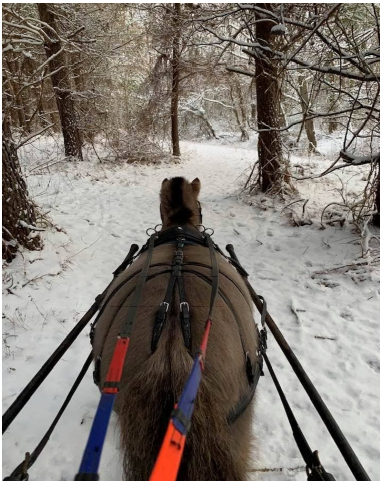


Happy New Year !!



Let's Drive !



January, 2019

Delmarva Driving Club,
Inc

Bits and Pieces — Club Information

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Attention!!

* DDC Board Meeting on Thursday, March 7, 2019 at 7 p.m. The meeting is open to the Membership—members may speak on a subject, but they may not vote. To participate call: 1-877-216-1555 and enter 290535#

A Board Meeting was held on January 3, 2019 and new Board Members Frances Baker and Harry Hassan were welcomed. The minutes and treasury report from the December, 2018 General Membership Meeting were approved and the current treasury balance is \$7,957.62.

A discussion ensued regarding our Release of Liability Forms. Vice President Sherry Harris' lawyer is in the process of reviewing the Maryland form while George Parris will attempt to have a Delaware attorney review forms utilized by Stan and Laurie Vonasek at their farm. Our DDC Insurance Policy is effective from mid-July to mid-July and Michele Novack has been overseeing it for the past several years. If anyone is interested in assisting with or taking over this task, please contact Michele.

Unfortunately Michele

Novack had to decline the position of Show Manager for our Spring Show, so we are still recruiting for that position. The show has been posted on social media and there is already significant interest. Harry Hassan was able to secure Kail Palmer-Miller as this year's judge. She is a Licensed official with USEF and American Driving Society, holding a "R" Status, in Pleasure Driving, Combined Driving, Dressage and Coaching Judge (as well as a Pleasure Driving TD). Volunteers play an important and necessary part of our show. If you would like to help or learn about organizing and running a show, please contact any show committee member (Anna Klumpp, Michele Novack, Pam Gray, Kim Baklarz, George Parris, and Linda Thomas). Assistance is needed with everything from Advertising to the Prize List.

As members, your input is needed for planning

our events for 2019—what do members want? Tentative drives are being planned at Wye Island, Blackbird State Forest, Pocomoke Forest, Wells Tract, Idylewild, Redden State Forest and possibly at the farms of Anna Klumpp and Frances Baker. Please let any Board Member know if you would like to plan an event or have an idea for an event. An upcoming clinic entitled 'Accidents Hurt—Safety Doesn't' will be held on February 9th (see Upcoming Events for more details). Other clinic ideas include a Newbie Driving Clinic.

Don't forget to renew your membership! You will be receiving an updated Membership Roster shortly, so that you can interact and share with other members of the club. Don't hesitate to become involved—Let's Drive in 2019!

2018 in Review



George Parris at the 'Newbie Clinic' in February



Sherry Harris and Smarty at the Driven Dressage 101 Clinic at Cair Paravelle in April



Bill Venditta and his pair of Gerlanders at the DDC Annual Pleasure Driving Show in May



Diane Savage and her Welsh pony Benjamin are learning the Wheel exercise under the guidance of Anna Klumpp at the August Buck-a-Ball Event

2018 Year In Review



Sherry Harris and Smarty at the DEC Membership Appreciation Ride and Drive in September

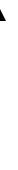


Nancy Offen and her VSE Salem performing her Artistic Expression Demonstration in September



Charlie Purnell's Olive Oyl at the DDC Drive at Holly Ridge Equestrian Center in December

Annual DDC Membership Meeting, Election, and Christmas Party in December



Don't Forget to Renew Your DDC Membership

DELMARVA DRIVING CLUB, INC. 2019 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM

To be considered for membership, submit this completed application each year, with a check made payable to The Delmarva Driving Club, Inc. or cash in the amount of the current annual membership dues payment to the address shown below. As an applicant, your signature on the line below declares that you will abide by all Club rules, regulations and by-laws. You will be notified of your acceptance, at which time you will receive your copy of the by-laws, a membership roster and newsletter. Feel free to join in the Club activities while your membership is being processed. Your signature below shall serve as consent to allow your photographic image taken at any DDC event to be used on any and all DDC publications.

Type of memberships: _____ (\$20/individual or _____ \$30 family)

Name of member _____

Farm Name _____

USPS address _____

CHANGE from last year's Renewal Form! _____yes _____No

Newsletters will arrive via Email unless otherwise indicated:

_____ @

I do not/cannot receive my newsletter via email and thus request a hard copy be mailed _____

The best number to reach me by phone is _____

I would like to donate \$ _____ to the Delmarva Driving Club.

VOLUNTEERS: Please mark as many items for which you are interested in volunteering. This information will be used by the various event coordinators to reach out for your help!!

- _____ Leading a Casual Drive
- _____ Clinic Volunteers
- (e.g. Serving on a committee, mailing, printing and sending show information out, etc.)
- _____ Serving as a member of the DDC Board or future Officer
- _____ Offering a clinic on an equine related subject
- _____ Horse Show Volunteer
- _____ Administrative help

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____
Make check payable to Delmarva Driving Club Inc. in the amount of \$20.00 per individual/ \$30 family. **C/o Deborah Dawkins (Membership Chair) 25460 Dodd Lane Denton, MD 21629**

Members Out and About



Mary Pines and her pony Lady Bug at the Wells Tract



Sherry Harris and Donna Hurst driving on a wet part of the Wells Tract



Linda Thomas sledding with her Haflinger Flush



Anna Klumpp's VSE Nicky getting ready for his 1st sleigh ride

USEF Fan Membership

DDC Member Michele Novack discovered this neat deal from USEF -the United States Equestrian Federation. USEF stands for the United States Equestrian Federation and its purpose is to be the national governing body for equestrian sports in the US. Equestrian competitors, leisure riders, coaches, fans and enthusiasts each share a personal bond with the horse. They currently have a special promotion going for a FREE Fan Membership, which is good until November 30, 2019. Fan Membership gets you access to the USEF Learning Center (with educational videos and content featuring elite athletes, trainers, and industry experts, with new videos released frequently throughout the year) and access to the full USEF Network coverage with over 2,000 hours of live and on-demand content. Be sure to take advantage of this great offer by going to USEF.org and applying for Fan Membership. The promotional code is DRIVING19.

Photo Contest Winners

Each year the Brandywine Valley Driving Club holds a photo contest in December at their Annual Christmas Get Together. This is a fun event which regularly attracts over 80 entries. Here are some of the winning shots that were entered by members Frances Baker and Linda Thomas, who are also members of the Delmarva Driving Club.



This was the 1st Place Winner in the Pleasure Shows/Drives Division. Frances and Wayne Baker - Coaching in the Berkshires



This is Sherry Harris driving Smart Remarks at the 2018 DDC Pleasure Driving Show. It was a 3rd Place Winner taken by Linda Thomas



In the Equine Head Shots Division, this photo of Wayne Baker with Duke and the 2018 Camp Kids was a 3rd place Winner

DDC Wins Carriage Association Newsletter Contest

Every year the Carriage Association of America holds a Newsletter Contest to increase communication and share knowledge. The Delmarva Driving Club entered the contest and won the Electronic Newsletter Category and was Overall Newsletter Reserve Champion. A formal recognition and award ceremony will be held at the upcoming CAA Learning Weekend in Sarasota, Florida. Linda Thomas and Frances Baker will be attending the event. Pictures to follow!

DIY Corner—Dress Warm for Cold Days!!!

Whether you're heading outdoors for chores or some good winter fun with your equines—here are some hints to help you stay toasty warm and dry.

A hat that covers your ears—less heat lost from the head keeps your whole body warmer. Acrylic and wool each have properties ideal for a warm winter hat.

... Hats with higher acrylic material are less prone to shrinkage. Hats with more wool content keep the head dry

A scarf or neck warmer that can cover your face and mouth - it creates a form of insulation and a pocket of warm air.

Mittens or Insulated Gloves—Mittens tend to be warmer than gloves and can be used when doing barn chores. Insulated gloves with some type of waterproofing are best—some people also like the hot hand packs but the heat doesn't usually reach the finger tips. Silk, gore-tex, or thinsulate lining in gloves is also very helpful

Boots or Shoes that are Insulated and Water-resistant or Waterproof—to keep your toes warm, use wool or synthetic (thinsulate) socks. Make sure there is significant tread to prevent slips and absorb shock.

A Base Layer of Wool, Silk or Synthetics - this is critical because it lies directly against your skin. Choose material that is breathable and quick-drying, with good wicking (transport of moisture away from your skin to the garment's outer surface, where it is released through evaporation). Avoid cotton, as it absorbs moisture but will not wick, leaving you chilled, but instead consider a synthetic fabric, such as polyester or polypropylene. (they don't provide much in the way of warmth though, so you may have to beef up your middle and outer layers. Certain natural fibers, such as silk or wool are also good choices for base layers. However, even the finest wool may be irritating to sensitive skin. Silk, when treated with a wicking compound, is breathable, comfortable, and manages moisture well, though not as quickly as polyester.

A Middle Layer of Wool, Down, or Fleece—Natural fibers trap heat close to your body better than synthetics.

An Outer Layer that's Water and Wind-Resistant -Look for a jacket in a waterproof material with a high neck, vents, and fasteners at the wrist. Ensure it's safe to wear – not slippery, bulky, billowy, or noisy. Also make sure you choose garments that button or zip in front, rather than those that pull off over your head, so you can peel off layers easily if you become overheated.

Don't Forget these Details—A few thoughtful extra details can also help keep you from rushing back to the house too quickly – like the small, chemical heat packs commonly found in hardware or drug stores. Having a thermos of hot coffee, tea, or cocoa handy to sip on before, during, and after your ride can help keep your core temperature up.



Sunshine News

Darlene Logan reported the following Sunshine sent:

Sympathy was sent to:

Diane Savage (loss of brother) and Shannon Gandee (loss of stepson)

A card was sent to a friend of the DDC on the loss of her ponies from botulism

A Thinking of You was sent to perpetual member Ed Evans as his wife, Lois Evans, is now in the care of a nursing home.



Call Darlene at 410-200-0960 or email her at maneship@yahoo.com to have Sunshine sent!

Congratulations Corner

Welcome New Members:

Alison Kirk—I work and live in Lewes, DE. My full time job is Parks and Recreation Administrator of the City of Lewes. My part-time job is managing our small business--real estate ventures including rentals, rehabs and new construction projects. I live with my boyfriend of 20 years and enjoy traveling and good food. We do not have any kids but have 3 nephews who keep us entertained. I grew up riding at Carousel Farms in New Castle and some private farms in Fair Hill, MD. I fell in love with Clydesdales with at Carousel and one of the borders let me ride her horse. Since then I always wanted to have Clydesdales and my goal is to have a pair and a carriage for leisure, parades, weddings and my general enjoyment. I would like to learn about driving and all it entails."

Diane Valentine—I have been driving since 2006 with my Shetland pony and Dutch Warmblood, which I drive in both 2 and 4 wheel vehicles. I trained with Jessica Axelsson and have experience in Pleasure, Combined Driving, line drives and recreational/trail driving (my first love). I've also had the pleasure to participate in the Coaching Presentation drives at Winterthur, Pennsylvania Hunt Cup and Ludwig's Corner. I look forward to meeting new whips and driving new trails. Diane is from Monroeville, NJ

Congratulations to **Judith Hartman** on winning 1st Place in Multiple Pleasure Driving, 4th Place in Adult Pleasure Driving (12.2 & Under), and 4th Place in Section A Colts in the 2018WPCSA National Awards (Welsh Pony)

Congratulations to **Charlie Purnell** and **Tara Bruning** on the new equine additions to their families. (They even got a pony for Christmas) Hope to see you both driving at upcoming events.

Congratulations to **Linda Thomas** for having her photo selected as The Equiery Facebook cover photo for a week.

Congratulations to **Shannon Gandee** on her first off the drive with her horse Beau at Holly Ridge Equestrian Farm in December. The DDC is looking forward to seeing you at more events.

Upcoming Events

02/09/19

Accidents Hurt—Safety Doesn't—Come join the DDC at Frances and Wayne Baker's Hollyville Farm to participate in this interactive and informative presentation on carriage driving safety (based on the TV Show Family Feud). The event will start at noon with lunch provided by the Bakers. Immediately following lunch, the safety program, as well as a panel discussion, will begin. This event will be held indoors, however not all areas are heated, so please dress appropriately. In case of bad weather, the event will be held on February 16th. The address is Hollyville Farm 23430 Hollyville Road Harbeson, DE 19951 Please call Frances Baker at 302-381-2979 to RSVP or for additional information.

02/28 thru 03/03/19

Horse World Expo and Theatre Equus in Harrisburg, PA

04/26—27/19

Martin's Spring Carriage Auction in Lebanon, PA

05/11/19

The 12th Annual Pleasure Driving Show, scheduled for May 11th, is a traditional driving show featuring divisions for VSE, Pony, Horse, Multiples, and Novice Driver. Some additional classes included are Costume Class, Ride and Drive Class, Carriage Dog Class, Cones Course, In Hand Class, Cross Country Course, and Command Class. Division Championships and Reserve Championships will be awarded. This year's judge is Kail Plmer-Miller from PA. Stabling is available on the grounds for \$25.00. Volunteers are always needed!! Updates will be posted - also watch the DDC newsletter and Facebook for additional updates/information.

Please help us fill in the Upcoming Events page with things you would like to see the club participate in. All you need to do is contact any Board Member or the Editor of the Newsletter/Facebook and we can help make your idea a reality. We have club members with experience that can help you plan/host a drive or event. This is your club—so let your voice and ideas be heard. We also have many volunteer positions, such as photocopying the Newsletter, submitting topics of driving interest for publication in the newsletter or on Facebook, assisting with planning and volunteering at the Annual DDC Show, etc. **Get involved and Let's Drive in 2019!**





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