

## Hello NCDC!

What an incredible group of people we have in NCDC! We have artists and engineers, salespeople and service people, nurses and doctors, farmers, entrepreneurs, managers, teachers, the whole gamut, all linked by our common love of horses and interest in driving. What do we need to do to appreciate our differences and get along?

In these times when the mass media is working so hard to define and categorize us, it's hard to figure out how to work together taking advantage of what each of us have to offer. A long time ago we learned you catch more flies with honey than vinegar. Reality is shit catches the most flies, which is why bullshit has its place. Something all us horse people truly understand.

This translates into you can't make someone do something they don't want to do. (Ask my mare, or just watch a dressage test!) We all know its how you ask, then listening to the answer and working together! So often we're consumed by our own agendas, we don't realize we're going the long way to get something done, or worst, taking the short cut and missing the view that made the journey worthwhile. It helps to have someone along to navigate. It is tough when we've been there, tried that, been let down here, had to clean up the mess there, lost control and were disappointed, had promises broken, lost sight of the common vision and just feel used. We get enough of that in real life, who wants it in our recreation?

So how do we avoid getting caught up in the trap? We are a volunteer group. None of us are paid. This is serious, but not life and death. (Well, could be, but I don't think we'll all die if we don't get a Poker Drive put together.) So we compromise. We put aside our fear and ask questions, speak up. And we listen. We figure out what we'd like to do, who brings what to the table, take responsibility to teach and delegate. We pass the buck and we're willing to pitch in. For example, someone who is just curious and knows nothing should be involved on the safety committee, who else is clueless enough to remind us of where we all once were? (I'm just getting to the point of knowing what all I don't know!) Secretary at a safety check at a CDE and helping organize a clinic for safety

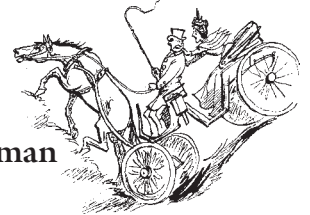
are two places I, a clueless person, can think would be a perfect fit.

It's the new year, time to take stock, access what our goals are, what we would like to do, what the gaps are and where we can be of assistance. We need to decide what we'd like to learn and how to broaden our perspectives, what we can teach and who can teach us. It's time to set aside our differences and come together as a team. We all have contributions to make. Let's make them, fearlessly, respectfully, as friends.

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## For Your Safety a Must Read!

### Heads up from Barrie Freeman by Kathy Freeman



I have a 2 year old, pony size, Jerald Easy Entry cart that I use exclusively for training and conditioning my two Welsh ponies in a groomed area or on a prepared trail. I continue to be very pleased with this vehicle, but I want to share this story.

Last week in the indoor arena at Clay Station Horse Park in Wilton, CA, Deb Packard and I were training our 4 year old Welsh Mountain pony gelding Fred (Greenvale's Fred Astaire) when my husband/lackey/groom/'gator Barrie commented on the exceedingly load metallic sounds the cart was making.

Later at home, Barrie did a very thorough inspection of all fasteners/joints and re-torqued all "loose" connections. Here are Barrie's comments:

"During inspection of the wheels, I discovered that, while the left wheel appeared normal, the right (driver's) side wheel exhibited excessive "wobble". Upon further investigation, it became obvious that the source of the wobble was caused by play between the axle stub and the axle tube.

After removing both wheels from the cart and disassembling the axle assembly from the cart, a telephone conversation with David at Jerald and a close-up inspection revealed the following:

- a) the stub axle is a sub-weldment made up of a large diameter steel washer welded in place under the head of a 6 inch long 5/8" diameter grade 8

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steel bolt.

b) this sub-weldment is then welded to the end of the 1 1/4" square tube with the bolt head inside the tube, the washer contacting the end of the tube, and the threaded end of the bolt shank protruding outward.

c) the weld between the washer and the tube had visually failed along approximately 50% to 60% of the length of the entire weld.

d) the warranty on this Jerald Easy Entry cart covers material and workmanship for one year and that, in this case, no replacement would be forthcoming. The best offer (per David) was a repair if I wanted to return the failed axle assembly to the Jerald factory.

In conclusion: If you own (or know someone who does own) a Jerald Easy Entry vehicle please be aware of this "critical weak link" in this otherwise very sturdy, well built, easy entry cart. I am convinced that the total failure of this single structural element would have resulted in a catastrophic event in which driver, passenger, and pony could have been critically injured."

"Barrie thinks this is a potential problem with any vehicle with this type of axle. He does believe that most carts are safe, but they do need monitoring, especially in areas where failure of a single element could cause a catastrophic failure. I consider myself to be VERY fortunate to have Barrie to double check anything I drive, on an on-going basis. When he found the problem, I looked at it and realized that I would never have caught it."

**Minutes from January 8, 2005 Meeting**

1:04 PM 1/8/2005 meeting called to order by Chair An attendance sheet was passed around. See list below. Gina gave the treasurer's report. Current balance is \$7,832.23 Gina gave the membership report. We have 97 memberships, many of which are family memberships.

Beverly moved to accept the minutes from Nov

meeting as written in newsletter; seconded by Mike Dowd; so voted. The Chair pointed out that Chair and Treasurer positions are open, nominations should be sent to the secretary.

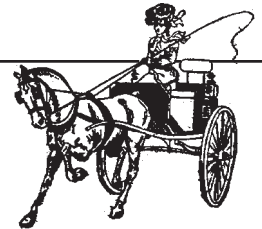
The Chair called for members to come forward to organize activities, as our ratio of activities to members is fairly low.

Gina explained about the Arena Driving Trial on March 19. Volunteers will be needed to help organize and put it on. Pat pointed out this is a great way to learn.

Next topic was the Traditional Day of Driving (TDD) at Silverbend Farm in Clarksburg on Aug 20. Sally and Pat explained how a TDD works. There is a possibility of doing some additional activity on Sunday, which will be investigated. Jane pointed out this is a good event for someone just getting into driving and/or competing - safe and low pressure. The Antique Carriage Club had one at Linda and Jack Lynn's last year.

The Grupes have offered us the use of Shady Oaks for a playday again this year. Pat said they are open to our doing pretty much any activity. Buck explained that this offer was originally made in part as a Thank You for NCDC's support of the Classic. Pat reported that they are also open to our having another date of some other activity. Suggestions were made for a club-level CDE or clinic. Sharon pointed out that a combined activity would be OK — pleasure drive plus clinic, judged dressage tests, etc. Mike advocated offering choices, and offered to help organize a poker drive.

He explained that in a poker drive, there is a set course, and each person picks up a card at each of 5 stations. It is sometimes set up so that you must be within an allowed time limit to qualify to get a card. Others pointed out that it could be done without any timing. Pat asked for a committee. Deena Kirby,

**Arena Driving Trial**

Entries open Feb 1

Ione, California

March 19, 2005

For those who haven't participated in this event before, it's designed to be low-pressure, fun and a good schooling opportunity. All parts take place in an enclosed covered arena that is just barely smaller than a standard driven dressage arena. The morning is spent on dressage tests. At lunch, the arena is dismantled, and 2 hazards and a short cones course are set up.

Then each person does the hazards (twice each) and goes directly to cones. Informal attire is fine, no Presentation. You can drive as slowly as you like in the hazards, so there's no pressure.

We will need a few volunteers, so come and pitch in even if you aren't ready to drive.

[http://www.acornnmr.com/ncdc/arena\\_driving\\_trial.htm](http://www.acornnmr.com/ncdc/arena_driving_trial.htm)

Minutes cont.

Harriet, Mike (chair), and Buck volunteered.

Several people suggested a variety of events. Sharon suggested the newsletter feature an article and request for feedback. Sharon also suggested the newsletter solicit venue suggestions. Mike said a new 300-acre equine event facility is going up in Oakdale, called Lindy Farms Quarter Horses.

Hiskens haven't worked out their schedule yet, so plans for an activity there were postponed. There were no committee reports available.

Pat explained the reason for the Activities Committee. This was created to provide a mechanism whereby the club could approve an activity in response to a last-minute opportunity, in cases where the club meeting would be too late to vote on it. The members are Thomas Smith, Kathy Freeman and Ken Odem. The committee is authorized to approve expenses up to \$100.

Pat proposed this committee's name be changed to the "Impromptu Activities Approval Committee dba Quickie Committee", simply to make its purpose clearer. Chair made the motion; seconded by Allyn; So voted. Buck moved to increase this committee's spending limit to \$250; seconded by Liz. There was some discussion about a higher limit, but Thomas pointed out that the committee members might be uncomfortable being responsible for larger amounts. During discussion, the committee name was referred to as the "Quickie Committee", a nickname that seems likely to stick. So voted.

Gina explained the by-laws committee was established to work on a way to allow for remote (phone, fax or email) voting, so that decisions can be made by the entire membership in a timely manner, without waiting for the next physical meeting. The committee is still working on wording.

Chair explained what Meeting of the Minds (MoM) is, and raised the issue of delegating a representative to MoM and the possibility of the club covering some expenses. The problem this past time was that Scholderers volunteered to go because it looked like there were no NCDC attendees, but as it turned out several members went. This became a financial strain on them. Kathy Freeman recommended that the club identify a representative and reimburse expenses. Thomas pointed out that since so many people go, it's likely the club will be represented and it's awkward to have the club reimbursing one person and not all the others. Beverly reported that MoM will not, in the future, be combined with a separate ADS meeting.

There was a pause in the meeting as Fritz and Phyllis Grupe arrived and were introduced. They repeated the invitation for a play day. Fritz told us he will be back east all spring, trying to qualify for the US pairs driving team. He plans to compete in 4 qualifying events out east and 4 in Europe.

At Black Prong in Dec, he drove 2 pairs, and placed 1st & 2nd (although he pointed out that some of the

## Mini Spring Fling at Whiffletree Ranch

**March 5 & 6, 2005**

**A Horse Driving Trial for Very Small Equines (39" and Under)**

**Mini Spring Fling Volunteer request**

Volunteers will be needed and greatly appreciated for this event. If you are not planning to compete and wish to lend a hand please let us know! Free Lunch will be provided to volunteers on the day they work. Volunteers may purchase a discounted Saturday Dinner Ticket for \$10.

We will need the most help on Sunday for the marathon.

Please call or send the following to: Marie McKee – Mini Spring Fling

email: jak-mar@sti.net (559) 868-4245

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“big boys” weren’t there). He told us he bought a warmblood at the 4-in-hand championships, and rents the other from Chester Weber. Out of those four horses, he will have a pair and a spare.

The team will be chosen on May 25, and he is long-listed. The pairs championships will be in Salzburg, Austria, in Sept. Fritz and Phyllis described the spectacular venue, complete with castle. Because the venue has lots of space, each country may be allowed 4 pairs on the team, instead of the usual 3.

Possible dates for the playday were discussed, and May 14 was tentatively set. Phyllis appealed for volunteers for the California Classic CDE, Oct 7-9. Bonner’s contact info will be in the newsletter. They are thinking of adding another hazard near the fort and water hazards, perhaps including a hill, since the rest of the course is flat.

Discussion returned to MoM. Debbi said she and Jay always go. Kathy added that the club representative should write a report for the newsletter. Harriet said we should assign responsibility to someone to attend and write a report. Buck said he is writing up an account of the recent MoM for *Carriage Driving World* magazine. Buck recommended that the Chair appoint an official club delegate. Pat asked if we want to subsidize that delegate.

Laura asked what the fees are - usually \$30-40. Laura moved to have officers appoint delegate and the club pay mileage and registration. 2nd by Harriet. so voted.

No report from committee on safety clinics.

Joyce reported on the idea of publicizing the club in freebie magazines.

Advertising is expensive. Someone asked if NCDC is linked by Bay Area Equestrian Network ([www.bayequest.com](http://www.bayequest.com)). [The answer is no - VWM]. Mike mentioned a new pony enthusiast magazine. Debbi said she gets good response to Equestrian Connection. Jane agreed, but Maria has not had good response.

Apparently in relation to ad rates for non-profit organizations, the issue of the club’s tax ID came up.

Gina explained that she believes the club does not actually have a tax ID number, even though it is usually necessary when opening a bank account. The was this came about was that when Gina took over as Treasurer and opened a new bank account, the same tax ID number was used that had been associated with the previous club account.

One of the original club members later stated that this number might have actually belonged either to the previous treasurer or to some other organization with which she was associated. To the best of Gina’s knowledge, that has not been verified. Because the account does not collect interest, this has not been an issue. A few years ago, the possibility of establishing the club as a non-profit organization was researched.

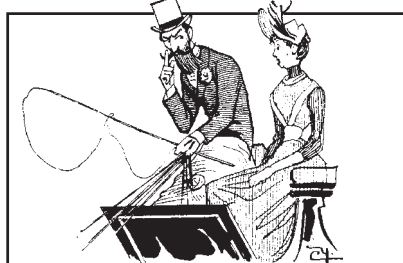
While the process is straightforward, it also requires that annual tax returns be filed. As there seemed to be no advantage to proceeding, nothing further was done. This issue can be re-visited at any time the membership considers it worthwhile.

Chester said Equestrian Connection will list club activities with phone and web site address for free. Jean and Mike said they get good response from Ride, which is mostly northern California. Buck suggested membership in Bay Area Equestrian Network. Gina suggested we look into getting events listed and stories of driving activities run for free instead paying for an ad. Joyce and Jane will continue to look into this.

The next topic was proposed 1-day clinics with local clinicians. Part of the reason for this is to have activities spread out around the entire region represented by the membership, to make it easier for more members to participate. Nancy Turner suggested that Chris Anderson in Santa Rosa is a possibility and there may be interest in a beginner’s clinic in that area.

Packards are willing to host clinics at a reasonable rate for use of the arenas. Allyn suggested a beginner clinic in Grass Valley. It was agreed that the newsletter will have some details and instructions for how to put on a clinic, to encourage members to organize them. Jean, Debra, Liz and Allyn volunteered to form a committee to organize this.

Beverly said there will be a tack swap at the Ram Tap



ATTENDANCE:

- Leslie Berndl
- Marty Brookman
- Allyn Carman
- Sharon Waite and Mike Dowd
- Kathy & Barrie Freeman
- Kathie Stebbins
- Fritz & Phyllis Grupe
- Jenni Haas
- Liz Hendrick
- Sheri Lacey
- Jane & Terry Merritt
- Gina Miner
- Debbi Packard
- Pat and Leroy Ray
- Debra and Thomas Smith
- Chester and Christa Stegman
- Nancy Turner
- Jean Terry
- Beverly Means
- Joyce Williams
- Laura Keister
- Maria DeAngelis
- Deena Kirby
- Joe Kasza - guest
- Melissa Tozzi
- Laura Geigle
- Buck and Pat Scholderer
- Sally Baker
- Harriet Merritt
- Lynge and Kayleena Simoni

Minutes cont.

playday, Feb 12-13.

The question was raised as to whether NCDC wants to sponsor classes at shows like Ram Tap CDE, Wine Country Carriage Classic, Trinity CDE, etc. Sally moved to sponsor a hazard at Ram Tap for \$300; Mike seconded; so voted.

Sally moved we donate \$300 to trinity, Buck seconded. So voted. Harriet moved to end the meeting, Debra seconded.

3:16 PM 1/8/2005 adjourned.

**Dear Virginia,**

*I just got off the phone from telling Jojo about the generous support of the NCDC for the Trinity CDE. She is going to call Dave and let him know also. We both thank you for your kind consideration. ...*

*Again, we are very grateful for your support.*

*Sincerely,*

*Frances Bowersock*

### Want to participate in a Clinic? Have One!

Have you thought of attending a clinic to improve your driving skills? Or to research the different types of vehicles and their uses? Or to learn the "rules" and paperwork of a particular type of competition? Or discuss if Brad Pitt is growing older gracefully? Chances are, whatever your interest, you are not alone... (Okay, the Brad Pitt clinic is FULL.)

So look around. Your second step is to determine a venue. (The first step was to decide what the clinic was going to cover!) Do you need space for horses and a place to drive? An area where diagrams can be shown to a group? Parking for just cars or trucks and trailers? Indoors or outdoors? Determine what type of space you would need to do your clinic, and what services (like cold showers) would be necessary.

Now who do you want to give your clinic, (Brad is booked through 2062), and how much is their fee? Do you know someone with knowledge who would gladly share it for a bottle of wine, or do you need to fly a top level driver in from Europe? (We are now to the put this stuff on paper stage)

So we have a paper with Blah blah Clinic on the top, followed by a location, a clinician of interest and an estimate of the cost. Time to put out "feelers". Poll fellow drivers either through the message board or just call a bunch of your friends and let them know your idea. (Find out everyone will drink wine in your living room and talk about Brad Pitt.) Get an idea of what you can expect people to pay, if they are available for the time you are planning, and who will assist you.

Now comes the nitty gritty.

Decide if you want your clinic to be a club event. The club can assist with some costs, and insurance is available to you through the Club. (Your NCDC Dues working for you!) A committee is putting

together a packet of templates and a checklist that will be available for your convenience. It will address insurance needs, liabilities releases and have all required forms pre made...just fill in the blanks! If you do want it to be a club event, it needs to be formally approved which can be done through the Quickie Committee if time is of the essence. Make a notebook with all the stuff you get from the club, include an envelope for receipts.

Contact the clinician (if you haven't already). Get specific on dates, travel, fees, lodging if necessary, and tentatively book your clinic.

Do the same with your venue. (It's always good to let your spouse know a group will be invading your home with wine and chick flicks!)

Send out your entries with a cover page describing your clinic and outlining specific instructions (directions to the venue, food availability, parking, dogs allowed or not, waiting list, cut off dates, etc.) via e-mail, phone, newsletter, mail. Make sure you let people know their "slot" will only be secured with a check if a fee is involved for your clinic.

When the entries pour in...and the money is there, confirm with your clinician, set up your schedules, (your name in the slot you want!) and confirm your participants.

Begin delegating (what are friends for?). Gather any required supplies (buy lots of toilet paper) Clean your



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bathroom, (or rent a porta potty...make sure you figure in the cost!) Prepare the location.

On the day of the clinic, have a place to check in, complete any paperwork, and then participate! Have fun! Assuage your curiosity. Ask people to pitch in and clean up, provide required implements. Thank the clinician, and see them off...Feed your beast, go pour yourself a glass of wine and put "Troy" on the TV.

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### New NCDC Members:

Deena Kirby  
Acampo, CA

Horses: Team Black Percherons, Team White Percherons - also drive them single. Arabian Saddle Horses (2) Drive mostly for pleasure/picnic. Am happy to volunteer at events, since I'm not really "geared" for competition.

Laura Geigle, Oakdale.

No info.

It's not too late to send in your Questionnaire, or just e-mail Harriet Merritt [hl\\_merritt@yahoo.com](mailto:hl_merritt@yahoo.com) with your ideas, venues, We're thinking to 2006 now!

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### Inquiring minds wanted to know about driving at Fort Ord

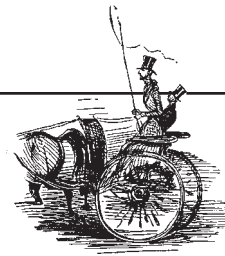
An answer from Diana Cooley

The Travel Camp at Fort Ord is available to groups or clubs with insurance. Not available for individuals. The arrangements are still being made through the Army. Jerry (Cooley) has the contact info. There is at this point no charge. That will change as the camp will be turned over to the city or county. They will have to establish some sort of system for use.

Some of the trails do have ruts and low branches that need to be negotiated. When we go with the draft horse group, we take different trails that will accommodate a wider turnout. When we had the drive there after Judi Leavelle-King's play day, there were about three drives planned of different lengths and trail types.

When we go to Fort Ord as individuals, we have about three places that we stage from. One is Eighth and Gigling. Another is a parking area just West of the Portola Rd. exit off of 68 but you need to obtain the combination to the lock on the gate to gain entrance. Others park along inter-Garrison. Anyone wanting to ride or drive at Fort Ord with an "or escort" or trail leader, let Jerry know. He usually goes there with the 13 hand pony and easy entry cart a couple of times a week.

Diana & Jerry Cooley can be reached at [cooleyfarm@earthlink.net](mailto:cooleyfarm@earthlink.net) or 831-634-0495



### Advertising Fees

**Members:** Classifieds are free, with a max. of 35 words. All classified ads to be renewed on a monthly basis. You can email me the ad as a PDF to [jtchaas@aol.com](mailto:jtchaas@aol.com).

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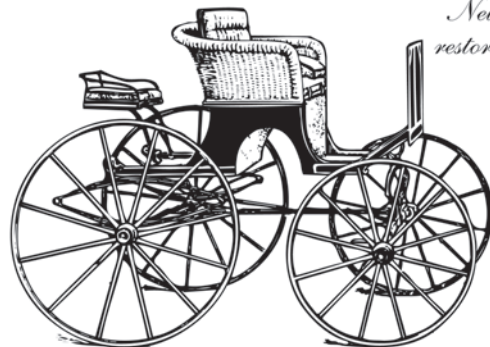
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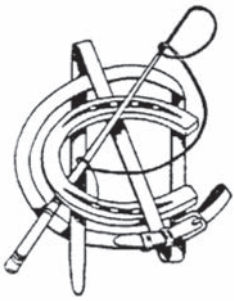
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- Jan 15-16 Hazards Clinic, Wilton, Debbi Packard [cla-sta-horsepark@softcom.net](mailto:cla-sta-horsepark@softcom.net) 916-687-7948
- Feb 5 The Ground Hog Day Drive & Ride 20-30 miles Silver Springs, NV Cliff or Cathy Lewis 775-577-9693 [kkllfarms@aol.com](mailto:kkllfarms@aol.com)
- Feb 12-13 Playday at RamTap Fresno, CA Janet McAfee 559.591.6541 [kmcafee@webtv.net](mailto:kmcafee@webtv.net)
- Feb 12 The Sweetheart Drive & Ride 30 miles Stagecoach, NV Jerry Myers 775.720.0658
- Feb 19-20 (tent.) David Ventura Clinic, Wilton, Debbi Packard [cla-sta-horsepark@softcom.net](mailto:cla-sta-horsepark@softcom.net) 916-687-7948
- Feb 26 Cones Clinic with Jay Hubert, Wilton, Debbi Packard [cla-sta-horsepark@softcom.net](mailto:cla-sta-horsepark@softcom.net) 916-687-7948
- March 5 & 6 Mini Spring Fling at Whiffletree Ranch (McKees) <http://www.centralvalleyharnessassociation.com>
- March 12 & 13 Maxi Spring Fling at Whiffletree Ranch (McKees) <http://www.centralvalleyharnessassociation.com>
- March 12 The Shamrock Drive & Ride Silver Springs, NV Cliff or Cathy Lewis 775-577-9693 [kkllfarms@aol.com](mailto:kkllfarms@aol.com)
- March 19 NCDC ADT, Howard Arena Lone, CA Gina Miner [gina@acornnmr.com](mailto:gina@acornnmr.com)
- March 26-27 David Ventura Clinic, Wilton, Debbi Packard [cla-sta-horsepark@softcom.net](mailto:cla-sta-horsepark@softcom.net) 916-687-7948
- April 1-3 Ram Tap CDE, Training, Prelim, Int, ADS, Fresno, Jackie Mills 559-434-6649, [rhub@comcast.net](mailto:rhub@comcast.net), [www.ramtapcde.com](http://www.ramtapcde.com)
- April 23 (tentative) Horse Driving Trials Debbi Packard [cla-sta-horsepark@softcom.net](mailto:cla-sta-horsepark@softcom.net) 916-687-7948
- May 1 Carriage Show Elk Grove's Western Festival in conjunction with a Classic Car Show, New, Used, Restored or Not. See ad for contacts.
- May 7 Central Coast Draft Horse & Driving Show San Benito County Fairgrounds Tres Pinos, CA Suzy Caston [drafts4us@aol.com](mailto:drafts4us@aol.com)
- May 20-22 Trinity CDE Training, Prelim. & Interm. Hayfork, CA Frances Bowersock 508-759-3327 [beesock@molalla.net](mailto:beesock@molalla.net)
- May 28-29 Driven Dressage Clinic with J. Ashton Moore, Bella Sera Farm [www.bellaserafarm.com](http://www.bellaserafarm.com) Winters, CA Linda Palagi 530.795.1101 [calynm@castles.com](mailto:calynm@castles.com)
- June 3-5 Winnemucca Mule Races, Show and Draft horse Challenge Winnemucca, NV [www.mule-draffhorse-show.com](http://www.mule-draffhorse-show.com)
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- June (tbd) Lisa Singer Clinic, Wilton, Debbi Packard [cla-sta-horsepark@softcom.net](mailto:cla-sta-horsepark@softcom.net) 916-687-7948
- Jun 25-26 A Traditional Sporting Day of Driving on Saturday and a Traditional Picnic Drive on Sunday Santa Ynez, CA Mike McCormack [aloha2mike@aol.com](mailto:aloha2mike@aol.com)
- Jun 25-26 Driving Clinic with Bob Elliot (England) Antique Carriage Club Oakdale, CA Larry or Toni Newcomb 209.847.5227 [abuggynut@yahoo.com](mailto:abuggynut@yahoo.com)
- Jul 3-4 The NEDA Anniversary Ride & Drive 20-30 miles Both Days Silver Springs, NV Cliff or Cathy Lewis 775-577-9693 [kkllfarms@aol.com](mailto:kkllfarms@aol.com)
- Aug 4-7 The Dr. Henry Boyd Memorial CDE, Train., Prelim. & Inter. [www.henryboydcde.com](http://www.henryboydcde.com) Woodside, CA Gerald Fisher 408.464.8916 [piscator6717@sbglobal.net](mailto:piscator6717@sbglobal.net)
- Aug 20 NCDC Traditional Day of Driving Silverbend Farm Clarksburg, CA Jay Hubert 209-748-5607 [jhubert@softcom.net](mailto:jhubert@softcom.net)
- Sep 2-4 "Mother lode" Show with Open Driving Classes Sacramento Valley Morgan Horse Club, Sonoma Co. Fairgrounds Santa Rosa, CA Kelly Denison [kelly@invisibleexecutives.com](mailto:kelly@invisibleexecutives.com)
- Sep 10-11 Tentative Garlic Classic CDE \*ADS, Train. Prelim. Gilroy, CA Celia McCormack [Celia56@starnetdial.net](mailto:Celia56@starnetdial.net)
- Sep 10 Casper Hot Dog Drive at Woodward Reservoir sponsored by the Antique Carriage Club Oakdale, CA Larry or Toni Newcomb 209.847.5227 [abuggynut@yahoo.com](mailto:abuggynut@yahoo.com)
- Sep 15-18 Nevada County Draft Horse Classic [www.nevadacountyfair.com](http://www.nevadacountyfair.com) Grass Valley, CA Sandy Woods 530.273.6217 [sandy@nevadacountyfair.com](mailto:sandy@nevadacountyfair.com)
- Sep 17-18 Dressage Extraordinaire, Wilton, Jay Hubert 209-748-5607 or Debbi Packard [cla-sta-horsepark@softcom.net](mailto:cla-sta-horsepark@softcom.net) 916-687-7948
- Oct 7-9 California Classic CDE at Shady Oaks \*ADS Prelim, Int. & Adv. [www.shadyoaksevents.com](http://www.shadyoaksevents.com) Lodi, CA Bonner Murphy 209.462.2209 [bnnrmrphy@aol.com](mailto:bnnrmrphy@aol.com)
- Oct 22-23 Driven Dressage Clinic with J. Ashton Moore at Bella Sera Farm [www.bellaserafarm.com](http://www.bellaserafarm.com) Winters, CA Linda Palagi 530.795.1101 [calynm@castles.com](mailto:calynm@castles.com)
- Nov 5-6 Tentative "Tap Dance" Dressage Freestyle ADS Central Valley Harness Association Fresno, CA
- Nov 26 The Turkey Trot Drive & Ride 20 miles Silver Springs, NV Cliff or Cathy Lewis 775-577-9693 [kkllfarms@aol.com](mailto:kkllfarms@aol.com)

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### NCDC Membership Application/Renewal Form

#### New Member/Renewal

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City State Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Is it OK for NCDC to use your email address for club information? Yes No

The newsletter is normally distributed via email, as an Adobe Acrobat .pdf file. Do you need to receive the newsletter via regular mail? Yes No

NCDC maintains an email discussion list for members only. Do you want to be added to this email list? Yes No

Use this space for an optional brief description of your interests, type of horse and carriage, and what you would like to see in the way of club activities.

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