



The Florida Whips

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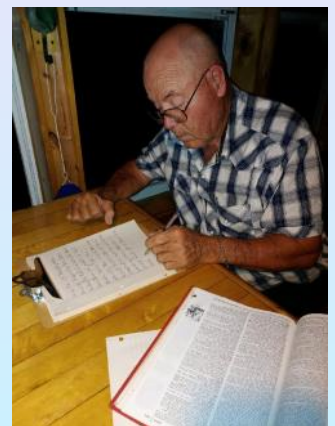
I guess Elvis said it best, "Why can't everyday be like Christmas?" As a group we get a long pretty damn good 95% of the time, but even puppies and kittens have spats and squabbles once in a while. As a whole you have all been stepped on, knocked to the ground, pulled away from, bitten, bucked off, run away with, visited your doctor or an emergency room or had a hospital stay because of a horse, but yet we keep coming back to forgive them because we are the ones that put them in an environment that made them react to fear or pain. I think they have us pretty well trained seeing as we pick up after them and feed them 365 days a year regardless of the weather. Part of our relationship sounds like a bad marriage, but 90% of the time it is pure bliss considering our motivation comes from that stupid little nicker coming from the barn as we approach or that promise of a good time from those big soft brown eyes.

So, keep your hands on the manure fork as you try to explain to family and friends why you can't "hang out."

As I've said to you before, "Don't change a damn thing!"

Keep your traces tight and always have fun!

Bob



The Southern Drive at the Grand Oaks resort will be the location of The Florida Whips Carriage Driving Club's annual meeting! It will be held in the West Gallery Conference Room at 2:00 PM on Saturday, May 13th.

Hope to see everyone there!

**SOUTHERN DRIVE
AT THE GRAND OAKS
2023 Schedule**

FRIDAY, MAY 12		
8:00 - 4:00	Check In at Show Office	
All Day	* Drive at Will on Property: Trails, open obstacles (helmets required), cones and dressage rings * Private Lessons: Contact Individual Clinicians to Schedule Lessons*	
All Day	Set up "For Sale" item tables	
11:00	Bistro Open	
1:00	CRAZY CONES	Racetrack Arena
4:00	DERBY CROSS - (2 Obstacles in Racetrack area with water crossing) Training Level - no water	Racetrack Area
6:00	Pizza & Salad - Silent Auction items on display, Awards & "For Sale" items available Discussion with Clinicians	East Gallery
SATURDAY, MAY 13		
8:00 - 4:00	Check In Office Open until 10:00 AM - After contact Kacy 352-409-1398.	
All Day	* Drive at Will on Property: Trails, open obstacles (helmets required), cones and dressage rings * Private Lessons: Contact Individual Clinicians to Schedule Lessons*	
10:00-12:00	SCRABBLE CONES You will have 2-1/2 minutes to drive through the lettered cones to spell as many words as you can.	Racetrack Arena
11:00	Bistro Open	
2:00	Florida Whips Meeting	West Gallery
2:00	The RV Clubhouse Pool is available for anyone not attending the meeting.	
6:00	Burgers in the East Gallery Silent Auction & Awards Discussions with Clinicians	East Gallery
SUNDAY, MAY 14		
All Day	* Drive at Will on Property: Trails, open obstacles (helmets required), cones and dressage rings * Private Lessons: Contact Individual Clinicians to Schedule Lessons*	
10:00 -2:00	Bistro Open	
9:00 -10:00	Cowboy Church in the Chapel	
10:00 - 12:00	SAFARI DRIVE See if you can find all the animals hiding on the farm.	In Front of Villas



FLORIDA WHIPS ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Open to ALL current Florida Whips Members—Refreshments will be served

Saturday · May 13th, 2023 at 2:00 PM

The Grand Oaks Resort: 3000 Marion County Road, Weirsdale, FL 32195

Florida Whips Board of Directors	Position	Officer	Term Ends
	President	Bob Giles	2024
	Vice President	Lauren Reece	2024
	Treasurer	Beth Rieselmann	2023
	Secretary	Janet Carswell	2023
	Membership	Gail Thomas	2024
	Youth	Kami Landy , Karen Cherry	2023
	North FL Dir.	Janet Crumpton	2024
	South FL Dir.	Anne Raisner	2023
	Newsletter	Delight Craddock	2023
	Website	Veronica Close	
	Member Awards	Denice Klinger	
	Marketing	OPEN	
	Education	OPEN	

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| 2:00—2:10 PM | <p>1. Welcome and Opening Statements</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">The Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call of Board Members
Vote to Approve Agenda</p> |
| 2:10—2:15 PM | <p>2. Approval of Previous Minutes</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Reading of Previous Minutes
Vote to Approve Previous Minutes</p> |
| 2:15—2:30 PM | <p>3. Officer Reports</p> |
| 2:30—3:00 PM | <p>4. Election of Officers</p> <p style="text-align: center; color: red;">Open Positions listed above in RED</p> |
| 3:00—3:15 PM | <p>5. Reports from the Chairs</p> |
| 3:15—3:45 PM | <p>6. New Business Open Discussion</p> |
| 3:45 PM | <p>7. Adjourn</p> |
| 3:45—4:00 PM | <p>8. Membership Renewals Accepted</p> |

****Agenda subject to change as no official agenda has been provided at this time.**

Would you like to see your photo in the 2024 Florida Whips Calendar?

Enter the 2023 Florida Whips Photo Contest!



2022 Photo Contest Winner – Nancy Lenaerts and Toffee

The Top 12 Entries will be featured in next year's calendar!

Contest Rules:

- Email photos in a high-resolution digital format to sandyacresranch@gmail.com
- Entries must have the consent of everyone associated with the photo.
This includes the photographer, all human subjects, as well as the owner of all non-human subjects.
- You must be a current Florida Whips Member to participate.
- Subject Matter of the Photo must be Equine Driving.
- Photos must be **received no later than April 14th, 2023.**
- Photos will be posted on the Florida Whips Facebook Page on April 15th, 2023.
- Votes must be submitted via email and received no later than April 30th, 2023.
- Winners will be announced at the Southern Drive Annual Membership Meeting.

Please note:

Photos taken with your phone are acceptable as long as you send the original photo file stored on your phone. Please do not copy the photo from Facebook because Facebook automatically reduces the resolution of photos prior to posting. If your phone asks you which size file you would like to send, please choose the largest available file. Reducing the resolution of your photos makes them blurry when printed.

2023 Florida Whips Driving Photo Contest

Name of Florida Whips member submitting the Photo _____

Date the photo was taken _____

Name of photographer _____

Has the photographer granted permission to use this photo? YES / NO

Name of all humans featured in photo _____

Has the above granted permission to use this Photo? YES / NO

Name of ALL Equines featured in photo _____

Owner of Featured Equines _____

Has the above granted permission to use this Photo? YES / NO

Name of any Non-Human / Non-Equines in Photo _____

Owner of above _____

Has the above granted permission to use this Photo? YES / NO

Where was the Photo taken (Location and Event name - *if applicable*)?

Photo Contest!

SOME LIKE IT HOT

Black Prong Summer Carriage Driving Series

APRIL 29 · JUNE 7 · JULY 5 · AUGUST 5 · SEPTEMBER 16

Enjoy fun driving events in the morning and an afternoon dip in the pool!

ALL ENTRIES COME WITH A DAYCATION POOL PASS



Walk/Trot & Walk/Trot/Canter Divisions
Complete all five driving events to
compete for the prizes at the
end of the series!

Organizer: Janet Carswell

(912)266-2629 · lboy4change@gmail.com

Location: Black Prong Equestrian Village



MORE INFO
COMING SOON!



SOME LIKE IT HOT!



April 29, 2023 First Show of the Series!

OWNER/DRIVER: _____

PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

ADDRESS: _____

NAVIGATOR: _____

NAVIGATOR PHONE: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT: _____

PHONE: _____

HORSE/PONY NAME(S) _____

CARRIAGE TYPE/MODEL: _____

WHEEL WIDTH: _____ cms

DIVISION: WALK/TROT OR WALK/TROT/CANTER: to qualify for prizes at the end of the series you must complete all 5 shows in the same division you start in.

\$85.00 entry fee

Make checks payable to Black Prong Equestrian Village

\$10.00 office fee

\$26.75 optional stall fee

Mail entry with coggins and flu/rhino vaccine to:

\$7.49 per bag shavings

Black Prong Equestrian Village

Total Due: _____

450 SE CR 337

Bronson, FL 32621

(352)-486-1234

* if your stall is not stripped when you leave there will be a \$50.00 cleaning fee charged to your CC on file with Black Prong

Signature on back



This form must be signed by every competition participant or if a minor, their consenting parent, including each person who rides with a driver on a carriage not only during the actual competition but including any time from arrival at the competition to departure.

I understand and agree that neither Black Prong Equestrian Village and its officers, directors, the driving event competition ("Competition"), Competition judges, officials, workers, 1Boy4Change, volunteers or organizing committee nor the property owners accept or shall have any responsibility of any nature whatsoever for accidents, damage, injury or illness to the horses, owners, riders, drivers, groomers, passengers, attendants, spectators or any other person or property in connection with this competition. I hereby expressly agree without any limitation or condition for myself and my principals, representatives, employees, agents and assigns: (1) to be bound by the rules and bylaws of any local rules of this Competition; (2) that every horse, driver, attendant, groom and/or passenger is eligible as entered; and (3) to accept as final any decision of the Competition officials on any question arising under any local rules of this Competition. I also agree, without any limitation or condition, to hold Black Prong Equestrian Village, its officers, directors, employees and agents, and Competition judges, officials, 1Boy4Change, and organizing committee, harmless from any and all liability, loss, claims or actions, causes of action, judgments or demands of any nature whatsoever.

I am fully aware and appreciate that equine sports, including driving in this particular Competition involve inherent dangerous risk of serious injury or death. By participating I do so voluntarily and expressly assume any and all risks of injury to me or loss of my horse(s) or equipment. I agree to release and voluntarily waive the right to sue Black Prong Equestrian Village, its officers, directors, employees, and agents, Competition judges, personnel, 1Boy4Change, volunteers, officials, and organizing committee, including their agents and employees from and against all claims for damages, including money damages, for any action taken or otherwise their harm caused by me or my horse to others, including whether arising from directly or indirectly from the negligence of the Competition.

I agree to indemnify and hold harmless Black Prong Equestrian Village, its officers, directors, employees, clinicians, members, volunteers, coaches, representatives, assigns, Competition judges, officials, 1Boy4Change, and organizing committee, their agents and employees from any and all claims for loss or injury caused by me or my horse that occur during or in conjunction with this Competition. I also agree that as a condition of and in consideration of acceptance of entry, Black Prong Equestrian Village and/or this Competition may use or assign photographs, videos, audios, cablecasts, broadcasts, internet, film, new media or other likenesses of me and my horse taken during the course of this Competition for the promotion, coverage or benefit of the Competition.

BY SIGNING BELOW, I AGREE to be bound by all applicable local rules and all the terms and conditions of this agreement.

Signature: _____ Printed name: _____ Date: _____

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The Florida Whips has earned the designation of American Driving Society Blue Ribbon Club!!

The purpose of this award is to recognize clubs that have met the membership requirements of greater than

75% of the local members or at least 75 members with dual membership in the local club(the Florida

Whips) and the American Driving Society. The benefits of Blue Ribbon Club designation include:

- Free ADS Club Membership for the following year
- Use of the Blue Ribbon Club logo for your club publications and activities
- Special coverage featuring your club and activities in The Whip
- Blue Ribbon designation in the Regions section of the ADS Website
- One copy of the current year ADS Rulebook
- A package of digital educational seminars on driving, horsemanship, sportsmanship and animal care for Blue Ribbon Clubs to show at club events.

Congratulations to all Florida Whips members who are also American Driving society members.