



EACDG

The East Anglian Carriage Driving Group Ltd

Early bird application form details

Please help us to organise our events better by letting us know what activities you'd like to do?
More details will be included in the yearbook, out soon, and on the website.

Volunteers' lunch – Sunday, 23 March, Ashfields clubhouse

This lunch is to say “thank you” to everyone who's helped us at events in the past and also to encourage newcomers to join the squad of friends and helpers. We couldn't hold driving trials without volunteers! Yes, the lunch is entirely free for helpers, past, present and future, and also for drivers who bring helpers to the lunch. **Please bring your friends, family and neighbours who are interested in helping us this season.** Zoe Morgan is promising another superb buffet and, to make sure there's enough for everyone, all you have to do is tell us how many people are coming. Vegetarians will be catered for, too. There will be a short talk about horse driving trials and our season's events, the chance to ask questions and to find friends old and new. Invitations are enclosed for you to give to your friends as a reminder. Please call Zoe - 07770 944868 - and let her know how many people are coming or return the enclosed form by post or fax. (Remember there's a chance to steward on Sunday, 6 April!) Please tell us if you are coming to the lunch by 10 March.

Training – Saturday, 5 April, Blandings Farm, near Newmarket

This flatwork training is open to everyone, whether you wish to compete or not, for all levels of driving ability and any horse or pony, pairs, tandems, teams. Individual sessions of 45 minutes take place in an arena either 80 x 40m or 100 x 40m, according to turnout, and cost £45. Three trainers are available: **Wilf Bowman-Ripley** of Ashfields, reigning national horse pairs champion, former world gold medallist, who will be driving a horse four this season;

Mike Daniell brings years of experience as a driver and flatwork trainer and is an approachable, encouraging instructor with shed-loads of patience who enjoys teaching anyone from beginner level and upwards. Please let us know if you'd like to take part in the training, which is taking place all day, and which trainer, if any, you prefer, and send a cheque to confirm your place. We'll do our best to suit you. Places are limited so contact us now – or by 14 March! Entry forms will be in the yearbook and on the website.

On-foot training – Saturday, 5 April, Blandings Farm – 1:30pm

If you would like to learn about driving outdoor obstacles from the perspective of steward, driver and/or groom, this is a “must-have” training session. We are planning this to be practical and highly interactive, with people taking different roles and getting to know the rules for driving and the ins-and-outs of stewarding an obstacle. We'll be using a real, flagged obstacle. David Taylor has also offered to give an obstacle walk – on a different obstacle – for those who want an experienced competitor's thoughts, too. Come and join in one or both activities and enjoy free refreshments afterwards, at approximately 3:15pm. Please let us know if you are interested in coming to this by returning the form so we can cater for all – by or before 20 March.

Crinkly Camp – 16-18 May & 29-31 August, Ashfields

These camps are the “grown-ups” answer to the popular junior summer camp. Whatever your level of experience, you can enjoy three days' training, driven instruction twice every day, talks and social activities at Ashfields. Top trainers will attend – but we need to know how many people are coming in order to ensure there are enough trainers so please book early and send a cheque for the full amount, £250 for members, to be sure of a place. More details will be published in the yearbook, out soon.

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Please send this form by email, post or fax for the free activities and, for the paid-for activities, please send it by post with separate cheques for each activity you wish to do. Cheques or POs payable to **EACDG Ltd**

Fax to Fiona Powell: 0870 133 0954

or post to EACDG, Ivy Cottage, Boot Street, Great Bealings, Woodbridge, IP13 6PB

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I am bringing people to the lunch. Please tell us by 10 March.

(or call Zoe 07770 944868 with your name and number of people)

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I/we wish to attend the on-foot training. Number of people? Please tell us by 20 March

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Wilf Bowman-Ripley

Mike Daniell

Any trainer

Please tell us by 14 March, indicate your preference and enclose a cheque for £45, payable to EACDG Ltd.

Dressage tests for each class at each event will be published in the yearbook and on the website.

Please print your name and address below

Crinkly Camp, Ashfields

Please circle the dates of the camp you wish to attend.

16-18 May

29-31 August

Names of people attending (please print clearly)

Cheque(s) enclosed for £.....
(£250 members, £260 non-members)

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