

November 2016 Newsletter



DDC Meeting Schedule

DDC Board meetings are open to all members, and members may request to speak on a subject, but can not vote.

November 3
Conference Call
7:00pm
Call in 877-216-1555
Password 290535#

December 3 General
Meeting Tuckahoe
Equestrian Center
11-3

Announce yourself when
prompted and be a part
of your club!

UPCOMING DDC Events



The Bakers in the Berkshires... What a sight!

DEC 3 DDC HOLIDAY PARTY AND ANNUAL MEETING

Tuckahoe Equestrian Center, Ridgely, MD

Set up 930-1030

Social Hour Appetizers 1030

Meeting begins 11:30

Lunch begins ~ 12:30

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November Newsletter Contributors

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**Treasurers Report
Submitted by Betty Donovan**

Beginning Balance	
Oct.	\$11,239.56
Expenses	
New Utility Trailer	\$3770.00
USPO stamps	9.40
Conference calls	51.70
	11.91
Deposits	
One membership	30.00
Ending Balance	
October	\$ 7426.47

OCTOBER BOARD MEETING

October 6, 2016

Meeting called to order by President Pao Lin Hatch at 7:01pm

Board members in attendance were:

Betty Donovan, George Parris, Myra Street Nelson, Carol Seiler, Jane Bailey , Michelle Novak , and Anna Klumpp.

Members in attendance were Sherry Harris and Donna Hurst

Old Business:

August minutes were read and approved after a motion by George; 2nd by Betty.
Treasurers report – No questions, motion to approve by George and 2nd by Carol.

Hewes Drive was cancelled due to the weather – no reschedule date.

Holiday party : Pao Lin will chair with some help. Carol Seiler volunteered. Will be the second Saturday in December(12/10/16) if good weather it will be horse event..... bad weather, no horses just celebration. ***(President’s NOTE: CORRECTION—DECEMBER 3 IS THE CORRECT DATE)***

Iron Furnace Drive – Moving to Snow Hill Spring of 2017 Diane Savage working on this project, they are fixing their roads.

Reported that some members will be participating in the Return Day events in Delaware.

DDC Trailer :

Jane Bailey reported the membership vote was 49 in favor of Approve for the purchase of a new trailer, while 3 votes for ‘not to approve’.

George, Carol, and Anna will move forward to get prices from the three vendors they spoke with previously for exact pricing on the 7 X 14 needed to replace the existing trailer along with DE Title cost and tax, ASAP. The board will meet in 1 week for a special session just on the issue of which trailer to select.

New Business:

Election nominating chair is Betty Donovan . Members wishing to serve to contact Betty by 11/1 otherwise nominations can be made from the floor at the general meeting.

Pao Lin will be contacting Michael Lawrence regarding the status of his pair at DDC drives due to insurance liability.

2017 Pleasure Show – Board voted unanimously to hold the show, based on the success of the 2016 show. It will be the 2nd Saturday in May. Pao Lin will chair the show.

January club activity ideas are welcome – contact board members if you have an idea.

The special session meeting was set for the following Thursday to vote on the specifics of the trailer purchase.

George motions to adjourn the meeting at 8:15pm after the members in attendance were offered the opportunity to speak or ask questions of the board.

Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned.

PLANNED EVENTS FOR 2017

Hello DDC Members... Are you as shocked as I am that we are 2/3rd of the way through 2016!!! AMAZING. As your Board of Directors, we are looking at planning for 2017. Some possible things on the horizon are:

- * Harness and Safety Talk by George Parris (Open to the Public) Feb 4 2017 (Super bowl weekend) Location TBD- Looking for a sheltered indoor!
- * Anniversary of Furnace Town Park and joint Delmarva Driving Club Drive in the April of 2017 (Point of Contact: Diane Savage- 410-641-1837)
- * DDC Spring Pleasure Show May 13 (Point of Contact: Pao Lin Hatch 240-274-6180)
- * Casual Pleasure Drives at various local parks like Redden and Fair Hill (Contact Board Members to offer your farm!)

**DO YOU WANT MORE CLINICS? WANT MORE
FRIENDLY COMPETITIONS?**

**HOW ABOUT AN EVENT WHICH IS KINDA NEW LIKE ENDURANCE
DRIVING? WELL BE A PART OF THE MOMENTUM AND HELP
VOLUNTEER TO ORGANIZE AND LEAD THE EVENT!!**

**CALL ANY BOARD MEMBER OR CALL
IN OUR DDC BOARD MEETINGS AND
PRESENT YOUR IDEAS !**

Out and About News

DDC Member Elizabeth Buda and her halflinger Rosie won BEST PINK at the Oxford Feed Poker Ride and Drive/Cancer Awareness event at Fair Hill NMRA last month. WAY TO GO LADIES!

&

DDC Member Joan Smith was seen driving and competing at this weekend's Brandywine Valley Driving Show's annual Teddy Bear Picnic HDT/CT/Bear Trot with her mustang gelding. Chrome looked Maaaaaaarrrrelous and so did Joan.



Elizabeth and Rosie
all in Pink!



CLASSIFIEDS

Wagonette For Sale, Forced hubby to admit he is not using his wagonette and he should sell it to someone who will! So, here we go, lovely wagonette purchased from Shady Lane in PA. Taking a loss and only asking \$3500.000 Located in Ridgely, MD Not sure of size range but have used with average horse up to warmblood size. Two sets of shafts to choose from.

Mini 2 Wheel Metal Cart for Sale Brand new cute marine blue 2 wheel metal mini cart. Seat is black 34" wide, shafts are 46-48" long and bike type wheels are 20". Narrowest part of shafts are 14.5" No pictures at this time. If you have any other questions just ask. Asking \$475. Ridgely,MD Pictures provided upon request. Call Sandra at (410) 634-0182 or 410- 200-3127

Sandra.gumz@yahoo.com



Calling all Club members

DDC Vice President Anna Klumpp writes:

"I hope to set up a *Driving Trails Passport* and need the names of public places, such as Fair Hill, Turner's Creek, and Redden Forest

These places should be on the Delmarva I will be putting together a "passport book" with these places, and dates that they were driven.

Club members who wish to participate will get a book, and will enter the dates that they have been there. These dates could either be on

your own, or during club sponsored events These will be stamped from time to time When the book is full there will be a posting in

the newsletter, and Delmarva Driving Club item to commemorate the achievement Participation will be voluntary, and on an

honor system!" Got some input? Want to assist? Email Anna today!

montalmax@hotmail.com

Calendar of Events—DDC Items are in Bold

DATE	EVENT NAME	CONTACT/RSVP	WHERE
November 10, 2016	RETURN DAY CARRIAGE PARADE	Annual Return Day Parade (the day after fall elections!) Its a fun day, very patriotic and well supported. Be a part of history.. check it out at http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=69wesRFBL4Y Contact info provided when available.	Georgetown, DE
December 3	DDC Holiday Party and General Annual Meeting	Come see friends, discuss club goals and business, vote for new Board and officers and BE MERRY :-). If the weather looks good, we will schedule a skills clinic/drive on the TEC Grounds. This Elections and general business meeting is mandatory for our club. Please join us and be apart of its success. If you want it to go in a specific direction, be a part of the organization and don't sit on the sidelines! If you would like to take this party on as chairperson, please contact any board member ! Want to organize it? Call Pao Lin 240 274 6180 or email paoball2000@yahoo.com	Tuckahoe Equestrian Center Tuckahoe State Park RIDGELEY, MD
February 4, 2017	Driving Safety Talk	Our annual event, bringing in old and new members as well as potential drivers who want to get driving but don't know who to talk to and where to begin.. So many questions???? Our most experienced Driving Club member, George Parris will be giving the talk. This is a no –horse event and except	TBD
May 13, 2017	DDC Spring Pleasure Show	This traditional style Pleasure show will continue and all kinds of fun are expected this year. Stay Tuned. Want to help organize? Want to organize it? Call Pao Lin 240 274 6180 or email paoball2000@yahoo.com	Caroline County 4-H Park Denton, MD

DDC Trailer Update

By Pao Lin Hatch

The DDC Board has reviewed several fine replacement options for our current trailer and have decided and voted unanimously to purchase a nearly identical version of our current trailer (7 x 14 ramp, side door steel frame aluminum skin with LED lighting) for under the approved amount of \$5,000 from a Delaware dealer. The new trailer has been purchased and will be available for viewing at the Annual Holiday Party on December 3 at TEC. The old trailer will be sold to an interested party for \$500. It's a win-win situation we believe.

Today's new trailers are better designed with protective aluminum skins over steel frames. A far improvement over the 1990's version we had with previously. The previous trailer had wood frame covered with a plastic polymer which disintegrated over time due to sun and weather exposure. It did last at least 15 years and only saw complete breakdown over the past 5 years.

Realistically, nothing can be safe from the destructive elements of the weather if left exposed and we realize that it's a bit much to ask any member to give up precious covered storage for a club asset. As it is, we have assets scattered in different members homes and we hope we can rectify that shortly as well.

Thank you for your continued support of the Board.

DDC ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING DEC 3 2016

DDC will hold its annual DDC Meeting on Saturday December 3, 2016 at Tuckahoe Equestrian Center, located within Tuckahoe State Park outside Denton/Ridgely Maryland. At our annual meeting (and Holiday Party) we must conduct annual DDC business which includes approval of our 2017 Budget, Election of new Officers and Board Members and whether to raise annual Dues. Additional club business may be discussed at our annual meeting and all members are warmly invited to attend and participate. Although a slate of Officers is still under review at the time of this publication, Officers and Board members may also be nominated from the floor and no proxy votes are permitted. One vote per individual and 2 votes per family membership are permitted.

This is your club so its only as good and beneficial to your goals as you contribute to its success.

Please plan on arriving no later than 11:00; the meeting will begin promptly at 11:30. The club will provide Roasted Turkey (Carol Seiler); Baked Ham (Kim Baklarz) and Soft Drinks and Water and Coffee (Pao Lin) Please bring side dishes, appetizers, desserts to accompany the main meal. If the weather looks good, some will plan on driving after the meal. If you would like to help with set up, please arrive by 930

Contact: Pao Lin paoball2000@yahoo.com 240 274 6180

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Revised V_3 Proposed DDC Operating Budget for 2017

Bases: Operating expenses, insurance, newsletters, etc.

Income: Family & individual memberships

Projected Income:

Membership - Individual (32)	\$ 640
Membership – Family (20)	600

2017 Pleasure Horse Show Net Income	600.00
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Total Projected Revenue:	\$1,840
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Projected Expenses:

Liability Insurance	\$790
Newsletter printing (printing will be done at no charge)	100
Dues –ADS	60
Dues – CAA	65
Dues – DEC	20
Website	150
Postage	200
Conference Calls	150
Trailer update and tags	200
Board Meetings	200
Banking fees	<u>30</u>

Total Projected Expenses:	\$1,815
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Net Profit/Loss	\$25.00
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Membership Vote:

1. Propose no change in dues
2. Propose simplification of several key issues to Bylaws (e.g. Monthly meetings, etc.)

Proposed Bylaw Changes

The following **BYLAW CHANGES** are being proposed by this Board after much deliberation from this Board (as well as the 2015 Board)

Changes proposed:

- 1) Typos and grammatical errors corrected throughout the document.
- 2) Bi- Monthly Board Meetings rather than Monthly Meeting.
- 3) Language correction of Up to five Board Members shall serve rather than current language requiring it. This gives the DDC a bit more flexibility to conduct business with our shrinking membership.
- 4) Quarterly General Meetings should be scheduled.

A final copy for approval will be available at the General December meeting.



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