

AIKEN DRIVING CLUB
BOARD OF DIRECTORS QUARTERLY GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
MARCH 9, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.. Site of the meeting Keller Williams Building, Park Avenue, Aiken.

Present: Peggy Dils, Daniel Rosenthal, Diane Watson, Jerry Milano, Tracey Turner, Mick Burke, Michele Huguet, Susan Gregorio

Secretary's Report: Minutes approved as written.

Treasurer's Report: Approved as written.

OLD BUSINESS

Gaston Livery Stable: The newly acquired cupola is set to be installed in the next few months. The Markets will continue to be held throughout the year. The music festivals were successful and enjoyed by all who attended.

Gerde Museum: continues to seek docents for Sunday afternoons.

Driving Derby recap: The March 8th Derby was shortened due to thunder and lightning storms. The Final Derby is scheduled for April 8th at the Vista.

The Aiken Horse Show in Hitchcock Woods will be held March 27 - 29, 2026. Peggy reported that in the past the ADC has donated \$350 to the AHS. A motion was made, seconded and passed to donate \$350 to the 2026 Aiken Horse Show.

Diane Wattson has asked for pictures from ADC members to be published in the upcoming ADC newsletters.

The Audubon Drive has been scheduled for March 22nd. Volunteers are needed for the morning. The cost is \$25 per turnout and a Potluck lunch will be held following the drive.

NEW BUSINESS

Equipment: Jerry Milano shared that the club needs to purchase new balls for the cones, as well as additional blue cones. Also, some of the ADC signs need to be replaced. Dan Rosenthal has offered to donate stopwatches for the club's use.

Judy Chamberlain suggested that the ADC should provide a waiver regarding photography at club events to members for their option to opt in or out. The suggestion is to attach waivers to the Membership form. A motion was made and passed by the membership in attendance. Karen Marlin will put together a committee to discuss and implement this new form.

Judy Chamberlain proposed that the ADC require all participants in ADC driving events to wear a helmet while they are in a carriage at an ADC event. A motion was made and passed by those in attendance. Exact verbiage and when the rule will be instituted will be discussed by the BOD at an upcoming meeting.

There was a discussion regarding a medical kit that would be owned by the ADC for use at events. After some discussion including who would maintain the supplies, and where it would be stored, those present decided to include the idea at a future BOD for further investigation.

Lisa Whitcomb shared that the ADS Recreational Drive Days will be held on May 21 and 22nd at Stableview. The focus is Pleasure Driving. Free food will be provided on Thursday night in the Stableview pavilion. Check the ADS website omnibus section for further details

Lisa Whitcomb reported that Jen Kessler will be contacting members for their stories regarding transitioning from riding to driving for future publication.

Jungle Drive: Sarah Relyea announced that the Jungle Drive will be held at Katydid Farm on April 18th, 2026. A potluck lunch will follow the drive. Further details to follow. Please contact Sarah if you are able to volunteer for the event.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.. The next BOD Meeting: April 13th.

Susan Gregorio, Secretary

