

SPOKES AND SPURS NEWSLETTER



Lessons with Leslie Cashion, September 7

Most carriage clubs have to go to other places for clinicians. We are indeed fortunate that Spokes and Spurs has a wealth of professionals at our fingertips. On Saturday, September 7, Spokes and Spurs will host another lesson day with Leslie Cashion. This event will take place at Charlotte's Creek Farm, 3176 Newtown Pike, Georgetown, Kentucky (Jennifer Harber's place). Lessons are \$65 each for members and \$85 for non-members. There is no charge for those who wish to audit. Thanks to the covered arena, the lessons will take place despite our unpredictable Kentucky weather.

If you would like to take a lesson, contact me at spokesandspursky@gmail.com. Please indicate what you would like to focus on for your lesson. Do hurry and sign up because it is first come, first served. The last two events closed really fast!

A Word of Thanks

A heartfelt thanks to Ann Katona and Summer Frost for their hard work during my absence. We have had a wonderful year! Also, thanks to all of you for your many kind notes and responses during the time that Pam has been ill. She is recovering and will be back to driving soon!

Mini CDE at Kate and Katie Whaley's Farm Held on Saturday, July 6

(Article by Ann Katona)

On July 6, 2019 Spokes and Spurs had a wonderful time at a mini-CDE. Katie and Kate Whaley graciously opened their farm to the club for this event. The grounds, as usual, are beautiful with a facility that lends itself perfectly to running such an event. We are so appreciative of the Whaley's hospitality. I also want to thank Kathy Courtemanche for helping to set up and measure the courses. We had about 13 participants of various levels of driving experience. Some had never driven a CDE so this was a great learning experience. Those who are familiar with CDEs took advantage of schooling their horse or pony in the dressage ring, the cones course and the marathon with three wonderful obstacles.

Katie Whaley was our Dressage judge; taking the time to offer suggestions after each test. What a wonderful opportunity to glean tips from Katie with all of her experience!

After the event we had a lovely awards presentation (with great food, of course) and awesome camaraderie. In addition to ribbons to Hats By Katie generously gave the winner of each division a \$100 gift certificate.

We also had a photographer there, Becky Bartosz. Becky took quite a few photos so if anybody would like some copies (perhaps compensate her for her time) you may contact her at beckyb2016@gmail.com

(All pictures by Becky Bartosz)

Driver: Jane Godlewski

Driver: Fonda Eigel



Mini-CDE Pictures (continued from page 1)



Driver: Stephanie Putnam (Winner: Horse Division)

Trainer: Leslie Berndt



Grabbing a little snack



Driver: Cindy Bellis-Jones (Winner: Pony Division)



Driver: Leslie Cashion



Driver: Linda Sudduth (Winner: Pair Division)

Driving and Camping, August 17 and 18 at Wanda Backscheider's Farm

Wanda is providing her farm for a fantastic weekend by the lake. Spokes and Spurs members are invited to drive at will, participate in games, and bring a dish to share at a pot-luck dinner at her cabin. There will also be a moonlight drive after the evening meal. There is plenty of room for trucks and trailers. You are also invited to camp overnight if you wish! Wanda's address is 4810 Olive-Branch-Stonelick Rd., Batavia, OH 45103. Participants should arrive anytime after 1:00 p.m. Don't miss this wonderful relaxing weekend.

Volunteers Still Needed for the Kentucky Classic, August 29 - September 1

We still need more volunteers for the Kentucky Classic at beautiful Hillcroft Farm, 1818 Millersburg Road, Paris, Kentucky 40361. Misdee Wrigley Miller and James Miller will be hosting the 2019 Kentucky Classic Combined Driving Event. The three-day event features some of the top competitors in the country. Scoring is based on a combination of scores gathered over the three days of competition - dressage, marathon, and cones. Formerly held at the Kentucky Horse Park, Hillcroft Farm will host this elite event for the first time this year. We need volunteers in all areas including parking attendants, hospitality hosts, scribes for dressage, set-ups for cones courses, timers, obstacle judges, and the list goes on. If you can help, please contact Paige Lautzenheiser: pnlautzenheiser@gmail.com.

Mark Your Calendars (Dates in red are sponsored entirely or in part by Spokes and Spurs, Inc.)

August 3 (9:00 a.m.) Fun Driving and Riding Days with private lessons for drivers at Charlotte Creek's Farm, 3176 Newtown Pike. We are offering lessons with Carrie Ostrowski, \$60 for members, \$85 for non-members. First come, first served.

August 17 (Arrive anytime after 1:00 p.m.) Driving and Pot-luck at Wanda Backscheider's Farm.

August 29-September 1 Kentucky Classic at Hillcroft Farm, 1818 Millersburg Road, Paris, KY. Volunteers needed!

September (Actual date to be scheduled) Executive Officers' Meetings - Any Spokes and Spurs members are encouraged to attend!

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October 1-6, National Drive at the Indiana Horse Park, Edinburg, Indiana. If you haven't done this before or not attended since it moved to Indiana, you should go. You will be in for a treat!

November 9 (10:30 a.m.) Drive at Shaker Village in Harrodsburg. \$10 per carriage or rider paid when you arrive. Bring a picnic lunch!

December 3 (Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.) General Meeting and Pot Luck Dinner for Spokes and Spurs
This meeting will be designated as the Annual Meeting. Our goal is to take care of general business before the end of the year so Spokes and Spurs may hit the ground running in January 2020.

December 21 Katie Whaley's Christmas Party (All Spokes and Spurs members invited)

Caveat! All of the above dates and details can be subject to change, mainly due to weather! In the event of changes, we will notify the membership as soon as possible.

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