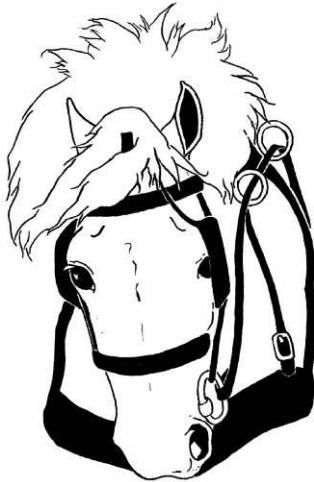


FEBRUARY 2013

~THE LASH~

**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, March 13, 2013 at the Sunrise Café in Middleton.

NEW MEMBERS:

Sarah Cummings, Keith Braden and Ingrid Eujen, Debbie Gshwender, and Cheryl Welsh

MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR

Mary Van De Bogart:

Sorry I'm a little slow this month. I'm hoping that Punxsutawney Phil was right, and that spring is right around the corner! My pony is shedding, but she's always an optimist.

The Lash ~ February 2013

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR,

Jan McEnroe:

Happy New Year!!

Here we are at the start of a new year, and the first order of business is membership dues. Please send them to:

Kathy DeLong, 2147 9th Ave. E., Vale, OR, 97918.

Welcome...:) We hope you come out this year and try some new events, and let us know what **you** would like participate in. Come out and let's hear your ideas!!!!

I know we are all looking forward to 2013 driving activities. We have a variety of exciting activities to choose from: bombproofing playdays, an arena driving trial, orienteering drives, the pleasure driving show, camp outs, clinics (Megan Sibiga, Clay Maier), driving trek, recreational drives, horse driving trial (A Drive In The Park), town and country obstacle course, long-rein outings, other ideas?

WooHoo!! Believe it or not spring is quickly approaching. We are all anxious to spend more quality time with our equine friends. And, our equine friends are getting anxious to get out and go. Many of us will also want to work slowly to get our equines reacquainted with driving since they have been on sabbatical for a few months. It is time to start thinking about pulling out our vehicles and preparing them for the season ahead. We need to at very least give them a safety check to prevent the preventable. This means making sure metal, wood, and leather on our vehicles are solid and secure as well as making sure the wheels are safe and secure. It is also a good idea to check all nuts and bolts and pull the wheels to check bearings. If the vehicle is equipped with brakes then you will want to check fluid levels. If you have a vehicle with a trim kit then pay special attention to the wood you cannot see. Moisture buildup under the trim can rot the wood. Order items that help keep you safer such as a kicking strap, gullet strap, etc...

Whew! That should give us something to pass the winter days....and before long, it is spring! I wanted to make sure to invite every member whether you drive or not to come out to our TVW functions. There are good friends and food along with lots of fun!!!! See you at our first event and club fund raiser; Bombproofing Playday, February 23th. Safe Driving...

Jan

JANUARY 16 MEETING MINUTES

Barb Recla:

The January 16, 2013, meeting of the Treasure Valley Whips was held at the Sunrise Café in Middleton, Idaho. President Jan McEnroe called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. There were eleven members present.

Mary Van de Bogart made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 10, 2012 meeting. The motion was seconded and approved.

Treasurer's report: As of December 16, 2012, we had expenses of \$1237.16 and income of \$940.00 for an ending balance of \$6105.66. Amanda Horton made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report. The motion was seconded and approved.

Kathy DeLong received the renewal form for insurance and told us it would run between \$900 and \$1000 for this year.

Amanda made a motion we approve up to \$1000 for insurance for 2013. The motion was seconded and passed.

Keith Braden and Ingrid Eujen are new members who drive Fjords. They live in Boise and keep their horses in Kuna. Welcome!

Correspondence: We received an appeal for funds from the American Driving Society.

Committee Report of the upcoming Horse Driving Trial: Amanda gave us a report on the planning for the Trial planned for June 1 and 2 at the Idaho Horse Park. We will need at least 40 cones. Amanda made a motion that we purchase 26 cones and balls for \$903.00. The motion was seconded and passed. Amanda put together a volunteer schedule. Barb will try to get 7 4-H kids for Saturday morning, 10 for the afternoon and 7 for Sunday morning. Lee will be the cone steward. We still need someone to be in charge of walkie-talkie radios. Amanda also needs help setting up the week prior to the show. She is applying for a grant from the ADS to help with some expenses since this is the show's first year. She will also be asking for sponsorships from groups and individuals.

Old Business:

Pleasure driving show: Many thanks to Mary for sending the DVDs to people participating in the show. Karole made a motion that we reimburse Mary \$40 for expenses for the DVDs and \$50 to the 4-H kids that helped. The motion was seconded and passed.

Holiday party: It was loads of fun and we went through a lot of wine and tequila. Thanks, Donna!

Bombproofing playdays, February 23 and March 23, 2013:

Jan noted that we need volunteers for set-up, take-down, registration, gate person, arena manure pick-up, and parking. She also wants us to help find old mattresses without springs, and to bring our old Christmas trees, empty boxes and plastic bottles, and animal hides. Set-up starts at 6 p.m. on February and March 22. We also need signs to let people know where not to tie their horses

Arena Driving Trial on April 20, 2013: Jan said she could arrange for us to be able to use the outside areas as well. Kathy suggested we could help new members just starting out. The arena is reserved for the 21st as well.

New Business:

Jan brought up TVW Bucks as a way to encourage members to volunteer by rewarding them with "Bucks" they could use toward fees for shows/events. After some discussion, Amanda made a motion that we award \$5 Bucks for 1 day of volunteering. The motion was seconded and passed.

Bombproofing T-shirts: Mary designed a shirt front showing some of the scary things horses face at our bombproofing clinics with the words "I Survived ...". Members were delighted with the idea and many ordered sweatshirts to wear on those days. Mary made a motion that we order 3 dozen T-shirts in assorted sizes to have for sale at the February clinic. The motion was seconded and passed.

Special Business: Officer nominations and elections: The Chairperson and Vice Chairperson offices were up for re-election this year. Amanda nominated the existing slate of officers. As no others were nominated, this was approved.

Mary said that anyone with something to put in the newsletter needs to get it to her by February 1.

Jan passed out logs to those keeping track of the number of hours they spend driving.

The next meeting will be March 13, 2013 at the same time and in the same place.

Kathy made a motion to adjourn at 8:40 p.m. The motion was seconded and approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Barb Recla

BOMBPROOFING PLAYDAYS ARE ALMOST HERE!



Get ready to come out and enjoy a day of fun and learning with your equine partner, or come out and help us with our main fundraisers! The playdays will be on February 23 and March 23, from 10am-4 pm. Check the calendar <http://www.treasurevalleywhips.org/2013bombproof.pdf> for details.



**“A DRIVE IN THE PARK”
THE IDAHO DRIVING FESTIVAL
HDT AND COMBINED TEST
JUNE 1-2, 2013
IDAHO HORSE PARK**

Amanda Horton:



If you have ever wanted to compete in or just watch the driven form of eventing you will now have your chance! The Treasure Valley Whips carriage club will be undertaking its first American Driving Society (ADS) recognized event: a driving trial and combined test which is being called 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. 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. Links to the prize list are on the club website.

Volunteers are needed during the event to help time the marathon obstacles, set cones, monitor the in-gate and warm-up ring, scribes and score runners. This is a great way to check out competitive driving and help out the sport. Half day shifts will be set up so no one has to work long hours unless they want to. ☺ Volunteers will be well cared for!

If you are interested in volunteering or just want more information about the event and the sport of combined driving you can e-mail Amanda Horton at leoblair2001@yahoo.com call her at 208 761-2758 or visit the club’s website at www.treasurevalleywhips.org

EAGLE ISLAND DRIVING:

The Idaho Miniature Horse Club is sponsoring a day of driving at Eagle Island State Park on May 12, 2013. There will be a TREK timed course and judged obstacles. Go to www.idahominiaturehorseclub.com Events Page for rules and entry form; or call 585-3748.

LONG-REINING OUTSIDE THE BOX
Mary Van De Bogart:



Long-reining, long-lining, ground driving..... I used to think of this activity as that awful thing that one has to do between longeing and actually hitching up. Trying to keep the lines from dragging and tangling, trying to keep an even contact, and trying to avoid those exciting moments when the horse whirls and suddenly you are wrapped up like an out-of-control parcel... it seemed like an awkward and dangerous business. However, over the last two years I’ve acquired some bits of information that have changed the way I think about and use this technique. Thanks to auditing two wonderful Clay Maier clinics, some help from my friends, and some experimentation, Rosie Cotton and I can stay legged up and even work off some of those holiday pounds long before my driving area is fit to work in; and we have a safe way to exercise and school when I don’t have that essential second person around to drive with.

To begin with, be aware that, like most of the things we do with our equine partners, this can be dangerous. One needs to have good equipment, train in a safe enclosed area before venturing out, and be mindful of safety concerns at all times. Getting tangled up with a panicking horse can be lethal. Also, one could spend years working on any training technique. This article is only intended to share the small bits of information that really changed things for me personally, not present an entire training program. I have underlined the things that helped me the most.

So, let’s start with equipment. It’s best to have a sturdy, comfortable surcingle with rings in a variety of positions. You can use the saddle from your driving harness; but it’s better to have the option of different ring positions for the reins. You need a bridle with a bit that your horse is comfortable with. I like to use an open bridle for long-reining. My Rosie Cotton is a greedy pig, so I like to use a side check that just stops her from trying to graze without affecting her normal head carriage when there is anything remotely edible within reach. I don’t like check reins normally; but used like this it prevents a lot of arguments and fussing. A side check is more comfortable to most horses than an overcheck. You may need a crupper with the check rein if your horse is particularly determined to root. The reins are VERY important. Reins made of climbing rope or yacht braid, like the ones Clay

Maier uses, are far less prone to tangling than a light, flat rein is. They need to be long enough so that you can let them slip quite a bit without fear of coming to the “end of your rope”. A suitable lightweight whip and gloves, and a pair of sturdy, comfortable shoes complete the necessary equipment. Personally, I like to use a quarter sheet in the winter when we’re just going for a walk. When we’re out on the trail, Rosie wears a halter and lead rope just in case; and I carry a cell phone, wire cutters, and all that Boy Scout stuff in a little day pack. She also wears a neck strap of sleigh bells because I’m a silly old woman and it makes me happy. Make sure that everything is secure and comfortable. If you are using your driving harness, make sure that things will stay in place in a “storm”, and that you don’t have a lot of loose dragging straps. If your horse is wearing a collar, secure it to the harness saddle so that it can’t go down the horse’s neck if he lowers his head. (If you ever use a bell neck strap, you need to do the same thing.)

On to technique! First, be sure that you practice everything in an enclosed, safe area with good footing before you even THINK about going out. One of the things new to me was to use rope reins and let the ends drag on the ground. I always used to be obsessive about keeping everything up off the ground; and I never could figure out how to keep a soft contact. With the rope reins, you can keep a very soft feel; if the horse moves suddenly or you have an awkward moment, you can just let them slide a little. You have to be very aware of your rein ends, and very careful not to let them tangle; but I find that I am much less likely to get tangled in the heavy rope ends on the ground than I am with a bundle of webbing in my hand. If you keep moving forward, and walk a small circle when your horse is circling, your reins are far less likely to tangle up.

When you first start out, especially if your horse is a little fresh or green, you can



rig your inside rein as a draw rein (see picture). Run it through the bit ring, and buckle or snap it to the ring on the surcingle. In this fashion, you can keep control of the horse’s head when things get awkward. This is one of the techniques that helped me the most. Handling an exuberant Fjord from

the ground sometimes makes me feel like the brave cowboy who lassoed a train engine... Rigged this way, if they try to bolt you can drop the other rein and pull them around to face you; and when they are facing you, you will have control of their head. (Incidentally, this also works very well with a longe line if a horse is very fresh; but in that case you would want to use a side rein on the outside as well.) You don’t want to always drive like this; it makes the feel of your horse’s mouth uneven, and you can only turn or circle in one direction. Also, if you are walking behind the horse it is easier for them to step on or over a rein. But especially if you are not extra-strong and you worry about your horse getting away from you, it is a very useful tool. So use it when you feel the need, and then put the rein back in its normal position.

Work in a safe fenced area until you and your horse are very comfortable. One nice thing about long-reining is that you can work in a much smaller area than is required for driving. I highly recommend Clay Maier’s excellent DVDs, if you haven’t seen them yet. Your horse needs to be calm, maneuverable, and obedient before you go outside. You should be very comfortable with your rein and whip handling techniques. You need to be able to work your horse both in a circle around you, and while walking behind. Practice walking between the reins with a rein in each hand, and then shifting to both reins in one hand frequently, as well as taking the reins up to walk close beside your horse and then letting them out ahead; this will help you become more adept at rein handling when you really need to be! When I’m outside, I like to be able to have Rosie trot circles around me or practice serpentines in open areas; when the trail narrows I need to be able to control her from directly behind. Work on some simple obstacles – a tarp on the ground, some poles, a piece of plywood – so that you know how your horse will react to a little challenge, and you can practice dealing with it in safety. When you do go out, go to a safe, traffic-free environment to start with, and go with a friend.

I love our expeditions; and Rosie seems to enjoy them too. To get out in the open on a crisp winter morning, enjoy the sleigh bells, the wildlife, and the company of good friends; and to be getting both myself and my pony fit all at once seems like a very good thing to me.



TREASURE VALLEY WHIPS (TVW)
2013 ARENA CARRIAGE DRIVING TRIAL - For all equines

BIRT ARENA, HESTEHAVEN AND LEWIS LANE, NAMPA, IDAHO

April 20, 2013 (Saturday)

JUDGE: TBA

OFFICE OPENS: 8:00a.m; DRESSAGE starts at 9:00a.m.

*The Arena Driving Trial is a daylong event, featuring three phases: 1. Driven Dressage, 2. Marathon Obstacles and 3. Obstacles (Cones). This is an excellent opportunity to learn more about combined driving events (CDE's) and for those who are familiar with the sport to work on their skills. **Dress is informal** and helmets are recommended for drivers and anyone riding on a cart/carriage. ADS rules will be followed (as much as is practical) and are available on-line at <http://www.americandrivingsociety.com/> (See modified rules for Arena Driving Trials, Combined Driving Rules, Appendix A, section B. Arena Driving Trials)*

Secretary: Amanda Horton; (208) 761-2758; e-mail: leoblair2001@yahoo.com

**** PRE-ENTER BY E-MAIL OR TELEPHONE BY THE WEDNESDAY BEFORE THE SHOW TO
AVOID A \$20 POST ENTRY FEE ****

Divisions/levels: Training and Preliminary;

Classes: horse (over 14.2 hh), pony (12 hh up to 14.2 hh) and small pony/VSE (under 12 hh).

Entry Fee (member rate/non member rate): \$40 (\$60 for non TVW members); Extra Dressage tests (next level up) \$15.

Dressage Information: ADT Training Level test #2, ADT Preliminary Level test #2. Test can be downloaded from http://www.americandrivingsociety.org/dressage_test.asp (towards the bottom of the page), at treasurevalleywhips.org website or contact organizer.

Marathon Obstacles: Two marathon type obstacles will be set up. Exhibitor will pass through start/finish gate of obstacle #1, drive through the lettered gates of the obstacle in order, A, B, & C, (and D if Preliminary) and come out start/finish gate. The exhibitor will be signaled when the timer is ready for them to drive the second obstacle. This process is repeated until the Exhibitor has driven the obstacles #1, #2, #1, and #2. No cantering in Training level.

Cones Information: Timed event, one possible multiple ("L" "double L" or serpentine); **Training**, minimum of 40 cm clearance; **Preliminary**, min. 35 cm clearance. Scores will be based upon penalties for time and/or course penalties (balls down). No cantering in Training level.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE: Office opens 8:00; **Dressage** drive times will start at **9:00** and will be e-mailed before the show; **Marathon Obstacles** immediately after Dressage; **Cones at 1:30**; awards after completion of cones, approximately 3:00.

AWARDS: Ribbons 1-4 in each class; also best dressage, cones, marathon obstacles; best in level.

ABSOLUTELY NO DOGS ALLOWED!

TVW APRIL 20, 2013 ADT ENTRY FORM

DRIVER: _____ **OFFICE: # assigned _____ ; paid? _____**

EQUINE(S): _____ 1. GROOM/NAVIGATOR: _____

ADDRESS: _____ 2. DIVISION: ____ Training or ____ Preliminary?

_____ 3. CLASS:
_____ Horse (over 14.2 hh);
E-MAIL: _____ _____ Pony (12 – 14.2 hh); or
_____ Small pony/VSE (under 12 hh).

PHONE: _____ 4. HITCH: ____ Single; or ____ Pair/multiple

ENTRY FEES: _____ \$40/60* (*Non-member fee)
_____ \$20 Post Entry Fee (see ADT prize list)
_____ \$15 Extra Dressage Test (next level up)
_____ \$45 Stall (Fri. 6pm-Sun) includes shavings

TOTAL FEES: \$ _____ (Make checks payable to: TVW)

PARTICIPANT'S ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND LIABILITY RELEASE FORM

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RISK

I/we intend to participate in an equestrian activity 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 this activity entails 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 this activity. My participation in this activity 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 this activity, 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 or its members, officers, volunteers, insurers, or other agents liable for any injury or damage to my person or property. **I HEREBY VOLUNTARILY RELEASE THE TREASURE VALLEY WHIPS, ITS MEMBERS, OFFICERS, VOLUNTEERS, 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 THIS ACTIVITY.** 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 activity is held.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF EFFECT OF THIS RELEASE AND AGREEMENT

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ENTIRE AGREEMENT

I understand that this is the entire agreement and that no representations or issues not covered herein are a part of this agreement. The terms of this agreement can only be modified in writing executed by all parties to this agreement.

I HAVE READ THIS PARTICIPANT'S 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.

Driver's signature _____ Groom/Navigator's signature _____
(Parent/Legal Guardian signature required if participant/driver/groom is under 18)

**CARRIAGE DRIVING CLINIC
WITH
MEGAN SIBIGA
SPONSORED BY THE TREASURE VALLEY WHIPS
MAY 18TH & 19TH, 2013
AL BIRT ARENA, NAMPA, IDAHO**

CLINIC FORMAT: Individual lessons: Possible cones & marathon workshops depending on interest.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE: SATURDAY 8:00 am start; SUNDAY 8:00 am start. Schedule assigning lesson times will be made early the week of the clinic and distributed to participants.

*Please bring a dish to share for a potluck lunch each day
Coffee, tea, soda and water will be provided*

1. LESSONS - \$75 each 50 min. lesson. Non TVW members - \$100

2. FEES MUST ACCOMPANY ENTRY TO RESERVE LESSONS. Lesson slots are limited and will be filled on a first come basis with paid entry. If fees are not received then the entry will be placed on a waiting list until the fees are received. TVW members will be given priority over non-members.

3. STALLS: \$45 ea. (Fri. 6pm - 11am Mon.); bedding included. **ADVANCE PURCHASE IS REQUIRED FOR STALLS**

4. ELECTRICAL HOOK-UPS - \$10/night.

5. REFUND POLICY: Organizer will refund fees paid if the lesson slot is re-sold. Stall cancellations before May 15th will be refunded; cancellations after that date the stall fees will be forfeited unless re-sold.

TVW MEMBERS NOT TAKING LESSONS ARE STILL INVITED TO BRING THEIR HORSES AND USE THE FACILITIES AT BIRT'S THAT AREN'T BEING USED FOR LESSONS.

Send Entries to:

**TREASURE VALLEY WHIPS CLINICS
c/o Amanda Horton
1410 W Highland View Dr.
Boise, ID 83702
(208) 761-2758 or leoblair2001@yahoo.com**

MEGAN SIBIGA CLINIC ENTRY FORM – MAY 18 -19, 2013
Birt Arena, Nampa, ID
Treasure Valley Whips Carriage Driving Club – treasurevalleywhips.org

Participant Name(s): _____ TVW Member? _____

Address: _____

Horse(s) name(s): _____

Do you have any scheduling preference for lessons? _____.

_____ **LESSONS - \$75 TVW member – nonmembers \$100** \$ _____

_____ **Stall(s) @ \$45** (Friday after 6 pm – Mon. 11 am) \$ _____

_____ **Electrical hook-up @ \$10/night** \$ _____

TOTAL: \$ _____

***PAYMENT MUST BE INCLUDED IN ENTRY TO RESERVE LESSONS; OTHERWISE
ENTRY WILL BE PLACED ON A WAITING LIST
(MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO “TVW”)***

SEND ENTRIES & ALL FEES TO:

**TVW Clinics
1410 W Highland View Dr.
Boise, ID 83702**

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Date _____ Participant's signature _____

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

TREASURE VALLEY WHIPS - 2013 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

c/o Kathy E. DeLong

2147 9th Ave E

Vale, OR 97918

(541) 473-2494 or kathyerniedelong@gmail.com

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: ____

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Date _____ Member’s signature _____

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

2013 TVW SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- **January 16** – TVW Business Meeting, Sunrise Café, Middleton
- **February 23** - Bombproofing Playday, Birt Arena, Nampa 10-4
- **March 13** - TVW Business Meeting, Sunrise Café, Middleton
- **March 23** - Bombproofing Playday, Birt Arena, Nampa 10-4
- **April 20** – TVW Arena Driving Trial, Birt Arena, Nampa
- **April 21** – Open driving, Birt Arena, Nampa
- **May 18-19** – Megan Sibiga Clinic, Birt Arena, Nampa
- **June 1-2** - HDT and Combined Test, Idaho Horse Park, Nampa
- **September 11-13**- Clay Maier Clinic, Birt Arena, Nampa
- **October 26-27**- TVW Pleasure Driving Show

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