**Cal-Neva Driving Club**

**‘Come as You Are’ Horse Driving Trial**

**October 19, 2025**

9 am start (Mandatory Drivers Meeting @ 8:15am)

**\*\***All sizes of equines/mules/donkey’s welcome**\*\***

Douglas County Fairgrounds

Gardnerville, Nevada

A Horse Driving Trial is a three-phase driving versatility test for horse and driver.

**Dressage Test** – Driven Dressage test is to judge the freedom, regularity of paces, harmony, impulsion, suppleness, lightness, ease of movement and correct bending of the horse on the move.

**Cones** – The object of cones is to test the fitness, obedience and suppleness of the horse and the skill and competence of the driver.

**Marathon** – The object of the Marathon is to test the fitness, stamina and training of the horse and the driving skill, judgment of pace of the driver and may include 4 obstacles to maneuver through.

**The Driving Trial will be run with the driven dressage test first, then immediately followed by the cones. Marathon after lunch (marathon will be *no longer then 3 km/1.8 miles*).**

*Any safe and serviceable cart may be used – Safety Check of horse/harness/cart prior to Driven dressage test. No show clothes are required, but if you want to dress the part, please feel free to!*

Competition levels:

**Introductory** – Walk/Trot only, may have dressage test called, first time competing at a HDT event. Dressage Test Training Test A

 **Training** – Walk/Trot only. Dressage Test Training Test A

 **Preliminary** – Walk/Trot/Canter. Dressage Test Preliminary Test B

\*\*Helmet is required in Marathon. Protective vest highly encouraged in Cones & Marathon.

Classes – **VSE** (under 39”) **Pony** (39” to 14.2), **Horse** (over 14.2, including drafts), **Pairs**

 **\*\*UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCE OR ANY CONDITION SHOULD A BRIDLE EVER BE REMOVED FROM A HORSE, PONY OR MULE WHILE IT IS STILL PUT TO A VEHICLE. \*\*IF THIS OCCURS – COMPETITOR WILL BE ELIMINATED FROM SHOWING.**

**Have Questions?**

**Please email sadlmup@gmail.com**

**Fees:** $125 includes $25 Office fee – Closing date 10/3/2025

 Refund Policy - Refunds before closing date – fees returned except Office Fee

 NO REFUNDS after closing

 Post Entry – After Closing – Add $50

Entry includes a quick afternoon clinic with Nona Bales (on Saturday 10/18/2025 - will be about 2 hours and will occur after the 10/18 show is over).

**Stabling/Camping** – Stalls $15 per night, Camping (no services) $25 per unit per night

If you need stall/campsite – for reservations - please make contact with Douglas County Parks/Fairgrounds *#775-782-9835*

Driving Trial Entry;

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Please Circle Level: **Introductory Training Preliminary**

Please Circle Class: **VSE Pony Horse Pair**

**All entrant’s will need to sign a release form prior to acquiring your show number. Helmets required for 17 & under while in cart**

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