



January 2017

BRASS OAK DRIVING SOCIETY

BODS 2016 CHRISTMAS PARTY

Capping the end of 2016, club members and guests enjoyed their Christmas Party at the Paso Robles Golf Club on Sunday, December 18th. The banquet room was beautifully decorated and the food was fantastic.

Our President, Lilla, had been looking forward to attending with her husband but she came down with a bad cold and couldn't make it. She did send her written review

of the year's activities, which was read by Gloria. Lilla and other members expressed their sincere thanks to Linda Fairbanks, Organizer of the Dressage Festival, with a beautiful camellia plant. Appreciation was extended to all of the volunteers who were indispensable at this event also.

We enjoyed the fun and useful gifts at the white elephant gift exchange with a little 'trading' of some items.

Thank you all for attending and I hope everyone had a great time.

Gloria Walter



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Club dues are due!

Please see the membership page for info

Christmas Carriage Rides

I was so excited to bring my car top surrey out for rides at the Parkfield 4-H Christmas party at the beginning of December. I'd been planning for it since I bought it back in May! The rain actually held off to get it decorated and Jacopo was fairly mud free for grooming. I gave rides around the block in Parkfield (yes, there is only one block) for about an hour and everyone enjoyed the ride. As it happened there was a motorcycle toy run to Parkfield that day but we weren't on the road at the same time and the bikers enjoyed seeing us go around as they



prepared to leave. They commented that it looked like I was having too much fun because of the smile that I had every pass. My comment was that I would do it everyday if I could.

Jacopo was super good and very quickly learned where our loading and unloading spot was. He would come to an abrupt stop at the spot that I stopped for the first loading!

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A few days after Christmas, I was able to bring the carriage out again to give rides to some friends and family who came for the day. I did put the top up (my dad thinks that's what makes it special!) but didn't have the time to redecorate.

This time we went up and down the road, from my house, and everyone was impressed at how smooth it rode and how quiet it was. The day was perfect for driving and sharing my love for the carriage and horse with my family.

Here's hoping to share more in 2017!

Lilla



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Presents: A CONTINUOUS DRIVE

AT FRESNO HORSE PARK

FEBURARY 25-26, 2017

Organizer: Phyllis Rumley

Secretary: Kathy LaChaine

Judge: TBA

The continuous Drive is designed to have fun. Saturday morning the fun begins with a 2 or 3K Marathon, followed by a Dressage test followed by another 2 to 3K marathon followed by Timed Cones Course. Each Marathon will have 2 or more obstacles on course. The whole drive will take about an hour.

The day is divided into two parts: you drive for one part, and then volunteer for the other part. Then just for fun, you get to do the whole thing over the next day! In between time, you can hang with all your driving friends or drive on your own.

Come and have fun, practice, and test your skills.

Awards and prizes will be given out.

This is going to be the event to start off the 2017 year -- don't miss it! We will have some fun, and of course it will rain, but it always rains at RAM TAP. Even if it doesn't rain we will have water obstacles that make mud and fun.

For more information:

Call Phyllis Rumley 559-515-6129 or email prumley1066@att.net

Or Kathy LaChaine 805-703-0743 or email klachaine@charter.net

Class listings and entry on CVHA website soon.

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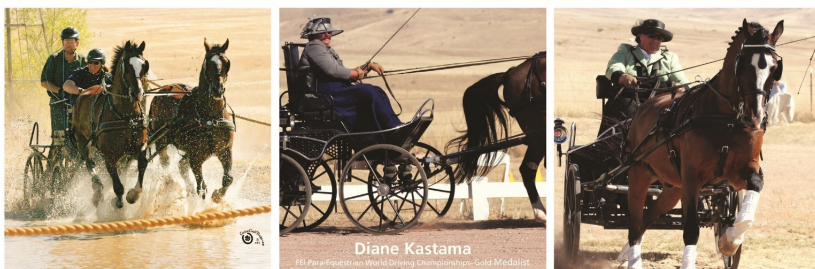
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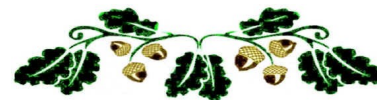
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS – BODS – 2016



(Needed: organizers and co-organizers at events).

Jan21-22 Clinic with David Ventura at Ann's

About Brass Oak Driving Society

The Brass Oak Driving Society exists to encourage, educate and inspire its members in the world of carriage driving. We recognize that every member has different goals, and we are committed to providing opportunities for every member to participate, learn and grow in a safe, friendly and fun way.



Brass Oak Driving Society Membership Form

Yes, I/we want to join the Brass Oak Driving Society. Memberships are for one year beginning January 1st and ending December 31st. New subscriptions or renewals paid after November 1st will apply to the following year. No refunds on membership. Make check payable to BRASS OAK DRIVING SOCIETY.

Please mail to:

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\$50 quarter page ad

\$75 half page ad

Driving Events around the region:

Feb 11 Sweetheart ADT, Hesperia www.whiprsnappers.com

Feb 25-26 Continuous Drive RAM TAP contact Phyllis Rumley or CVHA

March 11-12 Festival of Driving—Arizona Driving & Carriage Society

contact Marcia Fetherston <marciafetherston@gmail.com>

www.arizonacarriage.org

June 3-4 – Pleasure Days, Lakeview Terrace, CA www.whiprsnappers.com

Pacific Region ADS calendar: http://www.americandrivingsociety.org/regn_pacific.asp

Next meeting:

Wednesday, Jan 18th

At IHOP in SLO

6pm no host dinner, 7pm meeting

we will discuss paying an outside bookkeeper to handle our Treasurer's duties. Your input is welcome.