

2013 Events

February 2: Club Meeting: Social Night-Tack Sale/Cleaning/Movies

EAST HADDAM GRANGE ~ 6:30 PM

Now is the perfect time to go through your various tack and horse-related items and decide what you need to keep, what you need to buy and what needs some maintenance. Last year's **TACK CLEANING AND MOVIE NIGHT** was a huge success, with almost two dozen people sharing the evening in a relaxed atmosphere. This year, by request, we are adding a **TACK SALE** to the mix. And, to make it even easier on you, we will provide **PIZZA** for dinner!

Take an evening to **reconnect with friends** and to get excited about the **CVDC 2013 calendar of events**. All you have to do is **bring your tack**, to clean or sell, or clean and then sell, or sell and let the other guy clean! Some supplies and rags will be available. Several movies on hand – WEG, Live Oaks, or bring your favorite. Headcount followed by brief meeting, including a preview of this year's planned events, while we go get the pizza.

March 16: Field Trip: Greenall's Carriage House/Running Brook Farm

Visit Greenall's Carriage House for a peek at John & Sue Greenall's restored antique carriages. Also planning a stop at Running Brook Farm to see what the Fallon's have on hand. Maybe a stop on the way home for dinner if people are inclined. Guests welcome, the more the merrier!

Please let Rita know if you are coming so we can let the Greenall's know a headcount. We will put people in touch with each other geographically for carpooling arrangements. Plan to arrive in Vermont by 10:30 am so we have time to enjoy all that our hosts have to offer.

John Greenall will be the judge for this year's CVDC Driving Trial. He is known for his driving expertise, keen eye for turnout, and appreciation for fine carriages. Find out more by clicking here: [**John Greenall – Bio**](#). (His wife, Sue, is a noted horsewoman in her own right, and author of the Animal Lovers' Bedtime Reader.)

Located in the Green Mountains of Vermont, 4 miles from the Green Mountain Horse Association in South Woodstock, Vermont. Farm consists of 104 conserved acres with horses and other animals, and over 25 restored antique carriages.

April 6 and 7: Spring Clinic: Larry Poulin

High Hopes, Lyme, CT

Internationally renowned driver **Larry Poulin** will again bring his experience and insights for CVDC's 2013 spring clinic. Best known for his success in combined driving, Larry competed an unprecedented 10 times at the World Championships, and won 8 USET Pairs Championships here in the US. He teaches all levels of drivers and all types of turnout. His focus on training the horse and developing the whip will enhance your driving experience, whether for show or for pleasure. Larry will conduct individual 45-minute sessions, beginning at 8 am.

PLUS: at 6 pm on Saturday, Larry will join us for a casual dinner at High Hopes to summarize the day's progress and discuss topics of interest. (CVDC will provide food, but we never say no to dessert!)

***Don't miss this opportunity!
Last year's sessions filled within a week,
so reserve your spot early!***

Details:

§ CVDC Members \$100, first come, first served. Registration opens March 6. Register by March 22 to secure your spot! One session per driver. Additional sessions per participant may be made available after March 22. (Membership must be current as of March 1.)

§ Non-members \$125, registrations accepted after March 22. Fee includes CVDC membership for remainder of club year (through Nov 30).

§ Auditors: \$20. Excellent sound system, you won't miss a thing. (Drivers: one groom free of charge.)

High Hopes has a spacious indoor arena with non-dusty footing and a heated viewing lounge with seating. Bathrooms, vending machines, and wide barn aisles. Easy in-and-out and parking for trailers. Stalls available @ \$35/day if needed. Some refreshments (coffee, etc.) will be provided. Please bring a light lunch for yourself.

Send check made out to CVDC, Coggins and Rabies Certificate to

Marguerite Hayber, 109 Chittenden Rd., Amston, CT 06231 / 860-267-6552 / marguerite@hayber.us — mention preference for Saturday or Sunday, AM or PM slot. Please indicate when registering whether you would like an additional session, if they are available.

May 4: Club Meeting: Conditioning Your Horse

Get your horse in shape for the driving season. Drivers will share their tips.

June 1: Club Meeting: Driving Trial

CVDC is gearing up for JUNE 8, 2013 – get your entries in! This eagerly awaited event will once again take place at the beautiful Haddam Meadows State Park in Haddam, CT. John Greenall will serve as President of the Jury and Marc Johnson will join us as Technical Delegate. [Click here to go to the ADS Omnibus for further details.](#)

Also Clinic and Fun Day Slots Available for Sunday Fun Day!

- Enjoy a lesson with one of the officials the day after the event -
- Or just come and play on the course for your enjoyment and practice!
- Dressage ring, cones and hazards available most of the day (through early afternoon).
- Competitors: send your [clinic form](#) along with your entry – we make it easy for you!
- Event Volunteers: remember, you get a nice discount for lessons – take this opportunity to sign up!

June 8: CVDC Horse Driving Trial

June 9: CVDC Fun Day

Remember: the course is open for driving and riding most of the day on Sunday, until approximately 3 pm. Volunteers play for free, others pay a small \$10 fee.

September 7: Club Meeting

With fall comes a return to CVDC's regular monthly meetings. For our September meeting, we are planning a traditional potluck gathering and club meeting. A wrap-up of our June HDT and members' summer activities will be on the agenda.

We will also appoint a Nominating Committee to prepare a full slate of officers for our Annual Meeting in November. Those who wish to be on the Nominating Committee, or to serve as officers, or who have recommendations for either, please contact Cynthia Bliven at 860-434-3213.

September 21: Pleasure Drive: Beacon Woods Stable

Join us for a club drive in the Meshomasic State Forest, leaving from the beautiful Beacon Woods Stable. 4 gravel roads, rolling hills – if every road is followed, there is up

to 17 miles of trail! Maps will be available with mileage and turn-around points (no loops). Drive time is 10:30, no arrivals before 9 am. Call Kathie Rindge to let her know you are coming: 860-228-3801.

(For GPS, use 298 Clark Hill Road, South Glastonbury, CT. Watch for Beacon Woods on your left shortly before that destination.)

DIRECTIONS:

1. From RT. 2 West take exit 10 at end of ramp, go left to stop sign. OR
2. From RT. 2 East take exit 10 at end of ramp, go right to stop sign.
3. Turn right onto New London turnpike go 0.6 mi
4. Turn left at stop light onto Chestnut Hill Rd go 0.8mi
5. At stop sign Turn left onto Hopewell Rd go 0.5mi
6. Take slight left onto Woodland St go straight across stop sign 1.5 mi
7. Turn left onto Clark Hill Rd go 0.8mi
8. Turn left onto Beacon Woods Lane to parking

October 5: Club Meeting: Coaching Dogs Presentation

The Dalmatian Club of Southern New England will come to talk with us about coaching dogs, road trials and ways we can work together to keep these traditions alive. Potluck at 6:30, presentation at 7.

October 6: Club Drive: Cones Farm: East Haddam

This drive is a club favorite. Join us at 10 am for a friendly jaunt (up to 5-6 miles on local roads, some dirt, some paved). Follow up with a picnic lunch – Ken and Deb Ouelette will provide their famous clam chowder, hamburgers and hot dogs. Please bring a dish to share and a chair. Contact Randy Sabatino for more information: 860-873-3894.

November 2: Club Annual Meeting

East Haddam Grange – 6:30 pm, potluck followed by meeting.

Your club officers represent your best plans and desires for the club. It is important that all members attend this meeting to ensure all voices are heard!

PLUS: we're not all business – come for potluck and socializing. Share your stories and plans.

The following slate has been put forth by the Nominating Committee. Additional nominees may be proposed from the floor.

PROPOSED SLATE OF OFFICERS:

PRESIDENT – PETER VON HALEM

VICE PRESIDENT – HENRY TARRYK

SECRETARY – STEVE MAZEAU

TREASURER – KATHIE RINDGE

November 24: Nehantic Turkey Trot: Woodland Farm

December 28: CVDC Holiday Get Together

This year, we will gather to celebrate the season AFTER the Big Day, which we hope will make it easier to work into your schedule.

Dinner will be at Angelico's Lake House in East Hampton – 6 pm to whenever. PLEASE RSVP TO RITA. If we have enough members attending, we may reserve a private room.

Dinner is your choice, pay-as-you-go (ie, not paid by CVDC). Angelico's offers an extensive dinner menu, plus a separate GLUTEN-FREE menu. Members can view the menus online at <http://www.angelicolakehouse.com/menus.html>.

Angelico's Lake House

81 N Main St

East Hampton, CT, USA 06424