

# Long Lines



May 1, 2009

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## May is National carriage Driving Month!

Celebrate by going on the CVDC club drive or pleasure drive with friends! See the calendar of events for many other events happening in our region! Drive a lot this month! Keep the tradition alive!

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## Shiny New Carriages at May Meeting

**Peter Von Halem's New England Carriage Imports, Bozrah, CT  
May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 6:30 pm Potluck Meeting and Tour**

by Andrée Duggan

Most carriage drivers will tell you they are part horse person, part carriage buff. The quality of one's carriage can easily make or break one's interest in the sport, and us drivers tend to become a bit obsessed with finding the right vehicle and harness. I'll never forget my first carriage was a gig that made me feel seasick. I was ready to throw in the towel. Good thing I met Pam Pruitt, who introduced me to Buckeye Road Cart.

One CVDC member, Peter Von Halem, loves carriages so much, eleven years ago he decided to start his own business, New England Carriage Imports. Peter had already had a successful career as a commercial airline pilot, and when he retired early, he decided to pursue another passion, one a bit closer to the ground. His love of carriages stems from growing up in the Principality of Liechtenstein, where carriages were commonplace. He's pleased to see a revival of the sport. Peter



Marathon Tiger, New England Carriage Imports

soars around preliminary and intermediate level marathon courses with his lovely Canadian Crossbreds. Peter has won his division at many of the bigger shows such as Bromont, The Laurels, Fair Hill, GMHA and Gladstone. He now has four Canadians: Susi, Kati and Mitzi and the latest addition a gelding, DeeJay. He drives singles, pairs and unicorn (three). **Continued on Page 5. Directions Page 4.**

## CVDC Mother's Day Saturday Drive!

**Saturday, May 9, 2009, 10:30am**

Arcadia Mngt Area, *LeGrand Reynolds Horsemen's Area*  
260 Arcadia Road, Exeter, RI 02832

This is a SATURDAY drive, the day before Mother's Day. Club members will meet just over the CT line at Rhode Island's "Arcadia Management Area: LaGrande Reynolds Horsemen's Area" -- and drive / ride out around 10:30 am. Robin Malkasian is pre-scouting and marking two routes, a short, flat route of 2.5 miles and a regular 5 mile loop. The drive will be followed by a Mother's Day Potluck Picnic. Bring chairs and food! This is a lovely place to drive and a perfect time of year. Club members familiar with the park will lead the drive. Mothers be sure to wear a flower or decorate your carriage. That includes mothers of horses!

### Directions to May Drive at Arcadia:

Take Route 395 to Exit 85. Get 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 to LaGrande Reynolds Horsemen's Area.

## Calendar of Events 2009

**May 2 – CVDC Mtg at Peter Von Halem’s Farm (New England Carriages), Program on Carriages! Location: 279 Bozrah St., Bozrah. 6:30 pm Potluck dinner. Details on front page. Directions page 4.**

May 3- Introduction to Carriage Driving – Group Lessons from 1 to 4pm. Space is limited so register early. Beginners welcome. carriage-barn@comcast.net or call 603-378-0140. www.carriage-barn.com

**May 9- CVDC Mother’s Day weekend drive (see front page of newsletter for more info)**

May 9-10 -Green Mountain Horse Association DRIVING TWO-PHASE & ADT South Woodstock, VT Contact: Karey Manner, W: 802-457-1509 [kmanner@gmhainc.org](mailto:kmanner@gmhainc.org)

May 13- Colonial Carriage Driving Society Member Appreciation Day, Orleton Farm 6:00 pm, [www.colonialcarriage.org](http://www.colonialcarriage.org)

May 15- Litchfield Hills Driving Club (LHDC) meeting 7:30 p.m. at the Plymouth Congregational Church, corner of North Street and Route 6, Plymouth, CT.

May 17- Introduction to Carriage Driving – Group Lessons from 1 to 4pm. Space is limited so register early. Beginners welcome. carriage-barn@comcast.net or call 603-378-0140. www.carriage-barn.com

May 17- White Memorial LHDC Drive, richard\_mangino@netzero.net

May 24- Introduction to Carriage Driving – Group Lessons from 1 to 4pm. Space is limited so register early. Beginners welcome. carriage-barn@comcast.net or call 603-378-0140. www.carriage-barn.com

May 30-31 – Garden State CDE. Changed to a 2-day event this year. Training level thru Advanced.. Check the Omnibus at [www.americandrivingsociety.org](http://www.americandrivingsociety.org) for details.

May 30 - 31 -- Rhode Island Driving Club will be hosting a weekend camping trip...Reynolds Horse Area, Escoheag (260 Arcadia Rd: Exeter, RI) [www.ridivingclub.org](http://www.ridivingclub.org) for details. A fun weekend! CVDC members welcome.

**June 6 – CT Valley Driving Trial, entry form on cvdrivingclub.com website. Closing date May 20<sup>th</sup>.**

**June 7 – CT Valley Fun Day Clinics with Lisa Singer and Craig Kellogg. Flyer in back of this newsletter!**

June 7- Northampton Driving Society 23rd annual Pleasure Driving Competition NY

June 13-14- Eden Hill Pleasure Driving Show, Stockbridge, MA [www.colonialcarriage.org](http://www.colonialcarriage.org)

June 17-20- Carriage Association of America Conference, Morven Park, Leesburg, VA [www.caaonline.com](http://www.caaonline.com)

June 20-21- RIDC Two-Day Carriage Driving Clinic with Craig Kellogg, Mitchell Farm, 300 East Haddam Road (Route 82), Salem, CT. [www.ridivingclub.org](http://www.ridivingclub.org) for details.

June 22-26 Beginner Horsemanship Clinic (Riding) – Introduction to Care & Handling of Horses – For beginners. No horse experience needed. For ages 10 to 15. Space is limited. Parental supervision is not required. carriage-barn@comcast.net or call 603-378-0140. www.carriage-barn.com

**June 26-28-** Bromont Combined Driving Event, Bromont, Quebec, Canada

**June 27 – CVDC Potluck Meeting at the HEAP award-winning Milestone Farm in Hebron – tour and program with HEAP expert on setting up and running a green farm. Horse Environmental Awareness Program.**

June 29-July 3- Horsemanship Clinic (Independent Riders) – Care & Handling of Horses & daily riding. For ages 10 to 15. Space is limited. Parental supervision is not required. carriage-barn@comcast.net or call 603-378-0140. www.carriage-barn.com

June - LHDC drive TBA- Platts Hills State Park (site of the old Winchester drive) led by Dave Godding

July 1- Training Level Introduction to Arena Driving Trial #2 – These Training Level only events are intended for first time driving trials drivers. carriage-barn@comcast.net or call 603-378-0140. www.carriage-barn.com

July 12- Murdock’s farm LHDC Drive, richard\_mangino@netzero.net

July 13<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> – Kids Driving Clinic Week #1 – For Young Beginner students (ages 10 and under) who need to know “everything” there is to know about ponies, horses, and carts. carriage-barn@comcast.net or call 603-378-0140. www.carriage-barn.com

**July 25 – CVDC Bus Trip Planned to Stonybrook Carriage Museum! See Page 4 for Details!**

July 18-19- Lorenzo Carriage Driving Competition, Cazenovia, NY

July 26- Colonial Carriage & Driving Society Fun Day at Orelton Farm, Stockbridge MA

July 27-28- East Aurora Driving Show, East Aurora NY [www.eastauroradrivingsociety.org](http://www.eastauroradrivingsociety.org)

July 27 – 31 – Kids Driving Clinic Week #2 – For Advanced students ages 10 and up that are ready for competition level. Dana Bright will instruct this week’s clinic. carriage-barn@comcast.net or call 603-378-0140. www.carriage-barn.com

July - TBA VT Morgan Heritage Days, Tunbridge Fairgrounds, Tunbridge, MA, Open Carriage Show on Sunday

July - TBA New England Morgan Horse Show, MA

## Calendar of Events Continued...

**August 1 – CVDC Mtg., 6:30p and Program at Bill and Nancy Lawson’s Farm, Durham. Barn Safety program with Center Aisle potluck dinner!**

August 1-2 -- Saratoga Classic Pleasure Show in Richmond, MA / more info at <http://www.saratogadriving.com/>

**August 8 – CVDC Gardner’s Nursery Picnic Drive, Cromwell, CT.**

August 9- Summer Series Arena Driving Trial #2 – Divisions for Training, Preliminary, and Advanced levels will be offered. carriage-barn@comcast.net or call 603-378-0140. www.carriage-barn.com

August 10-14- Kids Driving Clinic Week #3 – For Beginner & Intermediate Drivers ages 10 and up. carriage-barn@comcast.net or call 603-378-0140. www.carriage-barn.com

August 12-16- Walnut Hill Pleasure Driving Show, Pittsford, NY

**August 20-23 – Newport Coaching Weekend (<http://www.newportmansions.org>) colorful, triennial celebration of horsemanship and elegance returns to Newport Rhode Island. CVDC club members wishing to, will meet on Saturday August 22<sup>nd</sup> for carriage viewing with happy hour & lunch at The Elms.**

August 26- Colonial Carriage Driving Society Meeting, Orleton Farm 6:45 pm, [www.colonialcarriage.org](http://www.colonialcarriage.org)

August - LHDC drive TBA, richard\_mangino@netzero.net

August 29 – 30 -- Rhode Island Carriage Days Pleasure Driving Show, Celtic Cross Farm, Dudley, MA. Labor Day Weekend. Save the date! More info [www.ridivingclub.org](http://www.ridivingclub.org)

**September 12 – CVDC Potluck Mtg and Program, East Haddam, Grange. 6:30 pm. Carol Martin of Westfield Whip will come and talk to us about these magnificent and their fascinating history, and she will bring whips for people to buy following the talk.**

September 16- Colonial Carriage Driving Society Meeting, Orleton Farm 6:45 pm [www.colonialcarriage.org](http://www.colonialcarriage.org)

September 18- Litchfield Hills Driving Club (LHDC) meeting 7:30 p.m. at the Plymouth Congregational Church

September 20- Genesee Valley Riding and Driving Club Driving Show, Genesee NY

**September 20 – CVDC Cones Memorial Drive, East Haddam with lovely picnic on the hill. A favorite!**

September 27- Introduction to Carriage Driving – Group Lessons Sundays from 1 to 4pm. carriage-barn@comcast.net

September - LHDC drive TBA, richard\_mangino@netzero.net

**October 3-- -- CVDC Potluck Mtg. and Program at McCullough Farm, Lyme. Morgan babies!**

October 4- Introduction to Carriage Driving – Group Lessons Sundays from 1 to 4pm. Space is limited so register early. Beginners welcome. Use our trained horses or bring your own. carriage-barn@comcast.net or call 603-378-0140. www.carriage-barn.com

**October 11 -- CVDC Ride / Drive Pace at the lovely Lord Creek! Mark your calendars!**

October 11- Colonial Carriage Driving Society- New Marlboro, Traditional Day of Driving, [www.colonialcarriage.org](http://www.colonialcarriage.org)

October 11- Introduction to Carriage Driving – Group Lessons Sundays from 1 to 4pm. Space is limited so register early. Beginners welcome. Use our trained horses or bring your own. carriage-barn@comcast.net or call 603-378-0140. [www.carriage-barn.com](http://www.carriage-barn.com)

October 16- Litchfield Hills Driving Club (LHDC) meeting 7:30 p.m. at the Plymouth Congregational Church, corner of North Street and Route 6, Plymouth, CT.

October 31 – Carriage Barn’s Halloween Horse Show Fun show for The Carriage Barn’s Riding & Therapeutic students with a Fall / Halloween theme. carriage-barn@comcast.net or call 603-378-0140. www.carriage-barn.com

October - LHDC drive TBA, richard\_mangino@netzero.net

November 1- Halloween Carriage Classic – Open Fun show with a Fall / Halloween theme. carriage-barn@comcast.net or call 603-378-0140. www.carriage-barn.com

**Nov 7 -- CVDC Mtg. Potluck Mtg at East Haddam Grange, 6:30p, with special guest – Dick Lahey Quiz Bowl**

November 13- Litchfield Hills Driving Club (LHDC) meeting potluck and election, 7:30 p.m. at the Plymouth Congregational Church, corner of North Street and Route 6, Plymouth, CT.

**November 15 – CVDC Drive, weather permitting**

**December 5 – CVDC Holiday Party at Marguerite Hayber and Bob Dean’s home.**

December 11- Litchfield Hills Driving Club (LHDC) Christmas Party



## Member News, Events, and Advertisements!

### Directions to May Meeting - Peter Von Halem's New England Carriage Imports, Bozrah, CT:

- From RT.2 (Hartford - Norwich) take exit 23 and follow signs to RT.163 which starts there, toward Montville. Go 2.7 miles to 279 Bozrah St. (same as RT 163) Farm, barns, carriage house on right.

- If you are coming on RT 82 (from Salem, Lyme etc) go through "Salem Four Corners" about 2.5 miles towards Norwich, look for RT 163 on the left, go north on RT 163 about 2.5 miles to 279 Bozrah St. Farm etc on your left.



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2009! Pics on  
our website  
courtesy  
Robin  
Malkasian.

### Hear Ye! Hear Ye! Day Trip to Stony Brook Carriage Museum.

On July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2009 the Connecticut Valley Driving Club will be taking a tour of the 'Long Island Museum of American Art, History and Carriages' (formerly known as the 'Stony Brook Carriage Museum'). This museum, if you have never been there, is just about the best carriage museum anywhere in the world. And it is really in our own back yard!

We will be bused via luxury Coach to the Bridgeport Ferry. The ferry ride takes approximately 1+ hours and is a lot of fun in itself. There is food and beverage on board. You will enjoy beautiful views of the sound and shores, and the comradery of other driving enthusiasts. On arrival at Port Jeff, Long island, the coach will take 10 minutes to reach the Museum. At this point we can either proceed to a local sandwich shop for lunch, or we can sit and eat our homemade lunches on the grounds of the Museum.

After lunch we will have a guided tour of the Museum's main building with its beautifully displayed carriages, coaches, carts and sleighs. Mr. Jerry Trapani and Mr. John Sciacchitano have graciously offered to guide us through the collections. These two gentlemen will then take us back across the street and into the CARRIAGE STORAGE BARNS. This is a unique opportunity because these barns are not normally open to the public. They are just filled with vehicles, many unique or special in some way. You may never see this variety of carriages again. Our tour will prove to be an education for even the most knowledgeable among us.

At the end of our guided tour we can spend more time on our own in the Carriage museum or visit any other museum exhibition. There is also an extensive carriage library on the premises. We will then proceed via Coach and Ferry back home to our starting point (probably by 7-8PM.)

This should be a really fun trip! **We will have 47 seats at \$38 per seat.** This is a very reasonable cost. This fare includes round trip fees for the luxury coach and ferry, and your ticket into the museums. We have yet to decide whether we want to go to the sandwich shop or to just bring our own lunches. Either way, the food cost will NOT BE included in the fare.

We will discuss this trip at the next CVDC meeting (May 2<sup>nd</sup>), so please come to this very important meeting! We are planning to allow CVDC members and their friends and families, first dibs. Then it will be opened to anyone who might like to join us for this most interesting trip. The fare is NON REFUNDABLE because of the fixed costs involved. BUT WE WANT ALL OF YOU TO COME, so please circle the date on your calendar, **To secure your spots, make out your check to CVDC, for \$38 per person, memo LI Trip, and send to:**

**Randy Z. Sabatino**  
23 Daniels Road  
East Haddam, Ct. 06423

Questions?-- contact Randy --[cowhill@hughes.net](mailto:cowhill@hughes.net) or 860-873-3894

## Member News, Events, and Advertisements Continued!

### **Shiny Carriages Continued from Page 1 . . .**

I was lucky to hop aboard one of Peter's lovely marathon carriages at our latest club drive. The ride was so smooth. The vehicle features a new air suspension system that makes you feel more like you're floating on a cloud than riding in a carriage. Peter's customers come from all over. They come to Peter for custom, imported vehicles of a reasonable price and excellent quality. He said all vehicles are built to suit the size and experience of both the driver and the equine. They arrive six to eight at a time in large 40' containers. He also sells a nice imported harness from overseas. Peter makes an annual trip to Germany and Poland to meet with his carriage makers. They are continually improving the products, in large part because of the feedback they receive directly from drivers. At our May meeting, Peter looks forward to showing us his line of new vehicles, and maybe we'll likely get to see his Canadian Crossbreds and barn!

**For directions and address see page 4.**

### **Connecticut Valley Driving Trial Update**

There are still **about 5 slots open for the June 6th show**, get your entries post-marked today!

There are **5 slots open for Fun Day on June 7<sup>th</sup>** as well, get your entries in! Closing Date May 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Volunteers are still needed** for the Marathon phase (from 11 - 3pm). Contact Andree Duggan to volunteer: [tisme@andreeduggan.com](mailto:tisme@andreeduggan.com)

For more information, entry form, and more contact information go to [www.cvdrivingclub.com](http://www.cvdrivingclub.com)

**FOR SALE:** George Bowman Zilco harness for sale. It was used on a 15.3 stout Morgan gelding. The harness is in good condition w/ a few scuff marks, one trace needs stitching. \$500 plus shipping. Contact: Sandy Williams, [sirdianfarms@aol.com](mailto:sirdianfarms@aol.com)

### **THE PEPPER PROJECT – Part 1 Training the young horse to harness, by Erica Robb**

*Disclaimer: There are many ways to train a horse to harness. What works for one may not work for others. Please use common sense, have a plan and a knowledgeable person to help. Stay safe!*

**BACKGROUND:** In March, we officially started my not-quite 2 year old Morgan filly, Bekland Lady Pepper, in training for harness. Over the next few months, I would like to share our experiences with our readers. [For those interested in bloodlines, Pepper is Whippoorwill breeding on her sire's side (solid "old-style" Morgan going back to Whippoorwill Duke) and Bob Brooks' Trijas on her dam's side (more "show-horse" lines, including Brown Pepper)].

Pepper lives at Cynthia Bliven's Woodland Farm in Lyme. Cynthia and I have known each other since we were kids, first learning about horses. She went on to train horses professionally, while I went to work behind a desk. (I'll let you decide which one of us had more fun ...) Cynthia is helping me with Pepper's training, so I have a lot of confidence that things are going to be done correctly and logically. We are also taking our time with the process since Pepper isn't even two yet – under other circumstances, the training process could go much faster.

**FIRST SESSIONS:** Up to this point, Pepper had benefited from regular grooming and handling. She had been exposed to different environments and experiences, and now it was time to start learning a new job. We started our training on an average day, like any other. I did make sure that I had no pressing appointments later in the day, so there would be no need to rush the process. We worked in the early afternoon, which meant that the other horses were out, except one "friend" kept in for company. This may have made her a little more agitated but allowed her to run and play all morning before coming in for work.

First, she would need to learn how to lunge. There is some sentiment that lunging is bad for a young horse. I would agree, if it is done excessively, at high speeds and in small circles, for no particular reason. In this case, lunging will allow Pepper to learn how to carry the equipment, respond to contact, and transition between gaits. It will also help build her strength and stamina, but in short sessions at reasonable speeds.

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## THE PEPPER PROJECT Continued...

For that first lesson, in a halter and lunge line, Pepper certainly thought faster was better. She careened from one side of the not-very-round “circle” to the other. She looked over the fence for assistance. She trotted, stopped, cantered, tried to turn around. Cynthia stayed with her, kept asking her to just go in a circle. We used a chain with the lunge line to limit Pepper pulling away – it’s better to stop that sort of problem from the outset. By the end of our 10 minute session, Pepper had developed a nervous sweat, but had started to get the general idea. The next day, she clearly had a much better idea of what was expected and barely turned a hair.



Day 2: Pepper is not staying out on the line, and needs to be “pointed at” with the whip, but she has her eye and ear locked on Cynthia and is traveling in a decent circle.

The process was repeated over three consecutive days. This helps to “fix” the idea in the horse’s mind, and makes it less of a Big Event. Although Pepper had some idea what the whip meant, she needed a better understanding of moving her ribcage away when it was directed at her side. I practiced during grooming times by tapping her lightly as I asked her to move over in the aisle. Pretty soon, she generally understood that I meant for her to bend away from where the whip was pointed. She will refine her response as she gets more aware and as she fine-tunes her muscle skills.

**LAYERING ON:** Once Pepper had an idea of what to expect on the lunge line, we added a surcingle. This was a non-event for her because she had already gotten used to “things” around her belly. I had previously used ropes of various thicknesses – draped, held snug, looped, lightly swung against her side – and had used a garish white web “belt” complete with Velcro around her. In addition to the surcingle, Cynthia tied a vet wrap into a pseudo-breast collar for stability. This way we didn’t have to make the surcingle too tight right at first.

The next step, after a few sessions with the surcingle, was to add the crupper. I had taken time over the past months to gently handle Pepper’s tail, even placing a rolled towel under her dock while I groomed. Of course, the experience of having something actually attached there could have disturbed her. I’ll admit that I held my breath a little when she dropped her head to sniff the ground, “snugging” up the backstrap, but she took it all in stride.

**LEARNING MYSELF:** Up to this point, Cynthia had taken the lead on working with Pepper. By now she was traveling nicely in a good circle, maintaining fairly good contact with the line, responding to whip movements and starting to listen to vocal cues. So I started to work with her part of the time, sticking first to lunging her just on her “good” side. Remember that I spent many years away from horses and have had to relearn some skills, and am learning others for the first time. I also have the occasional lesson with one of Cynthia’s well-trained horses, so I can understand what it feels like when it is done right. Although her 28-year old Morgan, Jet, pretty much said he didn’t think much of my abilities.

I think Pepper tolerates most of my mistakes while clearly showing me the error of my ways at other times. We still have days where she trots very fast (which makes me dizzy) and collapses one side of her circle, and I am learning how to be more clear and consistent in my contact. One thing that was harder for both of us was to keep moving forward at the walk, not stopping, turning in or crowding the circle. She learned, I learned, and I think we have a handle on it now. I think she’s having as much fun as I am.

*Next month: biting and steering.*

## ***Myler Biting Seminar!! ~ it's FREE ~***

**Reservations are required  
please call 860-464-1559**

**Friday Evening  
May 8th  
6:30pm**

The seminar allows the audience to participate in determining the pressure points of bits and the evasions that are created by these pressure points. You'll learn the theories and discuss applications of the Myler Biting System, the levels of the system, and the specific parts of the bits and how they work. You'll also discuss the parts of the mouth and how they affect your horse's performance, along with the importance of effective communication, being relaxed, comfortable and much more.



To be hosted at:  
**The Paddock Tack Shop**  
55 Rose Hill Road  
Ledyard, CT 06339

### **Absentee Ballot: 2009 CVDC Election of Officers**

The following are submitted by the nominating committee, for the election of officers at the Saturday , June 27<sup>th</sup> meeting.

You are invited to nominate members for the four offices. For Treasurer, the committee has submitted the names of two interested members since Kathie Gregory is stepping down. If, for any position, you have a proposed candidate, not on the ballot, please ask them if they are willing to run and then contact Dick Mangino at 203-272-5257 to have their name added to the ballot.

If you cannot make the meeting, fill out the absentee ballot below by circling your choices, and mail it by June 20<sup>th</sup> to Dick Mangino, 357 So. Brooksvale Rd., Cheshire, Ct. 06410 to be sure to be counted. For any questions, feel free to call Dick at 203-272-5257.

Submitter's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Offices:

President: Committee's nomination- Andree Duggan  
Your suggested nomination- \_\_\_\_\_

Vice President: Committee's nomination- Jan Frick  
Your suggested nomination- \_\_\_\_\_

Treasurer: Committee's nomination- Erica Robb or Jaye Winkler  
Your suggested nomination- \_\_\_\_\_

Secretary: Committee's nomination- Marguerite Hayber  
Your suggested nomination- \_\_\_\_\_



# Connecticut Valley Driving Club

www.cvdrivingclub.com

## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

**Due by May 31<sup>st</sup>**

1 year Membership

New Member

Renewal

Address Change

First Name

Last Name

Farm Name (if applicable)

Address 1

Address 2

City

State

Zip Code

Home Phone

Cell Phone

E-mail Address where you would like CVDC's Long Lines Newsletter Sent:  
(please print carefully)

Spouse or Family Member Name/s if a Family Membership

### Member Benefits

- ◆ Long Lines, our monthly printable e-newsletter
- ◆ E-mail mailing list alerts
- ◆ First notice of club clinics, events and competitions
- ◆ Participation in member drives, activities and potluck dinner meetings
- ◆ Educational programs
- ◆ Opportunities to volunteer and to help run the club



Since 1963

The club runs because of the gracious volunteer support of its members. If you are interested in being contacted about volunteering, check here:

If you do not want to be included in the private CVDC Member Directory for members only, check here:

Check here to give CVDC permission to post photos of you in its newsletter or online:

Individuals and Families -- \$25.00

Seniors 65 and over -- \$20.00, after November \$12.50

Send your completed application and check made out to:

### CVDC

c/o Kathie Gregory, Treasurer  
36 Hoadly Rd.  
Amston, CT, 06231

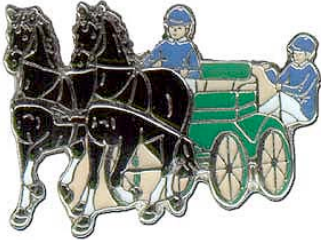




# Fun Day and Clinic

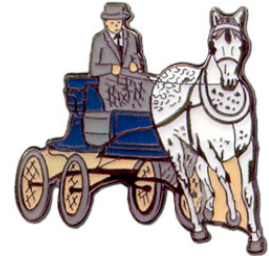
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## Haddam Meadows State Park



The combined driving course will be in place including: Dressage Ring, Cones and Marathon Course with Hazards.

Just come and play, or sign up for a session with one of our clinicians, **Lisa Singer or Craig Kellogg !**



**Lisa Singer** has been a driving instructor, trainer and clinician for over 30 years and has coached and competed successfully in the U.S. and overseas. Lisa is an eight-time National Pairs Champion and has attended seven World Pair Championships. She is an organizer for many driving events, serves on numerous USEF committees and was on the USET board. Lisa likes many breeds that you see in driving but she most enjoys driving Morgans. She has lived on her farm, Chateau Log in Chadds Ford, PA, for more than 30 years.



**Craig Kellogg** is an American Driving Society Recognized judge and technical delegate for combined driving, pleasure driving, and dressage. He is a Recognized combined driving judge with the USEF, and a Certified Large Animal Rescue Technician. Mr. Kellogg has been a carriage driving trainer, instructor and clinician for over thirty years.

Both are also all around nice people and fun, too! Clinic preference and discount given to volunteers of the Driving Trial. Please fill out and send in.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Clinic Preference (we will try to honor your request, but due to space limitations, may have to assign you to the other clinician).

- Craig Kellogg, or
- Lisa Singer
- Doesn't Matter

- I am a volunteer for the 2009 CT Valley Driving Trial
- I want to be a volunteer, please contact me by email or phone
- I am not a volunteer, please fit me in if there's room
- I don't want to do the clinic, I just want to come and play on course

**Clinic Fee:** \$50 (fifty dollars) volunteer rate, \$85 non-volunteer rate.

**Just Come and Play Fee:** \$10 (no clinic, full access but yield to lesson horses), volunteers free.

Make **check payable to CVDC**. Please send check and send (or bring day of) Neg. Coggins and Rabies

Certificate to: **CVDC c/o Marguerite Hayber, 109 Chittenden Road, Amston, CT 06231**

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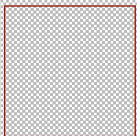
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