

# WESTERN PA RIDING & DRIVING CLUB

JANUARY 2026 NEWLETTER



## JUDGES AT A GLANCE!

June 13 - Kip Riley  
June 14 - Heath Wilkerson  
June 27 - Rick Walters  
June 28 - Amanda Hollinger  
July 11 - Darcy Rouzer  
July 12 - Jennifer Sawyer  
July 25 - Paul Mahan  
July 26 - Jesse Jerik  
September 19 - Adrienne Dickerson  
September 20 - Dennis Clement

### Year-End Banquet

Mark your calendars for our **2026 WPRD Year-End Banquet: Saturday, November 7, 2026 @ The Oaks in Conneaut Lake!**

## NEW YEAR. NEW SEASON. WELCOME TO WPRD 2026!

As we begin a new year and look ahead to the 2026 show season, we want to welcome you to another year with the Western Pennsylvania Riding & Driving Club and thank you for being part of our community. As we move into 2026, our focus is on organization, modernization, and sustainability! You'll see continued efforts to improve how information is shared, streamline forms, and make participation easier for exhibitors and members alike. While winter may still have its grip on Western Pennsylvania, we're already looking ahead to sunshine, great friends, and summer days spent at the fairgrounds. Warmer days and show season are just around the corner!

Inside this packet, you'll find important dates, membership information, show details, and forms needed for the upcoming season. All of these materials are also available online at [www.wprdclub.org](http://www.wprdclub.org) for your convenience!

*WPRD is a volunteer-run organization, and our shows succeed because members step forward in many small ways — whether by attending meetings, helping at a show, sharing ideas, or connecting us with potential sponsors. Club meetings are held on the **third Wednesday of each month (except August) at 6:30 PM at Perkins in Meadville, PA, and all are welcome to attend!***

## WPRD Apparel Now Available!

WPRD apparel is available to order online! Support the club and represent WPRD at shows and events throughout the season. Link can be found on our website at: [www.wprdclub.org](http://www.wprdclub.org)

## New for 2026: Buckle Sponsorship!

We're excited to introduce new buckle sponsorship opportunities for the 2026 season. These sponsorships help give meaningful recognition tied directly to a specific division, and are a great way for businesses or individuals to support the riders and classes they care about most. Details and sponsorship forms are included in this packet and online.

*Be sure to support and thank the new owners of the food booth this year!*



## Welcoming Our 2026 Leadership

We'd like to welcome and congratulate our 2026 officers, board members, and point secretary, and thank them for serving the club this year!  
**2026 Officers: President:** Alexis Vanderhoof, **Vice President:** Tracy Sweeney, **Secretary:** Emma Keener, **Treasurer:** Nicole Varee **Point Secretary:** Kim Gorton **Board Members:** Ona Mahoney, Leigh King, Lee Kraft, Cassie Sieneki, Patty Dunham

As we plan for future seasons, our current Treasurer, Nicole Varee, has shared that she intends to step down following the 2026 season. We are looking ahead for a member who may be interested in learning the role and stepping into this position. Anyone interested is encouraged to reach out for more information.

## WPRD Appreciation Show — July 25 & 26

One of our favorite weekends of the season!

The **July 25–26** show weekend will once again be our **WPRD Appreciation Show**, created to celebrate the riders, families, volunteers, and supporters who make this club what it is!

## Tack Swap Reminder

Our annual WPRD Tack Swap will be held on: **Saturday, March 28, 2026 @ New Beginnings Church.** Vendor forms and details are available on the WPRD website and will also be available at meetings. This event is a great opportunity to clean out tack rooms, find new gear, and support the club!

*Finally, we want to thank our sponsors whose support helps recognize the dedication of our riders and families. Because this sport runs on commitment, community support matters more. We're looking forward to a positive, productive 2026 season and appreciate each of you for being part of WPRD. We hope to see you at a show (and at a meeting!) this year.*

Warm regards,  
**Alexis Vanderhoof**  
President  
Western Pennsylvania Riding & Driving Club

