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Southern Oregon Horse and Carriage Club

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Southern Oregon Horse and Carriage Club
a domestic non-profit Corporation.

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Next Meeting

June 17
2:00 p.m.
Waffle Hut

2026 Officers

President	Gale Emmons
Vice President	Lenayah King
Sec//Treasurer	Judi Dunn
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Newsletter	Gale Emmons
Historian	Lenayah King

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Southern Oregon Horse and Carriage Club
Meeting of May 20, 2026
Waffle Hut Klamath Falls, Oregon

Members Present: Gale Emmons, Joe Emmons, Autumn Clark, Lenayah King, Judi Dunn, Sharon Quillen, and Laurie Finch

Call to Order:
The meeting was called to order at 2:12 pm, by President Gale Emmons. Lenayah read the SOHACC mission statement.

Minutes;
Autumn made a motion to accept the April minutes as printed in the SOHACC May newsletter. Joe seconded the motion. Motion was voted on and passed.

Treasurer's Report:
Lenayah made a motion to accept the April treasurers report as printed in the SOHACC May newsletter. Autumn seconded the motion. Motion was voted on and passed. Also, all agreed to reimburse Judi for paying the DOJ and the State of Oregon, domestic nonprofit fees.

Membership:
Please remember to get your membership form returned to us as soon as possible.

Old Business:
We have an event coming soon. Jacobus ride/drive at Jacobus Horse Park, May 30th, hope all can make it.

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.
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;

Events in Oregon 2026

depending on weather

Confirmed dates are in blue

June 21st	Collier Park Living History
July 4th	Independence Day Parade Chiloquin Parade Klamath
July 5th	Welcome Ranch Cattle push
July 11& 12	Welcome Ranch Triple Trail
July 11 & 12	Yreka Sikiyou Sidekicks Open show
July 25	Bonanza Parade
July 30 to August 2	Klamath County Fair
August 1	Welcome Ranch Triple Trail
August 8	**SOHaCC Carriage Driving Get-Together**
August	SOHaCC Malin Drive, tentative
September	SOHaCC get-together Prineville
September	SOHaCCJacobus Horse Park Drive/Ride tentative
October 3 & 4	Yreka Siskiyou Sidekicks open show
November	SOHaCC?
December	SOHaCC Christmas Party

recent visit to

jousting, water pistol shoot, hoop throw, etc. We have not heard back from them as of this date. We agreed to pay $150 for the use of the facility. Second choice will be the Klamath County Fairgrounds and the fee will be the same.Dates for Events;
Start Small/Harness Up –August 8 or 22, still need to confirmavailability and location.

We would like to plan a trip or two, to Medford to help out with ground driving.

Made contact with DECO, lots of interest, need to find a central location of where to meet. Any ideas?We are still searching for a location for both groups.

Dates (tentative) available for our calendar:

June 13th	Sprague River parade
June 21st	Living History Days Collier Park
July 4th	Chiloquin parade
July 4th	Klamath Falls parade
July 25th	Bonanza parade
July 30th -August 2nd	Klamath County Fair
August ?	Malin drive/ride

New Business
Autumn suggested looking into grants to help with funding for events and safety equipment. The suggestion was unanimously supported and Autumn indicated she would pursue sources for grants.

Discussion on our club insurance and a motion was made by Autumn to pay this year to continue moving forward with the club. Laurie seconded the motion, voted on and passed.

Next meeting will be June 17th at 2:00 pm, at Waffle Hut in Klamath Falls. Come earlier to eat, if you wish.

Motion by seconded by Autumn to close the meeting at 3:05 p.m. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Judi Dunn

Acting secretary

Southern Oregon Horse and Carriage Club

Have you ever pondered driving a 20 mule team?

Dreamt of a stage coach at a dead run across the desert?

Well, we don't do that . . .

We do groundwork and train horses and humans for pleasure, trail driving and other uses. We are having a

Carriage & Cart Driving Get-together!!

Come join the members of the Southern Oregon Horse and Carriage Club will be doing training at the:

Butte Valley Community Park Arena
52900 Hwy 97, Dorris, California

Saturday August 8th, 2026

We will begin in arena at 9:00 a.m. to begin ground driving, then to hitch the experienced horses and do some driving in the arena. Bring your horse for ground training or drive your experienced horse with us.

People interested may watch from outside the arena.
Folks wanting hands-on experience may sign up for a short-term $10 membership and get some close up time with members and the equines on this day. Anyone wishing to continue the process with their own horses or ours, are welcome to work with us to learn about safety, handling, cues, about harnesses, carts and carriages and all things related, and may make arrangements with the club officers for future sessions.

Sponsored by the Dorris Lions Club

PLEASE contact us before you make the trip! We are subject to cancellations due to weather, Sheriff's Posse obligations and other factors.

Gale Emmons
*(541) 880-8028 cell
*Facebook message
*Ask to be put on our Facebook Chat page.
*Check our Facebook page:

June 21st, 2026

Collier Memorial Logging Museum History Day

Members of SOHaCC will be on hand to drive & help with horses!

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

Free event

SOHACC TREASURER'S REPORT

June 2026		
Beginning balance		$ **3622.32**
Expenses	OR Sec of State	- $ 50.00
Oregon Dept of Justice		- $ 20.00
Receivables	Membership	$ 0.00
Balance		**$ 3552.32**
Designated funds		
Jacobus corrals	00.00	
Education designated funds		$ 2860.00
Available funds		**$ 752.32**

FOR SALE!

Mini HorseMeadowbrook Cart in near new condition, with cover $950

Donated by SOHaCC member Lenayah King, all proceeds go to the funding of SOHaCC for continuing their mission of preserving the carriage driving culture in a fun and safe way. Wheels 28", Shafts 53". Spares box under driver's seat. Comes with insualted cover. Sweet and well made.

Facebook Message Gale Emmons for further information.

The Best Books!

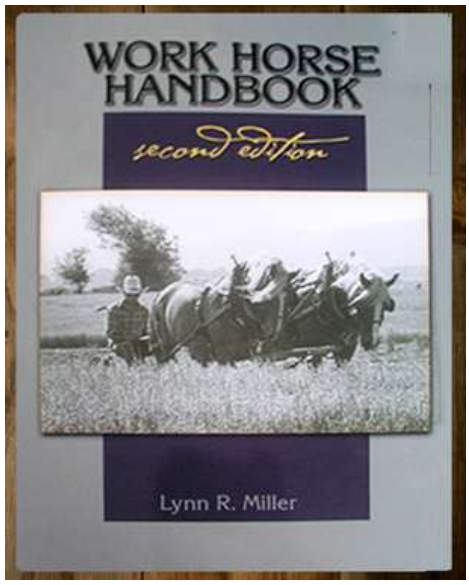
Lynn R. Miller is one of those stick-to-it historians and horseman who I'd say devoted his life to preserving the culture of the driving and work horse through his "Small Farmers Journal, auctions, books and affiliated business.

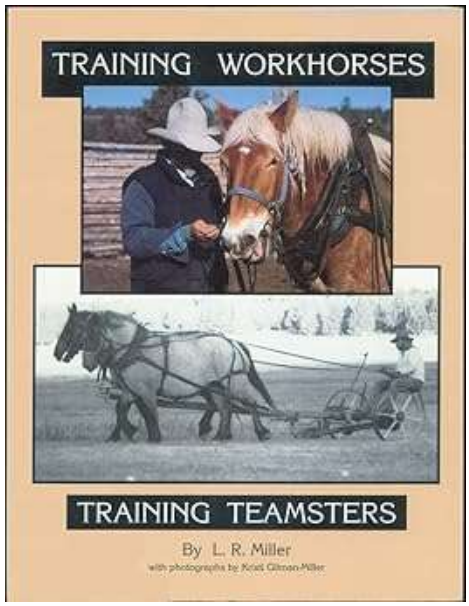
"The **Small Farmer's Journal** Inc. is an Oregon based family-held corporation doing business in publishing and agriculture.
The **Small Farmer's Journal** is a highly acclaimed, award winning international agrarian quarterly. It was established in 1976 by Lynn Miller. It currently goes out to 72 countries worldwide, as well as all of the U.S. states and Canadian provinces."

Joe and I met Lynn in the 1990s in at his Small Farmer's Journal Auction in Sisters, Oregon, where his business is located. We followed him when the auction moved to Madras, Oregon and then again when it moved to McMinnville as a benefit for the Anvil Academy a private school "Where the skills of the past meet the trades of the future". Unfortunately as the carriage culture started to wain and auctioneers, including the irreplaceable Dennis Turmon retired, the auction, then called the the last carriage and farming auction ceased. During the heyday of the driving culture in Oregon Joe and I bought carriages, sold carriages and bought endless parts to build the carts, carriages and wagons from the auctions.

Lynn's knowledge and dedication to the horse driving and farming industry, the horses and the people around them is amazing. The books and Journals he's written include horse handling and training from the early days of the 1800's and before to the latest improvements of the present. His writings include detailed illustrations, photos, input from beginners to the most experienced horse handlers. From the basics of starting horses with ground work to the complexities of horse farming, from foal to field training and horse handlers from amateur to adept, carriage and cart drivers, from pleasure driver to the finest show turnouts, do well to understand the basics, complications, and joy of the horses tilling the earth.
These are just the best books.

Lynn Miller as a bid spotter helps with auctioning a stage coach.





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.

Contact: Gale Emmons
Facebook Message or
(541) 850-3287 (landline)
(541) 880-8028 (cell)
(Please leave a message) Klamath Falls, Oregon

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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: _____

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Members Names and Birthday Months (optional) _____

Please deliver the club newsletter by: _____**Email** _____ **Mail**

Make checks out to: SOHACC
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

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