



# Let's Drive !



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**Delmarva Driving Club,  
Inc**

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### Attention!!

\* DDC Board Meeting on Thursday, July 1, 2021. The meeting is open to the Membership—members may speak on a subject, but they may not vote. This will be a Zoom Meeting—look for an invitation one week prior.

A DDC Board Meeting was held on Thursday, May 7, 2021 and the minutes of the March 4th Board Meeting were approved. The Treasury report had a starting balance of \$7,719.07. Expenses were \$1268.88 and deposits totaled \$1795.00, leaving an ending balance of \$8,245.19. The report was accepted as presented.

The Show Committee reported that things are falling into place for the Pleasure Show on Saturday. The new facility (Wicomico Equestrian Center) is wonderful and their management has been great to work with. There have been quite a few inquiries about the Show and we are hoping for a great turnout. As always volunteers are needed and welcomed. Please contact Show Manager Pam Gray at 410-819-6113 or pgray59@hughes.net if

you have any questions or would like to help. The ADS Mid Atlantic Region has been working on updated Fair Hill Carriage Trail Maps. These maps, funded thru a grant, will be pocket size and laser printed on high quality waterproof paper. They are available free to ADS affiliated Clubs in this region and will be available in mid-May. The DDC will be receiving approximately 15 to 20 of these maps. Contact Linda Thomas to obtain one. Due to numerous scams and phishing, the DDC has obtained a Club email. The new email is: delmarvadrivingclub1983@gmail.com. All Club correspondence will now be sent through this address. If you need to contact a Board Member, the Club secretary will be monitoring this address and forward any mail to the appropriate person. In the future, please delete any email with a reference to the Club that doesn't come from this

address. The Club has now purchased a Zoom license and will hold meetings and presentations via this media instead of Conference Call. Zoom does allow participation via phone as well. As Covid restrictions continue to lift, folks are feeling more comfortable to get out and drive. Sherry Harris has offered to explore driving areas and determine their accessibility for Club drives, however she needs help with this venture. If you are willing to provide an equine and vehicle and have Sherry ride along, give her a call at 410--482-2402 or email the Club.



## May is National Carriage & Driving Month

In 2008, a bill was passed by the 110th Congress which deemed the month of May to be celebrated by the 'carriage riding community' as Carriage and Driving Month. The essence of the bill was stated as follows:

- (1) expresses support for National Carriage Driving Month, along with its goals and ideals; and
- (2) encourages supporters, historical organizations, and educational entities to observe the month and collaborate on efforts to further protect, preserve, and appreciate carriages as part of our Nation's history.



Hope everyone does their part to enjoy National Carriage & Driving Month!

## Membership Update

Welcome New Members: Dennis, Adriane, and Kaiya Baker of Earleville, MD! They write, "We currently have 3 Gypsy Vanners and a Quarter Horse. Two of our Vanners are currently in training for carriage driving and we are new to the carriage driving world. Due to medical issues and as we have gotten older, we realize that we need to find a new way to enjoy our horses. And Vanners were built perfectly for carriage driving, so we decided to learn how to do it."



## May 8th DDC Pleasure Driving Show Results

1. In Hand: 1<sup>st</sup> Suzy Stafford 2<sup>nd</sup> Martha Younger 3<sup>rd</sup> Suzy Stafford
2. Turnout – Single VSE: 1<sup>st</sup> L. Seidel 2<sup>nd</sup> D. Pontz 3<sup>rd</sup> L Thomas 4<sup>th</sup> E Pendleton
3. Working Pleasure: Single VSE: 1<sup>st</sup> L Seidel 2<sup>nd</sup> L Thomas 3<sup>rd</sup> D Pontz 4<sup>th</sup> E Pendleton
4. Turnout – Single Pony: 1<sup>st</sup> T Bruning 2<sup>nd</sup> C Purnell 3<sup>rd</sup> M Brauning 4<sup>th</sup>J Layton 5<sup>th</sup> J Oehler
5. Working Pleasure – Single Pony: 1<sup>st</sup> C Purnell 2<sup>nd</sup> T Bruning 3<sup>rd</sup> M Brauning 4<sup>th</sup> K Pantelione 5<sup>th</sup> J Oehler 6<sup>th</sup> J Layton
6. Turnout – Single Horse: 1<sup>st</sup> M Lehberger 2<sup>nd</sup> S Stafford 3<sup>rd</sup> J Wood
7. Working Pleasure – Single Horse: 1<sup>st</sup> M Lehberger 2<sup>nd</sup> J Wood
8. Turnout – Multiple VSE/Pony: N/A
9. Working Pleasure – Multiple VSE/Pony: N/A
10. Turnout – Multiple Horse: 1<sup>st</sup> F Baker 2<sup>nd</sup> J Simpson
11. Working Pleasure – Multiple Horse: 1<sup>st</sup> J Simpson 2<sup>nd</sup> F Baker
12. Turnout – Green Horse: 1<sup>st</sup> S Stafford
13. Working Pleasure – Green Horse: 1<sup>st</sup> S Stafford 2<sup>nd</sup> J Tanglao
14. Reinsmanship – Green Horse: 1<sup>st</sup> S Stafford 2<sup>nd</sup> J Tanglao
15. Turnout – Green Driver: 1<sup>st</sup> K McConkey 2<sup>nd</sup> I Beiniecka 3<sup>rd</sup> C Glushakow 4<sup>th</sup> A Baker
16. Working Pleasure – Green Driver: 1<sup>st</sup> K McConkey 2<sup>nd</sup> C Glushakow 3<sup>rd</sup> I Bieniecka
17. Reinsmanship – Green Driver: 1<sup>st</sup> I Bieniecka 2<sup>nd</sup> K McConkey 3<sup>rd</sup> C Glushakow
18. Lady to Drive: 1<sup>st</sup> L Seidel 2<sup>nd</sup> M Lehberger 3<sup>rd</sup> J Tanglao
19. Gentleman to Drive: 1<sup>st</sup> G Parris 2<sup>nd</sup> J Layton 3<sup>rd</sup> J Wood
20. Command: 1<sup>st</sup> C Purnell & C Glushakow & E Pendleton 2<sup>nd</sup> James Wood 3<sup>rd</sup> T Bruning 4<sup>th</sup> M Lehberger 5<sup>th</sup> George Parris
21. Carriage Dog: 1<sup>st</sup> C Purnell
22. Cones – Single VSE: 1<sup>st</sup> E Pendleton & L Seidel 2<sup>nd</sup> Dawn Pontz 3<sup>rd</sup> L Thomas
23. Cones – Single Pony: 1<sup>st</sup> J Layton 2<sup>nd</sup> C Purnell 3<sup>rd</sup> M Brauning 4<sup>th</sup> J Oehler 5<sup>th</sup> K Pantelione 6<sup>th</sup> C Layton
24. Cones – Single Horse: 1<sup>st</sup> M Lehberger 2<sup>nd</sup> J Wood
25. Cones – Multiple VSE/Pony: N/A
26. Cones – Multiple Horse: 1<sup>st</sup> F Baker 2<sup>nd</sup> J Simpson
27. Cones – Green Horse: 1<sup>st</sup> S Stafford 2<sup>nd</sup> M Younger
28. Cones – Green Driver: 1<sup>st</sup> M Pontz 2<sup>nd</sup> I Bieniecka 3<sup>rd</sup> A Baker
29. Gambler's Choice – Single VSE: 1<sup>st</sup> L Seidel 2<sup>nd</sup> D Pontz 3<sup>rd</sup> E Pendleton



## Show Results (cont.)

30. Gambler's Choice – Single Pony: 1<sup>st</sup> C Purnell 2<sup>nd</sup> M Brauning 3<sup>rd</sup> J Layton 4<sup>th</sup> S Stafford 5<sup>th</sup> J Oehler 6<sup>th</sup> K Pantelione
31. Gambler's Choice – Single Horse: 1<sup>st</sup> J Wood
32. Gambler's Choice – Multiple VSE/Pony: N/A
33. Gambler's Choice – Multiple Horse: 1<sup>st</sup> F Baker 2<sup>nd</sup> J Simpson
34. Gambler's Choice – Green Horse: 1<sup>st</sup> S Stafford
35. Gambler's Choice – Green Driver: 1<sup>st</sup> C Glushakow 2<sup>nd</sup> I Bieniecka 3<sup>rd</sup> M Pontz
36. Super Reinsmanship – Single VSE: 1<sup>st</sup> E Pendleton 2<sup>nd</sup> L Seidel
37. Super Reinsmanship – Single Pony: 1<sup>st</sup> J Layton 2<sup>nd</sup> J Oehler 3<sup>rd</sup> M Brauning 4<sup>th</sup> C Purnell & K Pantelione
38. Super Reinsmanship – Multiple VSE/Pony: N/A
39. Super Reinsmanship – Single Horse: 1<sup>st</sup> M Lehberger 2<sup>nd</sup> J Wood
40. Super Reinsmanship – Multiple Horse: 1<sup>st</sup> F Baker
41. Cross Country – Single VSE: E Pendleton 2<sup>nd</sup> L Seidel 3<sup>rd</sup> D Pontz
42. Cross Country – Single Pony: 1<sup>st</sup> S Stafford 2<sup>nd</sup> J Oehler 3<sup>rd</sup> M Brauning 4<sup>th</sup> J Layton 5<sup>th</sup> C Purnell 6<sup>th</sup> K Pantelione
43. Cross Country – Single Horse: 1<sup>st</sup> M Lehberger 2<sup>nd</sup> J Wood
44. Cross Country – Multiple VSE/Pony: N/A
45. Cross Country – Multiple Horse: 1<sup>st</sup> J Simpson
46. Cross Country – Green Horse: N/A
47. Cross Country – Green Driver: 1<sup>st</sup> C Glushakow 2<sup>nd</sup> M Pontz 3<sup>rd</sup> I Bieniecka

Single VSE: Champion Leslie Seidel & Reserve Champion Emerson Pendleton

Single Pony: Champion Charlie Purnell & Reserve Champion Michele Brauning

Single Horse: Champion Mary Lehberger & Reserve Champion James Wood

Multiple Horse: Champion Frances Bakes & Reserve Champion Julianne Simpson

Green Driver: Champion Iza Bieniecka & Reserve Champion C Glushakow

Green Horse: Champion Suzy Stafford & Reserve Champion Jess Tanglao

Junior: Champion Iza Bieniecka & Reserve Champion Kate Pantelione

Concours d' Elegance: Frances Baker

## Congratulations to All!



## Pictorial View of the DDC Pleasure Show



The DDC Pleasure Driving Show was a fabulous day of driving! (even if the weather wasn't as cooperative). There were 27 entries, which included everything from VSEs to Draft size who participated in a wide variety of classes. Jessica Axelsson was the Judge and she was able to offer a lot of supportive advice and constructive criticism. The spectators thoroughly enjoyed watching all the beautiful entries. We even had one of the founding Members of the DDC stop by to watch the Show! There were so many positive comments about the beautiful Wicomico Equestrian Center too. But most importantly, we have to thank all the Volunteers who made the Show run so smoothly and successfully. Can't wait til next year's Show!!!





# Pictorial View of the DDC Pleasure Show (cont.)





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## Sunshine Corner

**The Sunshine Corner is Back!** It was established to express congratulations, sympathy or concern to members of our Club in the event of illness, bereavement or milestone events. Frances Baker has graciously volunteered to be our Sunshine Coordinator—if you know of someone needing “Sunshine”, please contact Frances at 302-381-2979 or email her at francesbaker65@gmail.com. This month **Sunshine** has been sent to:

Get Well Soon to: Deb Dawkins who underwent another shoulder surgery, Diane Savage who broke her arm, and Anna Klumpp who is home recovering from a hospital stay

Thinking of You to Mary Pines as she undergoes some difficult medical treatments

Welcome to the Family card to Maddy Zacharkow on bringing her heart horse Rusty home

Tara Bruning, Colleen Layton, and Adriane and Dennis Baker are all the proud new owners of carriages from Martins Auction!

Sympathy to Martha Zimmerman on the loss of her sister

## Barn Hacks

Here are a few ideas to help make your life easier:



1. Use a tire rim as a hose holder to make the most awkward horse barn chore of rolling the hose up easier. Better yet, get some of those shrinking hoses that you have seen on TV ads – they are amazing and save so much time and hassle.

2. Use a loofah glove for deep cleaning some of your horse's tack. This is great for nubby reins that accumulate a lot of goop and the rough side of the harness. Be careful if your tack is super smooth, as you may scratch it. You can also use these to clean buckets and bits and anything else that needs some grip and texture. Also good for the wash rack for dirty equines.

3. Use a brush attachment in your screw gun to deep-clean buckets, feeders, troughs, trailers, stall walls – you name it.

4. Aloe vera gel. Great for human and equine sunburns, as well as scrapes, cuts, abrasions.

5. Use a fair amount of detangler product on your horse after a bath and before a clip. This makes your clipper blades glide through the hair. You can also use a grooming oil.

6. Use old clipper blades to shorten a mane. Backcomb the hair and use the old clipper blade to chop off the end of the hair. Some clipper blades can only be sharpened once or twice, then they can live on in your grooming kit as a mane tool.





## Grazing Muzzles—What is the Right One for Your Equine

By Sherry Harris

Many horse owners are looking to limit the amount of grass their animals are able to consume, yet, they still need or want their horses to roam free in the pasture all day. I am going to share advice from my experience in using several different types of these muzzles on my different size equines, over the last 30 years.

Most of the muzzles come either already attached to a halter from the manufacturer or ready to attach to your own halter. I prefer the attached kind. If you are going to be attaching one to your own halter, I strongly advise using a designated halter with the muzzle attached for turn out only. Be sure to attach the muzzle firmly to that halter because they are not supposed to be easy to remove. Always use a separate halter for grooming and other everyday uses.



The first type of muzzle is the old style standard grazing muzzle. It's made of heavy black nylon with a thick rubber bottom with a 1" hole. These are hot because of the color and not very easy to breathe in. As we live in a hot and humid climate, horses do not like the tiny hole and will usually do all they can to get it off, or not let you put that thing on after a while. Now there are newer styles of this muzzle with large holes in the nostril areas for easier breathing. There is also a slightly larger hole for grazing. This makes the animal feel less restricted and desperate.

There are also muzzles that say they have an adjustable hole size. It's not going to take your animal long to figure out how to open it to the larger size. Save your money - Buy another style the first time.



Not vet recommended are the style of muzzle with the aluminum metal bars on the bottom like a grate. The metal gets hot and the animals are very likely to injure their teeth on the metal. Or chew through it, possibly consuming the metal and then cutting themselves on it. The grate is also too open and allows too much grass to be consumed at once, hence defeating its purpose.

There is (in my opinion) an excellent type of muzzle called a Greenguard muzzle. Made by Greenguard Equine.com, it is different looking than other types of muzzles you may have seen before. The material is very durable and will last for several seasons. It comes in numerous colors. I always like a bright color, so at a glance across the field, I can tell it's still on and in the right position. I have had great success with this type of muzzle. Especially when compared to wasting my time, effort and money on the other types of heavier muzzles or muzzles that make my animals angry and combative in trying to put them on (because they were so frustrated with the heat, lack of air and inability to eat any grass). The horse will just beat the muzzle on the water trough till they break it.

The Greenguard muzzle has a great website and customer support. They come in 3 sizes: mini, pony and horse. They will help you find the correct size for your equine and have advice, and videos to keep it fitting correctly for even the most crafty Houdini.



## Upcoming Events

Due to the Covid 19 virus, many events have been canceled for everyone's safety. Always call ahead to ensure an event is still scheduled to be held as many events have been cancelled or rescheduled.

- 5/16/21 DRIVING SHOW AT SUFFOLK STABLES, 1418 Old Indian Mills, Rd, Shamong 08088. info@suffolkstables.com or call 609-346-7093. Website: <https://suffolkstables.com/suffolk-shows> Facebook: Suffolk Stables Show Series. Other shows are on June 13th, July 11th, July 18th, and July 25th
- 5/30/21 CARRIAGE PLEASURE DRIVE in Devon, PA. Check the Website: [www.devonhorseshow.net](http://www.devonhorseshow.net). You must pre-register.
- 6/4-6/21 ELK CREEK COMBINED TEST and CDE Event at Fair Hill, MD. All details in ADS Omnibus: <https://americandrivingsociety.org/docs.ashx?id=729533>
- 6/24-25/21 Lancaster County Carriage and Antique Auction in Bird-in-Hand, PA. For more information, check out the website: [www.birdinhandauction.com](http://www.birdinhandauction.com). The address is 338 N Ronks Rd. Bird in Hand, PA 17505

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.







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