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# WHIP'R SNAPPER

## *Driving Society of Southern California*

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## A UNIQUE WAY TO GET YOUR COVID SHOTS

**I would venture to say that no one gets more use or enjoyment out of driving than Doug Russell.**

Early on when seniors 75 years and older were eligible to get the Covid vaccine, there was a slight problem. All the available appointments filled up within minutes, not hours but minutes. There was a site for vaccinations over in the park at Hansen Dam. It is in a place that we pass when we are out driving around the lake. After a few weeks of not being able to get an appointment at this local, very convenient site, I stopped by one morning when I was out driving Nugget. Driving a cute pony and cart is a real attention getter and I soon had a small crowd of the site personnel wanting to know about Nugget and asking to pet him and take his picture. I told them that I had been trying to make an appointment and there were never any available. One of the workers said, "I think we can take care of you." He came back a few minutes later and said, "We can take you now." I said, "But I don't have any paper work." He said, "That's o.k. We will trust you." They were as excited as I was. It was the first time that they had had anyone arrive in a horse and cart to get vaccinated. They entered me into the data base, I got my shot, they took our picture and I got my card and verification to return a month later.

Yesterday was one month after my first Covid shot. I decided to take Cisco this time. He was just as much a magnet for attention. Once again we got VIP service and did not have to wait in any lines. I cannot think of a better way to get my vaccinations. Probably will be a one and only time but it was great fun and enjoyed by all.

By the way Nancy got her shot the week after my first shot but she went the normal route of lining up for the drive through. It only took an hour.



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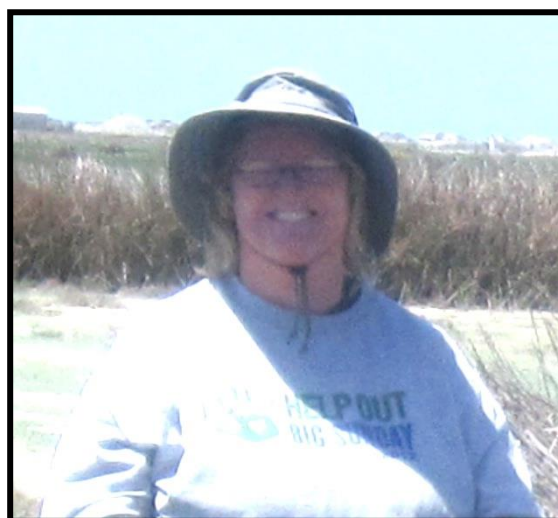
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*Articles/photos wanted –  
please have to me by the  
10<sup>th</sup> of the month.*



Hello all,

It is beginning to look like there is light at the end of the tunnel. I am hoping many of you have received your doses of the vaccine. Hopefully we will soon be able to have events and activities since it has been way to long since we have seen

each other. Fingers crossed that we can gather soon.

Stay safe and continue to keep you and your family healthy.

Happy Trails,

Jennifer

## FROM YOUR EDITOR – Veronica Campbell



I am happy to report that both Ted and I have received our 1<sup>st</sup> Covid shot and will get our 2<sup>nd</sup> one on the 19<sup>th</sup>. However, we did not have the fanfare that Doug Russell did. Carriage drivers always find a way to enjoy their equines. Several of our drivers took part in the You Tube Dressage experience. Be sure and read about their thoughts.

Also, don't miss the article about the Cosmopolitan shoot that Doug Russell shared with us shared with us. Take the time to watch the You Tube. I think a lot of you will recognize the farm/ranch.

.With any luck we will get to attend the Carousel Charity Horse in show in Scottsdale, AZ this weekend.





SIX MORE WEEKS OF WINTER. . . .

And to renew your Whip'r Snapper Driving Society membership for 2021-22.

Clinics, competitions, and continuing support for our junior drivers. Not to mention driving play days and social gatherings, but we will. Whip'r Snapper Driving Society will be offering a full range of activities as soon as it is safe to do so. Meanwhile we continue to keep members in touch with each other through our excellent newsletter.

In late February you will be contacted regarding renewing your membership. If you don't receive an email or letter you are up to date. PLEASE CONTINUE TO SUPPORT WHIP'R SNAPPER DRIVING SOCIETY BY **PROMPTLY RETURNING YOUR RENEWAL FORM, WITH A CHECK** to:

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Thanks, and happy (and safe!) driving. Lisa Blank, Membership Chairman

# WHIP'R SNAPPER

## *Driving Society of Southern California*

The Whip'r Snapper Driving society of Southern California was founded in 1989 to promote the sport of driving and to educate the public about driving, safety and to include the public in our activities and events. We are a non-profit organization and a recognized organization of the American Driving Society (ADS).

More than 100 Whip'r Snapper members represent a variety of skills and interest in driving activities; including serving as officials, organizers and volunteers at events or participating in combined driving, pleasure driving, arena driving, driven dressage or just driving for sport and pure enjoyment.

We also have members who build and restore carriages of all types and distribute a variety of driving equipment. We have several members who are ADS officials and drivers on all levels as well as novice drivers who are just getting started and benefit from the help and advice of veteran drivers.

Numerous events are offered throughout the year to accommodate the varied interests of our members and the driving community. We sponsor two pleasure shows 'Pleasure Days' in early summer, and the 'Halloween Hustle' in October and the 'Sweetheart Arena Driving Trial' in February. We host a variety of events and clinics covering all phases of driving.



You can look forward to pleasure and picnic drives and show with the club throughout the year. We also support driving events sponsored and hosted by other clubs and organizations throughout the western states. Members receive discounted entry fees at club sponsored events and a monthly newsletter, which includes a listing of upcoming events in the Southern California area, educational articles, classified ads and other items of general interest to our membership.

### ***Membership Application Form***

- \_\_\_\_\_ \$30 per year for members receiving their newsletter via email
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- \_\_\_\_\_ \$100 for a four year membership; receiving their newsletter via email
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Coming to us from Doug Russell

A couple of months ago we were scheduled to have an all day photo shoot of someone from "Riverdale" tv show for an article and the cover of Cosmopolitan magazine. All of the vehicles were parked in the riding arena next to the house and back yard stalls. Our apartment is over the garage and overlooks the arena. The shots or the "barn" are above two of the stalls and near our apartment. The model is coming down the stairs that go up to our apartment and the "barn" (actually a work room). The Yak and sheep are in a pasture across the arena from our apartment. The rest of the footage was taken at various places around the back part of the ranch where there are paddocks, round pen, driven dressage arena, storage containers, etc. As a safety precaution everyone, except the model, wore masks. An advantage of being part of this event is that all of us had a Covid test with results in 15 minutes. The only one who tested negative was a pig handler who brought a baby pig. She was sent home and they substituted one of the ranch chickens for the pig photo shoot

This is a link on YouTube to a video of a photo shoot for the March issue of Cosmopolitan Magazine. It is really fun to watch since it is where we live and I am in it. I am the masked horse wrangler and the two small ponies, Nugget and Cisco, and the mini, Archie, are ones I drive at the Horse Driving Trials and Combined Driving Events up near Stockton at Clay Station Horse Park as well as at our local Whip'R Snapper events.

There was a lot of hurry up and wait while trying to get just the right lighting, wardrobe changes, etc. but it was a fun day and looked very much like a "photo shoot" on tv but much looonger. However it was a fun day.

[SHOOTING MY COSMO COVER | Madelaine Petsch](#)

(Copy and paste in YouTube search box) – 10 minutes

There is another link that contains the article and includes some video of Madelaine interacting with the animals, which is not included in the magazine. [Madelaine Petsch Cosmo Interview March 2021: 'Riverdale,' Anxiety, Breakups \(cosmopolitan.com\)](#) (Copy and paste in search engine)



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# 2021

March 11-14	Carousel Charity Horse Show. All breed Show Driving classes	Westwood in Scottsdale	Drew Callahan 602-677-9030 Cyndi Callahan 480-415-8352 callahanperformancehorses@gmail.com
March 13-14	ETI Corral 14.	Drive in Bakersfield	Jack McGee's Rancho
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Click on the W'rS event and there should be a flyer with more information.

**LIGHT BLUE IS AN ADS SPONSORED EVENT**

Note: some dates and events are tentative, check with the local club or sponsoring organization for more information and updates as the year progresses.

## **FEEDBACK FROM THE YOU TUBE DRESSAGE CLINIC**

### **Ann McClure: Driver**

I'm glad I participated in the Dressage clinic with Zoom. It was definitely a technological learning experience for me. It would have been nice if more had taken advantage of the opportunity. I think there would be a benefit by first having a lesson on how to use zoom for those not familiar with using it. It took me about 45 minutes to figure out how to connect. I think I found out you have to have a zoom app on the devices you want to use. I tried connecting my phone directly to the TV. I don't have WIFI so I also use my phone for a Hotspot. Bad idea it uses a lot of power so my phone battery used up and I lost connection. Found out best way was to connect lap top to TV, plug phone in to power and run it's Mobil Hotspot. Also sound is then controlled by a TV remote and not the phone.

My video part was easy because I asked Diane Kastama to video and do all the uploading. She has just recently gotten a GPS camera that is FANTASTIC. I think everyone who saw our go was impressed by the camera's quality. It's so clear and there's no hiding your mistakes. The video was done on the newer dirt dressage field at my place.

Hardy went over every test and discussed what was being done well and suggestion of where improvements could be and the reasons why. He ran the tests in slow motion so you could take it all in. After he finished each test there was time for questions and answers from any of us participating. I thought that worked well. The only negative I heard was from a friend watching with me that was frustrated we didn't see the test also in real time. I understand later that some had thought to have YouTube up on another device so they could watch both. I definitely would like to do it again. Other eyes are so helpful.

### **Liz Miller: Auditor**

ZOOM go the reins to my heart! You know what I mean.

My compliments and thanks to Hardy, the organizers, techies and participants. What a great beginning for more sharing and (amazingly ) socializing in this time of COVID .

It's always helpful to see other drivers/rigs at various training stages especially with Hardy analyzing. I do hope we get to do this again. I strongly recommend auditing and perhaps we could get together 1/2hr before learning session to reintroduce ourselves, horses and post-COVID aspirations.

Again, many thanks to all!



Below is a snap shot of the You Tube video of the Dressage Clinic.

The large photo is Ann McClure and that is Hardy Zantke with the microphone.

Six Whip'r Snapper drivers videoed their horses doing some of the new dressage tests. We downloaded the videos to YouTube and then all the drivers and a few auditors listened as Hardy Zanke gave each driver a clinic while we watched on Zoom or on Hardy's shared screen. The Zoom meeting was arranged by Mary Kay Davidson, and she helped everyone get online.

Ann McClure did an Intermediate test with really good canter circles in both directions. She was videoed by Diane Kastama up at her Ranch in Arroyo Grande.

Pam Miller, Mary Kay Davidson, Doug Russell, and Sarah Aparicio were filmed at Pam Miller's ranch in Lake View Terrace. They all did preliminary tests and there were requests for more energy, more accuracy in figures and better bending in corners. Participants could ask questions in Zoom chat and Hardy was able to respond to us all.

Diane Kern drove training level and was filmed in Moorpark at Oak Run Farm. We were using a Pivo device and occasionally the tan spotted horse disappeared against the tan background and there were gaps in the test. But it was all a good learning experience and everyone thought the effort was worthwhile. And now we know what not to do while filming.

