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Driving Society
Affiliate Club*

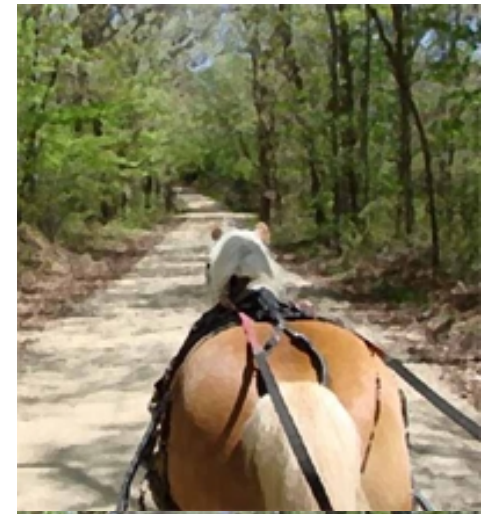
Connecticut Valley Driving Club is a member of ADS and maintains close ties to other ADS clubs in the Northeast Region. This benefits our members, who often like to participate in regional shows, event and drives. ADS also provides guidance, rulebooks, safety guidelines, trained officials and general support for our annual Combined Driving trial and for the annual Northeast Regional Club Drive which many members attend.



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Our Club



The Connecticut Valley Driving Club (CVDC) is a network of horse people with varied interests and experience, joining together for support, educational programs, clinics, monthly drive/rides, special events, equine advocacy, trail preservation, and social activities. Club members meet every month for a Saturday potluck, evening meeting and special program. CVDC hosts member drives at different locations around scenic Eastern Connecticut. Riders are always welcome at the drives, as are new members and guests. The club has members of all ages, from junior drivers to experienced seniors. We also welcome equine breeds and sizes from minis to draft horses. You do not have to know how to drive to belong, or even own a horse. Our club is friendly and is a fun place to learn and meet others with the same interests. Drivers are the friendliest of horse people, always looking out for each other or lending a hand. CVDC is a member of the American Driving Society.

Activities

Monthly Drive / Ride

From April through November, club members enjoy monthly drives in State Parks, on private estates, and down country lanes. Outriders are always welcome. Drives are followed by a relaxing picnic. One drive a year is an overnight camping trip.

Programs

A special program presenter usually follows our monthly potluck meetings. Topics range from harness fitting, to hoof care, to whip making, to equine art. Any member can recommend a program topic.

Connecticut Valley Driving Trial & Fun Day

CVDC's annual one-day driving trial attracts drivers from as far away as Maine and Pennsylvania. This "user-friendly" combined driving event follows ADS rules and provides members and non-members with an opportunity to learn about the fastest growing equine sport in the country. Members can also learn through volunteering at the event and participating in the Fun Day clinic on the grounds the following day. Some even go on to compete successfully nationwide.

Fall Drive / Ride Pace

An adventurous hunter pace for both drivers and riders, our fall pace winds its way across 5-7 miles of lovely woods roads and open fields. This is our primary fundraising event as it attracts the outside riding community as well as drivers.

Clinics

Through annual clinics, members get the opportunity to drive with experts with experience in combined driving and pleasure showing. Past clinicians include Lisa Singer and Jeff Morse. Clinics cover harnessing, reining, driving, proper use of aides, and improving the performance of the carriage horse.

Join

CVDC welcomes new members who are interested in driving and taking part in club activities. You do not have to know how to drive to belong, or even own a horse. Membership is \$25/year (\$20/year seniors over 65). Fill in this form and mail with check to join. You will then receive our newsletters, show notices, and e-mail alerts so you never miss a beat! Membership includes family members.

Name

Address

Farm Name

City / Town

State

Zip code

E-mail Address

Interests:

- Recreational & Picnic Driving
- Combined Driving
- Pleasure Showing

Membership runs June 1 – May 31st

- New Member
- Renewal
- Address Change

Send check and application to:

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