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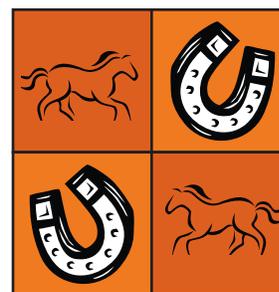
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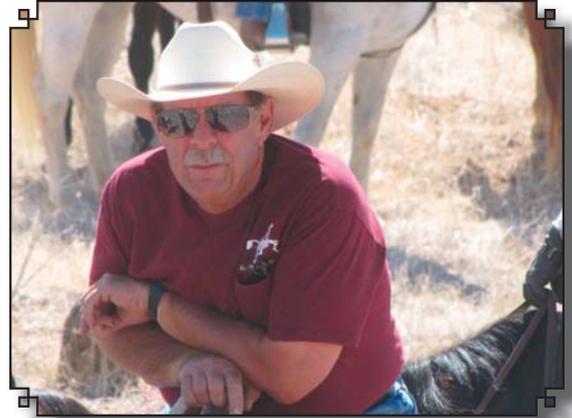


## A Message from Tom Kirsch ETI National President

Dear members,

Wow! October already. I can't believe how fast this year has gone...At lease the weather has cooled down, especially at night.

The convention/horse show was held September 22, 23 and 24. Good weather, but many of the young people who show could not attend with school being in session. I will give you run down on how we did next month after the paper work is completed.



We will have a national board meeting October 16, so next month, I will have a lot more information on how ETI is doing. In general, I think we are doing much better. There is still a lot of work to do.

This is a great time of the year to ride and enjoy your animals before winter sets in, so get out there and ride.

Stay safe

Tom



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**National Board Meeting**  
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# ETI Corral 20 TRAIL TRIALS

Saturday, October 28th 2017

**Gabrieleno Park**  
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Staging area will be at Gabrieleno Park  
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Take Orcas off Foothill Blvd.



**Saturday, October 28th, 2017 ETI Corral 20 Trail Trial Entry Form**

Rider's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ ETI Member? Corral# \_\_\_\_\_ No  
 Horse's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Emergency Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
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 All ETI High Point Shows are PAC approved.

**October 8/Corral 118**  
 SVAC & National High Point Show, Arroyo/Gateway Eq Center, Simi Valley

**October 29/Jr. Ambassadors DOUBLE HIGH POINT**  
 High Point Show, Conejo Creek Eq Park, Thousand Oaks

**November 12/Corral 37**  
 Red Hat Cowgirl Buckle Series and High Point Show, Conejo Creek Eq Park, Thousand Oaks

## 2017 Gymkhana High Point Season

High Point Program through Oct.  
 Contact: Tracy Boldroff or Maddie Patriarca at [Eticorral21@yahoo.com](mailto:Eticorral21@yahoo.com)

## SEASON OVER

## Individual Corral Circuit Shows/Series

**Corral 6**, Circuit Open Shows Laramore Arena; Mira Loma, Jurupa  
 Call Gina (951) 681-4456 or [robbylandland@yahoo.com](mailto:robbylandland@yahoo.com)

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 (310) 530-5618 [www.eticorral8.com](http://www.eticorral8.com)

**Corral 37/Thousand Oaks**  
 Red Hat Cowgirl Buckle Series - 5 Shows  
 -8:15am registration Contact: Sharyn Henry [redhatcowgirl@yahoo.com](mailto:redhatcowgirl@yahoo.com)

**Corral 57/Ojai**  
 Open Shows at Ojai's Soule Park arena  
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**Corral 118/Simi Horse Shows**  
 SVAC Western & English Shows.  
 High point saddle award  
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[horseladyusa1@yahoo.com](mailto:horseladyusa1@yahoo.com)  
[www.eti118.org](http://www.eti118.org)

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**Corral 21**  
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**Corral 43/Riverside Rancheros**  
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## 2017 ETI Trail Rides, Drives, Events

When a Corral plans a ride at Vasquez Rocks, as a courtesy, please call the Rangers (661) 268-0840



## OCTOBER

**October 3/Corral 36**  
 Presents Gillian Larson, Long Distance Rider of the Pacific Crest Trail.  
 Speaker with Power Point presentation, 7:00pm, Malibu Creek State Park Administration Building  
 1925 Las Virgenes Rd., Calabasas.  
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[Stephanie@abronson.com](mailto:Stephanie@abronson.com)

**October 6-9/Corral 20**  
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 Owl Canyon ride Contact: Ray Drasher (661) 944-4359

**October 8/Corral 86**  
 Debby Does Acton ride Contact: Debby Arter (661) 816-4345

**October 8/Corral 118**  
 SVAC & National High Point Show, Arroyo/Gateway Eq Center, Simi Valley Contact SVAC: Terry Simon (805) 522-3346 [horseladyusa1@yahoo.com](mailto:horseladyusa1@yahoo.com) Contact NHP: Kim Estrada [rockbacknzip@aol.com](mailto:rockbacknzip@aol.com) or Laurel Surprenant [equinediva@hughes.net](mailto:equinediva@hughes.net)

**October 15/Corral 12**  
 Trail ride, Acton Contact: Patty Hug (818) 367-2056

**October 15/Corral 37**  
 Red Hat Cowgirl Buckle Series, Conejo Creek Eq Park, Thousand Oaks Contact: [www.eticorral37.org](http://www.eticorral37.org)

**October 20-22/Corral 22**  
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**October 21/Corral 357**  
 Imperial Beach ride Contact: Rich (714) 504-7001

**October 28/Corrals 9, 86 & 138**  
 Halloween costume ride Contact: Karen Dagnan (661) 268-8771

**October 28/Corral 20**  
 Trail Trials, Lakeview Terrace Contact: Becky Borquez (818) 262-7764

**October 28/Corral 357**  
 Month end ride Contact: Heather (949) 702-0137

**October 29/Jr. Ambassadors DOUBLE HIGH POINTS**  
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## October 29/Corral 38

Playday at Martinez Arena, Burbank  
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## October 30 - November 3/Corral 14

Pahrump to Shoshone Drive (tentative)  
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## NOVEMBER

### November 4/Corral 20

Devil's Punchbowl, Juniper Hills  
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[beckyborquez@gmail.com](mailto:beckyborquez@gmail.com)

### November 4/Corral 103

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Phelan. Contact: Dawn Walker [delta3743@verizon.net](mailto:delta3743@verizon.net)

### November 4/Corral 138

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### November 6 – 10/Corral 14

Death Valley Drive Contact: Sue Martzolf  
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### November 12/Corral 37

#### DOUBLE HIGH POINTS

Red Hat Cowgirl Buckle Series/High Point  
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Surprenant [equinediva@hughes.net](mailto:equinediva@hughes.net)

### November 18/Corral 12

"Turkey Ride", Sylmar Contact: Patty Hug  
(818) 367-2056

### November 19/Corral 22

Le Chene ride Contact: Sharon Richardson  
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### November 19/Corral 88

Mojave River Forks ride, Hesperia  
Contact: Cheri Kopasz (760) 963-8919

### November 18/Corral 86

Pancake breakfast auction/poker ride  
Contact: Heather Kaufman (661) 360-5151

### November 26/Corral 357

Month end ride Contact: Heather  
(949) 702-0137

## DECEMBER

### December 2/Corral 86

Haggai Hills Ride, Palmdale Contact: The  
Haggai's (661) 733-7807

### December 3/Corral 138

Christmas Toy ride Sunday Contact: Laura  
(661) 433-8616 [mybech1@gmail.com](mailto:mybech1@gmail.com)

### December 9/Corral 20

Ho Ho Ho ride, Stonehurst Park  
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### December 9/Corral 357

Laguna Niguel Holiday Parade Contact:  
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### December 17/Corral 22

Christmas Ride, Griffith Park Trail  
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### December 17/Corral 38

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### December 17/Corral 88

Phelan Christmas Caroling ride  
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### December 30/Corral 357

Month end ride Contact: Heather (949)  
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## NON-ETI EVENTS

### October 22 or 29

Celie Weston Clinic @ Pierce College  
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## October 29

REC Ride - staged at Malibu Valley Farms,  
Calabasas Contact: TBD

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## Horse Latitudes...iPads for Horses?

Written by Jeannine Roman

You walk into the stable expecting all the horses to be standing quietly in their stalls. But no! There's your horse on his tablet. And he's gotten good at the game...he just earned another point!



Is this a dream? A science fiction scenario? Actually, it's closer to reality than you might realize. Japanese researchers have tested computer-controlled touch-screen technology with horses, in which the horses really do earn "points" (carrots). The horses hear a noise when they make the right choice when touching the computer screen with their muzzles. This gives them an automatically distributed carrot "prize".

This is not just some elaborate high-tech stable toy. Touch-screen computers could be changing the way scientists carry out equine research, by taking out any risk of human influence in equine decision-making and actions during experiments.

We all know that our horses communicate to other horses and to us. They can indicate a need ("Feed me", "I want out", "Don't leave me behind", etc.), and we like to think they can recognize us. But until recently, all the evidence about the possibility of horses communicating to humans has been based on non-scientific, anecdotal reports.

Interestingly, there have recently been three tests done on this subject, two in Japan and one in Norway, using The Scientific Method of control, monitoring and analyses. These tests demonstrated the ability of horses to communicate to a different species--humans.



A team at Japan's Kyoto University tested three ponies' abilities to discriminate size differences and shape perceptions. They also investigated what's important to horses in making distinctions between one shape and another.

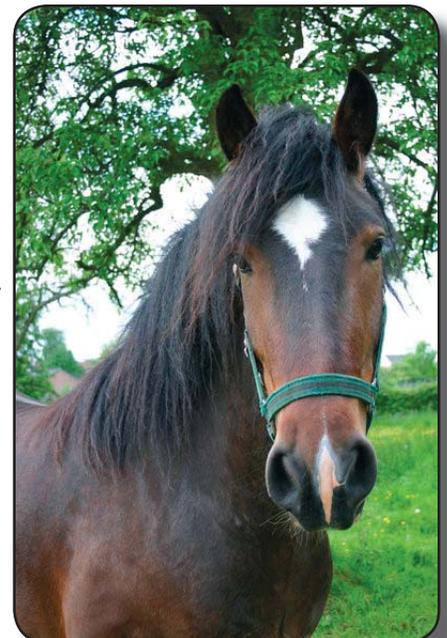
Each pony stood before a 42 inch touch screen monitor that displayed two choices. If the pony chose the "right" size or shape (one he was trained to recognize as the "right" one) the computer rewarded the pony with a carrot. Researchers found that the ponies learned how to use the monitors (and get their carrots) very quickly.



**TRIVIA:** Having owned Shetland and Hackney ponies, I could have saved them a lot of training time by telling them that if anything involves food, ponies are going to figure out how to get it almost instantly, no training required.

The researchers tested the ponies' ability to discriminate size by having the ponies choose between two sizes of black circles. The sizes varied from being very similar to very different. The ponies had more difficulty than chimpanzees and humans when it came to distinguishing between circles of similar sizes. The researchers felt this could be due to poorer eyesight ability when viewing the screen.

**TRIVIA:** Unlike the front facing eyes of chimpanzees and humans, equines have a very wide visual field, owing to the lateral location of their eyes. That anatomical characteristic may have affected their





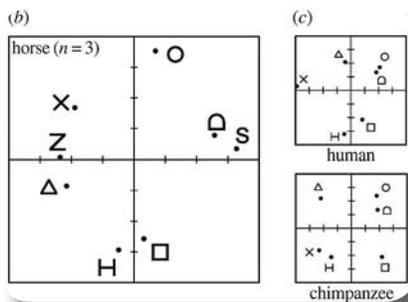
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### Written by Jeannine Roman

visual perception ability with the screen. So their reduced computer screen eyesight ability is not their fault. So says I.

Computer screen visual ability notwithstanding, the test ponies used the diameter of the circle more often than the area of the circle to detect size differences, a technique which is similar to what humans and chimpanzees do.

To test shape perception (which is different than size discrimination), the ponies choose among eight geometric shapes (large letters). They started with two letters, X and O, and gradually moved to choosing between X and other letters and then up to 28 combinations of letters. As far as shape perception, the ponies' performance was equal to that of humans and chimpanzees. However, there were a few areas regarding angles and shapes that the ponies had more difficulty distinguishing, such as shapes like O and D or squares and triangles.



The results of these two tests show strong evidence that equines can discriminate between different shapes and sizes.

Because the ponies' ability to understand how to use the touch-screens was so successful, in future studies computer screens could allow researchers to get more "into the mind" of the horse, helping us see what he sees as he watches videos, for example. Of course, you would make sure it was a "G" rated video since you would not want to be accused of contributing to the delinquency of a horse (is there such a thing?).

So, this is all very interesting. But what other formal scientific studies are being conducted about the cognitive abilities of horses?

At the University of Kobe, again in Japan, a study has been conducted about how horses communicate or send signals to humans when the horse senses he faces an unsolvable (to the horse) task. Now, by "signal", I do not mean kick,

bite, rear, buck, run away. Those are not signals. Those are behaviors. Very, very naughty behaviors which none of our horses would ever do. Somebody else's horse, not ours.

Kobe University's research team was looking into how developed the communication has become that horses have with humans. Their thought was that horses, being in a close relationship with humans during 6,000 years of domestication, might be more skilled at communication with humans than we realize, maybe similar to dogs, but different.

We all know that horses are sensitive to human's body signals. However, there were no scientific studies that investigated a specific communication from horse to human. Thus, a two-part study was developed at Kobe to determine whether horses can send signals to their caretakers in a problem-solving situation. The same horses were used for both tests and their responses were videotaped and compared between the two tests.

The first test involved a group of eight Thoroughbreds who watched carrots being hidden by their caretakers. The bucket was clearly (to the horses) accessible only to the caretakers. The purpose of this test was to determine whether horses can alter their behavior if the horses knew their caretakers had knowledge of where the carrots were hidden.

When the caretakers rejoined the horses, they found that the horses communicated to their caretakers by staying close to them and repeatedly nudging them. The researchers felt this indicated a "communication" from the horses to their caretakers that they needed help to get to the carrots. The caretakers stated that this is not a behavior these horses would normally have done upon the caretakers entering their paddock.

A second study was done where the horses watched someone not familiar to them hide the carrots while their caretakers were not around the horses. The key element to this study was that the horses knew their caretakers had not seen the food being hidden.

When the caretakers joined the horses, the "communication" behaviors of the horses significantly increased



## Horse Latitudes...iPads for Horses? (cont.)

Written by Jeannine Roman

over the previous test and continued for a longer period of time. The researchers felt this was because the horses knew the caretakers had not seen the hiding of the food. In this test, the horses used more visual and tactile signals to their caretakers. The horses increased the time they looked at their caretakers and increased their touching to the point that they were lightly pushing the caretakers. These signals appeared to be the communication from the horses to the caretakers to get them to realize where the carrots were hidden.

Not all the horses responded during the experiments in the same way. This is to be expected because horse's behavioral tendencies and personalities vary. While most of the horses used visual and tactile signals to request the attention of the caretakers, two horses seemed to use extra behavior. They stood near their caretaker and located their faces close to the caretaker's face. Then, both horses hit the caretaker's face with their face. The caretaker said they had never demonstrated this behavior before.

The researchers could not determine if the face hitting was accidental or purposeful on the horse's part and so did not include it in their analyses. But they did wonder if those two horses might have come up with quite a startling way of communicating with a human! What do you think?

These two tests suggest that horses can alter their communicative behavior towards humans in accordance with the horse's perception of what he wants the humans to do. In this case, to help him when he faces an unsolvable task (getting the hidden carrots). Together with the research showing that horses can use symbols to communicate with humans, this study indicates that horses think carefully about what's going on around them and can act accordingly.

The Kobe University scientists acknowledge that follow-up studies are needed. But these are important results, because they point not only to advanced cognition by the horses but also to "flexible cognition", with the horses adjusting their communicative behavior to the horse's perception of the human's knowledge state. This flexible cognition ability is actually a big deal. While some non-human primates (chimpanzees) exhibit flexible cognition, horses are evolutionarily far more distant relatives of ours

than chimpanzees so this is a remarkable finding.



So what about our other great animal companion--dogs? How did they respond to this test?

In the same experiment, dogs didn't do what the horses did--they didn't look at, touch or push their caretakers. Instead, the dogs simply alternated their gaze between their caretaker's face and the hidden food's location.

In other words, the dogs also directed the human's attention--just in a different way. This difference could be perhaps with the dog's different evolutionary history as herding, hunting, service and rescue animals. Each species has in its own way developed a skill leading to effective communication with humans.

For most of the history of horse domestication, we've assumed that communication between horses and humans was unidirectional. Humans order. Horses obey (mostly). These tests showed that horses do try to communicate with humans. Most of us just don't try to learn their language or are not aware that the horse is trying to communicate to us. What I found most interesting from these studies is that they demonstrate horse to human communication could be a two-way street.

Signaling (a type of communication) is important among horses in a herd. In a natural state, they depend on each other for information that provides for the survival of the herd. If a predator appears, one horse alerts the others through a variety of communication signals. Snorting, pricked ears





## Horse Latitudes...iPads for Horses? (cont.)

Written by Jeannine Roman

and stamping are only a few of these signals. Horses are always communicating with each other.

There's no reason why they would not try to communicate with humans as well. After all, we are part of their "herd".

Of the three equine communication studies, I found the Norwegian study the most interesting.

The Norwegian Veterinary Institute has discovered that horses can learn to use a human tool (a display board) for communicating, such as the ponies in Japan did, by pointing to symbols. These horses joined a short list of other species, including some primates, dolphins and pigeons (pigeons, really?) with this talent.

The aim of the test was, if the horse was placed in a free choice situation, would it be able to communicate to its trainers whether it wanted a blanket put on, taken off or stay unchanged.



Scientists taught 23 horses of various breeds to look at a display board with three symbols, representing "blanket on", "blanket off" or "no change". The horses were free to choose between the symbols. The results indicated that the horses had no difficulties learning to discriminate between the three simple visual symbols.

The researcher knew horses are adept at learning and following signals humans give them. It took these equines an average of 10 days to learn to approach and touch the boards and to understand the meaning of the symbols. All 23 horses learned the entire task within 14 days. They were

tested in various weather conditions to see whether they could use the board to tell their trainers about their blanket preferences.

The Norwegian scientist's findings were that the horses clearly did not touch the symbols randomly but made their choices based on the weather. If it was wet or cold or windy, they touched the "blanket on" icon; horses that were already wearing a blanket touched the "no change" image. But when the weather was sunny, the horses touched the "blanket off" symbol; those that weren't blanketed pressed the "no change" icon.

When the horses realized that they were able to communicate with the trainers, i.e., to signal their wishes regarding blanketing, many of the horses became very eager about the testing. Some tried to attract the attention of the trainers prior to the test situation by vocalizing and running toward the trainers and following them. On a number of such occasions, the horses were allowed to make a blanket choice before its regular turn, and they signaled that they wanted the blanket to be removed. It turned out the horses were sweaty underneath the blanket.

This study's consistent results show that the horses understood the consequences of their choices and could communicate those choices to their trainers. The Norwegian researchers hope that other researchers will use their method to ask horses more questions.

With the exception of the face smashing (Thoroughbreds can be such divas!), all these results seem to provide logical, solid scientific explanations of the ability of horses to communicate to humans. Studies like the ponies' computer touch-screen test, the hidden carrot test and the blanket request test are unique in that they give horses a voice that humans can interpret. It's likely that horses, being intelligent, are capable of communicating with humans, if only we'd learn to interpret what they are saying to us.

Or, we need to find another Mr. Ed, the talking horse TV star, and just ask him.

I would like to thank the following organizations whose research contributed to this article:



## Horse Latitudes iPads for Horses? (cont.)

Written by Jeannine Roman

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On an entirely unrelated subject: As I write this article I've been watching the devastation in Houston. If there is one thing Houston has that is similar to other western cities, it has lots of "city" horses. It's Texas...they have horses everywhere. Having done numerous large animal rescues, I was very interested in seeing how these horses were being managed, especially since it became obvious that the situation had changed rapidly from "evacuate" to "rescue".

I would like to share with you two extraordinary Youtube videos of Houston horse rescues:

The first one, "College Station Fire Department Rescues Horse" is a textbook example of how to safely get a horse and the rescuer out of a life threatening situation. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VcYO5UuctLk>

The fireman who rescues this mare does everything right. He knows ahead of time how to make a useable halter out of rope. He knows how to approach a frightened horse, moving slowly toward her and stopping if she starts to tense up. His body language is slow and calm. He knows not to first touch her face. He begins contact with her by touching her neck and withers. He moves slowly but efficiently in getting the rope halter on her and then waits until she understands she is haltered. He keeps the other rescuers away so that she is focused on him and not distracted by other people. Once he has her attention he calmly moves through the water and leads her to a safe area where she can climb out easily.

All of this takes place fairly rapidly, it is not a long, drawn out rescue. The lesson from this video is that he kept her calm and thus manageable enough to save her and therefore kept himself safe as well.

The other video which I recommend is "Cowboys to the Rescue" (terrible title, but hey, it's Youtube). <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=48wETino0t8> This video shows a horse (I'm guessing a stallion) which is

trapped in a chained paddock with moving water up to his chest. Father and son Chance and Rowdy Ward, who are on horseback, proceed to rescue the horse. Rowdy, following his father's instructions (yes, there are some 17 year old boys who actually listen to their fathers), gets the trapped horse out of the paddock with the help of Rowdy's very calm horse (check out side-passing to open and close a jammed gate in chest high, moving water--impressive!)



Rowdy gets the horse roped, (yes, roped), and he and his horse ride/swim away with the rescued horse in tow. Again, an excellent example of an efficient, expertly done rescue. There was one thing about this rescue which immediately struck me and that is the very first thing Rowdy did as he began to rescue the horse. It's a very important first step in a situation such as this.

Email me if you can figure out what he did that was so important. I'll let everyone know next month who figured it out.

I welcome you to email me with your comments or questions regarding this month's article, suggestions for future interviews or articles or if you are just curious about something equestrian related you would like me to research.

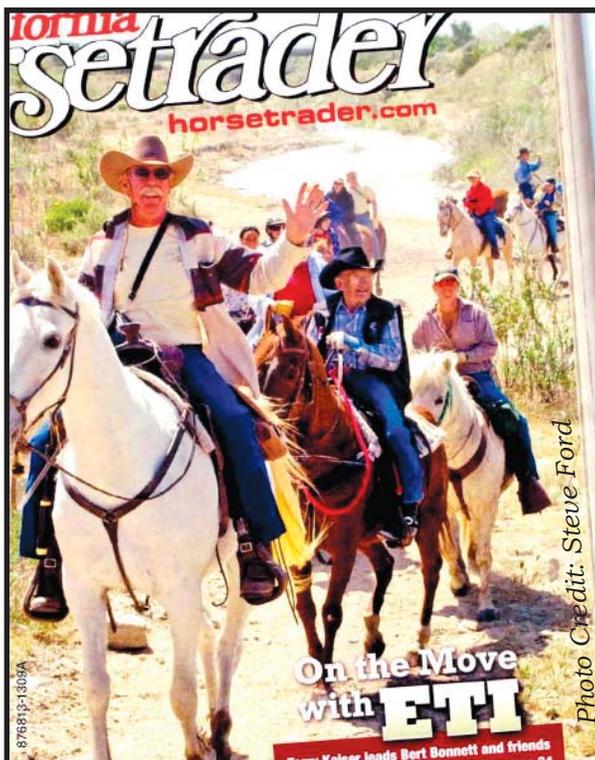




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## Chatsworth ETI Corral 54 Rocky Hill Riders Rim of the Valley Ride 2017...Recap and Highlights

Written by Dean Wageman

We were determined to make our presence known on Saturday, September 16, 2017, to show support for the County Trail that traverses through Indian Falls Estates and connects to the Johnson Motorway and onward...and so we did. At last count, 20 riders showed up to stand in support for this entrance to a larger trail that connects to the Rim of the Valley and into the top of Devil's Canyon above Simi Valley.

The day of the ride saw perfect weather and some of the most amazing views ever (see the photos taken by some of our riders – special thanks to Crystal So for capturing this ride for us). Our group gathered at the guard shack and announced our gracious arrival, upon this the gates were opened wide as we rode through while some early morning onlookers viewed in awe.

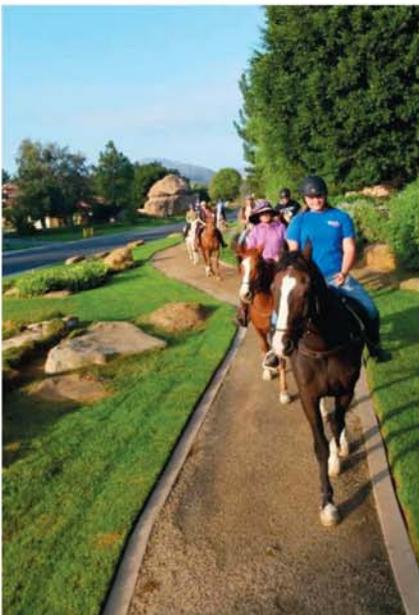
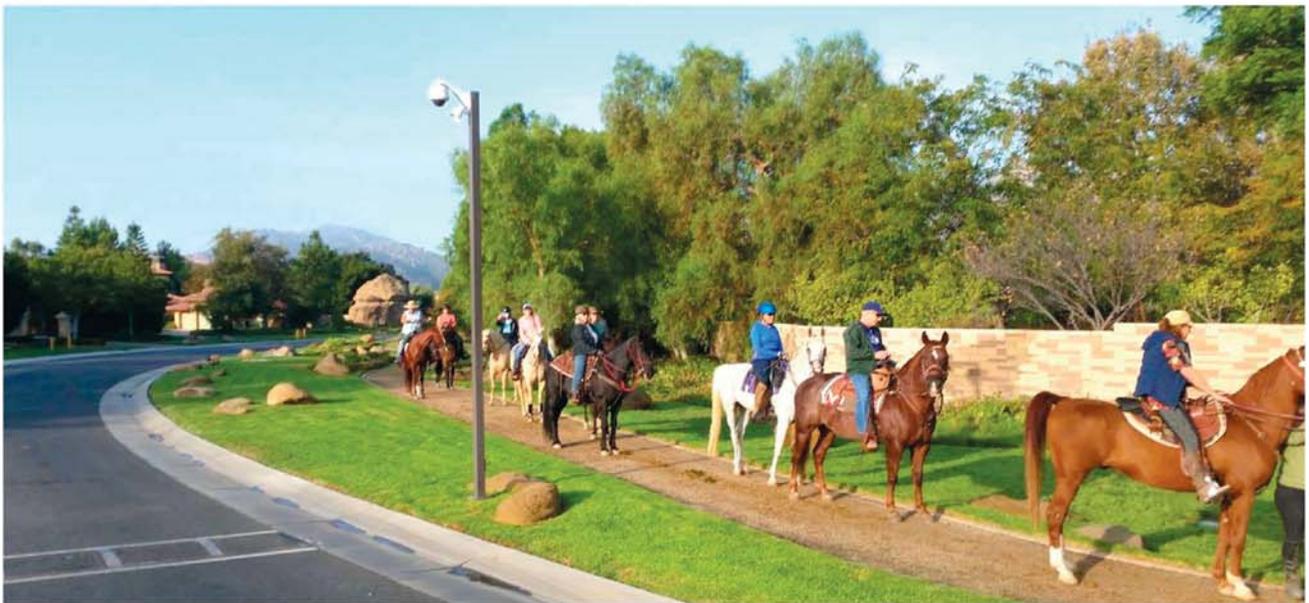
Once all had passed through the development, we gathered for some group photos, the perfectly groomed trail in front of several multi-million dollar homes seemed to have not been touched until now. We moved on to the Johnson Motorway and up the road to the trail entrance where the car that (used to) block the opening was now seen off to the side in respect of our presence.

After entering the dirt trail what came next has made this ride an adventure that will become an annual Chatsworth ETI event from now on. I will let the pictures speak for themselves. I hope to see you all again and at the next ride in our amazing backyard, Chatsworth Rocks!! Enjoy.



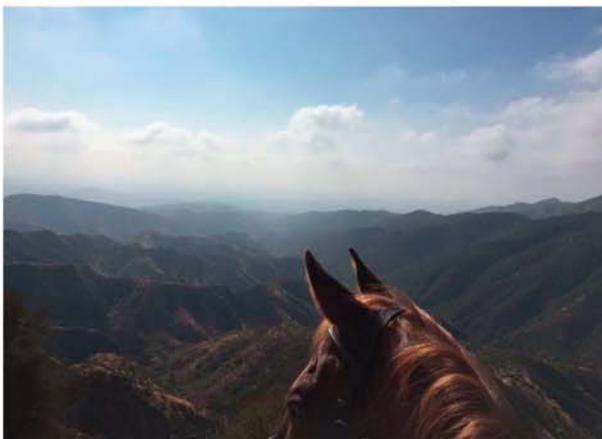


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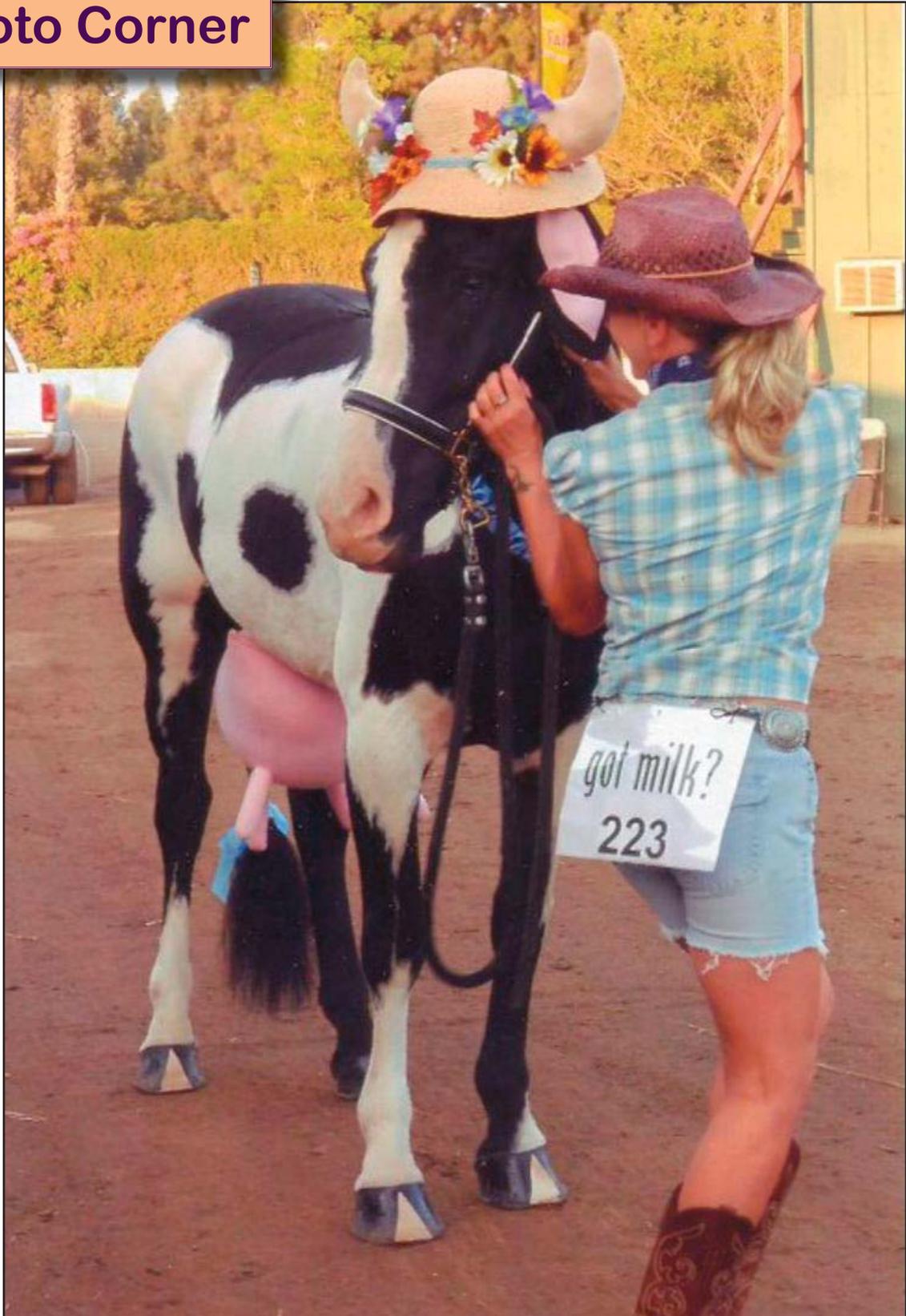


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## Photo Corner



Karen Poly in costume class at the Los Angeles Country Fair in 2011. Photo submitted by Karen Poly. If you have a photo to submit, please email to [magazine@etinational.com](mailto:magazine@etinational.com).



# Kids Corner

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Last month was a whirl of things going on for me, so I wasn't able to get our great adventures out in time. So I thought I would pull a Back to the Future horse style to the very end of August.

On Sunday, August 27, Ray Drasher led us on the Apple Tree Lunch Loop ride. I personally have never rode in the Wrightwood area. All this time right in my own backyard. We stopped a little more than 1/2 way back and had a great lunch. I later told Ray, "Ray, this is the best ride I have ever been on!" He just smiled and replied, "Hey, you're going to ruin my reputation." Ray Drasher and Michael Cook have been working hard to keep the PCT obstacle free and moving/chopping logs, etc...Good job, they have done.





And at lunch, I and my wondering spirit could see the ski lifts from the camp site. After lunch I walked over and sat in one...SAT IN ONE! And, of course, my mind went directly to the horror movie Frozen where 3 teens get trapped. Glad it was not ski season.

The way back to the trailers was one of the most beautiful landscapes I have ever seen. I could do that one forever. We had ten riders, but it went without a hitch...Right from the horse's mouth or should I say Ray's...his quote, "Just wanted to let everyone know that this was one of the best group rides I have led in a long time. No concerns voiced over the trail and not a lot of stopping to fix saddles or put on or take off horse boots. Made it a good ride to lead without a bunch of worries." Ray, you need to lead more!!!! Love riding with you!!!!

Then on September 9, ETI Corral 9 were invited to participate in the American Hero's 7th annual Antelope Acres Parade. A great reason and a great start for horses new to parades. We had a great time and after were invited back to Jay and Debra's home for a delicious potato bar all prepped and ready by Dennis and Pam. If you've ever miss one of their potato bars, you're missing out...Ha ha. Thanks to Jay and Debra who set it all up. And thanks to them for letting us have lunch with them with our horses after the parade. Good Company and great friends.



We are looking forward to the Halloween ride, on Saturday, October 28...check out the magazine...put on by ETI Corrals 9, 86 and 138 with a costume contest. Hope to see EVERYONE there!

Melissa Haggai  
Scribe ETI Corral 9

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For the non-riders, you could go play a round of golf or head towards the pier to go



fishing. Several people headed to town for dinner and others enjoyed the potluck in camp. We look forward to doing it again next year! Thanks again to Patty Hug for coordinating the event!



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on pause, knowing that I could always come back to school, but that [my mare] Shyla's trail days are limited by her age, so I had to make the most of the time we have together. I also plan to use my experiences from both rides to create a guidebook for equestrians on the PCT so that others can also have an opportunity to explore this amazing natural treasure, and perhaps to turn my knowledge into a potential business as an equestrian wilderness adventure consultant."



Gillian riding Shyla and pack horse, Takoda, on the trail.

Gillian Larson will be ETI Corral 36 Guest Speaker at our Tuesday, October 3 Corral meeting 6:30pm at Malibu Creek State Park Administration Building, 1925 Las Virgenes Rd., Calabasas.

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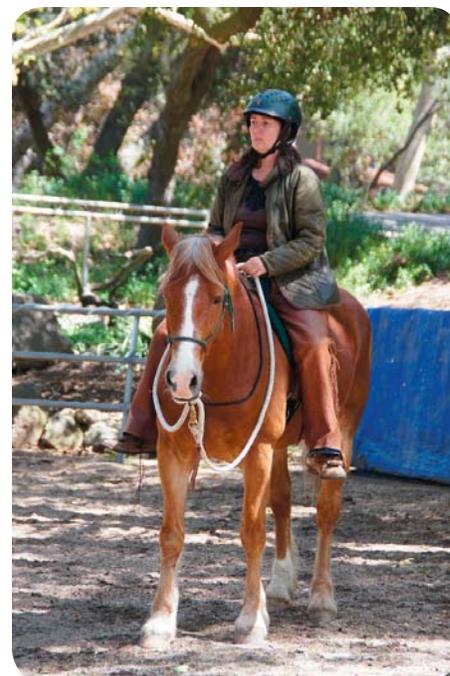
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Corral 36 members & friends informal gathering at Saddle Peak Restaurant Bar 5:30 to 8:30pm...419 Cold Canyon Road in Monte Nido. This is a no-host social event for ETI Corral 36 members and friends. Feel free to spread the word.



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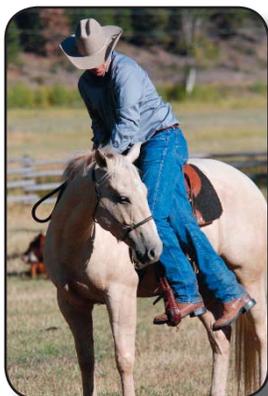


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Welcome to our newest members, Johnny Easley and Kerry Bush. Although they have been members in the past, they haven't been for awhile, and we welcome them back!

August 20<sup>th</sup> was our annual tack cleaning party at Jean and Ron Bredelis' ranch in Newberry Springs. We had quite a large group, and got quite a bit of tack cleaned. We broke for lunch and had sloppy joes, compliments of chef Ron Bredelis, and all the side dishes everybody brought. Good food as usual!

September 16<sup>th</sup> was a trail ride in Newberry Springs. We had a great turn out of 16 people. Karen Daniels and Jean Bredelis led the ride. The terrain was varied, from moonscape, to river bottom, to small hills and canyons. Afterwards, we sat around and enjoyed our lunch and conversations under the one big tree in the area.

October 21<sup>st</sup> is our annual charity ride from my house here in Barstow out to Peggy Sue's Diner in Yermo. Arrive at 8:00am, shuttle to Yermo at 8:45am, come back via shuttle, then ride out at 9:30. Arrive at Peggy Sues approximately 12:00 noon. You are welcome to join us for lunch even if you don't ride. Our charity of choice this year is the Barstow Humane Society. We will welcome any donation no matter how small! For further information, contact Jeanette at (760) 953-8520.



Our next general meeting is October 17 at Excelsior Charter School in Barstow, 6:30pm. Hope to see you there!

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On Friday, September 15, 2017, ETI Corral 83 donated a \$1,000 to CCADT:

The picture below shows Equestrian Trails, Inc. (ETI) Corral 83 Co-Presidents, Pam Ronning and Carolyn McIntyre handing a \$1,000 check from monies raised by their organization to Debi Geary-Kermode of the Tehachapi contingent of the Central California Animal Disaster Team (CCADT). In the background are volunteer members of Tehachapi's CCADT. Debi stated that this is the first monetary donation they have received in Tehachapi for the organization. CCADT is a volunteer organization that assists emergency response agencies and Red Cross Central CA with displaced animals during emergencies and/or disasters. They are currently looking for more volunteers in the greater Tehachapi area. Anyone wishing to volunteer should visit their website at [CCADT.org](http://CCADT.org) and click on the "Volunteer Info" page.



In addition to supporting animal rescue organizations, Equestrian Trails, Inc. is dedicated to equine legislation, good horsemanship, and the acquisition and preservation of trails, open space and public lands. ETI Corral 83 is also known as the Tehachapi Mountain Riders.

From left to right: Rob Dixon, Carolyn McIntyre, Pamela Ronning, Catherine McCord, Butch Reyburn, Fiona Nelson, Jeanne Taylor, Debi Geary-Kermode, and Peggy Mueller.

Doris Lora

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Co-Pres. Heather Kaufman  
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Fall is here which we all have been eagerly waiting for especially our horses. Nothing starts a great ride than a happy, frisky horse. They are so wonderful to watch as the crisp air turns them into graceful ballerina's as they enjoy each other's company and romp the turnout in fun horse play.

September was a month of spur of the moment rides which were not on the calendar because one person would call one other person, then that one another and before you knew it we had several rides off the cuff. As Co-President Karen Dagnan said, "Because we love each other so much, and we get together and ride."

August 5, we did Moonlight ride. It was a fun ride, and 25 people showed up. After the ride, every one sat chatting and enjoyed beverages and snacks leaving at 11:30pm.

The big highlight was the September 16's 2017 Agua Dulce Country Fair. The theme this year was, "Just another Day in Paradise" so it was a tropical luau in our wonderful desert town. Co-President Heather Kaufman rocked it by bringing the skirts, hats and leis while Co-President Karen Dagnan brought all the beautiful flowers and the glue gun to get it all going. ETI Corral 86 won two first prize ribbons and





**Corral 99**

Tulare Country Joy Riders  
 Tulare/Kaweah/Three Rivers/Visalia  
 Pres. Joanne Boswell  
 (559) 561-2218



**Corral 103**

Hesperia Happy Horsemen  
 Hesperia/Apple Valley  
 Pres. Lou Griggs  
 (760) 885-6077



The sad news for Corral 103 is that we have lost Bob Teran. He and his wife Mary were a driving force to keep the trails and park's a great place for all of the horsemen and horsewomen in the High Desert to enjoy. In honor of all of the countless hours he put into the horse camp at Hesperia Lakes, it will be named the Teran Equestrian Camp. Bob and ECH members were instrumental in starting a new horse camp in Hesperia called the Mojave River Junction Station. This is still a work in progress with more amenities to be added to the camp.

Corral 103 will be cohosting a ride on November 4 at the Smoketree Ranch (Rosique Ranch) in Phelan. Easy ride about two – three hours long. There will be lunch after the ride. A flyer will soon be posted on facebook with all the info. Hope to see you there.

Dawn Walker



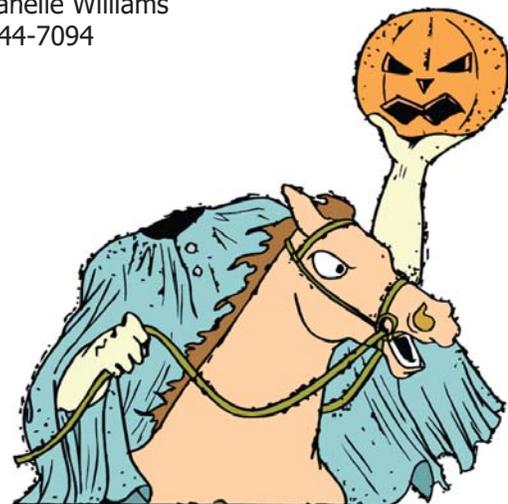
**Corral 118**

Simi Valley  
 Pres. Dan Mayer  
 (805) 581-3150  
[www.eti118.org](http://www.eti118.org)



**Corral 126**

Santa Clara Valley Equestrian Riders  
 Fillmore/Santa Paula  
 Pres. Danelle Williams  
 (805) 644-7094



two trophies for their part in the parade. Everyone did an awesome job and really pulled it together as a group. Very proud of my Corral. Good going, guys and gals. You rocked it.

We're all looking forward to the "Debbie does Acton" ride on Sunday, October 8.

Melissa Haggai  
 Scribe ETI Corral 86

**Corral 88**

Tri Community Horsemen  
 Phelan/Pinon Hills/Wrightwood  
 Pres. Cherie Kopasz  
 (760) 963-8919  
[www.corral88.org](http://www.corral88.org)





**Corral 138**

Barrel Springs Riders  
Antelope Valley/Palmdale  
Pres. Kimberly Dwight  
(661) 478-2770



and the surrounding mountains.

We stopped for a half hour lunch at Grassy Hollow near the Visitor Center. All the riders seemed to enjoy the ride and each other's company.

Kimberly Dwight  
ETI Corral 138 Barrel Springs Riders

There were 19 riders who attended the ride from Inspiration Point. There were nine Corral 138 members, seven were from Corral 86 and there were three one-day memberships who attended the ride. The rides length was 7.3 miles. The moving time in the saddle was 2.5 hours.

The majority of the ride's route was on the Pacific Crest Trail. Along the trail, riders could peek through the sweet-smelling pine trees to see glimpses of the desert floor. This part of the PCT near Wrightwood is mostly hard-packed with good footing for the horses. Halfway through the ride, there was about ¼ mile of trail on a dirt camp road before returning to the PCT. At the end of the ride there was another ¼ mile of riding on rough asphalt that led riders to the Grassy Hollow Campground for lunch. This last part of the ride afforded riders distant views overlooking the San Gabriel River Basin

**Corral 210**

Sunland Riders  
Sunland/Gibson Ranch  
Pres. Jeanette Provolt  
(818) 951-2360



**Corral 357**

Saddleback Canyon Riders  
Trabuco Canyon/Orange County  
Pres. James Iacono  
(949) 459-7742  
[www.saddlebackcanyonriders.com](http://www.saddlebackcanyonriders.com)



**USEF Equine Disaster Relief Fund Raises over \$150,000 for "Harvey" Horses  
Thanks to Generosity of Equestrian Community**

From the US Equestrian Communications Department  
Lexington, Ky. –

The USEF Equine Disaster Relief Fund put out a call to the equestrian community on Monday to donate towards hurricane aid and relief for horses in the Houston, Tx., area and the response has been remarkable. Since that call to action, the fund has generated over \$150,000 in donations thanks to the giving of concerned equestrians. One hundred percent of these donations will be given to the Houston SPCA, Texas A&M University, the Texas Equine Veterinary Association (TEVA), and other equine rescue organizations.

"The outpouring from the equine community has been unbelievable," says Sarah Green, Executive Director for TEVA. "There has been immediate response from people across the country, even while the storm was still going on, to provide supplies. There is a long road ahead, but all of the support will make a huge difference."

Within the first 24 hours of the call to action, donations reached \$50,000, and a generous donor stepped forward offering to match the next \$25,000 in funds given. Since that time, the USEF Equine Disaster Relief Fund also has received a donation from USEF partner Ariat for \$10,000 and a pledge from the equine charity Brooke USA for a dollar-for-dollar match on the next \$25,000 donated, with the goal of reaching \$200,000.

"USEF is overwhelmed by the response," says USEF CEO Bill Moroney. "We are thankful for those who have stepped forward and not just given monetary donations, but also for those organizations and individuals who are in Houston and the surrounding areas, in the trenches, aiding one another and helping in the recovery. We are proud to be a small part of the relief efforts and could not have done even that without the support of those who are giving in so many ways."

Make a donation to the USEF Disaster Relief Fund at [https://www.usef.org/donate?utm\\_source=SilverpopMailing&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=Hurricane%20Harvey%20Update%20\(2\)&utm\\_content=](https://www.usef.org/donate?utm_source=SilverpopMailing&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Hurricane%20Harvey%20Update%20(2)&utm_content=)



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City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**All ETI rides and events require that participants complete both sides of the ETI Waiver and Release.**

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**The Waivers/Release as well as Single Event forms need to be received at the ETI office within two weeks of event.**

\* CHECK  Please send me information for a Corral in my area. ETI (818) 698-6200

## ETI National Programs

**Gymkhana** High Point Series was initiated in 2010. The program is based on CA Gymkhana Assoc. (CGA) rules. Open to all age riders in all Corrals. Chairperson is Tracy Boldroff ([tracyboldroff@sbcglobal.net](mailto:tracyboldroff@sbcglobal.net)). Contact her to join the High Point Gymkhana Program or to have your Corral hold a High Point Gymkhana or become the chair.



**Horse Shows** ETI has a National High Point Circuit. High Point Co-Chairs for 2017 are Kim Estrada (818) 497-4730 [rockbacknzip@aol.com](mailto:rockbacknzip@aol.com) Laurel Surprenant (661) 212-7713 [equinediva@hughes.net](mailto:equinediva@hughes.net). Non-ETI members can participate in our ETI High Point Shows. But to be a part of the National High Point Circuit you must be an ETI member. You can sign up for the Circuit any time during the season, but must compete a specified number of times in your chosen classes to win awards. Points towards year end awards start accumulating on the date you sign up with the high point program.



The **Junior Ambassador Program** is open to all ETI youth age 7 to 21. Boys are welcome for the Prince and King category. Applications for the program may be obtained by calling Michelle Kraut at the ETI Office (818) 698-6200 or [office@etinational.com](mailto:office@etinational.com). The completed forms are due back in the office in May 1st with all fees, sponsors, autobiography and pictures. This is a great way for our youth to represent their Corral and ETI. Participants volunteer their time at several mandatory events as well as many horse shows; trail trials, parades, trail dedications, quarterly dinner meetings and fun events just for the Junior Ambassador Court such as the retreat! Contact Michelle or any of the girls who have participated for more info on the fun activities.



**Trail Rider Award Program** (TRAP) keeps computerized logs on how many hours members are riding. In this day and age, when trails are giving way to housing developments, it is crucial that records be kept on trail usage. ETI Corrals in all areas are finding themselves having to defend their riding areas more and more against encroaching civilization. On several occasions, TRAP records have been instrumental in maintaining trail access.



ETI TRAP acknowledges hours in the saddle with shoulder patches & pins that can be attached almost anywhere. The fee to join TRAP is only \$12.00 (you must maintain current ETI membership); then the TRAP membership is maintained each year for only \$6.00. You will start by receiving the TRAP main shoulder patch and your log sheets. As you achieve the hour goals additional patches will be sent to you. Carol Elliott is the TRAP chair. Please contact (760) 963-8209 or [happy2appy@yahoo.com](mailto:happy2appy@yahoo.com).

**Trail Trials:** An ETI Sanctioned Trail Trial consists of a trail ride, usually averaging between two and three hours, with trail obstacles along the way. Obstacles are natural, or simulate naturally occurring conditions for the horse and rider to negotiate. We now have a DVD from a clinic demonstrating obstacles and tips to compete or put on a Trail Trial. It is important to remember that the people doing the judging at sanctioned Trail Trial event are volunteers following the rulebook and are doing thwe best they can. Safety, control, and common sense are the number one priorities for all ETI sanctioned Trail Trials. Trail Trials are open to ETI members and Non-members. There are three divisions: Juniors for youth 14 years (as of Jan. 1st) and under; Novice and Open. Please contact the ETI office at (818) 698-6200 [office@etinational.com](mailto:office@etinational.com).

