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# NEWSLETTER

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## President's Message

*by Ann Katona*

We've had a busy summer of driving which is wonderful! It's been so enjoyable to see everyone at these events. As always I want to give a shout out to all who support as drivers and volunteer at these events. Also, Hugh Bellis-Jones, our remarkable treasurer, sent me an updated membership list. I know that many of our members may not be actively driving but maintain their membership. We so appreciate the continued support.

Our current board of officers have served for a number of years. The terms will be up this December. Please let us know if you have any interest in the following positions; President, Vice-President or Secretary. Hugh will stay on as Treasurer (Thank-you!). Jen Harber will take over the Newsletter so we will need a new Secretary.

Our next event is the Pleasure Show at Coach House Farm. I sent out an e-mail with the entry form that you should have received already. Please be sure that your 2024 membership dues are paid along with your signed membership form.

We had also originally scheduled the CAA Proficiency Exam in the spring. Due to a family emergency this event had to be postponed. It looks like we will re-schedule the CAA Proficiency Exam for Nov. 23 & 24. There are some spots available as well as lessons with Muffy. I'll be sending a separate e-mail out about that event. This event will be at Valkyrie's Haven in Paris. Contact me directly if you'd like to sign up for this event. [katdogpony@gmail.com](mailto:katdogpony@gmail.com)

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## Two Big Events for July and August

**On Saturday, July 27**, Kate and Katie Whaley are sponsoring a **Pleasure Show** at their lovely Coach House Farm, 2027 Clintonville Rd., Paris, KY 40361. There are four divisions: Single Pony, Single Horse, Pair Pony, Pair Horse. Each division has four classes: Turnout, Reinsmanship, Timed Obstacles, and Fault and Out. There will be no cantering in cones classes. In order to enter, you must be a Spokes and Spurs member. A complimentary lunch will be served in the stable and best of all, there is **no entry fee!** The final date for entry is July 20. Go to:

[https://spokesandspurs.com/docs/2024 Coach House Farm Pleasure Show Entry Form.pdf](https://spokesandspurs.com/docs/2024%20Coach%20House%20Farm%20Pleasure%20Show%20Entry%20Form.pdf)

This site also includes a membership form in case you are not currently a member. We wish to thank Kate and Katie for generously sponsoring this event!

Charlotte's Creek Farm, 4152 Paris Pike, Georgetown, KY 40324 is sponsoring a **clinic with Suzy Stafford, Aug. 30 - Sept. 1**. Entries are limited to 8-10 lessons per day with priority to those entering with multiple lessons. Lessons are \$125 each in dressage, cones, or obstacles. For entry or more information, you can contact Jennifer Harber at [dunhorse1220@gmail.com](mailto:dunhorse1220@gmail.com) or (304) 208-5224. You may also enter online at: <https://airtable.com/appOt2VKBlqV7kROL/shr1TwSeQ3RqFUSHG>

## Plan Ahead! Put these events on your Calendar, NOW!

The Fall National Drive at Hoosier Horse Park in Edinburgh, IN, October 8-13. There will be a DT/CT at Valkyrie's Haven in Paris, KY, October 25-27. As mentioned earlier, the CAA Proficiency Exam and lessons with Muffy Seaton will be at Valkyrie's Haven, November 23-24. Getting their date early, Charlotte's Creek Farm, Georgetown, KY, will have a CDE May 16-18, 2025!

## Just a Reminder

Please make sure you renew your membership now! You can renew on-line at: [spokesandspurs.com](http://spokesandspurs.com). All information and instructions are on the one page form. We all need to understand that Spokes and Spurs major funding is through your dues. Your administrative board has planned an exciting year for 2024. These activities cannot proceed unless we have membership funds. Take a moment to send in your membership and pay your dues today! For those of you that have already done so, thank you!

## Volunteer's Needed

*By David Gaston*

If you're not participating, you should be volunteering. To make our organization healthy, we need volunteers to help run our events or organize. You can contact Ann Katona: [katdogpony@gmail.com](mailto:katdogpony@gmail.com) to find out how and what you can do. Events needing volunteers are highlighted in bold print on the Spokes and Spurs Calendar of Events on page 5.

## Spokes and Spurs Library Available for You to Check Out!

Spokes and Spurs has a nice little library available to our members. Let Ann Katona know if you would like to check-out anything.

American Carriages, Sleighs, Sulkeys and Carts 168 Illustrations from Victorian Sources!  
Edited by Don H. Berkebile

American Horse-Drawn Vehicles - Being a collection of 218 pictures... Jack D. Rittenhouse

Bending the Driving Horse Muffy Seaton

Breaking a Horse to Harness - A Step by Step Guide Sallie Walrond

Bristol Wagon & Carriage Illustrated Catalog, 1900 Bristol Wagon & Carriage Works Co. Ltd.

Carriage Driving - A Logical Approach Through Dressage Training Heike Bean and Sarah Blanchard

Discovering Horse Drawn Carriages D. J. Smith

Driven Dressage with the Single Horse Sandy Rabinowitz

Driver Proficiency Program - Level I and Road Driving Syllabus The Carriage Association of America



Driving a Harness Horse - A Step by Step Guide (A sequel to Breaking a Horse to Harness) Sallie Walrond

Driving for Pleasure or The Harness Stable and its Appointments Francis T. Underhill

The Encyclopedia of Driving Sallie Walrond

The Essential Guide to Carriage Driving Robyn Cuffey and Jaye-Allison Winkel

Fundamentals of Private Driving Sallie Walrond

Horse-Drawn Vehicles at the Shelburne Museum Kenneth Edward Wheeling  
Illustrated Catalogue of Carriages and Special Business Advertiser / G. & D. Cook & Co.'s  
Forward by Paul H. Downing

Walnut Hill: A Grand Celebration of the Horse & Carriage Robert Iannazzi; Photographer. Bill Remley; Commentator

## Spokes and Spurs 2024 Calendar

Date/Time	Description of Event	Location
<b>July 27</b>	<b>Pleasure Schooling Show (Volunteers needed)</b>	<b>Coach House Farm, Paris, KY</b>
<b>Aug. 30-Sept. 1</b>	<b>Suzy Stafford Clinic</b>	<b>Charlotte's Creek, Paris, KY</b>
Sept. 6-8	Villa Louis Carriage Classic	Prairie du Chien, WI
Sept. 27	CT	Hoosier Horse Park, Edinburgh, IN
Sept. 28-29	CDE	Hoosier Horse Park, Edinburgh, IN
Sept. 28-Oct. 6	CAA Tour of Portugal	
Oct. 8-13	Fall National Drive	Hoosier Horse Park, Edinburgh, IN
Oct. 25-27	DT/CT <b>(Volunteers needed)</b>	Valkyrie's Haven, Paris, KY
<b>Nov. ? (TBD)</b>	<b>Visit Charlie Poppe's Carriage Collection</b>	<b>Cincinnati, OH</b>

<b>Nov. 23 &amp; 24</b>	<b>CAA Proficiency Exam and Lessons with Muffy Seaton</b>	<b>Valkyrie's Haven, Paris, KY</b>
<b>Dec. 8 - 1:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Annual Spokes and Spurs Meeting</b>	<b>CAA Bldg., Kentucky Horse Park</b>

All of the above dates and details can be subject to change, mainly due to weather. In the event! of changes, we will notify the membership as soon as possible through email, Facebook, and our! Website.!

Find us on-line at [www.spokesandspurs.com](http://www.spokesandspurs.com)