

Ohio Valley Carriage Club

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Educational Clinic Little Indian Creek Farm Fayetteville, OH Sunday, February 26, 2012

Time Arrive at 12:30 PM, Lunch at 1:00 PM, followed by meeting and event. Bring a chair and a side dish, salad or dessert. A variety of soups will be provided, as well as beverages. The meeting will be held in the heated kitchen/office space, unless we have too many people for the area. In that case, we will move into the unheated arena area, so please dress appropriately for all situations.

Event This Educational Opportunity for Club members will focus on 1) the art of using a whip to communicate with the horse, and 2) hands-on practice using a reinboard. Some of our more seasoned whips will be providing instruction and guidance.

Helga Silven and several seasoned whips will help those who want to learn about proper whip handling in carriage driving. Her station will feature chairs that represent the horse's body. Helga will have some different sizes and styles of whips for demonstration and discussion. This would be a good time to get feedback on the suitability of your own whip(s).

Wanda Bakscheider will staff the reinboard stations, providing instruction and guidance as people practice. You are encouraged to rotate through these stations as many times as you like, practicing and asking questions.

The arena will be open for those members who only want to work their horses, or who want to take the mini-classes, and then go into the arena to practice. Members are encouraged to bring cones or other obstacles that might help in the practice work.

As always, we encourage you to come and support the classes, learn from others, use the facility, offer feedback, and discuss ideas for future programs.

February, 2012

Directions: Website: <http://indiancreekhorses.com>

From North I-275: Exit at Route 50, Hillsboro. Stay on Route 50 thru Fayetteville, and cross Route 68. Continue on Rt. 50 for approximately 2 miles. You will see Murray Corner Rd on the right, and Route 251 on the left. Turn Right onto Murray Corner Rd and go approx 500 feet, to Little Indian Creek Farm, on the left.

From Lebanon area: Take Rt 48 to Rt 123, and stay on 123 through Blanchester to Rt 68. Turn Right (South) onto Rt 68 and continue to Fayetteville. Turn left at traffic light onto Rt 50 and continue for approximately 2 miles. You will see Murray Corner Rd on the right, and Route 251 on the left. Turn Right onto Murray Corner Rd and go approx 500 feet, to Little Indian Creek Farm, on the left.

From South I- 275: Take Rt 32 exit and follow out to Mt. Orab. Turn left at Rt 68 exit, heading North towards Fayetteville. Go approximately to Fayetteville. Turn right at the intersection of Rt 68 and Rt 50. Continue for approximately 2 miles. You will see Murray Corner Rd on the right, and Route 251 on the left. Turn right onto Murray Corner Rd and go approx 500 feet, to Little Indian Creek Farm, on the left.

Parking for cars is in front of the facility. Parking for trailers is on the right side of facility.

January 29th Auction

Sunday was much fun, and the outcome of the auction raised a total of \$1,639.00 for the Club. Thanks to all the members who donated, and those who generously bid on available items, as well as our auction workers - Alyce Sheehan and Jane Godlewski, who kept all the records straight, Steve Cox, Joe Winfield, and Greg Silven who presented the items for sale, and Charlie Poppe, our auctioneer, who kept things moving along and managed the crowd. We counted around 75 or 80 people in attendance - one of the largest OVCC meeting attendances on record!

NEW BUSINESS

Educational Goal for 2012 – from Nancy Jackson

The goal for 2012 is to help drivers round out their skills, creating the total package of competent drive, communicative horse, and attractive turnout. An effective driver will know how to put the package together for safe driving, and then focus on how to present a turnout that combines design and colors for a really pretty picture. To that end, there will be a number of small mini-classes offered throughout the year that address some things of interest to the membership (based on feedback from the membership survey last year, and recommendations from some of our seasoned whips). Perhaps studious drivers will be ready to participate in one or more carriage classes in shows this summer and fall?

Membership Renewals & Dues - Helga Silven

It is time to renew our memberships! Please see the 2012 Membership Application form attached to this email (or form enclosed for mailed newsletters). If you have any questions about membership, please contact Helga at 513-560-1078, or email gtsnhes@fuse.net.

Please print, complete, **including any email address changes**, and send with check to:

Jane Godlewski
9344 Swigert Road
Loveland, OH 45140
513-899-9013
mjgodlewski@embargmail.com

Website Mgmt

The members voted and approved the \$155 Ken Sayre will need to continue our website space. Ken will continue as webmaster for 2012. Please contact him directly if you want to post to the site. 513-542-2293, or kensayre1@fuse.net.

Requests From Outside Organizations

From time to time, we receive requests for support from outside organizations, asking for money or other donations, volunteer time or shared mailing lists to advance their efforts. At the January 29 meeting, the membership voted to consider requests in support of carriage driving only, as they have done in the past. Donations will be limited to those organizations and events which promote, encourage, and feature horse drawn activities.

Treasurer's Report

Jane Godlewski reported that we had \$1,263.00 as of January 29, 2012. (This is before adding auction proceeds.)

Highlighted Upcoming Events

Field Trip to Misdee Wrigley's Hillcroft Farm, Paris, KY

Date: Sunday, March 25, 2012

More information and details will be provided at the Feb. 26 meeting and the next newsletter, so please stay tuned. Misdee Wrigley has one of the finest carriage collections in the world, according to Charlie Poppe, who is arranging this Club trip.

Andy Marcoux at Equine Affaire, Columbus, OH

Date: April 14-15, 2012

The Club was hoping to schedule some clinic time with Andy prior to Equine Affaire, but was unable to make it happen. Members are encouraged to check the EA schedule and attend his presentations. Please see <http://www.equineaffaire.com/ohio/features/program/schedule/> for more information.

National Drive Spring Training Camp, KY Horse Park

Date: May 4-6, 2012

Please go to <http://www.nationaldrive.net/> for more information.

Red Bricks & Roses Spring Flowers Horse Drawn Carriage Parade, Oxford, OH

Date: Saturday, May 12, 2012

Set Up Time: 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Parade Time: 2:00 PM

Where: Staging at original Wal-Mart Parking Lot, 419 S. Locust St, Oxford

Route: Approx. 2 miles

Come participate and join us for a step back in time as we enjoy elegant horses and beautiful flower-decorated carriages as they work their way among the red brick university buildings, and brick paved historic streets of Oxford, OH. Oxford is a quaint college town filled with local history, nostalgic shops and welcoming hospitality along with all the amenities of today's modern world. The history of the City of Oxford has long been intertwined with the Miami University legacy as a land-grant college.

To participate or for information, contact: Alyce Sheehan (513-967-6687) or Nancy Jackson (513-344-1955) or email: parksideac@aol.com. Please put Spring Carriage Parade in the subject line.

Horse & Vehicle For Sale:

Ten year old registered Clydesdale Bay mare, black mane and tail, four white socks. Marked perfectly, beautiful horse.

Draft Horse Gig. Black with grey pin stripping, cane sides, Bedford Cord Upholstery. Great shape, 54" wheels. Asking \$4,000.

Call Mike Burke - Cell (513) 910-2383, Home (513) 774-9111

Vehicles For Sale:

Vehicles offered by Norm Stuckey, Dayton, OH. Please contact Norm at 937-878-5116.

Beautiful show Gig by Studebaker with lamps, \$5,000.

Natural wood Surrey by Joubert and White of Glens Falls. When new, cost three times as much as a Sears Surrey, \$1,500.

Draft Horse size Gig with Collinge axel, \$1,000.

Victorian Carriage, used several times to transport Santa in the Lebanon Christmas Parade, \$5,000.

Pony size restored Open Buggy with two fifth wheels, \$2,000.

Wanted – Pony & VSE Vehicles:

Wooden "Meadowbrook-like" wooden pony cart with wooden wheels covered with hard rubber.

The cart needs to have 60" shafts and the shafts need to be 30 - 31 inches from the ground when the shafts are level. If you have such a cart for sale, please contact Cindy at:

foxrunfarmky@aol.com or telephone at: (859) 338-7520.

I am looking for an antique pony cart, or any stylish 2-wheel cart, for my 36.5" mini horse. (I have a metal ez-entry cart.) Jena Chamberlain, 513-907-6898 or jchamber@its.inj.com

I am looking for a wagon for my two 34" mini horses. Holly Kemper, (513) 267-2289 or dhkemper@cinci.rr.com

This might be of interest to you!

Need harness repair? Contact Skyp Harmon at jumper951@hotmail.com.

Bulk shavings for stalls, reasonable rates – No Walnut! Call Thad, 513-535-5151.

2012 Calendar of Events & Activities

January 29	OVCC Meet & Auction, Warren County Fairgrounds, Lebanon, OH
February 4-5	Maumee Bay Sleigh Festival, Oregon, OH
February 26	OVCC Meet & Education, Little Indian Creek Farm, Fayetteville, OH
March 10	1 st Annual Carriage & Tack Auction, Clinton County Fairgrounds, OH
March 11	Great Tack Exchange, Warren Co. Fairgrounds, Lebanon, OH
March 25	Misdee Wrigley Farm Tour, Hillcroft Farm, Paris, KY
April 12-15	Equine Affaire, Columbus, OH (<i>Andy Marcoux presentations, April 14&15</i>)
May 4-6	National Drive Spring Training Camp, KY Horse Park, Lexington, KY
May 12	Red Bricks & Roses Spring Flowers Carriage Parade, Oxford, OH
May 20	Spring Grove Cemetery Drive, Cincinnati, OH
May 31	21 st Carriage Round-Up, KYHP
June tbd	OVCC Meet & Drive, Larry Denny's farm, Lebanon, OH
June 29-July 1	CAA Carriage Festival –KYHP - to feature a pleasure-driving show, an antique car show, a carriage showcase, educational seminars, and social activities.
October 5-7	Festival of the Horse, Georgetown, KY http://www.festivalofthehorse.org/
December 1	24 th Annual Lebanon Horse Drawn Carriage Parade, Lebanon, OH
December 9	OVCC Christmas Dinner, Bel-Wood Country Club, Morrow, OH