



# Let's Drive !

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**Delmarva Driving Club,  
Inc**

## Bits and Pieces—Club Information

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### Attention!!

\* DDC Board Meeting on Thursday, January 7, 2021. 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 DDC General Membership Meeting was held in conjunction with a scheduled Board Meeting on Thursday, November 5, 2020. The minutes of the October 15th Board Meeting were approved as written and the Treasury Report was accepted. Our current treasury balance is \$7,390.27. Pam Gray, Show Manager, shared an overview/rundown of the DDC Pleasure Show which was held on October 24th. This Show was very successful in that there were 21 drivers—of which 4 were Junior drivers! There were 45 Classes offered and we had over a 110 people in attendance! One driver even came from Connecticut! There were many compliments on how friendly and fun this show was while still being competitive. The new additions of the Super Reinsmanship Class and the Informal Driving Division were also extremely well

received, as were the new Trophy for the Super Reinsmanship and the Division Championship Trophies (donated by Michele Brauning and Charlie Purnell). The Cones Course, the Gambler's Choice Course, and the Cross Country Course were praised for testing the driver's abilities. However the biggest thanks goes to one of the most important parts of our Show—the Volunteers. Their team work made the Show run so smoothly. We also appreciate all the support from our Sponsors and Advertisers. The Show Committee will begin work on the 2021 Show shortly. If you would like to help, please contact Pam Gray at 410-819-6113. There is no experience needed and there are jobs for everyone! As the Covid pandemic continues, the DDC has been forced to make many changes. Everyone always looked forward to our year end meeting, but it will not be happening this year. In order to protect

the health and safety of our members and to reduce the spread of COVID-19, there will be no Annual December meeting. Traditionally election of Officers and Directors and presentation of a proposed Budget for the upcoming year are completed at this meeting. Hence we have had to change the way we conduct our business. The current DDC Officers and Board of Directors have agreed to serve in their positions through next year. In December a proposed copy of the 2021 DDC Budget will be emailed to all members for review. If there are any particular concerns, they can be directed to the Officers and Board. The Board also voted to maintain the Club Membership in both the American Driving Society as well as the Carriage Association of America. The DDC is able to utilize benefits from both of these organizations. We hope to be able to organize events for 2021!

## Annual DDC Pleasure Show was Successful!!!

"**The show must go on**" is a phrase that's often used to convey the idea that an event or activity must continue even if there are problems or difficulties. Admittedly Covid-19 presented quite a few challenges, but the Show Committee, participants, and volunteers used the beautiful day to have a wonderful Show. There were 21 entries (4 of them were Youth drivers) driving a variety of equines—from VSEs to a Dutch Harness Horse/Shire Cross! We even had a competitor from Connecticut! Mary Harrison from New Jersey was the Judge and there were several new Classes and Divisions this year. A favorite class was the Carriage Dog Class and a challenging class was the Super Reinsmanship Class. Now plans are in the works for the 2021 Show. Listed below are the results from the 2020 DDC Pleasure Show

### **In Hand**

1. Carter Lehman
2. Nicole duPont
3. D. Urian
4. K. Pantelione
5. Lucus Durnan

### **Turnout – VSE**

1. Linda Thomas
2. Joan McMahan
3. Maddy Zacharkow

### **Working Pleasure – VSE**

1. Joan McMahan
2. Maddy Zacharkow
3. Linda Thomas

### **Turnout – Single Pony**

1. John Layton
2. Nicole DuPont

### **Working Pleasure – Single Pony**

1. John Layton
2. Colleen Layton

### **Turnout – Novice**

1. Helen Heinzer
2. Lucus Durnan
3. D. Urian

### **Working Pleasure – Novice**

1. Beth Berlin
2. Helen Heinzer
3. Lucus Durnan
4. D. Urian

### **Turnout – Single Horse**

1. Paige Horine
2. Jess Tanglao
3. James Wood

### **Working Pleasure – Single Horse**

1. Jess Tanglao
2. Paige Horine
3. James Wood

### **Turnout – Multiple VSE/Pony**

1. Carter Lehman

### **Working Pleasure – Multiple VSE/Pony**

1. Carter Lehman

### **Concours d' Elegance—Paige Horine**

#### **Lady to Drive**

1. Beth Berlin
2. Colleen Layton
3. Charlie Purnell

## DDC Pleasure Driving Show, cont.

### Gentleman to Drive

1. George Parris
2. James Wood
3. John Layton

### Command Class

1. Joan McMahan
2. James Wood

### Carriage Dog Class

1. Julianne Simpson
2. Michele Brauning
3. Charlie Purnell

### Informal Pleasure Driving – Working

1. Julianne Simpson
2. Kim Stover

### Informal Pleasure Driving – Reinsmanship

1. Kim Stover
2. Julianne Simpson

### Cones – Informal Pleasure Driving

1. Kim Stover
2. Julianne Simpson

### Cones – VSE

1. Maddy Zacharkow
2. Joan McMahan
3. Linda Thomas

### Cones – Single Pony

1. John Layton
2. K. Pantelione
3. Colleen Layton
4. Charlie Purnell

### Cones – Novice

1. Beth Berlin
2. Lucus Durnan
3. Julia Anderson
4. D. Urian
5. Helen Heinzer

### Cones – Single Horse

1. Jess Tanglao
2. James Wood
3. Paige Horine

### Cones – Multiple VSE/Pony

1. Carter Lehman

### Gambler's Choice – VSE

1. Joan McMahan
2. Linda Thomas & Maddy Zacharkow—tied

### Gambler's Choice – Single Pony

1. Charlie Purnell
2. John Layton

### Gambler's Choice – Novice

1. Helen Heinzer
2. Beth Berlin
3. Julia Anderson

### Gambler's Choice – Single Horse

1. Paige Horine
2. James Wood

### Super Reinsmanship – VSE

1. Maddy Zacharkow
2. Joan McMahan
3. Linda Thomas

## Driving Show cont.

### **Super Reinsmanship – Single Pony**

1. John Layton

### **Super Reinsmanship – Novice**

1. Beth Berlin
2. Helen Heinzer
3. Katie Pantelione

### **Super Reinsmanship – Single Horse**

1. James Wood

### **Super Reinsmanship – Multiple VSE/ Single Pony**

1. Michele Brauning

### **Cross Country – VSE**

1. Joan McMahon
2. Linda Thomas
3. Maddy Zacharkow

### **Cross Country – Single Pony**

1. John Layton

### **Cross Country – Single Horse**

1. Paige Horine
2. James Wood

### **Cross Country – Informal Pleasure Driving**

1. Kim Stover

**Super Reinsmanship Trophy Winner—  
John Layton**

**VSE Champion – Joan McMahon**

**VSE Reserve – Maddy Zacharkow**

**Single Pony Champion – John Layton**

**Single Pony Reserve –**

**Colleen Layton & Charlie Purnell**

**Novice Champion – Helen Heizer**

**Novice Reservice – Beth Berlin**

**Single Horse Champion – James Wood**

**Single Horse Reserve – Paige Horine**

**Junior Champion – C. Lehman**

**Informal Driving Champion – Kim Stover**

**Informal Driving Reserve Champion –  
Julianne Simpson**

**Multiple VSE/Pony Champion –  
Michele Brauning**



**Carter Lehman & Michele Brauning**



**John Layton and Mr. Magic**



**Maddy Zacharkow and Oreo**



**Jess & Rainier Tanglao with Mickey**



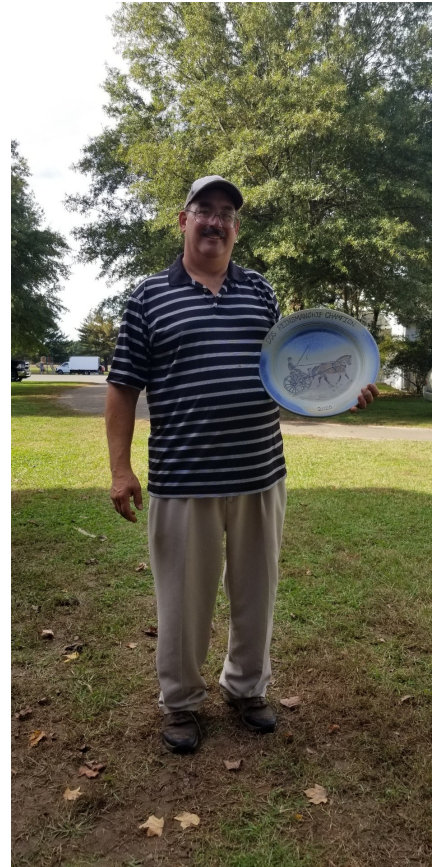
**James Wood & his daughter Julia Anderson  
with Zeus**



**Charlie Purnell and Foxy**



Colleen Layton with Jazz  
Linda Thomas with Cricket



John Layton with the Super  
Reinsmanship Trophy



Helen Heinzer



Ann Curl—Main Gate



Kim Baklarz \_ Show Secretary



Eileen Flynn—Ring  
Steward



Rich Graves & Pam Gray



Mary Harrison—Judge



Volunteers from  
Saddle Up Stables

# Members Out and About



Jess Tanglao driving Savannah & Mickey



Ann Sanders driving Micky Finn in WVa



Linda Thomas driving Storm



Katie P., John & Colleen Layton & Maddy



Ann Sanders driving Gambler



Anna Klumpp with her VSE pair



Judith Ann Hartman driving Bow at Teddy Bears

## 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:

Heartfelt Sympathy was sent to: Sherry Harris, Carey Miller, Tara Bruning, and Jess and Rainier Tanglao. All these members lost a member of their equine family. Sherry lost her Haflinger Smart Remarks, Carey lost her ‘heart horse’ named Skitter, Tara lost Imperiale, and Jess and Rainier lost Key—part of her pair of horses named Lock and Key.

Please know the DDC is concerned about all our members during this trying time of the Covid 19 virus. Stay safe and do your part to slow the spread of the virus by washing your hands often and practicing social distancing. If you’re working on the front lines during this crisis, thank you for your role in keeping our communities safe and healthy. This event will pass and we will get back to enjoying our equines with each other.

## Soft Hands Challenge



The contact between you and your driving horse is “all about the fingers”. Contact is a complicated word when it comes to the communication between you and your horse. Here's a great Challenge! Do YOU have soft hands? Go driving while holding an egg in each hand through different speeds - hard boiled eggs don't count. Can you hold the reins with an Egg in each hand and not break one? Your horse must feel that you are constantly with him, maintaining an even and soft contact with his

mouth. Shoulders must be relaxed and your arms must hang freely at your sides. Hands must stay relaxed and holding the reins as if you have an egg in them, (you don't want to break the egg). Thumb has the rein locked against your forefinger with your other fingers lightly connecting to the rein. Your thumbs are always up which keeps you from locking your wrist. Yes this all takes practice and depending how long you have been doing it wrong it will take a while for your brain to re-learn the proper hold of the reins.





## 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.

11/15/20

Annual Turkey Trot at the Horse Park of New Jersey This is a Ride and Drive event. 9:00am start time (rain or shine) Prize list and entry forms are posted on the ESDCTA website



### ATTENTION RIDERS AND DRIVERS:

THE HORSE PARK OF NEW JERSEY  
AND  
EASTERN STATES DRESSAGE & COMBINED TRAINING ASSOC.



PROUDLY PRESENT:

## "The Turkey Trot"

THE  
22ND ANNUAL  
PLEASURE RIDE

**Sunday, November 15, 2020**

TO BE HELD AT THE  
**Horse Park of New Jersey**  
ROUTE 524 • ALLENTOWN, NJ  
AND  
**Assunpink Wildlife Mgt. Area**

**9:00 am start**  
**RAIN OR SHINE!**

No Spectators  
Due to COVID

New  
Cones Course!

**OPENING DATE: OCTOBER 19, 2020**

**CLOSING DATE FOR MAIL/EMAIL ENTRIES: NOVEMBER 10, 2020**

**POST ENTRIES ACCEPTED ON COMPETITION DAY**

**CONTACT/EMI**—Horse Park of NJ - a) phone (609) 259-0170. c) email: HorseParkOfNJ@aol.com.

#### **DIVISIONS:**

**RIDERS**— Senior (55 years and over), Junior (18 years and under), Family (you must be related to one another), or Open (to be ridden in pairs)

**DRIVERS**: Open division and Very Small Equine (VSE) division—cones class free  
**CONES CLASS (DRIVERS)**: to be held in the West Ring

**ENTRIES**— a) \$45 Rider (to be ridden in pairs) \$45 per driver. Post Entries (entry received after Nov 10, 2020 or on competition day) \$60 per rider/\$60 per driver. b) Entry forms available from the secretary or the Horse Park or ESDCTA's websites. c) Draw checks to "Horse Park of NJ" or provide credit card information. d) NO FAX entries, please. Entries MUST be legible and include credit card information or check. e) Entries MUST include current negative coggins. \$5 discount if you are an ESDCTA or Horsepark of New Jersey member. Join today! f) All persons must sign a Horse Park Waiver (see website). g) **Please include your Cell phone number and carry your phones on the course in case you are lost on course and we need to contact you.**

**COURSES**— a) The rider courses will be about 6 miles, the driver courses will be about 5 miles with the VSE at about 3 miles. c) The courses will all start and finish from the Horse Park and will travel in and around the Horse Park and the Assunpink Wildlife Mgt. Area.

**AWARDS**— Award for first place and 8 ribbons for each division

**START TIMES**— Competitors will receive a start time from the starter after picking up their packets. Rider courses start from 9:00-12:30 (i.e. last start time is 12:30 pm) with rider awards at 3:15pm; Driver courses start from 9:00 - 11:30 (i.e. last start time is 11:30am) with driver awards at 2:00pm. Cones courses are open from 9:00 - 1:00 with awards shortly thereafter.

**DIRECTIONS** to Horse Park of NJ - Follow signs to HP of NJ (white letters on brown background). *From NJ Turnpike:* follow to exit 7A. I-195 East to exit 11 Imlaystown. Turn left at top of ramp (North). Follow to stop sign and turn right onto Route 524. Horse Park is 1½ miles on left. *From Garden State Parkway:* Follow to exit 98 to I-195 West to exit 11. Turn right at the top of the ramp (North). Follow as above.

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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and Instagram!  
Check us out

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