



# 2026 Sporting Day of Traditional Driving

Saturday, May 30, 2026

Hosts: Ingo & Stephanie Wiedenhues

“La Bastide” a southern France inspired country estate  
9400 Jones Road, Larkspur, Colorado

### Volunteers needed.

To volunteer, contact:  
Sandy Clayton  
skclayton7158@gmail.com  
303-718-7300 cell

### Ladies and Gentlemen,

We will host the Sporting Day of Traditional Driving on Saturday, May 30 at La Bastide Estate in Larkspur. The rain date will be Sunday, May 31. If Sunday is not required as a rain date, our judge will hold a Pleasure driving clinic. Our judge/commentator this year will be Mr. Robert Longstaff of Stuart, Florida.

New this year, we will have a wine & cheese gathering on Friday, May 29 at 5 pm to see the new facility. This will give everyone a chance to socialize, receive the competitor briefing and competitor packets and thank the volunteers making this event possible. If you're not able to attend, competitor packets will be available upon arrival. There is stabling available in the area at Sandy Clayton's and Erik Jensen's.

### Schedule of events:

- 10:30 am: Presentation
- 10:45 am: Pleasure drive around beautiful neighborhood, including four basic driving tests.
- 12:15 pm: Skilled driving test (cones)
- 2:00 pm: A light lunch and beverages will be provided in the courtyard.
- 3:00 pm: Ribbons and embroidered items will be awarded. A slideshow of each entry with commentary on the turnouts presented by Mr. Longstaff.

All participants must be members of the Colorado Driving Society. A single membership is \$30 and a family is \$35. The entry fee is \$75. Lunch will be \$35, and we welcome donations toward volunteer lunches, if you so desire. Sunday Pleasure Driving Clinic is \$50.

Except when preparing the vehicles and horses, we request that our dress code be observed at all times throughout the grounds. Gentlemen: coat, slacks, tie, hat, and gloves; Ladies: a dress, long skirt or slacks and blouse, jacket, hat, and gloves. Grooms may be in formal or informal livery as fits the vehicle

and turnout. A guest may serve as groom on appropriate vehicles. Whips must carry a whip and wear an appropriate driving apron. All volunteers and non-riding guests should dress in similar fashion.

This event is open to all equines. If possible, we encourage original traditional antique vehicles (built before 1945) or reproductions. No wire wheels or pneumatic tires are allowed. Be sure to remember your number holders.

All whips, grooms, volunteers and guests are asked to sign the release on the next page, as well as the Wiedenhues release.

The skilled driving test (cones) will be driven at a trot and judged on time and balls down. Please include the track width measured from the outside of your rear wheels on the entry form.

The course for the pleasure drive will include an “out and back” so that we will have the pleasure of passing and saluting each other, and an opportunity to appreciate the other turnouts. We will again have the ever-popular beer and champagne stops.

It is our intention to make this event as inclusive as possible while observing the traditional standards of classical carriage driving. We wish this to be a fun and educational day celebrating our carriages, our horses and our very special lifestyle. We look forward to seeing all of you.

**Ingo & Stephanie Wiedenhues** Please call or email if you have any questions: [Wiedenhues@aol.com](mailto:Wiedenhues@aol.com) or 303-332-3153



## Entry Form: A Sporting Day of Traditional Driving

Name of Driver: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  I will volunteer!

Check one:  horse(s)  draft(s)  mule(s)  pony(ies)  mini(ies)

Check one:  single  pair  tandem  unicorn  four-in-hand

Vehicle Description: \_\_\_\_\_

Track width between outside edges of rear wheels: \_\_\_\_\_ inches.

Entry Fee per turnout \$75 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Add CDS membership fee(s) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\$30 single or \$35 family: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Lunch (\$35 each) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Volunteer Lunch Donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Sunday Pleasure Clinic (\$50) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete this entire form, make checks payable to Ingo Wiedenhues. Attach check, signed releases and mail to:  
**Ingo Wiedenhues, 10625 E. Cherry Creek Road, Elbert, CO 80106**

**ENTRIES CLOSE May 15**

**A Sporting Day of Traditional Driving — Release**  
**Colorado Driving Society**

*Please print, complete and sign this release and attach it to your entry form.*

The undersigned fully assumes all responsibilities and risks from or arising out of the transportation, handling, use, and driving and/or riding of horses at any and all Colorado Driving Society activities, and at adjacent arenas that may be owned or controlled by the Colorado Driving Society, and further agrees to indemnify, hold harmless and defend the Colorado Driving Society (the "Premises"), their respective trainers, employees, agents, independent contractors, and members of boards of governance ("Indemnities") from all damages, losses, expenses or liabilities for any injury to the person or property of the undersigned, third parties or said horses at the Premises by the undersigned. I understand that there are risks involved in the use of the Premises, and I fully assume all such risks, and knowingly waive any and all specific notice of existence of such conditions.

**Driver:**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Print name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Doctor's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Dr.'s phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Medical conditions we should be aware of:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Groom/Navigator:**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Print name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Doctor's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Dr.'s phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Medical conditions we should be aware of:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**If either of the above individuals is a minor, please complete the following:**

On behalf of the above-named minor, I waive and release all claims for damages, losses or expenses to person or property, which may be caused by an unreasonable act or failure to act of the Indemnities names above. I understand that there are risks involved in the use of the Premises, and I assume that risk of all conditions in and about said facility for myself and the above from all damages, losses, expenses or liabilities for any injury to the person or property of the above-named minor, third parties or said Indemnities caused by or arising out of the transportation, handling, use or riding of horses at the Premises by the above-named minor.

Parent/guardian signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

In addition to the Release provided above and any release in any other agreement, the following warning is given in accordance with Colorado Law.

**WARNING**

**UNDER COLORADO LAW, AN EQUINE PROFESSIONAL IS NOT LIABLE FOR AN INJURY TO OR THE DEATH OF A PARTICIPANT IN EQUINE ACTIVITIES RESULTING FROM THE INHERENT RISKS OF EQUINE ACTIVITIES, PURSUANT TO SECTION 13-21-120, COLORADO REVISED STATUTES.**

*Please print, complete and sign this release and attach it to your entry form.*