

2025 Sporting Day of Traditional Driving

Saturday and Sunday, 14 & 15 June, 2025

Hosts: Erik and Mary Jensen

Thistle Hill Farm

2072 Summit St., Franktown, Colorado, 80116

ENTRIES CLOSE June 4

Volunteers needed.

To volunteer, contact:

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Ladies and Gentlemen,

We will host our Sporting Day of Traditional Driving on Saturday, June 14 at Thistle Hill Farm in Franktown. The rain date will be Sunday, June 15. If Sunday is not required as a rain date, we will host a relatively aggressive cross-country drive on that date.

Our judge/commentator this year will be Mr. Terry Pickett of Frankfurt, Michigan. Mr. Pickett began his horse involvement at the famous Hawthorne Melody Farm in Illinois. He later worked with Mr. Tom Ryder at the Seabrook Farms in New Jersey and with Mr. August A Busch's horses at Grant's farm in St. Louis, Missouri. He also worked on Mackinac island, and with Cary Kennedy in Michigan and Robert Weaver in Illinois. He finished his career at Audrey Rose's Squeaky Windmill Farm in Metamora, Michigan. He is a licensed USEF judge, a licensed ADS Pleasure judge, and an ADS Coaching judge. He has done it all.

Schedule of events:

10:30 am: Presentation

10:45 am: Pleasure drive (5.5 to 7.5 miles), including three or four basic driving tests.

12:15 pm: Skilled driving test (cones)

2:00 pm: A light lunch and beverages will be provided in the carriage room and the courtyard.

3:00 pm: Mr. Pickett will offer commentary on the turn outs.

All participants must be members of the Colorado Driving Society. A single membership is \$30 and a family is \$35.

The entry fee is \$75. Lunch will be \$35, and we welcome donations toward volunteer lunches if you so desire.

Except when preparing the vehicles and horses, we re-



quest that our dress code be observed at all times throughout the grounds. Gentlemen: coat, slacks, tie, hat, and gloves; Ladies: a dress, long skirt or slacks and blouse, jacket, hat, and gloves.

Grooms may be in formal or informal livery as fits the vehicle and turnout. A guest may serve as groom on appropriate vehicles. Whips must carry a whip and wear an appropriate driving apron. All volunteers and non-riding guests should dress in similar fashion.

This event is open to horses, mules, and ponies only. Be sure to remember your number holders.

All whips, grooms, volunteers and guests are asked to sign the release on the next page, as well as the Jensen's release upon arrival.

The skilled driving test (cones) will be driven at a trot and judged on time and balls down. Please include the track width measured from the outside of your rear wheels on the entry form.

The course for the pleasure drive will include an "out and back" so that we will have the pleasure of passing and saluting each other, and an opportunity to appreciate the other turnouts. We will again have the ever-popular beer and champagne stops.

It is our intention to make this event as inclusive as possible while observing the traditional standards of classical carriage driving. We wish this to be a fun and educational day celebrating our carriages, our horses and our very special lifestyle. We look forward to seeing all of you.

Erik and Mary Jensen

Please call or email if you have any questions.

Entry Form: A Sporting Day of Traditional Driving

Name of Driver: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____

E-mail: _____ ☐ I will volunteer!

Check one: ☐ horse(s) ☐ mule(s) ☐ pony(ies);

Check one: ☐ single ☐ pair ☐ tandem ☐ unicorn ☐ four-in-hand

Vehicle Description: _____

Track width between outside edges of rear wheels: _____ inches.

Entry Fee per turnout \$75 \$ _____

Add CDS membership fee(s) \$ _____

\$30 single or \$35 family: \$ _____

Lunch (\$35 each) \$ _____

Volunteer Lunch Donation \$ _____

Total enclosed: \$ _____

Please complete this entire form, make checks payable to Erik Jensen, attach check and signed release and mail to: **Erik Jensen**

**2072 Summit Street
Franktown, CO 80016**

A Sporting Day of Traditional Driving — Release

Colorado Driving Society

Please print, complete and sign this release and attach it to your entry form.

The undersigned fully assumes all responsibilities and risks from or arising out of the transportation, handling, use, and driving and/or riding of horses at any and all Colorado Driving Society activities, and at adjacent arenas that may be owned or controlled by the Colorado Driving Society, and further agrees to indemnify, hold harmless and defend the Colorado Driving Society (the "Premises"), their respective trainers, employees, agents, independent contractors, and members of boards of governance ("Indemnities") from all damages, losses, expenses or liabilities for any injury to the person or property of the undersigned, third parties or said horses at the Premises by the undersigned. I understand that there are risks involved in the use of the Premises, and I fully assume all such risks, and knowingly waive any and all specific notice of existence of such conditions.

Driver:

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Print name: _____

Telephone: _____

Address: _____

Doctor's name: _____

Dr.'s phone: _____

Medical conditions we should be aware of:

_____**Groom/Navigator:**

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Print name: _____

Telephone: _____

Address: _____

Doctor's name: _____

Dr.'s phone: _____

Medical conditions we should be aware of:

If either of the above individuals is a minor, please complete the following:

On behalf of the above-named minor, I waive and release all claims for damages, losses or expenses to person or property, which may be caused by an unreasonable act or failure to act of the Indemnities names above. I understand that there are risks involved in the use of the Premises, and I assume that risk of all conditions in and about said facility for myself and the above from all damages, losses, expenses or liabilities for any injury to the person or property of the above-named minor, third parties or said Indemnities caused by or arising out of the transportation, handling, use or riding of horses at the Premises by the above-named minor.

Parent/guardian signature: _____

Date: _____

In addition to the Release provided above and any release in any other agreement, the following warning is given in accordance with Colorado Law.

WARNING

UNDER COLORADO LAW, AN EQUINE PROFESSIONAL IS NOT LIABLE FOR AN INJURY TO OR THE DEATH OF A PARTICIPANT IN EQUINE ACTIVITIES RESULTING FROM THE INHERENT RISKS OF EQUINE ACTIVITIES, PURSUANT TO SECTION 13-21-120, COLORADO REVISED STATUTES.

Please print, complete and sign this release and attach it to your entry form.