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Southern Oregon Horse and Carriage Club

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Southern Oregon Horse and Carriage Club
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Next Meeting
May 20
2:00 p.m.
Waffle Hut

2026 Officers

President	Gale Emmons
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Southern Oregon Horse and Carriage Club
Meeting of April 15, 2026
Waffle Hut Klamath Falls, Oregon

Members Present: Call to Order: Gale Emons, Autumn Clark, Lenayah King, Judi Dunn, Sharon Quillen and Joe Emmons.

The meeting was called to order at 2:10 pm, by President Gale Emmons.

Lenayah read the SOHACC mission statement.

Minutes: Lenayah made a motion to accept the March minutes as printed in the SOHACC April newsletter. Joe seconded the motion. Motion was voted on and passed.

Treasurer's Report Lenayah made a motion to accept the March treasurers report as printed in the SOHACC April newsletter. Sharon seconded the motion. Motion was voted on and passed.

Membership: We have received another membership renewal. Please remember to get your membership form returned to us as soon as possible.

Members had a great time at the Knoll Rest Ranch drive/ride. It was discussed to maybe plan a work day to help Valerie with repairing the obstacles in the future.

New Business: Discussion on renting the Lions facility in Dorris to put on a start small or harness up clinic. Will check to see if August 8th or 22nd will be available. We need to think of some fun activities to set up, jousting, water pistol shoot, hoop throw, etc.

Dates for Events:
Start Small/Harness Up –August 8 or 22, will need to confirm availability.
We would like to plan a trip or two, to Medford to help out with ground driving.
Lots of work was done at Lenayah's for her upcoming playday, she added a water hazard and roadway is cleared to add additional parking.
Gale made contact with DECO regarding a playday with both groups (and hopefully the Umpqua club to be invited). The Driving Enthusiasts of Central Oregon (DECO) who expressed lots of interest but finding a central location

Events in Oregon 2026

depending on weather

Confirmed dates are in blue

May 30	Jacobus Horse Park Drive/Ride Chiloquin
June 21st	Collier Park Living History
July 4th	Independence Day
July 5th	Welcome Ranch Cattle push
July 11	Bonanza Parade
July 11	Welcome Ranch Triple Trail
August 1	Welcome Ranch Triple Trail
August 28 - 30	Klamath Basin Horse Assoc. Show

September
October
November
December

Tooling Around With Chester

"In the vernacular of the 19th Century, " tooling around" was driving, (usually your four-in-hand) with friends a little faster than your normal pace to show off your turn-out and skill".

Chester Stegman was one of the founders of the Antique Carriage Club based in central California (which is called northern California but is in the center—go figure). He was a remarkable horseman, historian and businessman.

Minutes continued:

It is well accepted in the west that many venues, especially for driving horses and ponies, are struggling for membership so events including several groups would add some enthusiasm.

Dates (tentative) available for our calendar:
May 25th Memorial Day Parade, Klamath Falls
May 30th Jacobus drive/ride
June 13th Sprague River Parade
June 21st History Days Collier Park
July 4th parade, Klamath Falls
July 4th parade, Chiloquin
July 25th Bonanza Parade
August ? Jacobus ride/drive and/or cleanup, Chiloquin
August 8 or 22 Dorris Lions Club arena playday
September? Malin drive/ride, Malin Park

Next meeting will be May 20th at 2:00 pm, at Waffle Hut in Klamath Falls. Come earlier to eat, if you wish.
Meeting was adjourned at 3:10pm, motion was made by Judi and seconded by Autumn. Motion passed.
Respectfully submitted
Judi Dunn Acting secretary

Note: We now have our EIN number and can now open a new bank account.

June 21st, 2026

Collier Memorial Logging Museum History Day

If there are horses, members of SOHaCC will be on hand to help!

Collier Memorial State Park 46000 Hwy 97 N Chiloquin, OR 97624
Park: 541-783-2471 Info: 800-551-6949

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2026 Spring Event!

Drivers and Riders Welcome

Have you ever thought of learning to drive. Maybe you just want to have a fun and give your horse a new experience. SOHaCC will be welcoming both drivers and riders to our spring events. Cost will be $20 for the morning's ride/drive.

May 30th

Jacobus Horse Camp, Chiloquin, Oregon

A beautiful drive and ride in a lovely area near Train Mountain

Contact:
Gale Emmons
For further information
Facebook message or
(541) 850-3287 landline
(541) 880-8028 cell
Messaging best. Keep trying!

The number of riders will be limited. You must reserve a place before the event.

No Dogs Allowed!

DATE DEPENDING ON WEATHER! Directions and trail procedures will be provided with your registration packet. Keep in touch for possible date changes.

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See you on the trail!

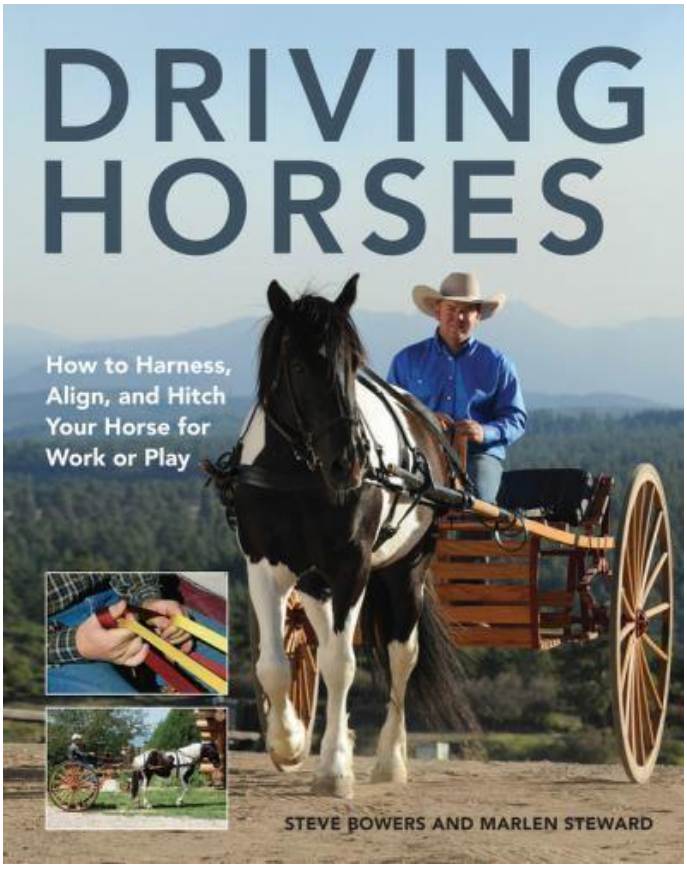
SOHACC TREASURER'S REPORT

May 2026

Beginning balance		$3547.32
Expenses	OR Sec of State	$ 50.00 Not yet deducted
	Oregon Dept of Justice	$ 20.00 Not yet deducted
Receivables	Membership	$ 75.00
Balance		$3622.32
Designated funds		
Jacobus corrals	00.00	
Education designated funds		$2860.00
Available funds		**$822.32**

The Best Books!

Best book on driving, a classic: written by driving masters Steve Bowers and Marlen Steward, has with clear instructional series photos from the ground up on "How to Harness, Align and Hitch Your Horse for Work or Play". Steve grew up on a horse and cattle farm in Maryland. He moved to Colorado and pursued a life training and passing on his knowledge of the driving art and science. His first rate handling of driving horses and public persona had him respected at the top levels. He was my go-to resource for clear and concise driving traditions and new concepts. In June of 2007 Steve died suddenly of a brain aneurism at the age of 52. His legacy, however, was picked up by his equally talented son, Nathan "Nate" Bowers. Steve and Nate's input for driving is available on the internet including short and long videos and books.
Just the best book.



An Introductory Course on Carriage Driving

Harness Up!

Have you ever been interested in carriage driving?
Do you have a horse-crazy child who would love to learn to drive?

The Southern Oregon Horse and Carriage Club is sponsoring an introduction into the art and science of driving equines. The morning courses may be with your horses or ours or both.

Only a $10 charge for paperwork and a 3 day limited membership with SOHaCC for the first session. .

Subjects include over several sesssions:

*What, why and how to start
*Picking the right horse to drive
*Choosing the right harness
*Getting the right bit and bridle for driving
*Selecting the cart or carriage
*Parts/accruements of harness and carts
*Harnessing the creature (horses, ponies, goats, sheep, etc. Sorry we do not do oxen)
*Ground training for driving
*More ground training for driving
*Additional ground training for driving
*Safety preparations for driving
*Human behavior around carriage horses
*Headers, helpers, trainers and resources
*Ready to hook?

SOHACC
SOUTHERN OREGON HORSE AND CARRIAGE CLUB

Based on interest and how far we get through the subjects, we are open to scheduling adding additional dates both group and individual dates. Just ask! We have several places we may use for training.

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(541) 880-8028 (cell)
(Please leave a message) Klamath Falls, Oregon

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Harness & Tack For Sale

Russet Harness, Traditional Horse Size, leather beautifully made $325
Lightly used, in good condition with some preservative discoloration.

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Pair Harness Custom Leather and "patent" biothane pleasure, Horse size $450
In very good condition. Lightly used, sells with 22" hames & traces + leather leads & drops (collars available 19" to 21")

All the parts to convert ½ of a pair harness to a single harness.
Very useful when you need a single. Easy to do $75
New Liverpool bit 6" $20 ~ New snaffle bit 5" tried on, didn't fit my horse $15

Contact: Gale Emmons - Facebook message
(be patient please we have bad reception here)
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Southern Oregon Horse and Carriage Club

The southern Oregon Horse and Carriage Club is a group of carriage driving enthusiasts. Members enjoy participating in a wide variety of year-round fun activities involving all equine types. Meetings and activities are scheduled monthly generally on site at a local eatery or at one of our driving venues.

MEMBERSHIP YEAR _____

Please fill out both sides of this form

Individual ($25) _____ Family ($35) _____ 3-Day ($ 5) _____

Names(s) _____

Address:_____

City:_____ **State:**_____ **Zip:** _____

Email: _____

Phone, cell: _____

Phone, landline:_____

Please list any children and their ages in a Family Membership: _____

_____

Members Names and Birthday Months (optional) _____

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Mail forms and payment to:
Judi Dunn P.O. Box 276
Sprague River, OR 97639

SOUTHERN OREGON HORSE and CARRIAGE CLUB

WAIVER OF LIABILITY FORM IN CONFORMANCE TO REQUIREMENTS OF *OREGON HORSEMAN'S LIABILITY ACT O.R.S .# 30.687 – 697*

I THE UNDERSIGNED recognize that there is the inherent risk of injury or death in any equine activity including but not limited to riding, driving, as a passenger in any horse-drawn vehicle, as a competitor in any equine activity or event or as a helper, groom or any other assistant in any equine activity. THEREFORE: in accordance with the Oregon Horseman's Liability Act O. R. S. #30.687 – 697:

I/We, the undersigned by acknowledging the inherent risks involved in any equine activity agree to fully assume those risks for myself and/or my minor children. I release and hold harmless any and all equine facilities, horse owners and their agents and employees, equine clubs or organizations, corporations or sponsors of equine events who could be held liable to me or my heirs or assigns for damages. I/we agree to adhere to all the rules and procedures provided by the Southern Oregon Horse and Carriage Club by-laws and personnel. FURTHERMORE: Acknowledging risks inherent to equine activity I certify that I and my family, including any minor children, are physically capable and competent in participating in equine activities.

I/We fully understand that the provider of horses for equine activity, equine professionals, event sponsors and clubs, ranch or equine facility proprietors reserve the right at their sole discretion to refuse service or participation in equine activity to any person(s) who he/she judges to be incapable or incompetent to participate in equine activity..

I/We have read, understand and accept the terms and conditions stated herein and acknowledge that this Waiver of Liability Agreement becomes immediately effective and binding upon the signatory and any of the minor children listed in this Waiver of Liability Form.

List names and ages of minor children participating in equine activity:

_____ age _____

_____ age _____

_____ age _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____
Adult/parent or guardian

Signed: _____ Date: _____
Adult/parent or guardian