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NEWSLETTER

President's Message

The Lexington Carriage Classic was this past weekend. What a treat to be part of this wonderful Pleasure Show AND NO MASKS were required!! The weather was quite pleasant; comfortable temperatures and no rain. Our competitors brought beautiful turnouts that were very competitive! Many of our members competed and several members helped support the show as volunteers. This event could not happen without the help of our volunteers; we so appreciate your time! Be sure to visit Mark Jump Photography to view the beautiful photos of the turnouts! Of course a huge thank-you for Kate and Katie Whaley as well as our Show Manager, Kathy Courtemanche. Without their expertise this show would never happen.

July and August bring us more clinics and fun days!! Be sure to check our calendar. Of course we can be more lax with COVID restrictions. I know that we are all looking forward to socializing as well as continuing to learn more about driving. I'll be meeting with others on the board and we will put a more "formal" meeting on the calendar. I'm looking towards the latter part of the year for this and we will host the educational meeting that we had scheduled prior to COVID ("Trailing rules of the Road" and "What to look for in a carriage trailer").

I look forward to seeing everyone soon!

Ann Katona



Open Schooling Day at Charlotte's Creek: July 24

Charlotte's Creek Farm, owned by Chris and Judd Roseberry, is graciously opening their beautiful property for Open Schooling Days in 2021. There are wonderful trails, obstacles, cones, and a brand new dressage arena in which to school. They even have an indoor if weather turns inclement!



Jennifer Harber, Stable Manager



Charlotte's Creek Farm Open Schooling Day Saturday, July 24, 2021 9AM-3PM

3166 Newtown Pike Georgetown, KY 40324

Join us for a day of open schooling in obstacles, cones, a full size regulation outdoor arena, and a 100'x200' indoor arena. This is a great day to warm up for the upcoming show season or just try your hand at something new! Lessons are also available by appointment with Carrie Ostrowki. Please contact Jennifer Harber at (304) 208-5224 or jaharber@hotmail.com no later than Tuesday, July 20 to schedule lessons or to RSVP.

Spokes and Spurs Membership is required to participate in this event. Membership applications are available online at spokesandspurs.com and will be available at the event. All participants, including passengers on the carriage must also sign a CCF waiver before riding or driving. All horses must have a negative coggins within one year.

We look forward to seeing everyone!

A DAY OF TRADITIONAL DRIVING

At Coach House Farm, 2027 Clintonville Rd., Paris, KY, on Saturday, July 31, Kate and Katie Whaley are opening their farm for a Day of Traditional Driving. This is free and open to all Spokes and Spurs members. (Participants and observers)

The purpose of the day is to preserve driving styles of the past. Traditional is defined as styles of driving: English Classical, German Achenbach, Hungarian, or American based upon the appropriate type of carriage, horse, and harness. There are three phases: Turnout Inspection, a Country Drive, and a Cones Course.

All types of carriages are accepted, but antique vehicles or reproductions are preferred. Drivers are required to carry a whip for the whole day.

To get a full explanation, see the Carriage Association of America website. Click on "Sporting Day of Traditional Driving."

Spokes and Spurs Open Driving Day at Valkyrie's Haven

487 Cynthiana Rd., Paris, Kentucky

There will be an Open Schooling Day with a visit from the Jockey and Equestrian Initiative, University of Kentucky on Saturday, August 14. Activities for the day are free and open to all Spokes and Spurs members.

In the morning, there will be open driving for everyone and driving lessons offered by Leslie Cashion at \$75 per lesson. (On line sign up for lessons: <https://fs20.formsite.com/6owStr/esay7dasoe/index.html>) There will be lunch at noon. Members are asked to bring sides, chips, goodies, and chairs, etc. There is electrical power in the barn to set out a buffet. We will have further information about the luncheon in plenty of time before the actual event.

In the afternoon, there will be a fun scavenger hunt drive with award prizes! Watch your email and our Facebook site for more details.

Thorsten Zarembowicz Clinics Continue for 2021

Thorsten Zarembowicz, who did his first combined event at the age of 8, trained World Champion driver Michael Freund, took team and individual Gold at the Single Horse World Championship in 2010, in 2016 became the USEF Combined Driving Coach, and in 2019 was the Division Champion for Horse Show Coaching at Devon will continue to offer lessons for 2021!

The Clinics will continue to take place at Coach House Farm, 2027 Clintonville Rd., Paris, KY 40361. Lessons are \$130 per 45 minute lesson. Here are the dates scheduled for 2021:

July 16-17

August 7-8

October 2-3

November 6-7

Go to: <https://fs20.formsite.com/6owStr/qpunfemlvn/index.html> for the online electronic registration form or go to our website: www.spokesandspurs.com for the online registration or our Facebook site.

Thank you, Volunteers!!!

by David Gaston

So many of our Spokes and Spurs members volunteered for the Kentucky Classic at Hillcroft Farm and the Lexington Carriage Classic at the Kentucky Horse Park. As your Spokes and Spurs President, Ann Katona, stated in her President's Message, "(These events) could not happen without the help of our volunteers; we so appreciate your time!"

As Volunteer Coordinator for the Lexington Carriage Classic for 2021, I learned many things about getting volunteers. First, there are still a bunch of people that don't feel comfortable with the electronic forms provided. It is extremely helpful when participants use the form because all information is readily available for scheduling and getting information to volunteers. Nevertheless, we will still make accommodations for those that feel they don't want to use computerized forms. A former boss of mine called me "Mr. Closure." She was right. I like to set everything up in neat little packages and nail down details. In recent years, I have tried to be more flexible. Having said that, I learned that when volunteering, we may state our preferences (and we will try to honor them), but expect to be flexible. Schedules change, situations come up at shows. Be prepared to adapt to what is needed at the time. I especially want to express my gratitude to volunteers that showed up expecting to do a certain job and were switched to something else. Show officials were extremely complimentary how Spokes and Spurs volunteers went right in and worked hard!

If you have never volunteered before, jump in, the water's fine! It's not hard. You will be instructed exactly how to do your job.

Thank you to these members that volunteered for the Lexington Carriage Classic:

Leslie Bebensee, Kathy Courtemanche, Lenny Courtemanche, Carrie Goose Davis, Fonda Eigel, Maggie Garrison, Jack Goodman, Virginia Goodman, April Kincaid, Rebecca Jones, Martha Merry, Carrie Ostrowski, Travis Place, Leslye Sandberg, Jim Shanel, Linda Sudduth, Bess Wallingford

There were many that just jumped in and helped where needed. My apologies if you volunteered and I missed your name.

“I only have a Marathon or Metal Cart. Can I show in a Pleasure show?”

Yes, You may!! The Utility Class is actually quite popular!

From the USEF RULES... Combined Driving marathon type vehicles are allowed at the discretion of the organizer as published in the Omnibus. Less traditional attire (example: Combined Driving Marathon attire) may be appropriate only if it is specifically allowed in the class description, otherwise a penalty or elimination may result. Except for certain commercial turnouts:

1. Gentlemen must wear a coat or jacket while appearing in any class unless excused from doing so by the judge and/or Show Organizer. When accepting awards, gentlemen are requested to remove their hats.
2. Ladies must wear a conservative dress, tailored suit, or slacks. Floppy hats are discouraged.
3. Unless otherwise specified, the driver shall wear a hat, an apron or knee rug and gloves.

So this means that, yes, you may show but keep in mind that you still will lean towards a bit more formality in your turnout. The pleasure show is not a Marathon. So consider what you would wear in your dressage class; or an outing that many of the pleasure turnouts are based upon. Apron, gloves and hat (helmets are allowed) and of course a clean and polished carriage and harness (and yes, synthetic harness allowed). While you will not be winning the Concours d'Elegance, you and your Equine companion can participate in the Pleasure Show. Its actually a great experience for your horse or pony!

Welcome New Members for 2021!

On top of our returning members, new to the club for 2021 are Jerry Beddinghaus, Nancy Beddinghaus, Gene Brown, Carrie Goose Davis, Patricia Flarity, Amanda Morning, Hila Morrell, Travis Place, John Stafford, Lori Wallis, Deborah Webster, Brenda Whicker.

If you haven't joined this year or would like to refer a friend, the form is on line with directions for submitting your payment on the form. Be sure and write that down before you submit the form. Memberships are not in effect until your payment has been received. If you don't wish to sit and type the site into your browser, you may find the site to click on through Spokes and Spurs Facebook site or our website: www.spokesandspurs.com For 2021 membership, go to:

<https://fs20.formsite.com/6owStr/9gxkgrwfqa/index.html>

Winners of the Lexington Carriage Classic for 2021

We would like to congratulate all the winners in the 2021 Lexington Carriage Classic. Since there were so many winners, we have listed the first place, champion, and reserve winners.

Class # -Class Name- 1st place Winner

- 1A - Single Horse Turnout - Claire Rasmussen
1B - Single Horse Turnout- Stacey Giere
- 2A - Single Horse Reinsmanship - Gail Aumiller
2B - Single Horse Reinmanship - Stacey Giere
- 3A - Single Horse Working - Claire Rasmussen
3B - Single Horse Working - Sally Lawing
- 4A - Single Horse Timed Obstacles - Claire Rasmussen
4B - Single Horse Timed Obstacles - Kate Bushman
- 5A - Single Horse Fault and Out - Claire Rasmussen
5B - Single Horse Fault and Out - Kate Bushman
- 6A - Single Pony (small) Turnout - Marianna Padgett
6B - Single Pony (large) Turnout - Charlie Purnell
- 7A - Single Pony (small) Reinsmanship - Rae Jean Powell
7B - Single Pony (large) Reinsmanship - Leslie Berndl
- 8A - Single Pony (small) Working - Rae Jean Powell
8B - Single Pony (large) Working - Stacey Giere
- 9A - Single Pony (small) Timed Obstacles - Cindy Bellis Jones
9B - Single Pony (large) - Timed Obstacles - Leslie Berndl
- 10A - Single Pony (small) Fault and Out - Cindy Bellis-Jones
10B - Single Pony (Large) Fault and Out - Leslie Berndl
- 11 - Pair Horse Turnout - Ryley Miller (Jr. Driver)
- 12 - Pair Horse Reinsmanship - Ryley Miller
- 13 - Pair Horse Working - Paul Maye
- 14 - Pair Horse Timed Obstacles - Paul Maye
- 15 - Pair Horse Fault and Out - Paul Maye
- 16 - Pair Pony Turnout - Katie Whaley
- 17 - Pair Pony Reinsmanship - Katie Whaley
- 18 - Pair Pony Working - Katie Whaley
- 19 - Pair Pony Timed Obstacles - Katie Whaley
- 20 - Pair Pony Fault and Out - Katie Whaley
- 26 - Utility Reinsmanship - Leslie Berndl

- 27 - Utility Working - Lisa Stenstrud
- 28 - Utility Timed Obstacles - Leslie Berndl
- 29 - Utility Fault and Out - Jane Hoffman
- 30 - Park Bonneted Turnout - Charlie Poppe
- 31 - Park Bonneted Evening Turnout - Mark Duffell
- 32 - Park Bonneted Phaeton Performance - Mark Duffell
- 35 - Park Wicker Phaeton Performance - Sally Lawing
- 34 - Park Wicker Phaeton Picnic Turnout - Sally Lawing
- 33 - Park Wicker Phaeton Afternoon Turnout - Sally Lawing
- 46 - Costume Class - Gail Aumiller
- 47 - Carriage Dog Class - Meredith Giere
- 48 - Ladies To Drive - Gail Aumiller
- 50 - Never Won A Blue Ribbon - Emma Holliday
- 51 - Grooms Class - Emma Holliday

Champion & Reserve Champions

Single Horse Champion A - Claire Rasmussen - "Gunthyr"
Reserve - Gail Aumiller - "Sjaantje" (also High Point Friesian sponsored by FHANA)

Single Horse Champion B - Sally Lawing - "Natasha"
Reserve - Stacey Giere - Harmony's"

Single Pony (small) Champion - Rae Jean Powell - "Social Engagement" (also High Point Am. Show pony sponsored by ASPC-AMHR-ASPR)
Reserve - Cindy Bellis-Jones - "Nistar Blazing Kansas"

Single Pony (large) Champion - Leslie Berndl - "Sweetwaters Zorah Belle"
Reserve - Charlie Purnell - Benlea Minny"

Pair Horse Champion - Ryley Miller - "Sunrise's Commander" & Windfall's First"
Reserve - Paul Maye

Pair Pony Champion - Katie Whaley - "Timmy" and "Clainfair Sunglow"
Reserve - Dee McCartney - "Tinker" & "Pixie"

Utility Champion - Leslie Berndl - Sweetwaters Maraduke"

Reserve - Lisa Stenstrud - "Hoss"

Park Bonneted Champion - Mark Duffell - "Dutch" & "Duke"
Reserve - Charlie Poppe - "Oh Canada" and "Stewart"

Park Wicker Phaeton Champion - Sally Lawing - "Wieteke fan North"
Reserve - Gail Aumiller - "Sjaantje"

Concours d'Elegance - Sally Lawing - "Wieteke fan North"

Junior Driver Champion - Ryley Miller - "Sunrise's Commander" & Windfall's First"
Reserve - Ashton Maye

Special Award - Most Promising Young Driver - Ashton Maye

Jo Ann Murr - "Philia Crusier's Cavalier" - High Point VSE sponsored by ASPC-AMHR-ASPR





Spokes and Spurs Has a Library for You to Check Out

Just a reminder . . . Spokes and Spurs has a nice little library available to our members. Let Ann Katona know if you would like to “check-out” anything.

Title Author American Carriages, Sleighs, Sulkies and Carts 168 Illustrations from Victorian Sources

Edited by Don H. Berkebile

American Horse-Drawn Vehicles - Being a collection of 218 pictures... Jack D. Rittenhouse

Bending the Driving Horse Muffy Seaton

Breaking a Horse to Harness - A Step by Step Guide Sallie Walrond

Bristol Wagon & Carriage Illustrated Catalog, 1900 Bristol Wagon & Carriage Works Co. Ltd.

Carriage Driving - A Logical Approach Through Dressage Training Heike Bean and Sarah Blanchard

Discovering Horse Drawn Carriages D. J. Smith

Driven Dressage with the Single Horse Sandy Rabinowitz

Driver Proficiency Program - Level I and Road Driving Syllabus The Carriage Association of America

Driving a Harness Horse - A Step by Step Guide (A sequel to Breaking a Horse to Harness) Sallie Walrond

Driving for Pleasure or The Harness Stable and its Appointments Francis T. Underhill

The Encyclopedia of Driving Sallie Walrond

The Essential Guide to Carriage Driving Robyn Cuffey and Jaye-Allison Winkel

Fundamentals of Private Driving Sallie Walrond

Horse-Drawn Vehicles at the Shelburne Museum Kenneth Edward Wheeling

Illustrated Catalogue of Carriages and Special Business Advertiser / G. & D. Cook & Co.'s Forward by Paul H. Downing

Walnut Hill: A Grand Celebration of the Horse & Carriage Robert Iannazzi; Photographer. Bill Remley; Commentator

Schedule of Events for 2021

Proposed Date	Activity
July 16-17	Thorsten Zarembowicz Clinic #3 at Coach House Farm
July 24	Open Schooling Day #2 at Charlotte's Creek Farm
July 31	Traditional Day of Driving - Coach House Farm
August 7-8	Thorsten Zarembowicz Clinic #4 at Coach House Farm
August 14	Valkyrie's Haven - Paris, KY - Open Schooling Day and a visit from the Jockey and Equestrian Initiative, University of Kentucky
October 2-3	Thorsten Zarembowicz Clinic #5 at Coach House Farm
October 5-10	Fall National Drive: Hoosier Horse Park, Edinburgh Indiana
October 16	Driving and Riding at Shaker Village, Harrodsburg, Kentucky
November 6-7	Thorsten Zarembowicz Clinic #6 at Coach House Farm

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

This is Your Newsletter!

Please send us any equine activities, news, and your achievements! Whenever possible, include photos. We will also list at no charge to members any equine ads. For example, we will accept ads for selling carriages, horse trailers, horses or ponies or especially tack and equipment. In the past, members placed ads on Facebook which unfortunately sometimes didn't allow our members first crack at it. Obviously, if you are in a hurry to list something, still use our Facebook site. If you have time, send us your listing and photos.

We also invite articles written for the Newsletter. Many of you are talented writers and have great information to share with others. These articles should be about riding or driving tips, repair of carriages, horse equipment, and farm equipment. We also invite humorous articles that bring joy to our lives about your equine or farm experiences.

We would love to have pictures of your favorite pets and scenic pictures of your property. When we receive these pictures, we will include as many as possible in order that we receive them. If so many pictures are received, we will notify you which issue your photography will appear.

We do reserve the right to edit articles or ads, but we will notify you of the editing and get your approval before publishing.

Send your ads and articles to: spokesandspursky@gmail.com

Under "Subject", type in: Newsletter Editor

Photos need to come in JPEG or HEIC images in an attachment to your email.