Trail as per ADS rules. You will be given allowed time to complete the Cones Trail.

**PD:** Every turnout will do dressage then as soon as you exit the ring you immediately continue on the Cones Trail to the end-About 3K +. On the cones trail you might come across interesting elements that are not cones, but there is a bridge. There will be 20 plus cones and elements judged by observers. If you get eliminated there will be no whistle --you just continue on to the end. Cones will be set at Standard settings. You will be given allowed time to complete the Cones Trail. PD will **not** be driving the obstacles.

**Class:** Singles, Pairs, Multiples, VSE

**Organizer:** Lisa Singer 1070 Curb Chain Lane, Windsor ,SC 610-960-8695  
Nancy Tomlinson 504 Beck Road, Williston, SC 803-257-3032

**Secretary:** Lisa Singer 1070 Curb Chain Lane, Windsor SC 610-960-8695

**Cost :** \$70 Refund policy: No refund after closing date unless there is a Veterinarian or Doctors notice...

**Twice around:** - Drivers/navigators or any equipment sharing (ie. carriages) are allowed a maximum of 2 times on course not in same division as long as scheduling permits. Competitors must say on their entry form what they are sharing and with whom they are sharing in order to be accommodated in the schedule

**Combined Driving Dressage Test for CD and PD:** Training B Preliminary C

**Officials:** Dressage Judge: Nancy Tomlinson

**COVID-19: REQUIREMENTS WHILE ON EVENT GROUNDS:**

**PHYSICAL DISTANCING:** WHO: Everyone WHEN: At all times EXCEPTIONS: Only three exceptions - • Immediate Household Members\* • Essential support personnel assisting an entry preparing to compete, during competition (including riding on the same vehicle) and immediately after competing. • In cases of emergency.

**MASKS/FACE COVERINGS:** WHO: Everyone WHEN: Whenever there is the possibility of being within 6 feet of others, including while on a vehicle with other people even if they are immediate household members. EXCEPTIONS: Only one exception - a driver driving alone while competing or warming up. For these drivers, Masks/Face Covers are advised or at least to be within easy reach but are not required. \*Immediate Household Members – Individuals consistently living in the same house or dwelling. Members of a household may or may not be related.

**Awards:** The Results will be sent to you electronically and we will get prize to you somehow. Awards per division 1-6<sup>th</sup> place with 1<sup>st</sup> place winning an unusual prize.

**Miscellaneous:** The cones Trail can be inspected on your own with ATV, Golf Carts, bikes and foot-- NO CARS/TRUCKS. The course will be set up for inspection by November 5th. A map and schedule will be sent to you by November 2nd. VSE-- no hyper-bikes! All, except Small Ponies and VSE, must have a groom on the carriage During the cones trail. There will be NO FOOD on the grounds. **Dress-** extremely casual but Helmets required for cones Trail. Juniors must have an adult and wear Helmet and vest.

**Thanks for coming to the continuous drive!! When you are done just pack up and leave!!!**

# WINDSOR TRACE CONTINUOUS PLEASURE DRIVE AND CD

**October 31, 2020**

## ENTRY FORM

DRIVER'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

JUNIOR DRIVER'S parents consent \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: cell:\* \_\_\_\_\_ home: \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL:\* \_\_\_\_\_

HORSE(S) NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ Breed \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

CARRIAGE\* (Mandatory with entry for scheduling): \_\_\_\_\_

Width\* (Mandatory with entry for scheduling): \_\_\_\_\_

DIVISION (ie. TR OR PR): \_\_\_\_\_ CD: \_\_\_\_\_ OR PD: \_\_\_\_\_

CLASS (i.e. single horse) \_\_\_\_\_

Groom: Name \_\_\_\_\_

Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Entry Fee : \$70

SHARING: *(be specific about what you are sharing & with whom)*

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\_\_\_\_\_

Opening date. **SEPTEMBER 16, 2020**

Closing Date Postmark **-OCTOBER 14TH**

**Send entry, Disclaimer, coggins and check to Lisa Singer, 1070 Curb Chain Lane, Windsor, SC 29856-  
Make checks Payable to "Windsor Trace CDE"**

**CHATEAU LOG FARM**  
**1070 Curb Chain Lane, Windsor, SC 29856**

**HOLD HARMLESS AND LIABILITY RELEASE**

**Pursuant:** "Under South Carolina law an equine activity sponsor or equine professional is not liable for an injury to or death of a participant in an equine activity resulting from the inherent risk of equine activity, pursuant to Article 7, Chapter 9 of Title 47 Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976"

I do hereby on behalf of myself and my principals, representatives, employees, and agents that horse sports, including spectators, drivers, and/or riders, involves inherent dangerous risk of serious injury or death and by participating, I do so voluntarily and expressly assume any and all risks of injury or loss, and I agree to indemnify and hold Chateau Log Farm, Courage To Lead Farm and its owners, members, employees, agents, volunteers and farms associated with this event harmless from and against all claims including any injury or loss suffered during, or in conjunction with any activity on these premises, any premises used by the Farms, or any member's premises for a Farm related event, whether or not such claim, injury or loss resulted, either directly or indirectly from the negligent acts or omissions of the Farms, its owners, members, employees, agents, volunteers, trainers, helpers, and /or organizing committee. I further to agree not to commence an action or suit, in this or any other jurisdiction, for any such injuries or losses.

I \_\_\_\_\_ have read this Liability Disclaimer and hereby acknowledge that I understand and agree to its terms and conditions as expressed herein, and will abide by such terms as set forth above.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ 2020

Driver signature \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

Groom/Navigator signature \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian signature if Driver/Groom is a minor \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

**GREENFIELDS FARM**  
**1060 Curb Chain lane, Windsor, SC 29856**

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*Under South Carolina Law, equine activity is considered a dangerous sport and "You assume the risk of equine activities pursuant to South Carolina laws".*

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