

2018 Events

**December 2: Holiday Dinner: On The Rocks Restaurant
East Haddam, CT**

Nov 18: Nehantic Turkey Trot Drive.

194 Beaver Brook Rd, Lyme, CT 06371

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18 ~ 11 AM

Come along for a pre-Thanksgiving "Turkey Trot"!

Nehantic State Forest has miles of good dirt roads on rolling hills. Whips can do anywhere from 2 miles to 10 if they choose, mile markers will be posted, average distance is 5 miles. The first (and last) mile are on a lightly traveled dead end road. Plenty of parking at Cynthia Bliven's Woodland Farm, where we will also join for lunch. Bring your lunch or a dish to share, and a chair. If you forget to bring food, just bring your appetite, there is always plenty to go around! For directions, click on the Nehantic Drive link in the right sidebar. For more information, please call this drive's sponsor, Cynthia Bliven, at 860-434-3213.

November 3: Club Meeting

October 7: Drive at Lord Creek

Drive at Lord Creek Farm 37 Hamburg Rd. (Rt. 156) Lyme, CT. Drive to start at 11:00

October 6: Club Meeting

September 22: Club Drive: Escoheag

What Club Drive: Escoheag

When Saturday, September 22, 2018

10:00am – All Ages

Where Escoheag, LeGrand Reynolds Horsemen's Area ([map](#))

200 Escoheag Hill Road
West Greenwich, RI 02832

Directions:**From Route 395 heading Northbound**

Get off at Exit 85. Continue through stop sign (crossing Route 164) and stay straight to next intersection. Turn right onto Route 138 (South and East direction) and travel 7.5 miles. and bear onto Beach Pond Road/ CT-Route 165. Travel around 4.5 miles and turn LEFT onto Escoheag Hill Road and travel 1.5 to 2 miles to to LaGrande Reynolds Horsemen's Area on the left. We will be having lunch in the pavillion, so park with walking distance of that. (Once you're on Route 165 and cross the RI border, you will go up a hill, and then level out, and then go down a hill. Escoheag Hill Road comes up fast on the left — so know that you'll see a horse farm on the right, and then a sign for Stepping Stone Farm and then the road will be there on the left).

From Route 395 heading southbound:

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Other Please call or email Kathie Rindge to let her know if you are coming.
Info 860-228-3801, 860-573-6359 or email kathierindge@att.net.
Time: to begin at 10:00 am
Bring lunch and water and be ready to have fun.

September 8 – Club Meeting: Equine Nutrition

Club meeting on Saturday, September 8, at Hebron Fire Station #2, 663 Church St (Rt 85) in Hebron. Come and talk with Tiffany Wyman about equine nutrition. Perhaps your horse is getting on in years. Tiffany can help with info about the older horse's nutritional needs. Those of you with youngsters have different issues. Be prepared with questions with Tiffany. Brief meeting will follow the presentation. NO POTLUCK.

Sunday, Aug 12 – Driving Derby: Mitchell Farm, Salem CT

CT Valley's **Driving Derby** competition consists of three rounds over a course consisting of pairs of cones and marathon-type obstacles in a . Each driver will be timed through a numbered course of obstacles/gates in the proper direction and in numerical order to the finish line. Total time determines placings and the lowest time wins.

We are offering both training level and preliminary level. Drivers may enter horses of any breed and size, from minis to drafts. \$50 per entry. Helmets & Coggins/rabies

required. Groom required for all turnouts except single mini or single small pony. Gates open at 9 am, mandatory driver's meeting at 9:30 am, first competitor on course at 10 am. Contact Kathie Rindge at 860-228-3801 for information and to enter.

Club Meeting: Sat. Aug 4 – Westfield Whip

Club meeting on Saturday, August 4 at the [**East Haddam Grange Hall**](#). Carol Martin, owner of Westfield Whip Manufacturing Company, will talk about the history of whipmaking in Westfield, share videos and stories, and bring some of her whips for show and tell. Brief meeting will follow the presentation. NO POTLUCK.

July 14: Escoheag Picnic Drive

Drive at LeGrand Reynolds Horseman Area 200 Escoheag Hill Rd. West Greenwich RI. Drive to begin at 10:00.

July 7: Club Meeting: Alison Gold-Horse Dentist

June 23: Drive at Machimoodus State Park

Route 151 Leesville Road Moodus, CT. This is the rescheduled Poker Run....Drive to begin at 11:00

June 17: Spring Clinic with Robin Groves

Robin Groves will conduct ten 45-minute lessons at High Hopes Therapeutic Riding facility in Lyme, CT

June 2: Club Meeting

May 5: Kentucky Derby Party: Cromwell, CT

April 21: Machimoodus State Park Club Drive

April 7: Club Meeting

March 3: Club Meeting: Barn Safety with Hebron Fire Dept

Club meeting on Saturday, March 3 at the **East Haddam Grange Hall**. Hebron Fire Chief Nick Wallick will do a presentation on Barn Fire Safety, discussing ways to keep people and animals safe and things to think about before there is an emergency. Brief meeting will follow the presentation. NO POTLUCK.

February 3: Club Meeting

We will be having our first meeting of 2018 on Saturday, Feb. 3 at the **East Haddam Grange Hall**. NO POTLUCK. But there will be beverages and desserts. So please come and share your winter stories with us.

The agenda for the night will be as follows:

- 1) A discussion of the calendar for the year. This includes meeting dates; drive dates; events dates and coordination of all of those dates with significant dates from other clubs, etc.
- 2) A discussion of how to keep our club relevant and lively. As with all clubs, there are ups and downs to membership and participation. Other clubs in the region has expressed the same concerns. Maybe we can run cooperative events. Combined programs, etc.
- 3) Other. Anything other is open to discussion. Bring your ideas, solutions, etc. If you have a complaint, bring it along with possible solutions. Spring will be here quickly. Let's prepare for our new year of horse adventures.