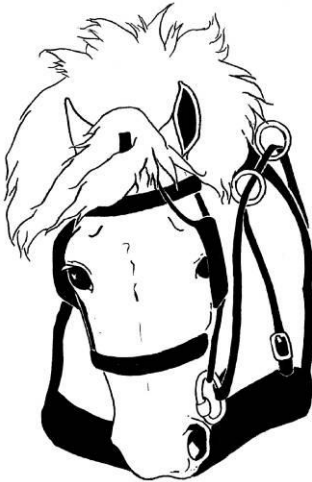


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**THE NEWSLETTER OF THE
TREASURE VALLEY WHIPS
A CARRIAGE DRIVING CLUB
FOR EDUCATION,
COMPETITION AND RECREATION
FOR CARRIAGE DRIVERS and
EQUINES OF ALL ABILITIES
AN AMERICAN DRIVING SOCIETY
AFFILIATED CLUB**

<http://www.treasurevalleywhips.org>



CURRENT ELECTED OFFICERS:

Chair: Jan McEnroe

Vice Chair: Donna Knipe

Secretary: Barb Recla

Treasurer: Kathy DeLong

Newsletter Editor: Mary Van De Bogart

THE NEXT BUSINESS MEETING will be held at 7:00 pm on Wednesday, January 16, 2013 at the Sunrise Café in Middleton. We will also be having a "Harnessing the Holidays" party at 7:00 pm on Friday, December 7 at Donna Knipe's. The address is 6603 Henry Place, Nampa ID 83686.

MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR

Mary Van De Bogart:

Thank you for submitting all the great pictures and articles, and in such a timely fashion! It makes my job much easier, and makes the newsletter a lot more fun.

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR,

Jan McEnroe:

Fall has arrived, warm days and cool, almost cold nights. Hey, it's a perfect time for driving our horses! Spending time with our horses and the fall foliage is always a wonderful way to enjoy the change of seasons.

Another year is almost gone, and this is the time to ask all of our members what they think of our accomplishments, and what they would like to see from our TVW club events.

The Whips has become a club we all can be proud of due to the tireless efforts from our members and officers. I am very grateful to each and every one of you.

Elections for TVW officers are just around the corner. Nominations will close at the January meeting for potential candidates for the positions that will be open for the 2013-2014 year. If you are interested in a position let our secretary Barb Recla know; if you know of someone who would be great at a position, talk to them and nominate them at the meeting.

Be a part of the decision making process for the club. If you would like the club to do different things, come and let us know what you would like to see happen at our fun days and meetings. Next year promises to have new and exciting things involving the club and its members all because people have spoken up and shared their ideas. Remember to keep checking the TVW calendar for upcoming events. It is always changing and a great way to keep track of club activities.

Thank you all, and I look forward to the rest of this year's activities and to seeing you at our "Harness the Holidays" get-together at Donna Knipe's in December.

If you have any comments or suggestions give me a call at 208-466-0133 or mudopie@clearwire.net
Happy Driving/Riding

Jan ☺

OCTOBER 10 MEETING MINUTES

Barb Recla:

The October 10, 2012, meeting of the Treasure Valley Whips was held at the Sunrise Café in Middleton, Idaho. The meeting was called to order at 7:12 p.m. by Chairperson Jan McEnroe. Ten members were present. Mary Van De Bogart made a motion that we approve the minutes of the August 8th meeting as printed. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report for the accounting period of 8-8-12 to 10-4-12:

Bank Balance: \$6552.82

Expenses: \$4156.54

Gabe Recla made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Motion passed.

Correspondence:

The August issue of The Whip included two articles by our members. Jan wrote an article titled "Treasure Valley Whips Revisit Idaho's Pioneer Era" about the groups' activities during the Murphy Outpost Days this year. Kathy DeLong contributed to an article "Trick Out Your Trailer" telling how she had her trailer modified to meet her driving needs. Great articles by both authors!

Committee Reports: TVW Pleasure Driving Show (October 27 and 28). Information is on the website and has been emailed and snail-mailed to everyone. Mary had a sign-up sheet for volunteers. Rose will do the obstacle course judging for Sunday.

Old Business:

Megan Sibiga Clinic (August 25 & 26) Amanda Horton was planning to report on this, but she was sick and unable to attend the meeting. The expenses were \$940 for the clinician fee and income was \$742.

Clay Maier Clinic (September 11-13) Jan prepared an expense and income report detailing income and expenses. The totals were expenses of \$2973.46 and income of \$3159 for a profit of \$185.54.

Recreational drive (Gilmore Ranch, October 6) There were 6 drivers, 5 passengers, 3 outriders, and 2 helpers. Drivers and riders had a variety of trails from ½ to 10 miles in length, and everyone enjoyed the wonderful weather.

New Business:

Horse Driving Trial scheduled for June 1 and 2: We'll have to wait to get more information from Amanda. We had a discussion about whether the event was to be club sponsored or personally sponsored. Jan made a motion that we contribute \$150.00 to Amanda to sanction the event. That motion was approved. The group needs to meet with Amanda to get more details and decide what to do next.

Clay Maier Clinic for 2013: An overwhelming majority want to have Clay back. Mary made a motion that passed stating this.

Bombproofing Playday: Acquiring stuff to set this up is a real job. Jan will make a list of things for people to be looking for, then we all need to help accumulate them. Also, since Bob and Joanie moved to Midvale, we need people to volunteer to help a little more with this.

Tentative dates for us to rent Birt Arena: February and March 16, April 20, May 3, August 10, second week of September on Tuesday-Friday, and October 26 and 27.

The year end (Christmas) party will be at Donna's house on December 7 at 7:00 p.m. We'll have fun awards, slide show and a potluck. Person and Vice Chair as those positions are up for a vote at the January 16 meeting.

There will be an informational get together at Birt Arena on Friday October 26 at 7:00 p.m. The next regular meeting will be January 16, 2013 in Middleton.

Gabe made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m. Motion passed.

EIGHTH ANNUAL TVW PLEASURE DRIVING SHOW RESULTS OCTOBER 27 & 28, 2012 BIRT ARENA, NAMPA, ID JUDGES: Megan Pugh & Rose Williams

Dressage Training Level: 1st – Kathy DeLong, 45.063 (70%); 2nd – John Munson, 48.219 (68%); 3rd – Jan McEnroe, 49.797 (67%); 4th – Carolyn Phillips, 59.265 (61%).

Dressage Preliminary Level: 1st – Mary Van De Bogart, 43.614 (71%); 2nd – Ellen Short, 51.468 (66%); 3rd – Robin DeLong, 67.892 (58%).

Turnout – smpony/pony: 1st – Mary Van De Bogart; 2nd – Kathy DeLong; 3rd – Robin DeLong; 4th – Janie Golden.

Turnout – horse: 1st – Rose Williams; 2nd – Carolyn Phillips.

Turnout – pairs: 1st – John Munson.

Picnic Pleasure: 1st – Tie for 1st – Rose Williams and Donna Knipe.

Working – smpony/pony: 1st – Mary Van De Bogart; 2nd – Kathy DeLong; 3rd – Robin DeLong; 4th – Janie Golden.

Working – horse: 1st – Carolyn Phillips.

Working – pairs: 1st – John Munson

Reinsmanship – smpony/pony: 1st – Kathy DeLong; 2nd – Robin DeLong; 3rd – Janie Golden.

Reinsmanship – horse/pairs: 1st – Carolyn Phillips; 2nd – John Munson.

Super Reinsmanship: 1st – Robin DeLong; 2nd – Kathy DeLong; 3rd – John Munson; 4th – Mary Van De Bogart.

Musical freestyle: 1st – Robin DeLong; 2nd – Rose Williams; 3rd – Carolyn Phillips; 4th – Donna Knipe.

Town and Country – smpony/vse: 1st – Robin DeLong; 2nd – Janie Golden.

Town and Country – pony: 1st – Kathy DeLong.

Town and Country – horse: 1st – John Munson; 2nd – Donna Knipe.

Town and Country – novice: 1st – Brenna Barker; 2nd – Barb Recla.

Timed Cones – smpony/vse: 1st – Robin DeLong; 2nd – Debbie Lyons; 3rd – Janie Golden.

Timed Cones – pony: 1st – Kathy DeLong.

Timed Cones – horse: 1st – Carolyn Phillips; 2nd – Donna Knipe; 3rd – John Munson.

Timed Cones – novice: 1st – Brenna Barker; 2nd – Barb Recla.

Double Jeopardy – smpony/vse: 1st – Janie Golden & Amanda Horton; 2nd – Robin DeLong & Brenna Barker; 3rd – Debbie Lyons & Brenna Barker.

Double Jeopardy – pony: 1st – Kathy DeLong & Ellen Short.

Double Jeopardy – horse: 1st – Donna Knipe & Carol Peterson.

Double Jeopardy – novice: 1st – Brenna Barker & Debbie Lyons; 2nd – Barb Recla & Alexandria Bullock.

SHOW CHAMPIONSHIP AWARDS:

Small Pony/VSE Champ: Robin DeLong & Geordi; **Res:** Janie Golden & Nala.

Pony: Champ: Kathy DeLong & Razzell; **Res:** Mary Van De Bogart & Rosie Cotton.

Horse: Champ: Carolyn Phillips & Amazin Grace; **Res:** Rose Williams & Cherry Tree Violet.

Novice Champ: Brenna Barker with Bill & Geordi; **Res:** Barb Recla & Hannah.

Pairs Champ: John Munson with Hagar & Flint.

Fun in the Rain
Debby Lyons:



Brenna and Bill

As always, the Treasure Valley Whips Fall show was full of fun, adventure, surprises, nice folks, good times and great food. Is there a better way to spend a crisp, rainy fall day than with your wet horse and your friends?

It was a special day for my granddaughter. She has been coming to this event from the age of three, passenger with me and her driving pony “Bill”. Bill arrived when Brenna had just turned three years old and Bill was 6 or 7. Legend has it that he led Santa’s reindeer team when Rudolph couldn’t make it on the way to our barn. For years each Christmas Santa and crew stopped by the barn to say hi to Bill leaving him halters, treats and brushes. Brenna has a lot of ribbons won by Bill over the years and made it her goal to drive and win her own ribbons this

year. Bill loves being brushed and petted but actually making him mind takes some skill as a driver. He balks at the idea of children (or anyone for that matter) actually making him work.

Now eleven, Brenna has been practicing her driving skills all summer and has become a pretty good hand. Since Bill can be a bit of a challenge we decided I would compete in the Pony division and then Brenna would drive the same course in the Novice/Youth division. I thought the driving obstacles were terrific this year but Bill looked at them and wondered what level of horse hell he'd entered. For a pony that sees a proud and haughty stallion when he sees his reflection, he is very nervous without his Morgan friends to check things out for him. I think he may have made it through three of the many obstacles before suffering a pony version of a nervous breakdown and having to leave the arena. That meant he and Brenna were scratched from the Novice division of the Town and Country Class. Enter Robin De Long to the rescue (see nice folks) with her pony Geordi. Robin is a brave lady to trust an eleven year old driver who she had never actually seen drive. I could tell that Bill and Geordi were cut from the same pony mold. Was Geordi thinking Lipizzan "airs above the ground" or was that a just part of "ponies behaving badly" as they hopped in the cart? With a "Hi Ho Silver" they were off to drive the obstacles. Geordi made it through the obstacles with flying colors and delivered both driver and owner intact. Bill managed to redeem himself in the cones, doing his usual smoking performance and Brenna was able to take him through the cones and Double Jeopardy. Robin graciously offered Brenna be her second driver for Double Jeopardy. So Brenna was able to drive cones and then drive the Double Jeopardy course three times, once as primary driver with Bill, and as my second driver as well as Robin's. I'm not sure but I think that might be a record.

Brenna took home a handful of Ribbons and a coveted large rosette for winning Novice/Youth. Needless to say I had one pleased and happy granddaughter. She had a great time and we all know most of us aren't getting any younger so we have to keep the younger drivers coming! Thanks to all who participated and made this event happen, and special thanks to Robin and Geordi.



Two of our new drivers, Barb Recla and Alexandria Bullock, prepare to compete in Double Jeopardy Cones driving Jan McEnroe's "Hannah"



Carolyn Phillips' mare "Amazin' Grace" looks proud of her achievements

TEDDY BEAR CDE

Linda Kaye Jones:

Several Idaho drivers braved the drizzle to compete at the Teddy Bear CDE.



Linda Jones driving "Flash"

It was a wonderful time amidst the beauty of green wheat fields and pine woods.

John Munson, Kathy DeLong, Linda Kaye Jones, the Knox's, and Amanda Horton all gave the CDE their best effort and enjoyed the scenery and company.



Kathy DeLong driving Razzel



The Knox's with their Connemaras



Amanda Horton and Ivy



John Munson's Fjord pair

“A DRIVE IN THE PARK” HDT AND COMBINED TEST

Amanda Horton:



The club will be undertaking its first American Driving Society (ADS) recognized event: a driving trial and combined test which we are calling the Idaho Driving Festival: A Drive in the Park. The two day event will be held at the Idaho Horse Park in Nampa on June 1 & 2, 2013. This competition will cater to beginners as well as experienced competitors looking for a season warm-up. Our Judge will be Marcie Quist from North Carolina who is not only knowledgeable but is wonderful at making new competitors feel comfortable. The weekend will be made up of two events: A “driving trial” which is a three part competition including driven dressage, marathon section E, and cones. A “marathon section E” is a “cross country” course in this case comprising between 4 -5 kilometers (about 2.5 to 3.1 miles) and four gated obstacles. Dressage and cones will be driven Saturday morning and the marathon will take place that afternoon. The second event is the “combined test” which includes driven dressage and cones and will be held on Sunday morning. This means that competitors will have the opportunity to show twice in dressage and cones which will be very helpful for learning and preparing for the rest of the competitive season.

We will be having some sign & decoration making parties over the winter to get organized for the event. We will also need volunteers during the event to help time the marathon obstacles, set cones, decorate and provide support for the other volunteers etc. Half day shifts will be set up so no one has to work long hours unless they want to. ☺ The club's website will soon include more information about the event and it will also be listed

in the Jan-June issue of the ADS Omnibus. Entries will open April 1, 2013 and \$150 will cover both the driving trial and the combined test. Whether you have an equine to show or not, this is going to be a wonderful learning experience for all plus it will be a lot of fun. Please mark June 1st & 2nd 2013 on your calendars now!

GILMORE RANCH DRIVE

Jan McEnroe:



Teri & Debbie with Jazz

We had a wonderful turnout of 6 drivers, 5 passengers, 3 outriders and 2 helpers on our Owyhee adventure near Murphy, Idaho, on October 6th. Our trusty steeds were 3 Morgans, 2 Arabians, 1 American Saddlebred, 2 grey Fjords, 1 mini, and a quarter horse.



Christine Sword and Bandit



Austin Haener driving his mini, Sadie

The weather was perfect for a day of driving/riding fun. There were a variety of trails/roads to explore ranging in distance and history of ½ mile to 20 miles. Some of our trails were the scenic route out and back, reservoir look out, old Gilmore Ranch homestead, Joyce Ranch lookout, etc.

Our group included an adventurous 9 ¾ year old (he corrected us on his age) Austin Haener driving his mini; Sadie who made it all the way to the old homestead with Christine Sword driving her horse, Bandit. Outriders Kathryn Nelson and Tami Haener rode along with the group. Bill Knipe was outrider for Donna Knipe and Karole Peterson while Teri Zurcher and Debbie Lyons covered the most trails; at least 15 miles worth with Jazz. John and Mary Munson enjoyed their pair of grey Fjords while exploring the trails.

It was fun to see drivers all over the desert with their trusty steeds. Thank you all for coming out to enjoy good trails, food and company. See you on our next adventure...:)

CLAY MAIER RETURNS TO NAMPA

Jan McEnroe:

Clay returned to Nampa in September for his second clinic with the Whips members. We love Clay!!!!

We were lucky to have Clay bring his Freisian horses (Falcon, Paris, and Erin) to perform a sample of his Freisian Spectacular for us and a wonderful

turnout of spectators. It was a wonderful social event..:)

The evening started out with Gary Eller playing SW Idaho music, followed by 15 Dutch ovens, side dishes galore and of course Mary and Lee's fabulous desserts.



After everyone had eaten, Clay brought in his horses for a wonderful evening of tandem riding, long-reining and ground work fun. It was nice to see the relationship that Clay has with his horses.



We had 8 participants with different breeds and lessons. Most worked with Clay long-reining while others drove. There were mules that Clay helped to get comfortable with pulling tires safely, quietly, and willingly.



Clay has a wonderful way of reading horse and human, getting the most out of each pair. His teaching method is easy to understand and follow instruction getting the absolute most out of your lesson or audit. Clay will be returning next September for a 3 day long-reining/driving clinic as well as performing his Freisian Spectacular. I would recommend anyone no matter their experience level to come out and enjoy a clinic with Clay Maier. Hope to see you there!!!



We're Looking for



Member Biographies!

Well... we'd like to highlight individual members as well as board members. Please don't be shy! Introduce yourself and get to know other club members too! So here's what we'd all like to know about you:

- Tell us when & how you got started driving
- Tell us about your driving horse(s)
- Tell us which driving activities you are most interested in
- Provide a picture of yourself so we can recognize you when we meet in person!

Send your info to Mary Van De Bogart @ mary.vandebogart@gmail.com or mail to:
Mary Van De Bogart
12275 Goodson Road
Middleton ID 83644

EAGLE ISLAND RECREATIONAL DRIVE, CONE COURSE, AND POTLUCK

We're having a Recreational Drive and Cones Course on December 8th at Eagle Island State Park. \$5.00 park entrance fee. Noon for driving; 4pm potluck at Debbie Lyons' 23353 N. Duff Lane Middleton, ID 83644. Parking available at Debbie Lyons' for trucks and trailers; or you can take your horses home and meet at Debbie's later for the potluck.

OUR OWN MOVIE STAR!



Nancy and Bruce Malmberg's Norwegian Fjord mare, "Sue", was recently featured in the movie "Soda Springs"!

Did You Know?

In general Meadowbrooks and most 2-wheel vehicles have a positive camber such that the bottom of the wheel is slightly narrower than the top. It allows for stability and expansion of the wheelbase as the weight of the carriage and passengers gives downward thrust to the wheel. Some wheels are almost straight so it is hard to see. But they should not be wider at the ground than the top. If that is happening then it's most likely that the axle is on upside-down. Axles have a slight bow to them to create the camber in the wheels. *(from the CD-L)*



TREASURE VALLEY WHIPS - 2012 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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Vale, OR 97918

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NAME: _____

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

ADDRESS _____

PHONE (____) _____ E-MAIL _____

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)

2012 TVW SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- **January 14** - Rein Board clinic, hosted by John and Mary Munson, Star
- **January 19** - TVW Business Meeting, Sunrise Restaurant, Middleton
- **January 28** - Fitness and Conditioning Clinic with Tom Noll and Cindy Davis, Meridian
- **February 4**-Learning and Understanding Dressage Patterns, hosted by John and Mary Munson, Star
- **February 18** - Clay Maier Video-athon, hosted by Debbie Lyons, Middleton
- **February 25** - TVW Bomb-proofing/Playday, Birt Arena, Nampa, Idaho
- **March 15** - TVW Business Meeting,
- **March 24** - TVW Bomb-proofing/Playday , Birt Arena, Nampa, Idaho
- **April 21-22** - TVW Megan Sibiga Clinic and ADT, Birt Arena, Nampa, Idaho (cancelled)
- **May 19-20** - TVW Megan Sibiga Clinic and ADT, Birt Arena, Nampa, Idaho
- **June 27** – TVW Business Meeting, Potluck, and Drive, 2165 Artesian Rd., Eagle, ID
- **July 11-13** – Driving at the City of Rocks, Almo, Idaho
- **August 8** – TVW Business Meeting, Potluck, and Drive, 5880 W. Murphy Rd. Kuna, ID 83634
- **September 12,13,14** - Clay Maier Long Reining & Driving Clinic and the Friesian Spectacular
- **October 27-28** - TVW 8th Annual Pleasure Driving Show , Birt Arena, Nampa, Idaho
- **December 7**- TVW “Harnessing the Holidays” party, hosted by Donna Knipe, Nampa
- **December 8** – Recreational Drive - Eagle Island State Park
- **December 8** – Potluck, hosted by Debby Lyons, Middleton

2013 TVW SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- **January 16** – TVW Business Meeting, Sunrise Café, Middleton
- **June 1-2** - HDT and Combined Test, Idaho Horse Park, Nampa

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