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COMING SOON!!!

My Revelation Carriage Classic



*Longview
Horse Park*

July 13 & 14, 2019

SHOW SCHEDULE

Judge: Dave Remley

Saturday, July 13th (in the show oval)

8:00am. — Morning classes begin.

→ Turnout and Working Pleasure

1:00pm. — Afternoon classes begin.

→ Reinsmanship, Loula Long Combs Ladies Class, Timed Obstacles

New for 2019: Large & Small Pony Classes!

6:00pm. — Full Course Dinner, & Auction at the Pavilion. (Reservations required)

Sunday, July 14th (on the cones course)

8:00am. — Morning classes begin.

→ Scurry and Country Obstacles running concurrently in the Cones Arena and on the Country Obstacle Course

The Awards Ceremony will be held at the Bev Cathcard Pavilion 1 hour after the last entry completes the course.

Spectators are welcome!

No Admission!

More info at www.cdsgkc.org

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

Deadline: New submissions by 5th of month. Items received after deadline will receive priority the following month. Electronic submissions are welcome. editor@cdsgkc.org

CDSGKC 2019 Events of Interest		
June 28&30	<i>Skunk River Driving Trial</i> , Midwest Driving, Ames, IA. Judges: Tracey Morgan, Muffy Seaton TD: Wayne Kramer www.midwest-driving.com	Jada Neubauer 515-450-4820
July 13 & 14	4th Annual <i>My Revelation Carriage Classic</i> at Longview Horse Park. Judge Dave Remley (R) and Technical Delegate Lauren Reece (r). Prize list at cdsgkc.org	Linda Barta 816-805-4252
Aug. 2-4	<i>Carriage Association of America Learning Weekend</i> , Dallas, TX	https://www.caaonline.com/
Aug. 3-4	Eastern Iowa Carriage Glow, Delaware County Fairgrounds, Manchester, IA. CT on 8/3	Laurie Renda easterniowacarriageglow.com
Aug. 11, 11am	Gateway Harness Club Pleasure Drive, at Bridlespur Hunt Club, Eolia, MO	Rosie Ring GatewayHarnessClub@yahoo.com
Aug. 24&25	OHHA 2-day Combined Test at Payne County Fair Grounds, Stillwater, OK. Judge: Muffy Seaton	Hilda Wilkins hottruck95@gmail.com
Sept. 6-8	Villa Louis Carriage Classic, Prairie du Chien, WI Pleasure driving, Obstacles, Historic Site, Vendors	www.CarriageClassic.com 608-326-4436
Sept. 14-15	CDSGKC <i>Longview by the Lake Driving Trial</i> . Judge: Mary Anne Boyden TD: Wayne Kramer cdsgkc.org	Barbara Kirby 816-590-2982

New Rosters

All members who have paid their 2019 dues should have received current CDSGKC Membership Rosters via email. If you have not received yours contact the editor.

VOLUNTEERS WE NEED YOU

Mary Sawyer is coordinating MRCC volunteers again this year. There are a variety of positions open on both Saturday and Sunday. She's done a lot of calling already, but can't get to everyone so PLEASE CALL HER!

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F r o m o u r A r c h i v e s

In the September 2014 issue of the ADS publication "Wheelhorse" there was a column by noted four time USEF National Champion Pony Four-In-Hand Competitor and ADS "S" level Combined Driving Judge Boots Wright. She also served as Chef d'Equipe for the 2012 US Para Driving Team and judged our 2012 Longview CDE.

In this column called "Ask the Expert!" Boots answered a question about the best way to condition a young horse properly. Her answer included the reason why all good trainers tell us to use circles in our training.

Why Circles

By Boots Wright

Circles do several things. They teach balance as the pony has to figure out what to do with each leg. Ideally you want to have the inside hind leg ALWAYS tracking up under the belly. I tell folks that this is the equine version of sit-ups. Circles also strengthen the abdominal muscles, without which there will be no self-carriage. No self-carriage causes the dreaded falling-in and badly executed turns. Falling in also gets you on a post in the marathon and knocks down the inside ball in cones.

(more)

("Why Circles" continued)

You can do circles in several ways and teach other things whilst you are doing them. If you build a 20m circle of cones, a set at 12, 3, 6, and 9, you can drive thru all four, or alternate or use them for 180 degree turns. (Obviously you do these in either direction...) Then you can build a corner of the dressage ring (if you don't have room for the whole ring) and use the corner to do 20m, 10m and smaller circles. Spiraling in and then out is also a great exercise. Beware, spiraling out is very difficult to do correctly, see above reference to the inside hind leg.

Do Horses on Pasture During the Day Need Hay at Night?

Posted by Clair Thunes, PhD Jun 3, 2019

<https://thehorse.com/173592/do-horses-on-pasture-during-the-day-need-hay-at-night/>

Horses with grassy turnout graze all day, so they don't need extra forage when they're stalled at night, right? Not so fast, our nutritionist says. Here's why.

Horse Nutrition 101

However, another important consideration for any nutrition program is maintaining a healthy gastrointestinal tract. In their natural environment, horses are what we call trickle feeders, meaning they eat small amounts almost constantly over a 24-hour period. This method of eating is the basis on which their digestive tract has evolved. The horse's stomach empties fairly rapidly with liquid leaving the stomach within about 30 minutes and complete gastric emptying of a forage meal occurring within 24 hours.

Gastric Ulcer Risk

It sounds as though your horses are in at night without access to food for about 13 hours. Certainly, by the early hours of the morning most of the pasture consumed during their previous turnout will have left their stomachs. This increases their risk of developing **gastric ulcers**, because gastric acid is released constantly, whether or not

they're eating. A stomach with little to no food in it is less able to buffer stomach acid than a full one, and it lacks the well-developed forage barrier that otherwise floats on the stomach acid.

Rapid Consumption

Another point to consider: Horses that are turned out after a period of no pasture access might consume more grass in the initial hours post-turnout than they normally would. This could result in a couple of scenarios. First, they might be stimulated to consume more pasture than they actually need, because they're hungry when they first go out. Second it might mean that, having gorged in the morning, they consume grass at a slower rate as the day goes on. If this were the case, they might, in fact, have less forage in their stomach when you bring them in than you might think.

Fast Fixes

As long as it doesn't lead to weight issues, I like to keep forage in front of horses for as many hours of the day as possible. This is often a challenge, but this is where slow feeders are so valuable—they allow small amounts of forage to last far longer than when the same amount of hay is fed loose. Feeding a small slow-feeder-net of hay at night when you bring them in would reduce the number of hours standing without food. Another possible option would be to leave them out 24 hours a day and put **grazing muzzles** on them at night.

Why zebras have stripes


Scientists have long suspected that zebras evolved stripes to protect against biting flies—and now they may have proof. U.S. and U.K. researchers spent 16 hours watching how horseflies interacted with nine horses and three captive zebras. They found that while the flies circled or touched both types at similar rates, they landed on the zebras much less than on the horses.

A follow-up with three horses dressed in black, white and zebra striped coats again (more)

("Stripes" continued)

showed the flies avoiding the stripes. Close-up video showed the flies appeared to be dazzled or confused by the pattern, flying by or bumping into them. The researchers concluded that "This indicates that stripes may disrupt the flies ability to have a controlled landing."

Found on the CD-L

 *String fly nets are excellent for defeating horseflies. I have watched them buzz around and never land many times. The moving threads seem to confuse them. I got mine at Big Black Horse on line.*

String fly nets at Big Black Horse on line.

<https://bigblackhorse.com/product/horse-https://bigblackhorse.com/product/horse-string-fly-net/>

Old fashioned corded horse fly net. Durable nylon webbing and cord construction.

Designed to fit over a harness with adjustable fasteners to fit any style of harness.

Color: Black Cost: \$46 - \$49

Pony 40" Long, Horse 52" Long Draft Horse

Sometimes you can also find leather fly nets at farm sales, especially in Amish areas.

This picture was picked up by wire services after the tornado that went through areas around Kansas City late last month. Look closely in the middle of the photo and you can see the black horse that the owner said was picked up by the tornado and carried out of his pasture several hundred feet before being dumped in this ditch. Fortunately after being hoisted out of the hole he was OK.

