

Troopers testing people before they drive intoxicated

Troopers from the Nevada Highway Patrol recently received grant funding from the Northern Nevada DUI Task Force to host an "If You Drink, Think" event.

It will June 26 from 5-9pm at 1864 Tavern in downtown Reno. Patrons visiting the establishment that evening will be able to log or track the amount of alcohol consumed and then will have the opportunity to submit to field sobriety tests as well as provide a breath sample to learn their level of impairment.

One of the most frequently asked questions is how much alcohol does it take for someone to become intoxicated at the 0.08 percent legal threshold? Because each individual ingests and processes alcohol at a different rate, as well as some other issues such as the size and weight of a person and how much or little food might be in the stomach, can all factor into this equation differently.

Troopers will be interacting with the public that evening to share traffic safety messages in light of the upcoming 4th of July holiday weekend. As part of this grant funded event, taxi-cab rides from Whittlesea Checker Taxi will also be available for those patrons who do not bring a safe and sober driver with them.