

Wheel to Wheel

Newsletter for the HUB



2016

Club

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A current negative Coggins must be on file with the club secretary in order to participate in any HUB Club event

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HUB CLUB

From the Editor As your editor, I ask that you send me photos and anything else that you would like to see in the newsletter. I am more than happy to use anything you want in the newsletter, as it is **YOUR newsletter**. If you want to continue to have an informative newsletter, I need material from the membership. You can send them to me directly at briarpatcheast@aol.com by the 20th of each month. Kris Breyer

From the Webmaster: Please submit items for web page. Include pictures of all our members. Please send names of driver, passengers, horse(s), and description of what you are doing, and where.



Prez letter: The November

meeting was a resounding success with great turnout and excellent food – we got through a lot of items on the agenda! But there are more votes to be cast and decisions to be made at the annual meeting in January. The date is still TBD but the location will be the Fox Valley Saddle

Association in Hampshire, IL.

Fortunately, you won't need a health certificate if you're coming from Wisconsin to attend, but crossing state lines with our horses is an agenda topic, along with officer installations, Spring Clinic and Dirty Harness Day, a potential navigator clinic by Sterling Graburn, 2017 sponsorships, our newsletter, and other activities for **YOU**, the member. When you see the official invite, please do RSVP and plan on attending so that **YOUR** voice can be heard and the HUB Club heads in a direction that benefits **YOU** and **YOUR** horse!

. Yours Truly, Dr. Lydia Gray



HUB Club Meeting at FVSA, November 6, 2016

Those present: Ann McCombs, Emily Berendt, Terri Delke, Sue West, Lydia Gray, Julie and Stephen Jones, Rosalie Taylor, Linda Fidler, Bob Mikos, Al and Kris Breyer, Judy Dowling, Judy and Don Hayes, Lonnie and Reiner Schuetz, Tom and Sandra Nowicki, Ann Olujic, Don and Bonnie Kalbantner, Grace Freilach-Grubb and Guests, Beverly and Warren Horsley and Merry and Jack Wicke from the Central States Pony Association

I. Meeting called to order 12:50 pm by President Lydia

II. Approval of minutes from last meeting, motion Sue West, seconded by Ann Olujic

III. Reports

- a) Treasurer: Sue West: savings account has been closed to save money, we have \$5411.00 in checking
- b) Newsletter: Kris Breyer: Please note the deadline printed on the first page of every newsletter, always need stuff from the members, Please participate in the Ask Whinny segment of the newsletter
- c) Awards coordinator: Kris Breyer: Hi-Point rules currently state that participants in the awards program must attend at least 1 meeting during the year. Other clubs have a more restrictive requirement. Kris made a suggestion to include volunteering for a HUB Club activity. It was suggested volunteering, not entering. Don K said volunteer, not attend meeting. It was mentioned that the annual meeting to pick up awards made your meeting for the year. Lydia went around the room and asked for a show of hands to decide if (1) leave the rules as they are currently, (2) remove all restrictions from rules, or (3) expand the rules to include volunteering. A vote was taken and (1) was chosen.
- d) Our webmaster, Facebook coordinator, Librarian, CAA liason and new member committee chair were not present

IV. Old Business

a) **Sponsorship Committee:** \$700.00 was distributed in 2016

- 1. \$50 MSMHC
- 2. \$150 FVSA
- 3. \$100 Notara
- 4. \$100 HK CDE
- 5. \$30 NIAHAC
- 6. \$100 Eastern IA Carriage Glow
- 7. \$70 Columbus
- 8. \$100 ADS



A Sponsorship Committee was nominated for next year: Lydia, Linda, Rosalie, Kelly

b) Event Committee

- 1. Driving Derbies: Kelly and Mike Chuman, no dates yet for 2017
- 2. Hickory HUB Octoberfest: John Frieburger, successful, many VSE's attended
- 3. Pleasure Drive at Bowes Creek: Linda Fidler, another next year, what would be a good month? Sept or Oct, no cost to attendees, Grace suggested a phone "Blast" for spur of the moment drives, can't be advertized as a club event due to insurance, we will have 1 official fall pleasure drive
- 4. Dirty Harness Day: Kris Breyer, Sept 24, 2017, we had a good time this year with many volunteers but not enough competitors

V. New Business

- a) Ask Whinny pair to handle questions and answers, Nancy and Beverly, can submit on Facebook
- b) Potential new driving locations, Raven Glen in Lake Co., Pat's Private Farm (friend of Emily's), HITS property formerly Hawthorne Race Track

- c) Officer Nominations
 - 1. President: Lydia Gray
 - 2. VP: Emily Berendt (will take over insurance coverage)
 - 3. Sec/Treas: Terri Delke (Need By-Laws change)
- d) **2017 Event Committee:** MaryAnn, Kris, Terri, Kelly
- e) **2017 Spring Clinic**, can be a combo with Hickory Knoll, Terri Delke agreed to organize with directional help from Sue West, consider 4-Winds (Showtime) in WI just over the boarder has good parking, stalls, large arena, ? cost (Sandy Nowicki will look into), Julie Jones will look into an arena north of Rockford, maybe FVSA
CDE clinicians: Bill Lower, Andy Marcoux, Sara Schmidt, Suzy Stafford, Joe Yoder
1st choice Bill, 2nd choice Joe (because they are relatively close and transportation costs will be less).
- f) **Next Meeting FVSA January 2017 will be catered, members are asked to bring appetizers and desserts, club will supply drinks, Lonnie will ask Todd Evanson for dates and catering costs.**
- g) Don K has a new farm near Galena, 160 ac to drive next year...(He also got MARRIED!!)
- h) Ann O asked why, if it is dirty harness day, do you have to dress up. It was clarified only hat or safety helmet, gloves, whip and apron are required, will make note on show bills. It is still a pleasure show, so nice dress should be appropriate, but relaxed a bit from a rated pleasure show. Shorts, holey jeans and T-shirts are still not appropriate.
- i) Meeting Adjourned at 1:55 pm, Emily motion, Al seconded



ASK WHINNEY

This is an opportunity for all members, but especially novice drivers,

to get input and advice from other members. Each month we will be posting an anonymous question raised by a Hub Club member and asking you, the membership to respond from the deep and vast store of your driving knowledge and experience. So let's go!

Dear Whinny,

My person was on a cleaning spree and found an older harness that had molded! You should have heard that scream! Is there a way to save it? I can't help clean it - I don't have thumbs you know, but I'd sure like to give her suggestions - it WAS a good harness.

Signed - *An oldie moldie*

CLEANING MOULDY LEATHER

Mouldy leather is absolutely nothing to worry about and it will clean up well and without suffering any significant damage at all. I've got harness and saddles that are over 200 years old and trust me they've been mouldy - LOTS OF TIMES having



spent centuries hanging up in typically damp tack and harness rooms in temperate damp UK climate. Of course, perfect conditions for leather is airy and not with masses of condensation - in fact the exact opposite of an English tack room! But personally speaking I'd rather have my valuable harness and tack hanging in conditions where its slightly moist and liable to mould than somewhere too warm and dry. And I believe this is what you are now experiencing Some folks suggest such as vinegar for removing mould. Personally, I'd never ever ever use vinegar on my good leather harness - its too valuable and vinegar is way too astringent! That is likely to do more damage than the mould. I don't know the products you used but the following is what will keep saddles and other leather tack and harness in good condition. Mould can usually be removed from leather by following the cleaning and soaping process, theoretically mould can mark and stain lighter browns permanently though personally I've never found this to be the case. It's not true at all that mould is a sign of good conditioned leather - mould is a sign that your leather has been stored where its damp and there's mould spores - no more and no less! If you have a nice cool dry tack room or even use a dehumidifier it can help - but heck in reality who can manage that. Once mould and mildew spores get into leather fibres, it is almost impossible to totally destroy them without destroying the leather too. Inhibiting their growth involves painstaking care using the right products. If mould and mildew invade your tack room, take these steps to limit its damage:

Remove mouldy leather from the tack room and clean it out doors. You'll avoid filling the air in the tack room with mould spores that will simply contaminate other items within the confined space.

Have a supply of old rags that you're willing to throw away. Begin by wiping off any surface mould with a wet soapy rag, capturing as much of the mould as you can in the process. Then throw the rag away. Don't rinse and re-use your rags. That only spreads the mould spores. Use an old toothbrush for cleaning lines of stitching and crevices. Then wash it all down again with new rags and saddle soap and then buff it up with a leather finishing product such as neatsfoot oil (if you have that?)

After every use sponge with clean plain water to remove all the dirt and grease, allow to dry and then use a non-glycerine saddle soap with a clean, slightly damp sponge. Leave this application on and your leather work should be left supple and with a good shine. If you find you have a lot of soapy lather you have your sponge too wet. Mouldy leather is absolutely nothing to worry about and it will clean up well and without suffering any significant damage at all. I've got harness and saddles that are over 200 years old and trust me they've been mouldy - LOTS OF TIMES having spent centuries hanging up in typically damp tack and harness rooms in temperate damp UK climate. Of course perfect conditions for leather is airy and not with masses of condensation - in fact the exact opposite of an English tack room! But personally speaking I'd rather have my valuable harness and tack hanging in conditions where its slightly moist and liable to mould than somewhere too warm and dry. And I believe this is what you are now experiencing

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I developed the Leather Therapy products, I can add the information you might need to make a decision regarding the questions you asked and the mold problem you're having on your tack.

Leather Therapy WASH deeply cleans leather -- it's really concentrated, and easily cleans away heavy grunge and mold. Even heavy grime on a steel bit is easy work for this surfactant formula. WASH helps with cleaning off mold, but please note that only Leather Therapy Restorer/Conditioner won Product of the Year in 1997 because of its ability to inhibit and rid leather of mold problems, while deeply conditioning - from the inside-out. This is a really big deal.

FYI, any product that claims to inhibit, kill, do away with (whatever the marketing terminology), etc. must verify their claims with the EPA. It took us over a year of testing to prove our case to the U.S. government. Leather Therapy Restorer/Conditioner is considered a "stand alone" product in the mold prevention and leather care category. We're really proud of that.

Keep in mind that, because your tack room is filled with ambient mold spores, you'll have to keep up a simple maintenance program with Restorer to keep this problem at bay. We live in Virginia and have felt the same wet, damp, stormy weather that you have. Please also know that you'll need only a very small amount on a lightly dampened sponge to maintain your leather after the first good cleaning and conditioning with Leather Therapy.

Not trying to "toot" our horn -- although we worked really hard on these formulas -- just thought you might like the info.

[AnnaCarner](#)

3 Parts Water to 1 Part White Vinegar works without being too astringent.

Then let dry completely and clean/condition as usual.

And a Damp-Rid (<http://www.damprid.com/>) thingie, appropriately sized to the space, placed in the tack room/closet. ;)

I would like to say I have some I found in the barn and it had mold and covered in dirt. I took saddle soap with water rubbing it in really well. I didn't rinse it off and then took a paint brush and brushed neatsfoot oil all over the harness. Let

the oil dry after that I just use a leather conditioner and the harness looks fine. *Beverly*

Sandy's hearty beef and vegetable casserole

6 red potatoes peeled and cut in slices

1 lb. lean ground beef browned and drain fat

12 carrots peeled and cut in rounds

2 cans Campbell's cream of mushroom soup (ready to heat and serve, do not add water)

2 tablespoons each oregano, sweet basil, thyme, a little salt

1 cup shredded Cheddar cheese

Brown ground beef, adding spices and salt as you brown and stir the ground beef. Drain off fat. Set aside.

Cook potato slices in microwave until soft, set aside

Cook carrot slices (rounds) in microwave until soft, set aside

Preheat oven to 350 degrees

Assemble ingredients in layers in casserole dish, glass or Corning ware

First layer is one half can of cream of mushroom soup

2nd layer is one third of cooked potato slices

3rd layer is one third of cooked ground beef

4th layer is one third of cooked carrots slices

5th layer is remaining one half can of cream of mushroom soup (1st can)

6th layer is another layer of cooked potato slices

Then continue layers of beef, vegetables and cream of mushroom soup as described above to fill casserole dish

Sprinkle cup of Cheddar cheese over the top of other ingredients. Cook in oven for about 20 minutes to blend flavors and serve. Can be reheated in microwave later.



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New mini whip looks like a Holly \$50.00. Cob/small horse sized breaking/ road cart, wooden wheels, not for show but sturdy \$500.00 OBO, very small kid western saddle \$25, small kid English saddle \$100, "Daddle" seat that attaches behind an adult western saddle \$25.

Call Ann McCombs 815-648-4471



**Show
Gig for
Sale**

Built by Todd Frey of Frey Carriage, Columbus, Wisconsin. Gig is about 15 years old, lightly used. I have used it at a few shows and it is very well balanced and smooth riding. It has a beautiful dark green paint finish. It has new shaft covers and includes a full canvas cover. It is in very good condition. **\$3,800** Contact Sandra Nowicki, 262-889-4802 or sannowicki@aol.com

The following miniature horses are for sale at Double L Equestrian:

Chili Bean, bay pinto gelding, 21 years old, 37.5" tall. Drives in shows, on trail and with drill team. Good for intermediate or advanced beginner driver. Was abused before we got him, so needs a knowledgeable handler, but he is really sweet. Trailers, leads, ties, clips, bathes. Goes over obstacles in hand or driving. Up to date on everything and microchipped. Needs a good forever home. \$450 Pkg deal possible with metal or wood cart and harness,.



Fin MacCool, cream with dark points, gelding, 18 years old, 32". AMHR and AMHA registration current. Drives in shows, trail and with drill team, though has trouble keeping up. Good for beginner driver, used in lessons. Has been in many parades. Also drives as a pair with Tinkebell (below). Trailers, leads, ties, clips, bathes. Goes over obstacles in hand. Microchipped! Up to date on everything. Good home a must. \$500 Pkg possible with cart and harness. Wagon and team harness also for sale.



Tinkerbelle, red roan mare, 19 years old, 30" tall. AMHR registered. Drives inside or outside and with drill team. Good for beginner driver, used in lessons. Has been in many parades. Also drives as a pair with Finn MacCool. Trailers, leads, ties, clips, bathes. Goes over obstacles in hand. Up to date on everything. Good home a must! Microchipped! \$500 Pkg deal possible with cart and harness. Wagon and team harness for sale.



Contact Linda for any of the above horses at dbllequest@gmail.com or 815-546-7995

FOR SALE: Angel, white Percheron mare, 20 yrs old, 17 hh. Very sweet, easy going. Has been driven in many parades and 3 weddings. Rides Western, English and bareback on trail or in arena. Very smooth and will neck rein, jogs and lopes. Takes at least an intermediate rider/driver, as she will test you.



Trailers, bathes, clips, ties, etc. UTD on shots, coggins, etc.

Comes with western saddle, bridle, work harness with stand and forecart. Good forever home a must! \$1800 (the carriage and fancy harness are also for sale separately)

Linda Lanzer Richmond, IL 815-546-7995



FOR SALE: 3 Registered Morgan geldings, all Black. Ages 8, 7, and 5 years old. All three are Broke to Drive, Two are Green Broke to Ride. Asking \$3,000 each. Contact: Don Kalbantner at 815-289-8598.

Hackney driving pony needs a good home.

Pretty, dark bay, Hackney pony gelding is trained to drive. He is energetic and has a very pretty trot. He was rescued about two years ago and cared for by some people who don't drive ponies or horses. They are looking for a good home for him. The pony is in very good condition and has been driven recently by a trainer in the area. The pony is about 16 years old. Price is very reasonable to a good home. Please contact me if you would like to give this cute, well trained pony a good home.

Sandy Nowicki , phone 262-889-4802 or email sannowicki@aol.com.

FOR SALE: Neat oak hunting cart made in Pennsylvania; maroon seats for 4 humans with room for dogs below. Needs a better home than I can provide. Driven with 14 h 2 pony. In need of a little TLC \$3,500 negotiable. Call Nancy Baker 608-329-6711 or nakabak7@gmail.com



Country Carriages Road Cart for sale. Includes custom fabric cover for storage, Cart stand, cart jack, rain seat and rain seat back cover. Used with 15hh horse. 49.5" diameter wheels, 76" shafts. Show ready! Asking \$2000 Contact Cathy Thomas 608/332-8361, cathytho@gmail.com. Located in Verona, WI.



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HUB CLUB Membership Application Year _____

NAME: _____
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Please check preference: Newsletter sent via email _____ U.S Postal Service _____
Also member of: _____ ADS _____ CAA, _____ USEF, Local club _____

MEMBERSHIP DESIGNATIONS:

INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP: 18yrs or older, 1 vote per membership

FAMILY MEMBERSHIP: Couple and any underage children (<18), immediate family, 2 votes per membership.

JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP: Child under 18yrs of age, no voting privileges. (Must have an adult member as sponsor).

Also, parent/guardian must sign on application for Junior Members to participate at club events.

I accept the benefits, obligations and responsibilities of membership and agree to abide by the HUB Club bylaws
Signature(s): _____ Date _____

_____ Date _____

_____ Date : _____

Parent or Guardian (if under 18 years of age)

INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP: \$25.00 (Renewing or New)* \$ _____

FAMILY MEMBERSHIP: \$35.00 (Renewing or New)* \$ _____

JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP: \$10.00 (Renewing or New)* \$ _____

*New memberships received after June 30 will be pro-rated for 6 months

Send check with completed forms to: check # _____
date _____

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