

# INTRODUCTION TO CARRIAGE DRIVING LESSONS

Our lessons are very flexible and can cover any subjects that you require:- harness & vehicle selection & maintenance, stable management, competition, breaking your pony to harness, etc... Lessons are private, one-to-one, although we can accommodate couples and families if required.



Our Introduction to Carriage Driving lessons cover harness & how to put it on the horse & fit correctly, how to put the vehicle safely, an off road drive in which you can have a go yourself, how to unhitch, unharness & care for your horse after a drive. During the drive we can discuss the different choices in vehicle and activities.

The minimum duration for the first lesson is 3 hours ( this allows us to have a full hour driving ), after the first lesson the harnessing up, etc. is quicker so you can have a longer drive. The cost is just £30 per hour for one or £25 per person per hour for 2 people.

An all day lesson is available which includes a picnic. This enables you to cover the harnessing up, etc.. twice and several hours of driving. Non driving friends and family can come along as a passenger and enjoy the drive through the forest

We usually start novices with Tina, our 16hh mare, as she is very quiet and sensible and will ignore you if you tell her to do something silly! As you gain confidence we will then progress onto other horses



Whether you want to take up driving and own your own turnout or just fancy trying something different we can provide a course or one off lesson to suit you.

We only hold courses on Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday except by special arrangement. Early booking is highly recommended

If you would like to buy someone some lessons as a gift we can provide you with a voucher made out for either - hours of lessons, all day, etc... so they won't know how much you spent! When they would like to come they can just ring us to arrange a date at their convenience ( or when the weather is good )

# SHORT COURSES

Our short courses are very flexible and can be designed around your own requirements. To simplify things we have designed 2 packages but you are welcome to add more days, stay more nights, have a day off to explore mid week, etc..

All our courses are private to allow you to get the most from your lessons and the maximum amount of practical driving time however we will take up to 2 people at a time. When there are 2 of you, driving time will have to be shared although those not driving will be present as a passenger so can still enjoy the experience.

Non drivers are welcome and can sometimes join us for lunch or travel as a passenger.

## 2 day course

- 2 days of instruction - theory & practical - driven sections are undertaken off road in Radnor Forest
- 1 nights B&B accommodation locally
- All meals - breakfast, lunch & dinner. Lunch will either be picnic or in the house. Breakfast & dinner are taken at the B&B
- All soft drinks
- Information pack to take home



## 3 day course

- 3 days of instruction - theory & practical - driven sections are undertaken off road in Radnor Forest
- 2 nights B&B accommodation locally
- All meals - breakfast, lunch & dinner. Lunch will either be picnic or in the house. Breakfast & dinner are taken at the B&B
- All soft drinks
- Information pack to take home

## Prices

	1 person	2 people (per person )	Passenger (per person )	Non driver**
1 day lesson	<b>160</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>50</b>	
2 day course	<b>350</b>	<b>290*</b>	<b>140*</b>	<b>50</b>
3 day course	<b>550</b>	<b>460*</b>	<b>230*</b>	<b>100</b>

\* Accommodation is based on two people sharing a room

\*\* Accommodation & evening meal only

A passenger joins in with all the accommodation and meals, they come along and enjoy the forest drive but don't drive themselves. This is ideal for non-horsey partners to enjoy the experience with you.

A non-driver shares the B&B and evening meals but takes no part in the driving activities. They are free to enjoy everything that Radnorshire has to offer whilst we are in the forest.

## **Accommodation**

You will stay as guests of Mrs Heather Hood at Pilleth Oaks ([www.pillethoaks.co.uk](http://www.pillethoaks.co.uk)) a 5 Star B&B. Breakfast and a home cooked evening meal are included in this package

We can book additional nights B&B if you wish.

If you prefer to eat out at a local pub just let us know in advance and the cost will be removed from your package.

If this accommodation is not available we will arrange another for you but there may be a small additional cost.

**Just phone Nikki on 01547 560261 to make your booking.**

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## **Terms and Conditions**

Although a deposit is not usually required, Dragon Driving reserve the right to charge a deposit without prior notice. Full payment is required before leaving on completion of the course.

Dragon Driving reserve the right to alter the date of a course or lesson due to unforeseen events ( weather, road conditions, ill health, etc... ). There is no charge if the client wishes to change a date but a deposit may be required.

Prices which include accommodation are with ,Mrs Heather Hood at Pilleth Oaks if we have to use a different accommodation provider, for whatever reason, we reserve the right to charge any additional costs involved.

Lessons & courses only take place on Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday.

### **Vouchers**

Vouchers must be paid for in full before they become valid.

Vouchers are valid for up to 6 months from the date of issue.

Vouchers have a value of £0.00