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## Around and About —

~ Big news for all ADS members is that the 2019 Rulebook is now available online. Those who ordered and paid for the print version should already have theirs..

~ The new CDSGKC Board will have their first meeting on January 27th. And remember, all Board meetings are open to the general membership, so if you want to see how it all works, come on down!

~ The first big club event of 2019 is coming soon — the popular Driving Derby is back at **EquiFest** of Kansas in February, and this year it'll be on three separate days, February 22, 23, & 24! The **Driving Derby** is scheduled for the big arena (Landon) on Friday and Saturday at 3:00pm. Sunday it's at 10:15am. Advance tickets are the best idea <https://equifestofks.com/tickets.htm>

~ Organizing Committees for two of our biggest events of the year have already both met and are busy contacting officials, sponsors, etc. Linda Barta is Organizer for the *2019 My Revelation Carriage Classic* and Barbara Kirby is heading up the *CDSGKC Longview Lake Driving Trial*. If their names look familiar, it's because they are also the new Co-Presidents for our club! And guess what????? They'd love to hear from members interested in volunteering to help put on these two outstanding club events. Their contact info is in the column to the left, so think hard about letting them know how you'd like to help. Dates for both events are in the calendar.

~ Judi Adams is continuing her outstanding job of CDS Events Coordinator. She'll be laying out some of her ideas for the coming year at the January 27th Board meeting.

Dues: \$25.00 per calendar year. Dues received after Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> will be paid through next year.

Deadline: New submissions by 5<sup>th</sup> of month. Items received after deadline will receive priority the following month. Electronic submissions are welcome. [editor@cdsgkc.org](mailto:editor@cdsgkc.org)

CDSGKC 2019 Events of Interest		
Feb. 22-24	EquiFest of Kansas 2019, Topeka Expo Center. CDSGKC Driving Derby all three days!	Mary Lu Norland 913-963-8333
April 27&28	NTW Sunrise Ridge Driving Trial & Combined Test, Paradise, Texas	<a href="mailto:katemorgan@gmail.com">katemorgan@gmail.com</a>
May 2-5	National Drive's Spring Fling, Hoosier Horse Park, IN. ADS Recreational Driving Event	<a href="mailto:thenationaldrive@gmail.com">thenationaldrive@gmail.com</a> 217-621-7845
May 17	Pioneer Pleasure Driving Carriage Show, Seward, NE Judge: Ruth Graves	Garnet Blatchford <a href="mailto:arington@qwestoffice.net">arington@qwestoffice.net</a>
June 28&30	Skunk River Driving Trial, Ames, IA Midwest Driving, Ames IA <a href="http://www.midwest-driving.com">www.midwest-driving.com</a>	Jada Neubauer 515-450-4820
July 13 & 14	4th Annual My Revelation Carriage Classic at Longview Horse Park. Judge: Dave Remley® and Technical Delegate Lauren Reece®.	Linda Barta 816-805-4252
Aug. 24&25	OHHA 2-day Combined Test (tentative)	Hilda Wilkins <a href="mailto:hottruck95@gmail.com">hottruck95@gmail.com</a>
Sept. 12-15	CDSGKC Longview by the Lake Driving Trial	Barbara Kirby 816-590-2982



**EquiFest  
Driving Derby  
Topeka Expo Centre  
February 22, 23, 24**

The **Driving Derby** portion of EquiFest will be in the large Landon Arena on Friday and Saturday afternoons at 3:00pm and on Sunday morning at 10:15am.

Ten teams will compete in two divisions, pony and horse, most are CDSGKC members. We'll use ADS rules, but not an ADS judge. Since the winner is based on the fastest time, the "Judges" will actually be the digital timer and the displaced balls (time penalties). And there is payback to the first three places.

Mary Lu wants to remind everyone that you can save quite a bit of money by ordering your EquiFest tickets *in advance*. Advance tickets for one day are \$18. If you just show up at the door, it's \$25.

<https://equifestofks.com/tickets.htm>

We're hoping for a good crowd to cheer on the Derby entries, and with three days to

choose from you have several opportunities to pick the best day / time for you.

If you'd like more information, or are even thinking about helping out, contact—

Mary Lu Norland [bygonefarm@gmail.com](mailto:bygonefarm@gmail.com)

### Great Website

Everyone interested in our fun sport would do well to check out

[www.carriagedrivingtoday.com](http://www.carriagedrivingtoday.com)

This site is now posting information about many carriage events including, a calendar, entry forms, entries, schedules, results and archives from 2017 & 2018 events and a lot of useful links to other equine sites.

### Fourth Annual My Revelation Carriage Classic News

Linda Barta, MRCC Organizer has commitments from the 2019 officials for our July carriage pleasure show. Judging will be Dave Remley (R) from New York and our Technical Delegate is Lauren Reece (R) from Berwick, Maine.

Linda's show committee consists of: Judi Adams, Mary Loy Brown, Sheila Goodman, Jerry Plummer, RaeJean Powell, Mary Sawyer, Jim Thomas, and Bobbi Wojtowicz.

## News from USDFD

John Freiberger with *United States Driving for the Disabled* (USDFD)—

- John Freiberger will be holding a clinic for those interested in driving for the disabled at his Hickory Knoll farm in Fitchburg, Wisconsin sometime this summer. For more information contact him at [frei@chorus.net](mailto:frei@chorus.net).
- The USDFD is currently raising money to construct three types of disabled accessible vehicles. They are built on four-wheel marathon bodies with rear disk and fifth-wheel brakes that can be operated by the groom/navigator.

1. The first vehicle is for drivers with limited mobility. The driver enters from the rear with a step up to the bucket seat.
2. The second vehicle is a rear lift vehicle into which the driver transfers from a wheelchair and then is raised to the top of the vehicle by a hydraulic actuator. This vehicle is suitable for paraplegic drivers or persons with a similar disability.
3. The third vehicle is for quadriplegic drivers. It has a side lift that raises the driver, already buckled into the seat, up to the driver's position.

Vehicles will be available for lease from USDFD, a 501c3 organization, for a year at a time. They may also be purchased. For more information on these vehicles or Driving for the Disabled, contact [www.usdfd.org](http://www.usdfd.org).

## Longview Lake Driving Trial News

Our Driving Trial isn't until September, but Organizer Barbara Kirby has already met with her committee. They are: Judi Adams, Linda Barta, Dick & Mary Loy Brown, Jenny Garner, Sheila Goodman, Julie Martinez, Rick & Mary Lu Norland, Mary Sawyer and Bobbi Wojtowicz.

You're probably noticing that many of these names are also on the list for the MRCC. This might be a good time to think about how you can help out so the same members aren't doing all the work for our many events.

## In Memorium:

Vicki L. Schaefer, 64, passed away January 8, 2019. She and her family were club members in the early years. Her husband, Mike, was a Past President. Our condolences to the family.

## Help Your Horse Weather Winter

Excerpts from an article in [theHorse.com](http://theHorse.com) by Diane E. Rice, Dec. 3, 2018

Read entire article at <https://thehorse.com/139399/help-your-horse-weather-winter/>

Krishona Martinson, PhD, says one of the most common questions she and her colleagues get in the University of Minnesota's Department of Animal Science is "How do I keep horses warm during winter?" "I think a huge misconception is that grain keeps horses warm," she says, "but actually, forage keeps horses warmer compared to grain. Forages, when fermented during digestion, produce calories plus heat that warms horses from the inside out. Grains go through a different digestive process and don't produce as much heat." ...

## Lower Critical Temperature

A horse's LCT (lower critical temperature) is the temperature at which he needs additional feed to maintain his core body temperature .... LCT varies by horse according to the temperature range he's accustomed to, the length and thickness of hair coat, the amount of body fat he has, whether he's blanketed, and to what kind of shelter he has access....

"If a horse is shivering, if his hair is standing on end (called piloerection) instead of lying flat, or if he's seeking shelter from wind or precipitation, it's likely that his LCT has been reached," says Carey A. Williams, PhD, associate extension specialist at Rutgers University's Department of Animal Sciences... It's estimated that the average horse will need about 25% higher energy intake during the coldest winter months."

## Grain

Martinson says the vast majority of horses should get at least 75% of their energy from forage, whether hay or pasture, and the rest

can be supplemented with a grain product or with a ration balancer, which is a condensed vitamin and mineral supplement fed daily in small amounts to fill nutrient gaps....

If you decide to add grain to your horse's ration, Coleman recommends choosing one that's processed to increase nutrient availability. "Corn will benefit from processing ....Oats can be fed whole, as the starch is easily digested. ...And, when adding grain, be sure to gradually increase the ration over three to four weeks to ensure the horse adapts slowly."

### Supplements

"Supplementing a poor-quality hay diet with a multivitamin/mineral supplement specifically formulated for horses is a good idea during the winter months. However, there are no specific 'winter supplement' requirements, and products that claim such benefits are usually overpriced and not necessary.

### Water

It's vital that horses continue consuming sufficient water in winter. "Reduced water intake reduces feed intake, which reduces energy intake," says Coleman....Horses are known to avoid ice-cold water, so heating your horse's water will make it more palatable.... We know that horses will maximize their water consumption when the water temperature is between 45 and 65 degrees Fahrenheit, He also advises checking to be sure the electrical service is well-grounded so no stray voltage zaps your horse. And, he warns that heated water buckets can be fire hazards....

Because horses also aren't going to want to touch an ice-cold salt block, you can encourage drinking by sprinkling table salt over their feed instead.

The biggest myth he encounters is that horses can get their water requirements from eating snow. "This isn't a good plan for keeping horses," he says.

### Body Condition Score

The best indicator of whether your horse is getting enough nutrition to maintain

adequate body weight over the winter is his body condition score. Although this might be easy to judge visually when your horse has a slick summer hair coat, a shaggy winter coat will probably require hands-on assessment.

### Take-Home Message

Your horse's ability to maintain his weight and health over winter depends on factors such as his activity level, the region and climate, his metabolism rate, and feed quality.

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## Preserved Horse Found in Villa Outside Pompeii

By [Jason Daley](#)

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(Archaeological Park of Pompeii)

Archaeologists found ornamental pieces of a harness and saddle, suggesting the horse was ready to go at a moment's notice, when Mount Vesuvius erupted. Suffice it to say, the horse, which was waiting in a stable of a villa just outside the walls of the city of Pompeii, didn't make it. The BBC reports that archaeologists unearthed the horse's remains along with two others, including bits and pieces of its harness, during recent excavations.

The horses—as well as the city's inhabitants—didn't stand a chance when the sudden wave of hot ash and gas enveloped the area in 79 A.D.