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**THE NEWSLETTER OF THE  
TREASURE VALLEY WHIPS**

A CARRIAGE DRIVING CLUB  
FOR EDUCATION,

COMPETITION AND RECREATION  
FOR CARRIAGE DRIVERS and  
EQUINES OF ALL ABILITIES

AN AMERICAN DRIVING SOCIETY AFFILIATED  
CLUB

<http://www.treasurevalleywhips.org>



**CURRENT ELECTED OFFICERS:**

**Chair:** Sarah Cummings

**Vice Chair:** Merry Jo Schreffler

**Secretary:** Mary Munson

**Treasurer:** Kathy DeLong

**Newsletter Editor:** Mary Van De Bogart

**THE NEXT BUSINESS MEETING will be held  
at 7:00 PM on Wednesday, January 18, at Mary  
and John Munson's new place. The address is  
24875 Lansing Lane, Middleton.**

**We will be holding elections for the positions of  
Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson. We also  
need a secretary.**

**MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR**

*Mary Van De Bogart:*

The club now has a Facebook group; you can find it at:  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/642074249281462/>  
Anyone can see what has been posted on it, but if you  
would like to post, just request to join, and you will be  
admitted in short order. This is a great way to share your  
photos and driving-related activities. Please note that this  
is different from the club's Facebook page; a group is  
interactive, and any group member can post pictures or  
other content.



**HARNESS THE HOLIDAYS!**

Our annual party will be held on Saturday, December 10, at 2:00 pm. John and Mary Munson have graciously offered to host us once again at their lovely farm. The address is 24875 Lansing Lane, Middleton. Lansing Lane is temporarily closed, so plan to use Duff Lane to reach Purple Sage Road, and travel east to the corner of Purple Sage Road and Lansing Lane. We will have a potluck meal; a meat dish will be provided. We will also have our traditional White Elephant gift exchange; everyone needs to bring a wrapped gift, and come prepared to squabble over them!

**NOVEMBER 16 MEETING MINUTES (unofficial)**

*Mary Munson:*

Meeting was held at John & Mary Munson's house. Members present were: Sarah Cummings, Mary Van De Bogart, Lee Van De Bogart, Merry Jo Schreffler, Amanda Horton, Barb Recla, John & Mary Munson, Kathy DeLong, and Robin DeLong.

The meeting was called to order at 7:11 pm by President Sarah Cummings.

Amanda was thanked for all of her work with the Pleasure Driving Show. The show covered all expenses and made \$50.

John Lemon had contacted the club. He lives in Garden City and has a wagon he wanted someone to drive in parades. We referred his contact info to Dave Dineen.

Anyone who joins the club after Oct. 1 will have this year's dues waived.

The date for the next bomb-proofing event was set for February 25, 2017. We will have an organizational meeting and follow the same outline as this year.

The next Drive in the Park will be June 3 & 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Amanda named the judges she has lined out. We asked about Muffie Seaton combining the event with a driving clinic. Amanda said she would ask her. Camping World is storing their campers there next year too. We might be able to use the indoor arena as a result.

We voted to raise entry fee from \$180 to \$200 next year, which is what the other driving competitions are charging. Last year we had 38 entries (42 reservations

but 4 cancellations). We will have 2 planning meetings before the show.

We have the Birt Arena reserved for 2 days in March, April and May, We discussed letting some of the days go. In March Linda & Erin may have a driving clinic and arrange for a long lining class. Megan Sibiga might be able to give lessons either in April or May. This may be one of the days we have Birt arena leased or could be held at the Munson's. (ed. MVDB I believe that we decided to let the May date go at Birts', and hold an event at the Munsons' instead.)

Kathy DeLong gave a treasurer's report. We have \$1361 in our account. Upcoming expenses will include ADS membership \$60 and insurance of approximately \$800 (depending on events we schedule). Expenses from the bomb proofing \$6 in taxes from the concession stand, arena rental \$420, judging expense \$100k(?) and

awards \$106. Our current membership is 22 individuals and 10 families.

Next year we may have a separate VSE course and training level course at the HDT.

The Christmas party will be held at the Munsons' and will begin at 2:00 PM so people won't have to drive at night. It will be a potluck and white elephant trading event. Meat will be provided.

Next year's activities will include a ride at Eagle Island in April or May, and also a scurry.

Our next meeting will be on Jan 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 at the Munson's, and we will have our election of officers for the coming year.

Submitted by Mary Munson



### **WESTERN IDAHO STATE FAIR, BOISE IDAHO LIGHT HORSE DRIVING August 23-24, 2016**

#### ***Robin DeLong:***

We had beautiful sunny days for the Western Idaho State Fair this year! Amanda Horton was our awesome leader and supervisor. Joe Lyneis, from Washington, was our judge.

Our safety judge was Linda Kaye Hollingsworth-Jones. We had many other helpers, who stayed through some extremely long days.

We had three single horse turnouts, and 5 single ponies. There were also 7 miniature horse turnouts; 6 singles and 1 pair.







Senior to drive is a hard class to win! Senior drivers have many years of experience. Beautiful, wonderful hats; lovely outfits!!!

Musical freestyle was wonderfully creative!



Daryl Spurgeon and I really appreciated Kathy DeLong as our slave / groom. She helped us hook, shined our boots, and fetched water for people and ponies.

The miniature donkey Hosanna was adorable, as were the young ladies who drove him.



For obstacle day, Amanda ordered the perfect weather again, as well as designing a great cones course & derby!



The timed cones course had stretches of “get your speed up”, and some very technical parts with lots of twists and turns. Double jeopardy, as always, was very interesting!





During the gambler's choice, Daryl had a flying dismount. The drivers gave him a "10" on technical merits. The judge had to disallow the obstacle because Daryl didn't finish it; but the favorable outcome was a credit to the great partnership between Daryl and his pony Thumper.

The driving derby was part cones, part obstacles. It was very hard to remember after a long day, but what a blast! The first time had to be done at the walk or trot; on the second run, any gait was allowed.

Here are some of the winners:

Concours de Elegance – Carolyn Phillips  
Horse Champion – Carolyn Phillips  
Pony Champion – Robin DeLong  
Mini Champion – Becky Marchbank  
High-point Senior – Carolyn Phillips  
Carl Morris Memorial Trophy for pairs –Becky Marchbank.  
She won a huge hanging brush and grooming tools holder.



Overall I heard only good remarks about how the show was well organized and had a good flow. The weather was not too hot for mid August.

The only complaint was from drivers trying to memorize the derby late in the afternoon after showing for two days. Our brains were fried!



## 2016 TVW PLEASURE DRIVING SHOW

### *Mary Van De Bogart:*

The turnout was small but enthusiastic for our twelfth annual Pleasure Driving show, which was held at Birt Arena on October 22-23. The weather was as nice as you could ask for at that time of year, and we had a very nice time. The show was organized by Amanda Horton, and rail classes and dressage on Saturday were judged by Linda Kaye Hollingsworth-Jones.



On Sunday, we had a driving derby, timed cones, and the ever-popular Double Jeopardy cones.



I think that everyone had a good time. Chili and I certainly did!

**TREASURE VALLEY WHIPS - 2017 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

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NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Names of family (if Family membership) – specify the other adult voting member:

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May we send your newsletters via e-mail to save postage? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

INDIVIDUAL \$25: \_\_\_\_ FAMILY \$35: \_\_\_\_

**MEMBERS’ ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND LIABILITY RELEASE FORM**

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RISK**

*I/we intend to participate in equestrian activities sponsored by or affiliated with the Treasure Valley Whips driving club. I am fully aware that certain inherent and unavoidable risks and dangers are involved in any equestrian activity. I understand that these risks, hazards, and dangers could result in my injury, discomfort, illness, disease, death, or damage to my personal property.*

**ACCEPTANCE OF RISK AND RESPONSIBILITY**

*Being aware that these activities entail risks, hazards and dangers, I agree to accept and assume all responsibility and risks for any injury, discomfort, illness, disease, death and damage to personal property arising from my participation in these activities. My participation in these activities is purely voluntary, no one is forcing me to participate, and I elect to participate fully aware of the risks, hazards, and dangers.*

**RELEASE OF LIABILITY**

In consideration of being permitted to participate in these activities, I agree, pursuant to the limitations on liability pertaining to equestrian activities contained in Title 6, Chapter 18, Idaho Code, not to hold the Treasure Valley Whips nor its members, volunteers, officers, or agents liable for any injury or damage to my person or property. **I HEREBY VOLUNTARILY RELEASE THE TREASURE VALLEY WHIPS, ITS MEMBERS, VOLUNTEERS, OFFICERS, INSURERS OR OTHER AGENTS, FROM ANY AND ALL LIABILITY, CLAIMS, DEMANDS, ACTIONS, OR RIGHTS OF ACTION WHICH ARE RELATED TO OR ARISE IN ANY MANNER OUT OF MY PARTICIPATION IN THESE ACTIVITIES.** This release of liability includes, but is not limited to any negligent act or omissions of the Treasure Valley Whips, its members, officers, volunteers, insurers, or other agents, which may result in my personal injury, discomfort, illness, disease, death, and damage to my property. **THIS RELEASE OF LIABILITY ALSO EXPRESSLY EXTENDS TO, AND INCLUDES THE OWNERS/PROPRIETORS OF ANY PREMISES OR FACILITY AT WHICH THE EQUESTRIAN ACTIVITIES ARE HELD.**

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF EFFECT OF THIS RELEASE AND AGREEMENT**

*I understand and acknowledge that by signing this document, I have given up substantial legal rights and/or possible claims which I might otherwise assert or maintain in the future including, but not limited to legal rights and claims for negligent acts or omission of the Treasure Valley Whips, its members, officers, volunteers, insurers or other agents and the owners/proprietors of the premises and facility. I further agree that the laws of the state of Idaho shall govern the terms and effects of this agreement and that proper venue will be the courts of Idaho.*

**I HAVE READ THIS PARTICIPANTS ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND LIABILITY RELEASE FORM AND UNDERSTAND ALL OF ITS TERMS. I EXECUTE IT FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT, ASSURANCE OR GURARENTEE BEING MADE TO ME AND WITH FULL KNOWLEDGE OF ITS SIGNIFICANCE.**

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Member’s signature \_\_\_\_\_

**(Parent/Legal Guardian signature required if member is under 18)**

## **TVW 2016 -2017 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

<b>December 10</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>TVW “Harness the Holidays” Christmas Party 2:00 PM</b>
<b>January 18</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>TVW business meeting &amp; Elections 7:00 PM</b>
<b>February 25</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>TVW Bombproofing Playday</b>
<b>June 3-4</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>HDT “A Drive in the Park”</b>

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