

Colonial Carriage & Driving Society

Meeting Minutes July 20, 2022 6:30 pm at Orleton Farm

Our July meeting was a lovely warm evening under the tent at Orleton Farm. We had some great desserts and beverages with 15 members present. We began the meeting at 7:15 with Harvey going over our last month's minutes. A motion to accept them was proposed by Marilee Wagner and seconded by Carol Terry.

Treasurer's Report

Dr Ann Willey was present and recapped the income and expenses from May to current (July). New memberships, show expenses, Insurance, monthly communications were all detailed. A motion to accept by Jennifer Wilcox and seconded by Marilee.

Old Business

Saturday, July 23, members and friends are going to Saratoga Racetrack by Limo bus arranged by Maureen Gamelli to depart from Orleton Farm at about 9:30 am. We should arrive at the track about 11:30 to enjoy lunch and view Mary and Harvey Waller driving their four-in-hand to present a special trophy for the Coaching Club American Oaks event. This presentation is planned for 12:30. Harvey elaborated that on the back side of the track there are jumbo screens for our viewing of the track activities. We plan on leaving the racetrack by 3:00 to get back to Orleton Farm around 5 pm .

August Horse Show

Ann reported we have 80 entries thus far and we are completely full with a waitlist for Thursday's combined events. Volunteers are needed, please contact Laurie Danaher ldanaher@yahoo.com. There are 50 entries in the pleasure show. 80 stalls are coming. Vendor tents and food will be set up like last year . Ann reported that we will be waiving late fees to enter the pleasure show. We hope to conclude the show by 2 in the afternoon on Sunday. Bruce Jones is the course designer and is adjusting the VSE course to be more accommodating for them. Judges Dana Bright and Kale Palmer Miller will be in attendance this year.

Car show update

Carl Dudash reported all is going well for the car show portion Sunday, August 14. He needs help Saturday to prepare the field for the cars to come in on Sunday. Carl needs volunteers to help park the cars on Sunday and sell raffle tickets for the 50/50. A movie/video was made last year titled "Horse Power meets Horsepower." We are excited to see the beautiful cars again this year.

There will be no Tub Parade this year due to many factors.

New Business

We discussed a driving clinic with "Taz" Taren Lester. We are looking at dates in October after the Berkshire Coaching Weekend (October 7, 8, and 9) in the Berkshires. More details to follow.

Driving News

Harvey proposed a limobus to Newport for the Coaching event. We will get more information together on this event soon.

Upcoming Events

New England Morgan Horse Show. July 25 – 30, Northhampton, MA

Orleton Farm Combined Test, Driving Trial, and Pleasure Driving Show, August 11th -14th