

Cherry Valley Carriage Assoc.



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CVCA Presents:

POKER RUN

at

COACH STOP FARMS

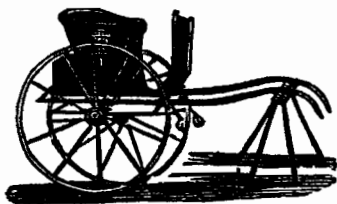
Morrisville, NY

July 22nd, 2006 11am—4pm

(Rain [or snow] Date: July 23rd)

Lisa & John Bosworth 315-684-9229

[Www.CoachStopFarms.com](http://www.CoachStopFarms.com)



Okay, we're going to try again . . . Hopefully we won't get snow this time!!!!

For those of you who weren't able to make the Poker Run last year, hopefully you can come this year — it was a lot of fun. Game explained when you arrive. Grill will be available, bring a dish to pass, your own meat to grill and a lawn chair. . . beverages will be provided.

MOST IMPORTANTLY, RSVP to Lisa so she can get in touch with you if there are any changes.

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!!

DIRECTIONS to Coach Stop Farms:

From Cazenovia: Take Rt 20 EAST, go approx. 3 miles East of Nelson and turn RIGHT on Willowvale Rd. (south) and proceed to Old State Rd. Turn LEFT — Old State turns into Hughes Rd. and proceed about 1 1/2 miles to Coach Stop Farm, on right.

From Morrisville: Take Rt. 20 WEST, go approx. 3 miles and turn LEFT on Willowvale. . . The rest is the same.



HITCHING UP



Hitch up with someone who has what you need: Horses, carriages or equipment.

(No commercial ads, please)

Send info to: **Vicki Fleming**, 3618 Pompey Center Rd., Manlius, NY 13104

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Next Newsletter Deadline is August 15th, 2006

WANTED: To lease through 11/1/06 (with or without possible option to buy), seasoned, quiet, sound trail horse with no vices and comfortable gaits, for mature, experienced 5'1" horseperson. 12 x 14 boxstalls, daily turnout, excellent care, private, mowed trails. 1 hr. rides 4—6 times per week. English or western okay. Call 315-638-4868 Sharon Slate

FOR SALE: Meadowbrook Cart for a large pony or small horse, three sets of shafts included. \$925 (315)662-7231 Bari Wroblewski

A Letter from the PRESIDENT~

Hi Members,

Well, we are into full swing with our summer activities. Between shows and drives, we could be going every weekend!

I want to thank **Gene and Mary Smith** for their hospitality during our Muffy Seaton clinic. They provided for all of Muffy and Deb's "creature comforts" as well as keeping the ring in good order and keeping parking organized. Thank you ever so much.

This brings me to a subject that has come to my attention. As CVCA members, we must remember when one of us volunteers their property for an event, it is of utmost importance to abide by any restrictions they put on its use. It is their property and unless we are willing to come back and repair any damage that has been done (ruts, etc.), we should respect their requests. They are the ones who would know of any unsafe conditions that may exist.

Hopefully I will see many of you at Lorenzo or at the Poker Run at Lisa's.

Enjoy and drive with care,

Jeanne Fero

CVCA President

We need some new, updated photos for our website! If you have some that you'd like put in, send to **Vicki Fleming**, 3618 Pompey Center Rd. Manlius, NY 13104. If you want your pics returned, include a self-addressed, stamped envelope and I will get them back to you! Thanks!

Fun Day in May at Coach Stop Farms

In case anyone has forgotten, Mother Nature always has the last word as was clearly demonstrated on May 21st. Unfortunately, the only thing fun about our proposed Fun Day was the variations of different kinds of weather that can happen in ONE DAY in our beloved Central New York. The donuts were here, the coffee was brewing and we called the event off due to unsettled and unpredictable weather!

THANKS to all who RSVP'd! I was able to fend them off. My most sincere apologies to Tom and JoAnne Feschette who made the trek all the way up here only to turn around. They had given me a verbal RSVP at our board meeting and I failed to keep them in the loop. Please forgive me . . . it was a senior moment!

No one was more disappointed that we were to have to call off Fun Day. John and I had spent weeks prepping the trails, drawing maps and measuring distances. I know that CDE competitions are held regardless of weather, but please keep in mind that it would take a lot to go back and fix the damage done to trails and fields. And let's not forget about the element of safety that comes into play.

We are hoping that our next event scheduled at Coach Stop Farms will make up for the one we missed. It is Saturday, July 22nd with a rain (or SNOW ☺) date of July 23rd. We are open to ideas to supplement the Poker Run so give me a shout if you come up with any. Help is always welcome, directions and website are on the front of the newsletter. PLEASE RSVP (315.684.9229) and SPEAK SLOWLY...*(old machine, it has senior moments too, you know)*. Don't forget to bring a chair and a dish to pass, and mostly, bring a smile and be of good cheer!

'Til then, Happy Trails!

Lisa Bosworth,

CVCA Vice President



2006 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

(CVCA events in bold)

- JULY 15 & 16 **Lorenzo Driving Competition**
JULY 22 **CVCA Pleasure Drive at Coach Stop Farms**
JULY 29-30 **East Aurora Driving Competition** East Aurora, NY Lizodonnelleads@aol.com 716-380-5724
or Jean Benz 716-652-1062
AUG. 16~20 **Walnut Hill Driving Competition**
SEPT. 23 **CVCA Sadoff Drive (Rain Date is the 24th)**
SEPT. 10 **Barneveld Horse Association Fall Driving Show (Contact: Betty Jones 315-896-2463)**
SEPT. 17 **Genesee Valley Pleasure Driving Show, Roots Tavern Road, Geneseo, NY 585-243-4324**
OCT. 14 **The CVCA Chenango Forks Pleasure Drive, at Chenango Valley State Park, NY**
NOV 9~12 **Equine Affaire Eastern States Exposition, W. Springfield, MA www.equineaffaire.com**
NOV. 11 **CVCA 27th Annual Dinner Meeting @ Dibble's Inn, Vernon, NY**
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CVCA Hosts 2nd MUFFY SEATON CLINIC

I am beginning to think that we have a curse on all our events this year as, once again, the weekend was cold and rainy. But that was about the only thing that could have possibly dampened our spirits as I believe that, despite the weather, a good time was had by all that attended this clinic.

Muffy, as usual, was relaxed, friendly and down to earth while she guided every horse and driver through the various exercises and skills needed to bend our horses and keep us in a constant balanced state of communication. Much kudos to: **Laura Fassett and Heather Hardke, Dirk Young, and Liz Case, Joanne and Tom Frechette** (who I thank for being so flexible with their time), **Tiny and Jeff Rubinstein, Dave Smart, Kate Gubbins, Gene Smith, Hannah Strack, Sylvia Van Duesan and Judy Bennett, Leigh Semiloff, Jane Godlewski and Jen**

Schmidt, Susan McLellan and Carol Gutliph and Judy Sears for bringing their horses and ponies to this event. While we did not have a lot of auditors, **Ellen Marsh, Joanna Clark, Marie McCrea, Bernard Hart and Alice French** braved the weather to watch, learn and cheer everyone on (and help add body heat to the arena!). A special thanks to those club members who came out to help us in keeping the weekend running as smoothly as possible: **Carol Buckout, Molly Pew, Lisa Bosworth, Susie Lucas and Bev Muthig**. (If I have forgotten anyone, please forgive me but chalk it up to the fact that my brain is still numb from the cold!)

Muffy has many years of equine experience from riding, hunting, driving, training, showing (nationally and internationally) and running her own farm and brings all of this insight into her instruction. After spending three days with her, I feel that I have gained some solid knowledge that will help me enhance my driving relationship with my horse. Muffy's

friendly, relaxed attitude (with both driver and horse) made learning from her a unique event (Yes, you CAN keep contact with your inside rein while you half halt with the outside one!). For those of you who have not had the opportunity to watch and learn from Muffy, I would recommend you do so when the opportunity arises (she will be at **Dirk and Karen Young's** farm for a clinic and show in August – call them for details (315)784-5840). Also, we have her tapes and book in our library, so if you have not viewed them, contact **Tom Frechette** to learn how to borrow them. Too, she is thinking about doing several week long driving camps at her farm in South Carolina (perhaps in November and February), so look for the details in *The Whip*.

"Kudos to **Jeanne Fero** for all the pre-event preparation she did for me -- organizing all the attendees, putting together the paperwork, introducing me to the Smith's, and all the other numerous last minute details! I could not have done

it without you (*No, I am NOT jealous you had sunshine the whole time you were in Texas!*)!....." Last, but most certainly not least, I want to give my heartfelt THANK YOU to **Gene and Mary Smith** for hosting this year's event. All of us who were there are eternally grateful for the fact that we had use of that big, new arena to drive (and stay out of the rain) in. Too, Mary and Gene were very gracious hosts, opening their home to Muffy and I for the weekend providing us with bed, food and wonderful company for the weekend. How much easier you made the weekend for me!

The Board would appreciate any feedback from those of you who attended if there is anything we I could have done to make this event better or easier. Again, thanks to everyone for being there!

Respectfully submitted,

Debby Truex

CVCA Secretary

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and restoring horse-drawn vehicles.

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