

June 2017



DDC Meeting Schedule

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

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Future Board Meetings  
Will be announced.

### UPCOMING ALERT



**SPREAD THE WORD!!!! SPREAD THE WORD!!!!  
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The Delmarva Driving Club Pleasure 2017 Show is
on and you are WARMLY INVITED!!

JULY 8 SATURDAY
Caroline County 4H Park
Detour Road, Denton MD

Starts at 930 AM

Please tell all your friends to the Entry Information is posted at
www.delmarvadrivingclub.com

To expedite Registration on the morning of the show, it would be helpful if you could mail your completed entry form to our Show registrar, Kim Baklarz at 100 Laurens Way Queen Anne MD 21617 (410) 490-6548 kimbaklarz@yahoo.com

By doing so, all you will have to do on Sunday morning is pay the entry fee and show your Coggins.

Please also note we have cancelled the pleasure drive so don't register for those classes. If you have previously registered and we are holding your forms and or check, we will consider you re-registered.

And should you be considering donating, sponsoring a class or advertising, or volunteering to help WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

The Art of Driving Horses

By Nancy V. Offen

One day while resting with my Miniature horse Salem, following a long drive, I began to ponder— what is the heart of driving horses? Why do I love driving so much? I suppose there are as many answers to this question as there are driving horses and drivers.

For me, driving is waking up early in the morning to the sweet sound of song birds welcoming the new day, and with a lightness to my step and a melody in my heart, knowing that today is a driving day.

For me, driving is drinking in the fresh, clean smell of the earth, and noticing tiny drops of dew glistening on each blade of grass as I'm setting out my cart and harness.

For me, driving is taking a few minutes, while harnessing, to give Salem a quick scratch on his favorite spots and then watching him smile (as only horses can).

For me, driving is that twinge of excitement that I feel as I attach the traces and breeching to the cart, and then give the final once over to be sure that harness and cart are attached correctly.

For me, driving is the joy that I have as we first set off, and feeling the gentle rhythm of Salem's walk and trot as we travel down the path.

For me, driving is the mystical connection I feel with the past— with all those who have driven before me.

For me, driving is sometimes schooling in an arena to music, and sometimes exploring a new trail in a meadow or forest.

Most of all— for me, driving is the oneness that I feel, and the friendship that I share, with my horse. It's telling my troubles to a trusted friend who will never divulge my secrets.



DDC Board April 2017 Meeting Minutes

Delmarva Driving Club Board Meeting –
4/6/2017

Meeting called to order at 7:00 by President Anna Klumpp

In attendance were: Anna Klumpp Jane Bailey, Pao Lin Hatch, George Parris, Michele Novak & Kim Baklarz. Member present: Carol Seiler.

Old Minutes – Pao Lin moved, George 2nd - approved as presented

Treasurer's Report – Pao Lin moved, Jane 2nd - approved as presented

Old Business

Due to rising postage costs, Pao Lin, suggested making an effort to encourage more members to choose the e-mail version of the newsletter. It was decided to monitor the costs and discuss options and ideas at the annual meeting.

Final trailer update...The old trailer has been sold and will soon be transferred to the buyer. Jane and Carol cleaned out the old trailer and transferred items to the new. There are some items needed to finish the job such as several new Rubbermaid tubs, a small fire extinguisher, bungee cords and U-bolts to secure the contents. Cost would be less than \$100. George pointed out that the costs associated with the trailer is still under the original budget so there are funds to purchase items needed to make the trailer fully functional. Found in the old trailer was a TV/VHS which may or may not work due to water leakage. Jane will test it as soon as she can. If it does not work it will be recycled. If it does work it will be stored in the new trailer until it can be determined if the club even owns VHS tapes worth

watching. There are also years of old driving magazines which are in okay condition. Pao Lin suggested bundling them up to be sold in the upcoming silent auction. Pao Lin will explore the cost of DDC logo decals for the sides of the trailer as the skin is aluminum so magnets will not stick. George reported that there was a \$4 refund from Maine because the trailer did not require a title. The refund check and documents of origin were given to Betty Donovan for safe keeping. Thanks again to George for his time and effort given to the new trailer project. Many thanks to Jane and Carol for putting in time and effort to organize the club's belonging into the new trailer.

Driving Show...Pao Lin estimates that the expected expenses for ribbons, show grounds and judge will be \$1,200. She needs volunteers for a wide variety of jobs. Club members who are not showing are asked to contact her to volunteer. Some of the open positions include: food/beverage coordinator; cones setters; ribbon runner; silent auction chair (which is a great money maker for the club); gate keepers; and others. Friday afternoon will be set up. The exact time will be announced when it is determined. There has been some buzz about the show so Pao Lin is expecting a good turnout. Everyone needs to turn in their sponsor sheets. Michele will send a copy of the club's insurance policy to the Caroline show grounds.

April 22 Drive at Fair Hill – North Appleton parking lot – rain date April 23

Trail Passports – Anna is working on booklets similar to passports with pages for Delmarva driving locations. Drivers can collect “stamps” by participating at a drive in each location. When completed the driver will earn a certificate of completion. Anna has compile a list of locations and will look into the cost of printing the booklets.

Sunshine...Cards were sent to Debbie Van Lunen for the loss of her father, Dorothy; Dar-

by Hewes for the loss of her driving horse Fred, Betty Donovan for the loss of her driving horse Simba Rah, and Bonnie Forgacs who is recovering from a fractured femur. On a happier note, Christine Little has been accepted to Swarthmore College.

New Business

Christmas Party/Annual Meeting... Since Pao Lin will be moving away from the area in the fall, this event needs a new chairperson. Kim volunteered to coordinate it.

Drive sponsors needed...A call for members to sponsor drives will be included in the newsletter. George was contacted by Myra who needs dates for a drive on the Western Shore. He will give her some June dates, but not June 3 & 4 which is the Elk Creek event.

Having worked to organize the new trailer, Carol suggested purchasing a fire box to keep important club papers safe. It was decided that the papers would be filed in the filing cabinet which is already bolted inside the new trailer.

Pao Lin moved and Jane 2nd the purchase of two 6 ft. light weight tables and four chairs. Motion passed. Jane will buy the tables and chairs when she is purchasing the other items for the trailer.

There being no further business Jane moved to adjourn. Michele 2nd. Meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

DDC Treasurer Report By Betty Donovan

Beginning Balance.....	\$7543.73
Debits:	
Conference calls.....	\$ 31.28
Sign for Trailer.....	9.65
Credits:	
Memberships.....	\$ 180.00
Refund on trailer registration	4.00
Ending Balance as of 5/31/17 ..	\$7686.80

Calendar of Events—DDC Items are in Bold

DATE	EVENT NAME	CONTACT/RSVP	WHERE
Sept 9-10	Brandywine Valley's Pleasure Show and Combined Test	Traditional Pleasure Classes Junior Division , Utility Division, Ladies and Gentleman to Drive, VSE, Carriage Dog, Old Guard Class Picnic Class, Grooms Class, Concours D'Elegance Combined Test for Training, Preliminary	Glen Willow Horse Show Grounds, Avondale, PA
Dec TBD	Holiday Annual Meeting	Details to follow? Want to organize this event? Contact any Board member to volunteer	Location TBD

DDC CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

By DDC Board member, Pao Lin Hatch

The DDC is in desperate need of volunteers to step up and help steer this club into the future. We need your help, energy and enthusiasm! Without volunteers who want to take over positions such as officers, board members, newsletter editors, website managers, drive coordinators, Trailer coordinator, volunteer coordinators, etc.... The club is in real danger of stagnation or worse... apathy. Won't you help?

Call one of the current board members listed below today if you would like to help! Or better, call in at our next Board Meeting, scheduled for June 1 2017 on Thursday and volunteer your ideas. Without more membership participation, the outlook is looking bleak for the future of the Delmarva Driving Club.

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OUT AND ABOUT NEWS

by Pao Lin Hatch


DDC Secretary Kim Baklarz excitedly reports that she has successfully harnessed and driven her beautiful morgan gelding "Silver" on a great Sunday Drive in Centreville, MD. Kim has been working with George Parris and felt she could do it without his help and the assistance of her supportive husband Richard. CONGRATULATIONS TO KIM AND RICH!

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SUNSHINE GOES OUT to Bonnie Forgacs for her recent surgery and Darryl Donovan for his bicycle accident and injuries.. We always thought those 'darn new fangled inventions were a heck of a lot more dangers than horses!

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Anna Klumpp is hosting Trainer and World Champion Tracy Morgan at her farm in Still Pond MD for lessons. Call to reserve your slot. Auditors welcome! Cost is \$65 Montalmax@hotmail.com
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