

THE RHODE ISLAND DRIVING CLUB, INC

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Past Meeting: The September meeting of the RIDC, scheduled at Goddard Memorial State Park in Warwick, RI on September 13th at 1:00 PM was cancelled due to a lack of a quorum. The State of Rhode Island mandates that if there is no quorum provision in the by-laws that a quorum consists of 10% of the membership. The RIDC needs to have 8 members present to conduct business. Four members and one guest did enjoy the park and a lovely, social lunch.

Next Meeting: The next meeting of the RIDC will held on October 10th at 7:00 PM, business meeting at 7:30 PM at the home of Alison MacLeod, 2663 West Street, Wrentham, MA. Please RSVP if you plan to attend (508) 883-8949, asmacleod@comcast.net. Please bring a potluck dish. Alison has recently had her appendix removed, but is looking forward to hosting the October meeting.

The paperwork applying to the IRS for 501(c)7 status for the RIDC has been sent to the IRS. The club has received a letter stating the IRS has received our paperwork and it is in the review process. This process may take several months. Hopefully all will go well and the RIDC will be approved.

It is hoped that in 2009 we can hold have some sort of driving activity each month. If there is something you would particularly like to do or a place you would like to go please let the club know. Also, members are needed to host meeting, drives, etc. We are also looking for someone interested in becoming the newsletter editor. If you would like to volunteer for this position, contact Dottie Billington.

RIDC dues for 2009 will be due soon. A renewal form will be mailed in the next newsletter.

Calendar of Upcoming Events

October

5 Akers Acres Horse Driving Trial, Valatie, NY

Contact: Barbara Akers or Saratoga Driving Assoc. (518) 755-3607

5 CT Valley Driving Club Ride/Drive Pace at Lord Creek Estate, Lyme, CT

Contact: <http://www.cvdrivingclub.com>

10 7:00 RIDC General Meeting, Business Meeting 7:30, Wrentham, MA

11 - 12 Tunbridge Vermont HDT, Tunbridge Fairgrounds, Tunbridge, VT

Contact: <http://www.hooved.org>

11 - 13 Berkshire Coaching Weekend <http://berkshirecoachingweekend.com>

14 7:30 Rhode Island Federation of Riding Clubs meeting, West Greenwich Town Hall, West Greenwich, RI

MCDS and RIDC Halloween Fun Drive Celtic Cross Farm in Dudley, MA Saturday October 25th, 10:00 AM



Bring a dish to share for lunch at 12:30 PM

We will be running a Poker Drive as part of the fun.

Baskets of goodies will be the prize for the best hand in each club.

We are also planning to run an informal cones course.

For more info call Mug Tomany at 860-923-3302

November

11 7:30 Rhode Island Federation of Riding Clubs meeting, West Greenwich Town Hall, West Greenwich, RI

15 (16, rain date) 10:00 AM Goddard Park Recreational Drive

1:00 RIDC General Meeting, BYO lunch and appointment of nominating committee for 2009 officers. If you are interested in either being on the nominating committee or being an officer for 2009, please attend this meeting or contact Dottie Billington (401) 647-2262

December

12 7:00 RIDC General Meeting, 7:30, Wrentham, MA Contact & RSVP: Cat Luce (508) 384-5190
Election of 2009 Officers

January 2009

10 Christmas Party - Details TBA

February

14 Saturday 10:00 Brunch RIDC General Meeting and Planning Meeting for 2009 Events
Details TBA at a later date.

September

5 - 6 Rhode Island Carriage Days Pleasure Driving Show

13 - ? There has been some discussion about taking a trip to Acadia National Park in Maine this month. Members would be responsible for making their own stabling and motel reservations.