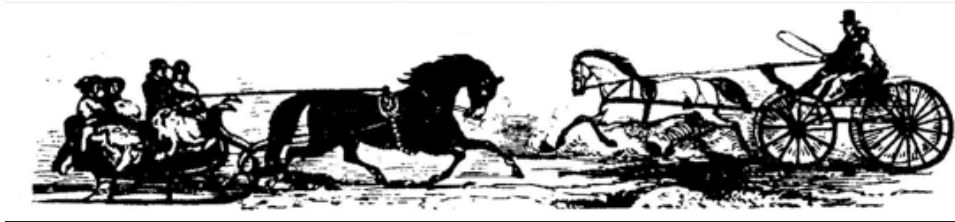


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CVCA Board Meetings are held monthly online – if you'd like a copy of the agenda or minutes, or if you'd like to log in to attend a meeting, contact any Board member for info. We'd love to see you at a meeting!

2024 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 18th 7:00 pm: Webinar: guest speaker, Merri Ferrell, Brewster & Co History of Carriage Production

February 22rd 7:00 pm: Webinar: guest speaker, Dr Stephanie Hon, Equine Anesthesia

March 23rd 11:30 am – 2 pm: General Membership Meeting dish to pass lunch and membership meeting with Program by Paul Buck – CAA Trip to The Royal Windsor Horse Show at Delphi Falls Fire Dept, Delphi Falls NY

April 27 – Lynne Dunn, Competitive Trail Driving; Conditioning, Training and Competing at Carol Ilacqua's, Manlius, NY

May 12th: 11th Annual Bruce Haak Memorial Drive, Chenango Valley State Park

May 17 – 19th: Tracey Morgan Clinic, Morrisville College Equine Rehabilitation Center

June 1 & 2: Cones/Obstacle/Hazards Clinic with Sarah Bates & Bruce Jones, Sheffield Farm, Ithaca

June 29 & 30: Finger Lakes National Forest Pleasure Drive, Hector, NY

July 13th: Lorenzo Driving Competition Work-Day & Summer Picnic

July 19 - 21: Lorenzo Driving Competition

August 15-18 Haflinger Classic at Twin Birch Farm Skaneateles, NY www.twinbirch.net

August 17th: Sheffield Farm Pleasure Drive and Fun Day, Ithaca

September 21th: Sadoff Davies Pleasure Drive, Nelson (rain date 9/22)

October 5th: Sears Family Homestead Pleasure Drive, Cazenovia (rain date 10/6)

November: Annual General Membership Meeting, Date and Location TBA

Upcoming Events
Kicking off 2024 with... a webinar featuring Merri Ferrell
Thursday January 18th 7pm

March Membership Meeting
March 23, 2024
11:30-2pm
Delphi Falls Fire Dept,
2260 Oran Delphi Road, Delphi Falls, NY 13104



All the Details Below

President's Letter

Happy 2024!

As I am writing this, Christmas is almost 2 weeks away! I will start by saying I hope you had a very Merry Christmas and wish you a happy and healthy and horsey 2024!

If you are like me each new year brings a sprinkling of both excitement and uncertainty. 2024 is no exception. Those who know me, know I am a planner, no sooner does one vacation end, I am on the internet looking what might we do for the next. Yes, we already have reservations made for early July!

2023 was a great year for CVCA, we welcomed several new members! While my favorite events will always be those we can attend in person, it sure is convenient to 'Zoom' in from the comforts of home in January and February! We are fortunate to have so many knowledgeable horsemen willing to share their knowledge with us. Topics included carriage collection, training, conditioning and rehabilitation. We had the opportunity to gain knowledge from professionals at clinics and other club events, enjoyed fun times with two and 4-legged friends at pleasure drives and mingled at a well-attended annual meeting. Congratulations to Jackie Gagen, the lucky winner of our raffle duffel overflowing with lots of amazing items! Many thanks to all those who planned, hosted and attended events!

The CVCA board has been planning of 2024 calendar and appreciate all the input and ideas from our membership. We can look forward to a year that includes a mix of educational and fun events. *There is still time to renew your membership for 2024, but don't delay, the form can be found in this newsletter.*

Our tentative 2024 calendar of events is found elsewhere in this issue as well as details on January and February events; starting with the January 18th webinar with Merri Ferrell. She is a wealth of information on early carriages and especially Brewster & Company! Make sure you have it on your calendar! You won't want to miss it!

Anyone interested in helping plan and carry out an upcoming event? Our board is very dedicated, but we could sure use a few extra hands and ideas are always welcome!

Looking forward to a fun year ahead, see you then!

In the meantime, hitch up and drive safely!

Judy



January Webinar with Merri Ferrell

We are in for a special treat on **January 18th at 7 pm** when CVCA welcomes Merri Ferrell as our speaker for an evening webinar. She is a carriage consultant for private collections and museums and specializes in history, management, conservation/preservation and exhibition development. Merri is one of the foremost authorities of Brewster & Company. She will be sharing with us a bit of history of Brewster & Co, carriages and carriage production

Merri Ferrell began her career at the Henry Morrison Flagler Museum in Palm Beach, Florida. She first worked with horse drawn vehicles as the curator of carriages at Maymont, the 105-acre estate of Maj. James Henry Dooley in Richmond, Virginia.

She was Curator of Carriages and the Carriage Reference Library at the Museums at Stony Brook (now the Long Island Museum) for twenty years during which time she initiated a groundbreaking conservation program for vehicles.

As an advocate for conservation and its importance to research, she has received numerous grants to conserve individual vehicles, create preservation storage for the Carriage Reference Library and artifact storage.

She received a Parsons Fellowship to study the work of ornamental painter, John Burgum. Regarding as a national expert on horse-drawn vehicles, she has published numerous articles and books on horse-drawing transportation history and consulted for museums and private collections.

She has lectured on carriage painting at Colonial Williamsburg for a Getty Museum Symposium, at MIT Media Lab on carriage design, and on exhibition design for horse-drawn vehicles at the International Transport Museums Annual Meeting in Lisbon, Portugal.

Her current projects include serving as a volunteer to catalog the Brewster & Company carriage designs at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. She currently manages a 443-acre horse farm on Long Island.

Join Zoom Meeting

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2023 CVCA Fall Brunch & Annual Membership Meeting

2023 was a wonderful year for CVCA! With all the right ingredients; new members, long-time, members, lots of great events along with a heaping serving both of fun and learning through workshops and seminars, clinics and pleasure drives along with some delicious meals! It all adds up to a splendid year that has folks coming back for more!

On November 11, 2023, the CVCA ended its 44th year with a gathering of 45 CVCA members and guests. The setting was The Lincklaen House in Cazenovia, NY. A historical landmark since 1835, The Lincklaen House was a stage coach stop in days gone by. The layout was slightly different with the Silent Auction taking place in the lobby, providing more room for members to mingle.

The event included lively bidding on such exciting Silent Auction items as a dozen of Gloria Waro's homemade sugar cookies, Debbie North's quilt squares, jewelry, prints and lots, lots more! It was a great place to kick-start your Christmas shopping! Many thanks to our members for their donations and to Lorraine Van Luven and Judy Sobczak for putting together a well-organized and highly competitive event that yielded \$850+ for our CVCA treasury.

The room was a buzz with laughter and chatting as members reconnected with old friends and made new while enjoying a delectable brunch prepared by The Lincklaen House staff!

President Judy Cary "reviewed" the past year with a slide show highlighting the year's events. The year included 2 well attended educational virtual events held January and February, in person events March - November including March & November member meetings, 2 clinics, a picnic and 3 pleasure drives.

The program continued with recognition of our CVCA charter members attending; Suzy Beyer, Kathy Pratt and Sue Voss. Also recognized were veterans in attendance as well as our hand-working CVCA board members.

The drawing for the 2023 raffle prize; a duffle with the CVCA logo was filled to overflowing. Jackie Gagen was the lucky winner! Congratulations Jackie!

New business highlights included the re-election of Gloria Waro and Kim and Jay Williams to our CVCA board. Tricia Anselm, Paul Buck, Judy Cary, Kathy Pratt, Donna Sharkey and Wendy Wells around out the CVCA board. Your board has been busy planning and carrying out events throughout year!

The tentative 2024 calendar of events was shared beginning with a virtual meeting with Merri Farrell on Brewster and Company and the history of carriage production in January, followed by a bevy of activities from workshops to membership meetings, clinics, pleasure drives and picnics. Be sure to keep up to date on the full details on all club events, in our newsletter, "The Driving Lines", as well as our club's website and Face Book page!

Cherry Valley Carriage Association presents Tracey Morgan CLINIC

May 17, 18 & 19, 2024



We are pleased to welcome back Tracey Morgan of Beallsville, MD. Tracey is a coach, trainer, international competitor and 'R' ADS judge. She was USEF National Pony Pair Champion every year from 2002- 2009 and 2015 USEF National Champion Single Pony, and competed in eventing and ridden dressage prior to her success in carriage driving.



Each lesson will last 45 minutes and will be tailored to the wishes of the participant. The clinic will be held at the Morrisville College Equine Rehabilitation Center. **If you're interested in reserving a spot, please let Judy Cary (hhep@citlink.net) know to reserve one or more spots! Tracey will be available for lessons geared toward driven or ridden dressage, obstacles, pleasure or combined driving.**

Plans are still being finalized, but now is the time to reserve your place and be a part of this event! Full details will be announced in the March issue in the meantime, we are busy planning and strategizing to ensure a safe and fun weekend!

So, mark your calendars and reserve your spot!

Announcements for upcoming CVCA events:

Submitted by: Judy Sobczak

EQUINE ANESTHESIA: CORNELL, We are open 24/7

CVCA members! Mark your calendar for Thursday February 22! An evening ZOOM lecture given by Dr. Stephanie Hon. Assistant Professor at Cornell University, in the Section of Anesthesia and Pain Management.



Dr Stephani Hon

This talk promises to be very informative. Learn all that is involved with placing horses under general anesthesia for surgical procedures. Also to be covered: local/regional blocks and a discussion about when and why different forms/types of anesthesia are chosen. If you have ever wondered what an induction stall or a recovery box looks like, this talk will show “behind the scenes” views of the induction, surgery and recovery areas. Zoom information and time will be listed in an upcoming president’s message with the weekly CAA e-newsletter.

CONES and OBSTACLE CLINIC 2024:

CVCA members! Another event to mark on your calendars! Due to popular demand, the cones clinic from 2023 will be returning for 2024! Since the clinic was such a success last year, it was decided to organize/plan a 2024 version. The plan (and the hope) is to have a 2 day clinic this year. Though details and pricing have yet to be finalized, day 1 will be working on skills, strategy and driving both a cones course and working through some obstacles. Day 2: a fun and low key “competition” putting into action the skills learned and practiced the day prior. Our clinicians from 2023, Sarah Reitz and Bruce Jones are looking forward to returning to Sheffield Farm in 2024 to share their skill, talent and knowledge with clinic participants. Be sure to check out the March issue of “The Driving Lines” to find all necessary info about this clinic! ****Update on our clinician: Sarah, in 2023 became the first and only driver, (to date) to win both ADS and FEI championships at the Intermediate level for Combined Driving in the same year.****

2024 CARRIAGE DRIVING EVENTS:

With so many carriage driving events happening throughout the year, once again I'm planning to create a comprehensive list of driving events sponsored by NYS and surrounding states carriage driving clubs. This list will be updated as I learn of additional events. The following are the events that I've currently been made aware of. I'm asking any CVCA member if/when you become aware of a driving event that needs to be included in this list, please email me at: Judy.carriagedriver1@gmail.com. *Please note my updated and current email address*.

Saratoga Driving Association: (www.saratogadriving.com)

Feb. 17 Get Ready for Spring Conference

June 8/9 Pleasure driving show Schaticoke Fairgrounds

Barneveld Horsemans Association: (www.bhahorse.com)

July 7 Pleasure driving show

Lorenzo Driving Competition: (www.lorenzodriving.org)

July 19-21

The Classic at Twin Birch: (www.twinbirch.net)

August 15-18

Orleton Farm Driving Competition: (www.colonialcarriage.org)

August 8-11

Northampton Driving Society: (www.northamptondrivingsociety.org)

June 23 Pleasure driving show. Silver Shoe Farm

Genesee Valley Riding and Driving Club: (www.gvrdc.org)

Sept 7/8 CT/Continuous Drive

Western New York Combined Carriage Association: (www.wnycca.org)

May 25 Spring CT/Continuous drive

July 26-28 Avon Driving Park Pleasure driving show

Sept. 14 Fall CT/Continuous drive

Oct. 13 Fall Trail Challenge

ECHO's

May 26, June 16, Aug 18, Sept 15, Oct 27

Out and About

CVCA Members Make National Publications

How exciting to open the Fall issues of both the CAA publication, *The Carriage Journal* and the ADS publication, *The Whip* and see CVCA members featured in photos and in writing!!!

Articles on the Lorenzo Driving Competition included photos of CVCA members **Steve Simon** and his Canadian, Bailey and **Sheila Mueller** and pony, Suzi appeared in the Fall issue of *The Carriage Journal* and pictures of **Jack Harris** and his mini, Little Jack and **Debbie North** and her beloved Haflinger, Toby appeared in *The Whip*. **Joanne Schoonmaker** and her Morgan, Eve also received a shout out in *The Whip* for the best time in the Pleasure Drive-Pace finishing just one second off the ideal time!



Photo credits to Bruce Jones.

Out and About

CORRECTION from Avon Park Pleasure Driving show:
At the 2nd annual Avon Driving Park pleasure driving show in 2023, many CVCA members participated and volunteered. In writing my article about this show, listing the CVCA members that competed, I forgot to mention a CVCA member whose pony competed, shown by someone else. Bobbi Beckhorn's Welsh pony: Sugarwood Like An Imagine, shown by Sarah Reitz, was named champion in the Utility division. Congrats Bobbi and Mouse! My apologies to Bobbi, for this omission.

CVCA MEMBERS PARTICIPATE IN ECHO's

Besides pleasure drives, driving clinics, and pleasure shows, the summer of 2023 saw a few CVCA members also participating in ECHO competitions. ECHO sounds for: Equine Cones Hazards and Obstacles. These events have been sponsored by and put on by our driving club friends to the west of the CVCA membership region: WNYCCA. Which stands for: Western New York Combined Carriage Association. There are some CVCA members that are also members of this club. ECHOs are great fun. Relaxed, low key atmosphere: no requirement to wear "fancy" show clothes. As long as your harness and vehicle are safe, there is no need to spit clean and polish the leather and metal! Yay! Bathing of your horse and pony isn't a requirement either!

The following CVCA members competed at ECHO's during the summer of 2023: Joanne Frechette, Teresa Jackson, Deb North and Judy Sobczak. Also, Sue Sheffer and Lisa Teichert have been grooms and spectators at ECHOs this summer. CVCA members, why not add to your 2024 competition schedule an ECHO or two? They are great fun, with a low key environment! Check out the 2024 ECHO dates in the Driving Events list in this and subsequent CVCA newsletters.

2024 MEMBERSHIP FORM

Membership runs December 1 to November 30



Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Please note!

If you do not want your address or contact info listed in the membership directory, please indicate that on this form below in "Contact Info Restriction."

Thanks!

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A Note From the Editor

In order to clear up matters ALL newsletter submissions will be

Due the 25th of the month preceding issue

(Reminder emails the week before due date are usually sent, but not guaranteed.)

please send submissions to CVCAEditor@gmail.com

I aim to have the newsletter out within the **1st few days of issue month**. Also a reminder issues are NOT sent the monthly only the months of

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