

SPOKES AND SPURS NEWSLETTER

Derby Days:

We are extending the entry date for the first derby at Coach House Farm to Friday, July 3. Due to the pandemic, many of you have had difficulties making your decision to enter. The minimum number of entrants is 15. At this point, there are not enough entries with the original entry date deadline of June 30.

The entry form may be found on the Spokes and Spurs site on Facebook or our website: spokesandspurs.com

The first two events: July 25 and August 22 (both dates are Saturdays), will be qualifying derbies. These events will be \$35 entry fee each for the first two events for Spokes and Spurs members. (Non-members will be \$35 per the first two derbies plus one time membership fee of \$30 per single or \$35 for family.)

The third and final event will be Saturday, October 10. If the entrant qualifies after the first two derbies, the fee for the third event is \$50. The entry fees collected from each division will be distributed over the top winners of each division.

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Activities Proceeding for the Summer

Your Executive Board and Events Committee have conferred and have come to a consensus for continuing summer activities. There must be strict adherence to these operating rules during this COVID-19 pandemic. If participants fail to follow these measures, activities will be cancelled. We want our members to enjoy driving and riding, but our health and safety comes first.

- •Anyone testing positive for or has had known exposure to COVID-19 within 14 days before the event is expected to not attend.
- •All persons temperatures will be checked with a non-touch thermometer as you enter the event area. If the person has any fever, they must cancel and not attend that day.
- •Wash hands thoroughly using the 20 second rule for scrubbing hands. If possible, bring sterile wipes and/or disinfectant to wipe any surfaces that you may touch that is not your own.
- •ALL PERSONS are required to wear masks except when actually driving or riding. Masks are to be worn even if you are in your own family/team group. Anyone not wearing a mask will be requested to leave.
- •If you require someone else other than your family member as a navigator, masks must be worn by the driver and navigator(s) when driving.
- •Observe the 6 foot rule (two arms length) of social distancing when moving around anyone not in your immediate group.
- •Tacking up will be at your trailer. Do not enter barns or facilities on the property unless you have been given clearance.
- •There will be no group food events such as potlucks or barbecues. No food will be sold at activities. Family groups may bring their own food, but are not to share it with others.
- •When watering areas are provided, participants are to bring their own hoses to limit contact.
- •Any event observers must wear masks at all times and observe the 6 foot rule of social distancing. Observers are not allowed to congregate.

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- We will have need for volunteers, but limited to essential operating personnel. All volunteers/personnel must wear masks. Depending on the contact situation, volunteers/personnel may require and will be furnished other equipment such as gloves, special masks, etc.
- There will be no in-person group meetings until further notice. Group meetings may be held through telephone conferencing, texting, or ZOOM meetings.

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The divisions are single pony, single horse, pair pony, pair horse, VSE, two-wheel carts, and practice (not to be judged).

Thorsten Zarembowicz Clinics

We are fortunate that Thorsten is flying back here for the clinics as planned. The next clinic is this Saturday and Sunday, July 4 and 5. All COVID-19 restrictions are in place for these clinics. (For all the clinic dates, please see "Calendar of Events" at the end of this newsletter.) All of the clinics will take place at Coach House Farm, 2027 Clintonville Road, Paris, Kentucky. Lessons are \$100 for 45 minutes. If you desire to have a lesson or two at these clinics, go to our website: spokesandspurs.com Under the Thorsten Clinic article, you will find a form to submit your request(s). You will pay for your lesson on the day(s) of attendance. Please note: If you must cancel, do so before 24 hours before your lesson. If you cancel with less than 24 hours notice, you are still responsible for paying for the lesson.

Fun Day at Valkyrie's Haven Has Been Rescheduled for August 8!

We were really looking forward to a fun driving day at Leslye Sandburg's Farm, Valkyrie's Haven, 487 Cynthiana Road, Paris, KY 40361, on Saturday, April 18, but sadly because of the COVID shut down, we had to cancel. Using the new COVID-19 rules, your Events Committee is busily designing a **fun and games day for Saturday, August 8.** Details will be sent out very soon. (If the weather invades our fun, this day will be rescheduled, again.) Watch for announcements on your email, Facebook, and our webpage.

Drive at Hillcroft Farm Was a Great Success!

We wish to express our sincere thanks to James and Misdee Miller for the generous use of their gorgeous land for the drive. Todd Draheim worked very hard and did a splendid job organizing the day, as well as mowing and marking paths for driving. He also marked and made available four obstacles that drivers ecstatically enjoyed! There were drivers for the entire day along with several riders. It certainly was nice to get out and drive someplace different than our own places.













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

July 4-5 (Saturday and Sunday) Thorsten Zarembowicz Clinic, Coach House Farm, Paris, KY

July 11 (Saturday) Mini-CDE Coach House Farm, Paris, KY

July 25 (Saturday) First Qualifying Derby, Coach House Farm, Paris, KY

August 1-2 (Saturday and Sunday) Thorsten Zarembowicz Clinic, Coach House Farm, Paris, KY

August 8 (Saturday) Games Day and Lessons, Carrie Ostrowski and Leslie Cashion, Valkryie's Haven, Paris, KY

August 22 (Saturday) Second Qualifying Derby, Coach House Farm, Paris, KY

September 5-6 (Saturday and Sunday) Thorsten Zarembowicz Clinic, Coach House Farm, Paris, KY

October 10 (Saturday) Final Derby at Coach House Farm, Paris, KY

October 3-4 (Saturday and Sunday) Thorsten Zarembowicz Clinic, Coach House Farm, Paris, KY

October 13-18 National Drive, Hoosier Horse Park, Edinburgh, IN

October 24 (Saturday, 10:00 a.m.) Drive at Shaker Village Harrodsburg, KY

November 7-8 (Saturday and Sunday) Thorsten Zarembowicz Clinic, Coach House Farm, Paris, KY

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 through email, Facebook, and our Website.

Find us on-line at www.spokesandspurs.com