

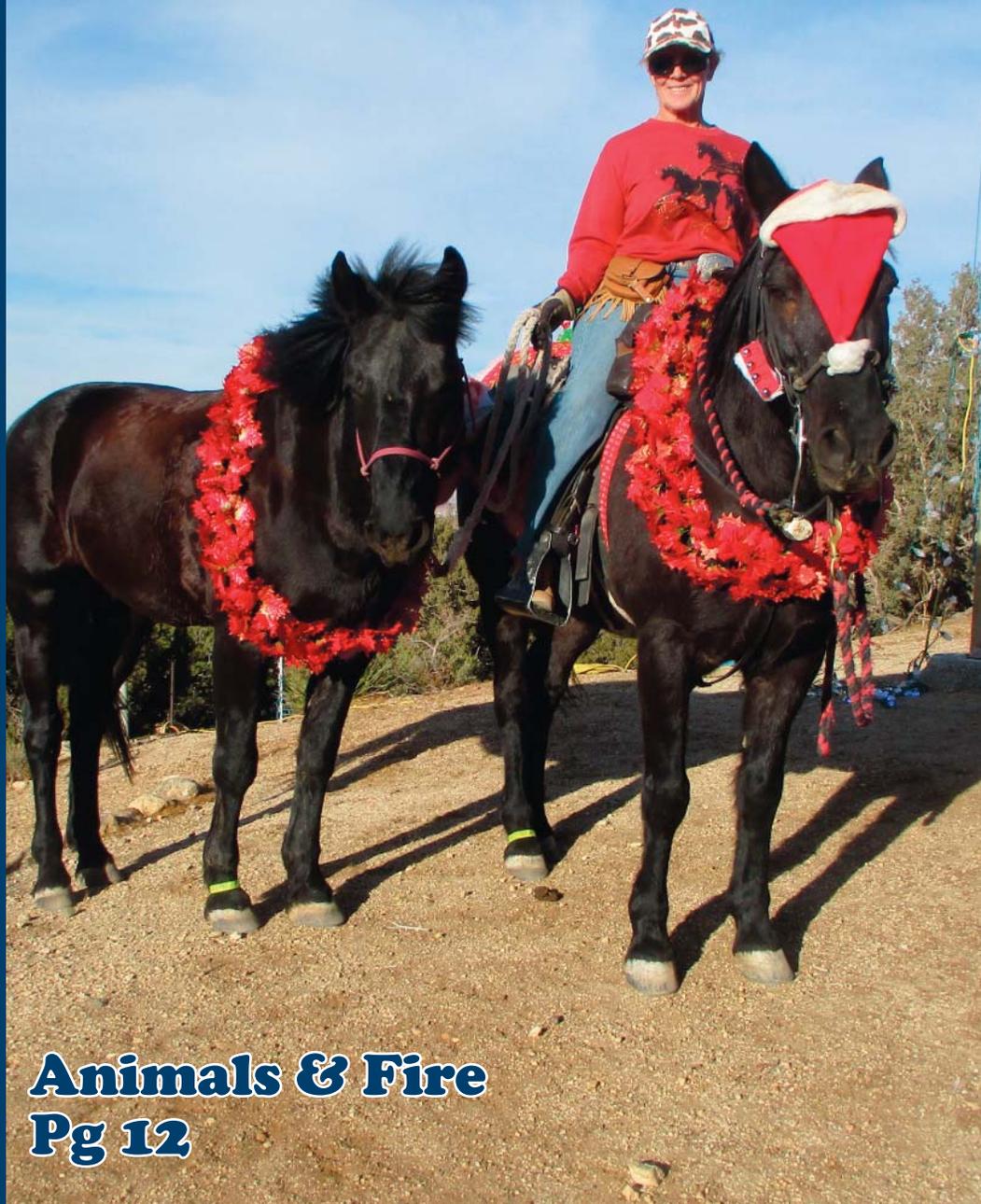
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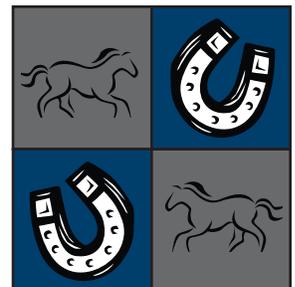
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Kimberly Dwight, Corral 138's President, ready for their annual Christmas toy ride. Photo submitted by Kimberly Dwight.

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A Message from Tom Kirsch ETI National President

Hello to all.

Well, 2017 is in the books!! I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and a Happy New year.



We had a lot changes and trying times, but we made it!! The hope at the beginning of 2017 was to save ETI, and with the help of dedicated people, this was accomplished. 2018 will be dedicated to fine tuning our changes. This can only happen with the cooperation of all the corrals. If you haven't got your ride schedules and Corral board information in, do so now! Linda is working hard to get the insurance running the way it should. Everyone needs to get on board. We will have more information on insurance at the Presidents Lunch.

The last couple months have not been kind to the equestrians community in California, and a lot of horses were lost to the fire. Many members of the ETI community were greatly impacted. We will be looking into ways to help. I want to thank the ETI members and friends who helped to evacuate animals...you make us proud!!

Mark your calendars for February 3 for our annual Presidents Luncheon. The location is being finalized and will be announced shortly.

Tom



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National Board Meeting
 January 15 at 7pm
 Foothill Trails District
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 (Corner of Wheatland & Sunland)

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ETI's Annual Presidents Luncheon February 3, 2018

Watch your email for details soon!

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SCHEDULE COMING SOON!

Individual Corral Circuit Shows/Series

Corral 6, Circuit Open Shows
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Corral 37/Thousand Oaks
 Red Hat Cowgirl Buckle Series - 5 Shows
 -8:15am registration Contact: Sharyn Henry
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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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Corral 21
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Corral 43/Riverside Rancheros
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2018 ETI Trail Rides, Drives, Events

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(661) 268-0840



JANUARY

January 1/Corral 138
 Vasquez Rocks ride Contact: Marcy Watton (661) 878-1791

January 21/Corral 12
 Trail ride, Griffith Park Contact: Jeanne Catron-Gonzalez (661) 259-7608

January 27/Corral 22
 Bert Bonnet & Doc Larsen Chili Ride, Ranger Park Trail Boss: Tiffanie Bailey
 Contact: Kathleen Smart (626) 590-6972
kathleen.ungamrung@gmail.com

January 28/Corral 103
 Presidents Ride, Hesperia Lakes Equestrian Camp Sign up 9am; ride 10am. Contact: Dawn Walker (760) 961-7879

FEBRUARY

February 3/Annual Presidents Luncheon
 Location TBD Contact:
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February 4/Corral 101
 HDEC Horse show, Hansen Dam Eq Center
 Contact: Kim Estrada (818) 497-4730

February 10/Corral 357
 Ferber Ranch Preserve Ride Contact:
 Heather (949) 702-0137

February 11/Corral 103
 Sweetheart Ride, DSJ Ranch, Apple Valley
 Sign up 9am; ride 10am Contact: Dawn Walker (760) 961-7879

February 17/Corral 20
 Bert Bonnett Memorial Ride, Hansen Dam Trail Boss/Contact: Nikki Ahten (818) 489-6527
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February 17/Corral 22
 Cheri Blue ride, Paramount Ranch Trail Boss: Paul Jacques Contact: Kathleen Smart (626) 590-6972
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February 24/Corral 12
 Trail ride, JPL area Contact: Jeanne Catron-Gonzalez (661) 259-7608

MARCH

March 10-11/Corral 22
 Mulligan Stew, Mojave Narrows Trail Boss: Billie McGuire Contact: Kathleen Smart (626) 590-6972
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March 17/Corral 20
 St. Paddy's Day Ride, Griffith Park & Lunch at Viva's Trail Boss/Contact: Deb Mader (818) 653-7628
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March 17/Corral 103
 St. Paddy's Ride, 12978 Whitehaven St., Oak Hills Sign up 9am; ride 10am.
 Contact: Pam Hill (760) 265-0184

March 24/Corral 22
 Day at the Races, Santa Anita Contact: Kathleen Smart (626) 590-6972
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March 31/Corral 101

Trail ride, Hansen Dam Contact: Dawn Surprenant (661) 433-9069

March 31/Corral 357

Full moon trail ride, location TBD Contact: Heather (949) 702-0137

APRIL

April 6 - 8/ Corral 14

Denzel Cameron Memorial Drive, Moonraker Ranch, Mojave Contact: Katie Christman (661) 824-2609

April 15/Corral 22

John Richardson Memorial Ride, Vasquez Rocks Trail Boss: Sharon Richardson Contact: Kathleen Smart (626) 590-6972 kathleen.ungamrung@gmail.com

April 21/Corral 20

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April 29/Corral 22

Ojai Ride Trail Boss: Justin Martinez Contact: Kathleen Smart (626) 590-6972 kathleen.ungamrung@gmail.com

April 29/Corral 357

Ferber Ranch Preserve Ride Contact: Heather (949) 702-0137

MAY

May 4-6/Corral 22

Roy Rogers Ranch ride, Oro Grande Trail Boss: Jim Heffel Contact: Kathleen Smart (626) 590-6972 kathleen.ungamrung@gmail.com

May 13/Corral 101

HDEC Horse show, Hansen Dam Eq Center Contact: Kim Estrada (818) 497-4730

May 13-18/ Corral 14

Lone Pine to Bishop Drive Contact: Sue Martzolf (760) 662-6102

May 19/Jr. Ambassadors

Trail Trial, location & contact TBD

JUNE

June 2/Corral 357

Imperial Beach Ride Contact: Heather (949) 702-0137

June 3-9/Spring Ride

Location TBD Contact: Kelli Land horseqrtrs@yahoo.com Jeanie Gonzalez gilnjean@outlook.com

June 8 - 10/ Corral 14

Wagon Drive, Spring Canyon Mule Makers Ranch, Onyx, CA Contact: Jim/Julie Porter (760) 378-2222

June 9/Corral 101

Poker ride, Hansen Dam Contact: Dawn Surprenant (661) 433-9069

June 30/Corral 357

Ferber Ranch Preserve Ride Contact: Heather (949) 702-0137

JULY

July 4/Corral 357

July 4th Parade, Trabuco Canyon Contact: Jimmy/Patti (949) 888-1604

July 15/Corral 101

HDEC Horse show, Hansen Dam Eq Center Contact: Kim Estrada (818) 497-4730

July 21/Corral 20

Arroyo Seco trail ride Trail Boss/Contact: Nikki Ahten (818) 489-6527 imakowgirl@hotmail.com

July 28/Corral 22

Moonlight Ride, Lakeview Terrace Trail Boss: Tiffanie Bailey Contact: Kathleen Smart (626) 590-6972 kathleen.ungamrung@gmail.com

July TBD/ Corral 14

Tentative Wagon Drive, Dodge Ranch Drive Contact Sue Martzolf (760) 662-6102

July 31-August 6/Corral 20

Montana de Oro camping Trail Boss/Contact: Becky Borquez (818) 262-7764

AUGUST

August 4/Corral 357

Pancake fundraiser, Rancho Santa Margarita Contact: Kristen (949) 444-1990

August 12/Corral 101

Horse show, LAEC Contact: Kim Estrada (818) 497-4730

August 20-27/Corral 22

Morro Bay, Montana de Oro State Park Trail Boss/Contact: Kathleen Smart (626) 590-6972 kathleen.ungamrung@gmail.com

August 26/Corral 357

Ferber Ranch Preserve Ride Contact: Heather (949) 702-0137

SEPTEMBER

September 1/Corral 101

Trail ride, location TBD Contact: Dawn Surprenant (661) 433-9069

September 9/Corral 22

Santa Rosa Valley ride, Camarillo Trail Boss: Paul Jacques Contact: Kathleen Smart (626) 590-6972 kathleen.ungamrung@gmail.com

September 15/Corral 20

Wildwood Wilderness Park trail ride Trail Boss/Contact: Becky Borquez (818) 262-7764

September 23/Corral 22

Challenger Park, Simi Valley Trail Boss: Tom Smart Contact: Kathleen Smart (626) 590-6972 kathleen.ungamrung@gmail.com

September 28 - 30/ Corral 14

Wagon Drive, Long Ears Ranch, Mojave Contact: Mara Wada or Jeanne Gordon (661) 821-1217

September 29/Corral 357

Gene Autry Museum & Ride Contact: Heather (949) 702-0137

OCTOBER

October 5-8/Corral 20

Casper's Wilderness Park camping, San Juan Capistrano Trail Boss/Contact: Nikki Ahten (818) 489-6527 imakowgirl@hotmail.com

October 5-7/Corral 22

Alabama Hills camping, Lone Pine Trail Boss: Allan Johnson Contact: Kathleen Smart (626) 590-6972 kathleen.ungamrung@gmail.com

October 7/Corral 101

Double point horse show, LAEC Contact: Kim Estrada (818) 497-4730





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October 20/Corral 357

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October 26-28/Corral 22

Sage Hill camping, Santa Barbara Trail Boss: Paul Jacques Contact: Kathleen Smart (626) 590-6972
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NOVEMBER

November 4 – 9/ Corral 14

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November 18/Corral 22

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November 18/Corral 357

Ferber Ranch Preserve Ride Contact: Heather (949) 702-0137

DECEMBER

December 1/Corral 22

Corral Christmas Party Contact: Kathleen Smart (626) 590-6972
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December 16/Corral 22

Christmas ride, Griffith Park Trail Boss: Paul Jacques Contact: Kathleen Smart (626) 590-6972
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NON-ETI EVENTS

March 9-11/Horse Expo

Pomoma Fairplex
<https://horseexpoevents.com>

April 13-15/Backcountry Horsemen of California Rendezvous

Mid-State Fairgrounds, Pasa Robles
www.bchcalifornia.org

May 23-27/Mule Days

Bishop, CA www.muledays.org

AVDR Gymkhana

Antelope Valley Desert Riders Contact: Andria (661) 270-0952
www.avdesertriders.org

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(661) 268-8010

Compton Jr. Posse

Compton Jr. Posse Youth Eq. (310) 632-1247 www.jrposse.com



Dusty's Riders

Horse program for at-risk kids (323) 876-3079 www.dustysriders.org

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Therapeutic riding program (310) 403-966 www.elsainc.org

Head's Up Therapy on Horseback

Nancy (818) 848-0870
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Ride On Therapeutic Horsemanship

program for disabled riders (818) 700-2971
www.rideon.org

Shadow Hills Riding Club Therapeutic Riding Program

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www.shadowhillsridingclub.org



ETI wishes you...



health, wealth and lots of equine fun in 2018!



The First Lady of American Horse Racing

Written by Jeannine Roman



There are people whose contributions to horses and the world horses live in were sometimes little noted at the time or their significance did not become apparent until much later. Often their contributions only affected a particular breed or sport or perhaps impacted our own horses only indirectly. Some of them made their contributions in obscurity and some of them in full public view. However, they went about it, all of them changed things.

Some people who come to mind are Tom Dorrance, the original horse whisperer who promoted the natural horsemanship movement. Les Vogt who re-designed the snaffle bit. Paul Waggoner who decided not to geld a chunky yearling named Poco Bueno. George Morris who showed the world how to ride the forward seat saddle. Greg Ward who showed us how a classically trained reined cowhorse should move. Samuel Riddle who decided not to sell a scrawny yearling and instead raced him to become a 20th century legend. Sheila Varian who showed that the Arabian horse could successfully compete against other breeds. Velma Johnson who got Congress to pass legislation protecting wild equines. Anna Sewell whose horse book became an animal rights manifesto changing the way horses were thought about and cared for in 19th century England.

None of these people considered themselves innovators or having a magical insight into a horse's potential but they all shared the same characteristic of being committed to their goal. And it is this type of commitment, whether large or small, famous or obscure, that continues to impact and change the horse world.



Last September we lost a person whose impact on the horse world was significant and whose contributions will

continue to benefit all horses. Penny Chenery, who was a well-loved figure as a champion of Thoroughbreds and women in business and sports, died in her Colorado home from complications after a stroke.

Ms. Chenery, the renowned American sportswoman and figurehead of horse racing, was one of the few women to vault to the front ranks of the then male dominated sport. She was the daughter of a noted horse breeder who had her riding at age five. She was largely unschooled in racing operations or running a breeding farm until 1968 when it fell to her to carry on her ailing father's farm, Meadow Stable in Virginia.

Her unusual path to success in the highly competitive and old money world of Thoroughbred racing came about through her abilities, her tenacity and her love of horses. "I really believe they are noble" she once said of horses.

After graduating from college she worked for a company that designed warcraft for the Normandy invasion. Before the invasion occurred she volunteered to join the Red Cross. Recognizing her organizational skills, in 1945 the Red Cross sent her to France and Germany to organize the transition of World War II soldiers coming back to the United States. She considered this one of her most formative experiences in leadership. "You had to be 23 to go," she recalled. "They thought younger girls weren't mature enough. They were right."

When she returned she enrolled in Columbia Business School and was one of only twenty women attending that year among eight hundred men. Marrying in 1949 she moved to Colorado where she spent 20 years as a housewife, mother, Red Cross volunteer, raising funds for charities, riding her horse and skiing. She helped found and raise the initial money for Vail ski resort in the early 1960s. She often mentioned that all of her experiences were what prepared her for filling her father's shoes at Meadow Stable.

Her life changed in 1968 when her father became disabled. Always profitable, the Meadow Stable began losing money in the late 1960s, exacerbated by her father's illness. The family planned to sell the farm and its 130 horses but



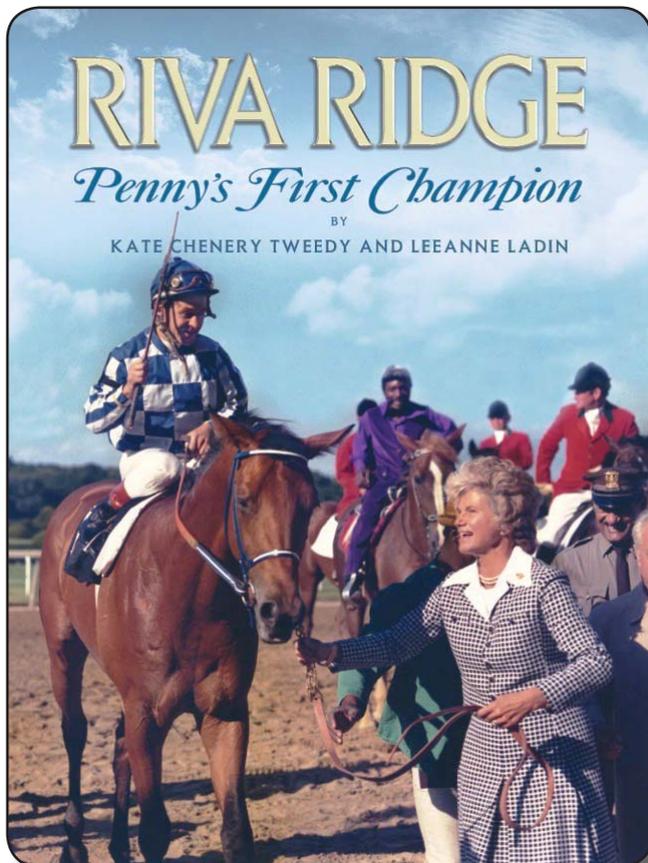
The First Lady of American Horse Racing (cont.)

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Chenery wanted to try to fulfill her father's dream to win the Kentucky Derby. Few took the then 45 year old housewife seriously. But she knew she had a yearling colt named Riva Ridge who looked like he might become a serious race horse. All she had to do was keep the farm going until he was old enough to race.

As she told her family, "The land has supported the horses, and the horses have supported the land."

However, after two more years in the red, selling the stable seemed almost inevitable. Her courageous decision to give the farm one more year allowed Riva Ridge the time to grow up and become a racehorse. Her faith in him was justified in 1971 when he swept the juvenile stakes and won Two Year Old of the Year honors. Then in 1972 Riva Ridge won the Kentucky Derby and Belmont Stakes, fulfilling her father's dream in the last year of his life. She always credited Riva Ridge with saving the farm.



Ms. Chenery's father had been building his broodmare band since the 1940s with carefully selected broodmares. The farm still had daughters of those original mares. Ms. Chenery's plan was to return the farm to profitability by using those mares bred to the best stallions she could afford.

In 1964 her father had taken his mare Somethingroyal to Bold Ruler, the nation's leading sire. The resulting filly was the multiple stakes winning Syrian Sea. Hoping to repeat that successful breeding, Ms. Chenery decided to again breed Somethingroyal to Bold Ruler. There were some problems.

As Ogden Phipps, owner of Bold Ruler pointed out, Somethingroyal was considered small, she had offset knees, she was pigeon-toed, had a severely sloped croup and the only time she raced she finished last. In her favor, as Ms. Chenery pointed out, she was a daughter of the legendary Princequillo and, after all, she and Bold Ruler had produced Syrian Sea.

Ms. Chenery did not mention that the Meadow Stable had no money to pay Bold Ruler's stud fee. Instead she negotiated a breeding trade. She proposed a coin toss to decide who would get to choose the foal from the first or second breeding. She lost what was inarguably the most propitious coin toss in the history of sport. Ogden Phipps chose the foal from the first breeding. The filly Somethingroyal produced in 1969, The Bride, went to Phipps.

As the loser of the coin toss, Ms. Chenery was left with the following year's foal, a rather large, flashy chestnut colt. She once confessed that when she initially saw him she felt he "was too pretty to be any good, but he could always make a hunter or jumper."

She received a lot of criticism about her decision to breed to Bold Ruler. While a fabulously successful race horse, he was a sire who produced precocious juveniles who did not train well and many of them could not go the distance. More than one "authority" told her this ill-advised breeding decision was reflective of her inexperience and that she should turn over breeding decisions to her farm trainer and return to being a housewife. They could not have been more wrong.



The First Lady of American Horse Racing (cont.)

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Instead, she fired the stable's long-time trainer, consulted with Bull Hancock of Claiborne Farm, and on his advice hired Roger Laurin as trainer. Laurin helped her cut costs and with her business acumen, and Riva Ridge's \$1.1 million in winnings, they eventually returned the farm to profitability. When he left to train for the Phipps stables, she hired his father, Lucien Laurin who guided Riva Ridge throughout his race career. Her faith in Lucien Laurin's training and in Riva Ridge resulted in the horse being inducted into the National Museum of Racing's Hall of Fame.

president of the Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders Association. In 2006 the National Thoroughbred Racing Association honored her with the Eclipse Award of Merit for a lifetime of outstanding achievement in thoroughbred racing.

Over the years Penny Chenery continued to run Meadow Stable, producing champion race horses, gaining the respect of the racing establishment and becoming deeply involved in all aspects of the industry.

In 1976 she became a member of the Executive Committee of the American Horse Council, the horse industry trade association in Washington, DC. Yes, there is a federal "horse lobby". It advocates on issues concerning all horses.



As a lifelong supporter of causes that promote the health and welfare of retired Thoroughbreds, she frequently said one of her proudest accomplishments was helping found The Thoroughbred Retirement Foundation, an organization dedicated to saving Thoroughbred horses no longer able to compete on the racetrack from neglect, abuse and slaughter.

In an era when the horse's owner was never visible, she was the first owner who was really a public owner. She was the first one out there talking for the horse and she was very good at it. She was smart and she was articulate. She charmed everyone as an engaging and quick-witted owner, who represented her equine champions with poise, dignity and a keen business sense. She understood her obligation as the voice of the thoroughbred. As she put it, "The horse can't talk, but I can." Having met her, I can attest that she did, and in colorful language.

As president of the Grayson-Jockey Club Research Foundation, she consistently advocated for laminitis research and care advancement. Many of the advances in laminitis research and care we have available to us today have come from the funding provided by this foundation.

Apparently deciding that she was not going back to being a housewife, in 1983 she was one of the first three women admitted to The Jockey Club (that only took 89 years!). She also served on the prestigious Judge's Panel of the Jockey Club bestowing its various awards.

Her devotion and concern for all horses lead her to become an early and vocal supporter of the efforts to ban the use of performance-enhancing drugs in all horse sports.

TRIVIA: In the United States, there are seven equine breeds who run in pari-mutuel races.

In addition to her numerous achievements and acknowledgments in the racing industry, she received an Honorary Doctor of Laws degree from Randolph-Macon College and the Smith College Medal for extraordinary professional achievement and outstanding service to her community.

Long after selling Meadow Stable, Ms. Chenery remained a revered presence in horse racing. She never made much of her distinction as a woman in a male dominated sport. She once said, "I did all the things I did out of instinct and because I had to. I was not trying to be a role model." She led an extraordinary life that touched thoroughbred



The First Lady of American Horse Racing (cont.)

Written by Jeannine Roman

... racing and others in a unique and personal way. A tireless supporter of horses, she gave back at least all that they gave her. She was a true pioneer in racing and there was no greater champion for the thoroughbred horse and women in racing than Penny Chenery.

"This is not about going back. This is about life being ahead of you and you run at it! Because you never know how far you can run unless you run." Penny Chenery.

If anyone ever deserved the title "First Lady of American Racing", it is Penny Chenery.

Oh, and before I forget, what became of the large, flashy chestnut colt she got in the coin toss? She named him Secretariat...



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



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Animals And Fire

Written by Dana Stangel

A summary of my presentation at Senator Portantino's "After the Fire" at Woodbury College last month:

"Animals and fire don't go together very well. From the pet situation to the wildlife front, there is a lot to consider before, during and after a fire.

GET READY

In times of no disaster: organize documentation and store it electronically. Who are your animals, are they healthy and can you prove they are yours? Organizing documentation involves procuring:

- * Recent photos, including views of the animal that show distinguishing marks.
- * Vet records, especially those that show an animal has been fixed and vaccinated.
- * Microchip records
- * Prescription information
- * Vet contact information

Make sure you are storing these electronically, and make sure your computers are backed up. (This makes it so that when you are running out the door- you won't need to grab your computer because it's all backed up somewhere else.) I also recommend putting this info on a memory stick and keeping it with your "go bag". Further, I recommend sending the info to a loved one who doesn't live near you.

In times of no disaster: make sure you have all of your animals and all of your crates LABELED. I know we all hate



labels these days, but it can save your animal! How do you label an animal? With a microchip! It's fast, it's easy and it could be the difference between you getting your lost animal back or not. You can microchip anything from a bunny to a horse. Know that it isn't a GPS device, it won't tell you where your animal is, but a vet can scan it to get your information so that someone can return a found animal. How else? Collars and ID tags! Cats and dogs should have these all the time, even in case they just go running out the door on a non-disaster Sunday! I particularly love the reflective collars that have the tag already attached (it's less likely to fall off...) How else? Horses can be labeled with leg bands, or even nontoxic paint. If someone has an allergy, make sure that's on their label as well. "No alfalfa" can be painted onto a horse, "epileptic" can be engraved or printed on a dog's tag. Luggage tags are also great and can be put on carriers, crates and harnesses.

In times of no disaster: acquire the transportation and logistical items you will need.

- * Carriers and crates. These aren't the same. Carriers are compact and made for transporting animals. Crates are larger and animals can hang out comfortably in them for a longer time.



- * Bowls, leashes (non-retractable, please!), harnesses, food, small empty litter pan, toys. Toys? Just like your kids, having something personal and familiar will help them deal with the situation. If you have horses, you might want to also include buckets and a shovel.
- * Blankets and tarps. Cover can help keep animals in carriers and crates calm. If you wind up in a shelter



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Written by Dana Stangel

situation, it will help your animals stay healthy, too-creating a barrier between them and other animals that might be there. Blankets or towels inside of crates and carriers also just helps keep animals more comfortable.

- * Transportation for ALL your animals. Do you have the space to move them all at the same time? If not, what is your plan? Do you have your own car? If not, what is your plan? Many people don't have enough transportation for all their horses. So then, what is the plan? There needs to be a plan that doesn't involve going back and forth 12 times. You may have only one shot.
- * Set up contacts with friends or family nearby AND farther away. You might need help evacuating, so you'll need nearby friends. You might need a place to bring the animals, so you'll need friends that are further away.

In times of no disaster- **PRACTICE WITH YOUR ANIMALS**



One of the major problems people run into when trying to evacuate with animals is the animal's behavior that's a result of the emergency situation. So, first of all- be ready for that! But secondly- you might be able to make this less of a problem by practicing a few times. With ALL the animals, and with the friends you have identified. Animals are creatures of habit. If they have done something successfully before, they are likely to try it again. When something is new and scary, well, it's a lot like dealing with kids. It's going to be more difficult. I encourage you to go through the entire process from start to finish. This will help you identify where your weak spots are in the plan, and how to reinforce them.

GET SET

Hopefully, you will be lucky enough to shelter in place. If this is your option, it's the best one. Animals don't like to be moved from the situation they know and they particularly don't like it when you are rushed and full of adrenaline. Sheltering in place is best for your animals and also best for the emergency personnel out there trying to save homes. The more people out on the street, the less room on that street for those who are trying to evacuate or the first responders. When you are sheltering in place, however, you don't just sit idly. You may have to evacuate, so you get set.

- * Put cats in confined spaces like the bathroom. Cats will pick up on your energy before you realize you're agitated. They will hide and they will not want to come out. Wrangling a house cat is no fun.



- * Pull out and organize carriers and crates. Have them ready for animals to get into. Have cat crates near the bathroom they are in. Have dog crate loaded into car so you can walk dog right into crate.
- * Reptiles? Get them into their carriers and stack by the door.
- * Basically, load your car with what you can, and have animals ready to be put into their transportation.

GO!

Don't wait for them to tell you more than once. If you have heard it might be time to go - get started on your



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plan and get out. The sooner the better. Imagine, if you get yourself taken care of, and your animals are safe, you might even be able to go help someone who didn't have such a great plan in place!

It's good to have a few plans in place. We are often lucky enough to have more than an hour, but what if you only have 15 min?

What about horses? Is setting them free the answer? According to the Fire Department, it isn't. Horses set free during fires will be running in every direction. They panic. They will be in the road in the way of emergency personnel. They are at a huge risk of being hit by a car. When the fire is upon you, visibility can be terrible. Horses and cars sharing the road in a situation like this might not end well. Should they be padlocked in? Probably not. That prevents emergency personnel from helping them quickly if necessary. Know that firefighters have the priority of protecting structures. If the horses are near or in the structure, they are more likely to be able to be saved. Hopefully, you will never find yourself so close to the fire, but from what we have learned recently, you just never know!



WHAT ABOUT WILDLIFE?

Wildlife suffers during fires. The smallest animals have a harder time getting out - simply as a result of shorter legs and inability to out run the fire. Some birds will succumb to smoke, some, especially the larger birds, can make it out. Small reptiles have trouble getting out. Smaller mammals like rodents might not make it. Opossums are really slow and don't have much of a chance. Skunks and raccoons have a better chance. Larger animals like coyote, mountain lion and bear can make it out. But sometimes when they try to get across a part of their territory that is too hot, their feet can burn. This is a horrific injury and often leads to a slow and painful death involving infection and starvation. After the fire, wildlife can be just about anywhere. If you can imagine just running for your life, and not knowing where you wound up exactly. They will be in the street, so please drive more carefully. They will be in your yard, so please keep an extra eye on your pets.



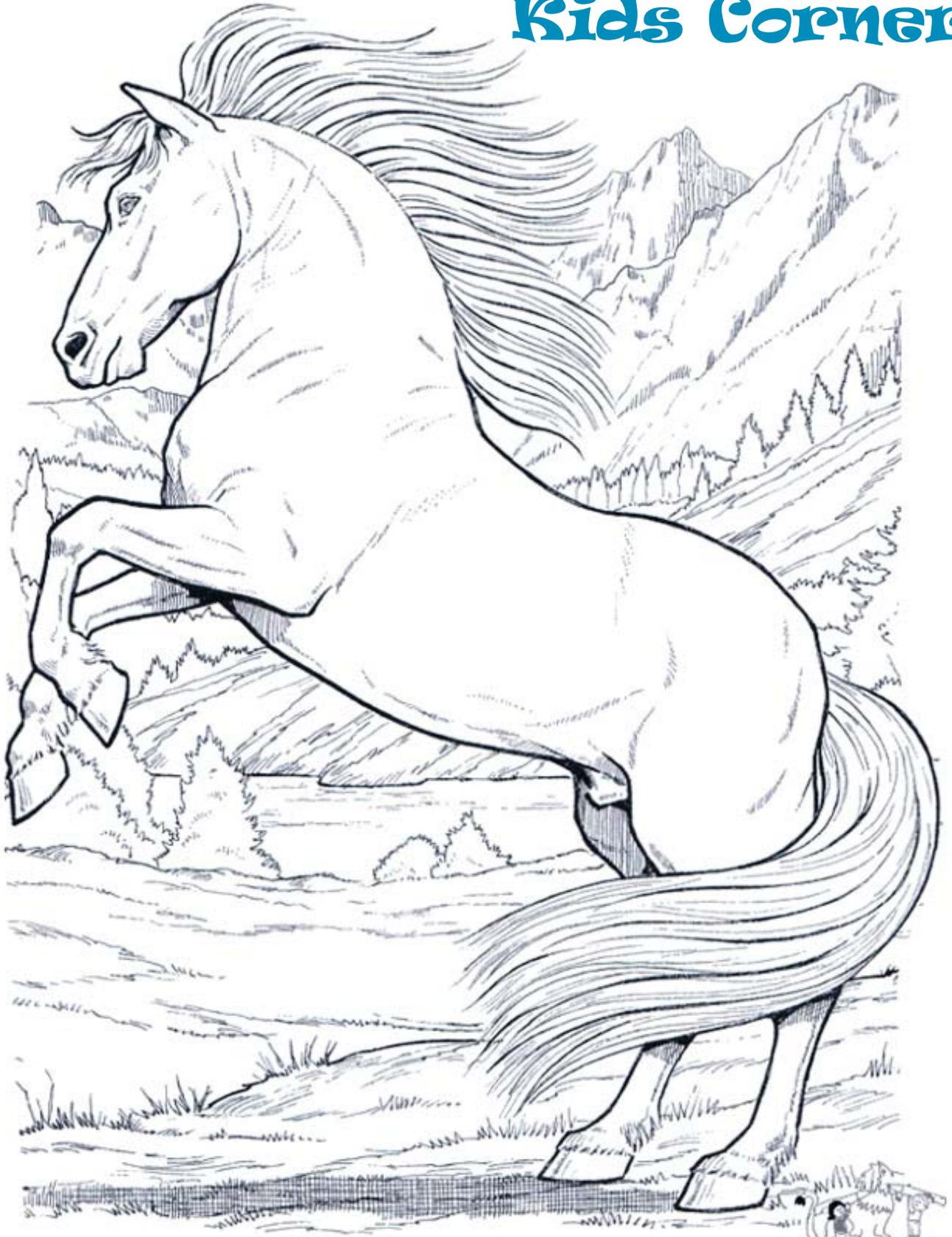
Between climate change, deforestation and development, the planet is becoming warmer and windier. We can count on events that will decimate towns. It is up to us to prepare for it. Careful planning can save lives."

~Dana Stangel, Teranga Ranch





Kids Corner

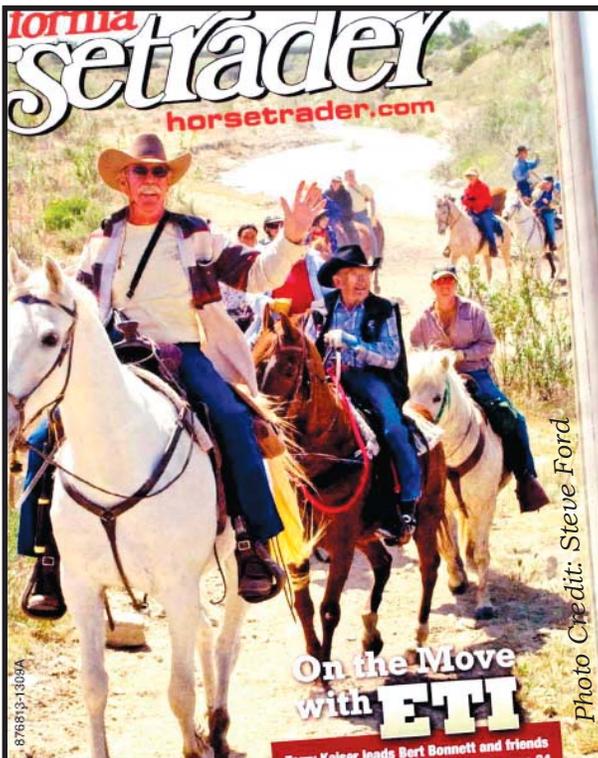




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Corral 3

Walnut Creek
Pres. Cindi Schaub
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December has been a busy and fun filled month for Corral 3/Walnut Creek MAU. We had the opportunity to represent our chapter in two Christmas parades. We were in the City



of Covina Christmas parade at night and the Glendora parade in the morning. It was really exciting for me because I have never been in a parade with my horse before. I was a trifle nervous as the parade got started. Tobias was rather skittish with a marching band in front of us as well as behind us. Fortunately he settled down, and I had a blast waving to the crowd and wishing



people a Merry Christmas!

Our Christmas potluck was a lot of fun. It was nice gathering with our friends and family in a non-horsey setting! Our gift exchange was a hoot and everyone walked away with some really nice presents!

Cindi Schaub and I made time to go to the Cowboy Christmas event in Las Vegas! There were horse goodies galore at this event. From trailers, clothing, tack, and stuff for the home, there was something for everyone! There were vendors at the two convention centers as well as various hotels throughout Las Vegas. In the evening, the shops were closed, and people were able to go to different concerts and rodeos. In planning for next year, I would definitely recommend going on the weekend so more of our chapter members can attend together.

On behalf of Corral 3, I would like to wish everyone a very fun-filled, prosperous New Year! We look forward to seeing you on the trails soon!

Sharyn Jung

Corral 6

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Corral 9

Littlerock Trail Blazers
Pres. Anita Martin
(661) 965-2210



weekend. Larry Jacobs and Margie Macke, Norm and myself, Jack McGee all took teams for the workout. Kelly Moore brought her mule so some could drive a single. Kelly has participated in many mule shows and has excellent skills she likes to pass on to the juniors.

Corral 10

Lakeview Terrace
Pres. Pam Miller Mitchell
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Corral 12

Sylmar Vista Del Valle
Pres. Patty Hug
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Corral 14

Western Wagons Mojave
Pres. Sue Martzolf
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A few members from Corral 14 had a very enjoyable weekend recently. There is a youth group called One Spade Youth Packers. If you have been to Bishop Mule Days, I'm sure you have seen the kids competing in various events. It's an interesting story.

One Spade Youth Packers was founded and is directed by Reed Hopkins. He is located at Lake Isabella. His organization works with troubled children from all different life styles. He sponsors about 12 kids a year. They range in age from 9 to 17. The only deciding factor for their participation in the group is that they need help and guidance to prepare them for life. They are encouraged to get involved with the mules and horses with a hands on environment. This helps them in so many ways to figure themselves out. Reed and his many volunteers try to inspire them to interact with both animals and people with the right attitude and one that ensures success.



Saturday the mules pulled a spring tooth harrow with the kids doing hands on driving. It's not easy to drive in a straight line as many of them learned. Sunday we completed the process by using a mule drawn grain drill and spike tooth





harrow. Just watching the action that the early pre tractor farmers worked with every day makes me appreciate their dedication and lifestyle even more than before. Since this is dry land farming, now all that is needed is a wet winter.

These youngsters seem to blossom into their true potential with the guidance of not only Reed and his volunteers but the lessons learned from the mules and horses.

So this year if you are at Mule Days, be sure and root a little harder for the One Spade Packer entries. These youngster give it their all.

2018 Schedule

April 6 - 8: Denzel Cameron Memorial Drive, Moonraker Ranch, Mojave Contact: Katie Christman (661) 824-2609

May 13-18: Lone Pine to Bishop Drive Contact: Sue Martzolf (760) 662-6102

June 8 – 10: Wagon Drive, Spring Canyon Mule Makers Ranch, Onyx, CA Contact: Jim/Julie Porter (760) 378-2222

July TBD: Tentative Wagon Drive, Dodge Ranch Drive Contact Sue Martzolf (760) 662-6102

September 28 – 30: Wagon Drive, Long Ears Ranch, Mojave Contact: Mara Wada or Jeanne Gordon (661) 821-1217

November 4 – 9: Wagon Drive, Death Valley, CA Contact: Sue Martzolf (760) 662-6102

Mary Jo

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Castaic/Canyon Country
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Corral 35
Oak Canyon Riding Club
Glendora
Pres. Dottie Hilliard
(626) 335-7112



Just parading in to say "Thank You" to all those ETI members who joined together on Saturday, December 9 by riding in the Glendora Christmas Parade. This year we dedicated our ride to the memory of those beloved horses that were lost in the recent wildfires. Many of our fellow ETI Corral members in those areas are mourning their equestrian companions, and we join them in our thoughts, as we have shared trails and events with them over the years.

As always, the parade watchers, young and old, cheered us on and made us feel very welcome. We took the time, as we rode down the main street of Glendora,

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Every inch of this booklet is helpful whether you own a horse or not.



to chat with children and say "Merry Christmas" to friends and neighbors. In many ways, I felt like a member of the good guys posse coming into town as twelve horses with festive cowboy attired riders took over the main drag.

Corral 36

Mountain Ridge Riders
Agoura/Calabasas/Malibu/Monte Nido
Pres. Susan Carr
(818) 400-0909



Message from LA County Fire Dept.

Message from Assistant Chief Anthony Williams, LA County Fire Division 7: "We are in an unprecedented time frame of extreme fire behavior potential and one of the longest lasting Red Flag Fire Watches/Warning in recorded history for the month of December. It has been well past 250 days since our last rainfall and Live Fuel Moistures are at levels we normally associate with September, October, parts of November. In a nutshell, all residents maintain situational awareness by monitoring their local radio stations, television news stations, social media and visual cues."

LETTER FROM OUTGOING 2016-2017 ETI CORRAL 36 PRESIDENT, SUSAN CARR

A special thank you to those members of Corral 3 who joined us. Such a pleasant and fun loving group of equestrians.

Here's to our world class Pooper Scooper Keith Hilliard. Dilly Dilly!! Keith was joined by a member of Scout Troop 491, Jaden, who did a great job. Thanks to Finn, Marion Buehler's dog, for joining us with a saddled up rider on his back. Finn is a true crowd pleaser.

At this time, I would also like to say "thank you" to those of you who volunteered in the recent fire evacuations, especially to Johnny and Toni Blankenship for their generous offer to house evacuated horses at their Three Oaks Ranch, here in Glendora. When asked why I am so dedicated to Corral 35, my answer has always been, "People who love horses have hearts as big as their horse and, like their horse, share that heart without question".

In closing, may I offer this thought that I remember from my childhood..."The sound of thunder is the sound of hoof beats in Heaven." This time I will add: May those hoof beats be made by horses running with joy. There is no fear in Heaven.

Have a wonderful New Year, count your blessings, and hug your horse.

Dottie Hilliard



Susan Carr
with ELSA's
Jimmy Choo



Our ETI community is critical for our unified equestrian voice. At a time when local Pony Clubs have disbanded and young riders are fewer and farther between, we need to make sure our presence is felt, and our voices are heard. The issues we have faced and continue to battle are numerous and many out there continue to be a nemesis to the equestrian community.

While my term as ETI Corral 36's board president has ended, my participation in preserving the equestrian lifestyle locally has just begun. These two years gave me a chance to stretch and grow my own knowledge and experience and were an important time for the local horse community. More than ever, I am committed to the fight to maintain our horse keeping and trail riding rights. Will you join me?

Happy New Year!

**RECREATION & EQUESTRIAN
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Staged at Malibu Valley Farms.



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Editor errors:
Ruth Gerson and Mike Zacha.

Corral 36 Holiday Party

Anyone else have photos to share? Please send them to Stephanie@abronson.com.

Thanks Deep Sethi for a great ETI Corral 36 Holiday Party at Saddle Peak Lodge Restaurant! Everything was fabulous!



Nancy & Rob Rex and Randy & Pam Cameron swing to singer Jimmy's music.



Debbie DiMascio (C-36 Board Member), Susan Carr (C-36 ~ 017 President), Steve Kessler and wife Holly (C-36~2018 President).



Corral 36 Founder, Rod Bergen with wife Judy and daughter Vikki Siemons (C-36 Board, First V.P.).



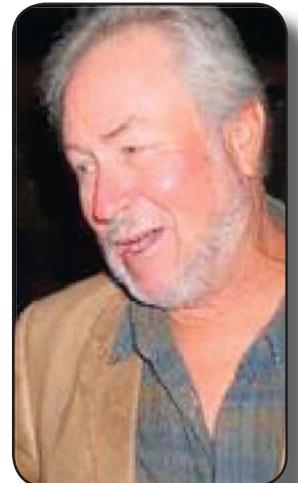
Mary Abel, Debbie DiMascio (C-36 Board Member), Carol LaCorte and Michael Mehner.



Mara Somma, Maria Kalivas, with C-36 Board Secretary, Heather Faucher.



Nona Green (C-36 Board Member). and Gary Buzza.



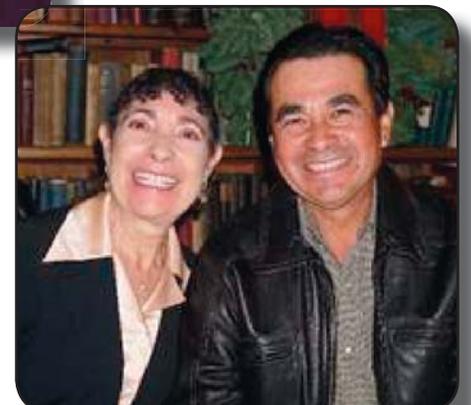
Dr. Bob & Debby Miller having a great chuckle over something said.



Rory Stanley (C-36 Board Member).



Rex Levi, Randy & Pam Cameron with Laurie Brandt.



Juana & Mark Cardiel





Adrienne &
Steve Jacobs



Dana Sparks
with Pam
Cameron.



Deborah Roth
& Adrienne Jacobs



Karen Mullen, Holly Kessler, Denise Peak, & Tonya Hull.



Jimmy our
fabulous singer



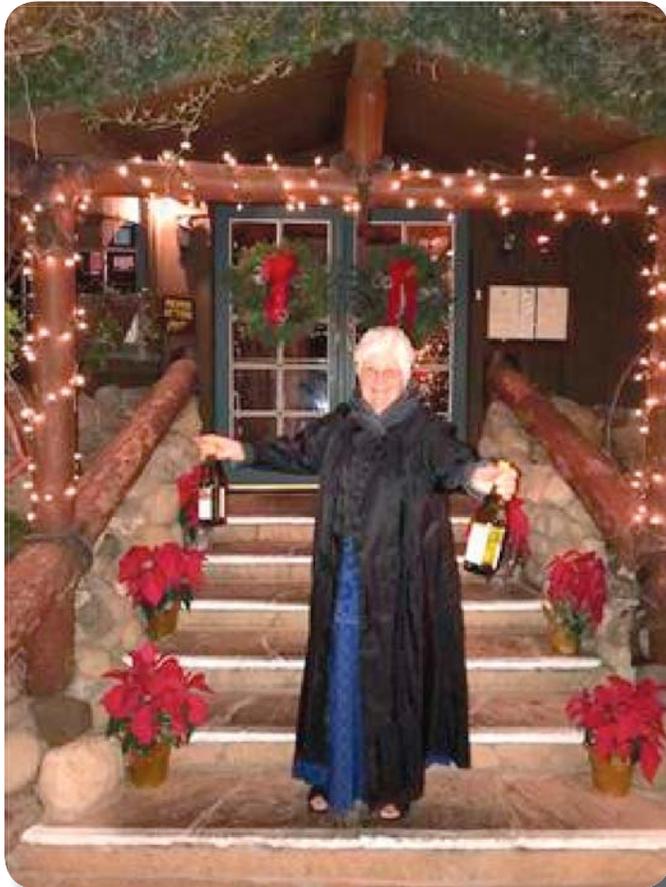
Robert &
Nancy Rex



Emma Hemma, Randi Goodman, with Suze Randall-Knipe
& Rob Rex.



Our lovely lady
bartender, &
Proprietor,
Deep Sethi.



The END. Stephanie Abronson

From your Editor: Apologies for all those whose photos do not appear. New camera thrust upon me at Saddle Peak Lodge ~ no time to learn about the camera.

Stephanie Abronson

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December 12 was our Christmas party and year end high point announcements. Jeanette Hayhurst was 1st with 24 points, I was 2nd with 23 points, and Nora Moran was 3rd with 22 points. Jean Bredelis was hot on our heels with 19 points. And a big thanks to Jean and Ron Bredelis for hosting the party, and to Mark and Judy Zimmerman for cooking the delicious meat. Everyone else brought yummy side dishes and desserts, and all point earners in attendance received a picture frame and an ETI personalized bandanna of their color choice, starting with the high point earners.

January 20 is our field trip to the Borax Mine in Boron. We plan on meeting at the mine about 10am, and for those that want to, we plan on going to lunch afterwards.

Happy New Year!

Beth Uzonyi/President
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Corral 70

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Saugus/Castaic/Valencia
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Corral 99

Tulare Country Joy Riders
Tulare/Kaweah/Three Rivers/Visalia
Pres. Joanne Boswell
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Oh my gosh, this month has really flown by. With the fires and evacuation in the valley, most of the outlying areas were offering assistance and temporary boarding as nearby evacuation centers quickly filled up. It was a beautiful thing to see the equestrian community come together to help each other.

We are looking forward to a trail ride on February 17, a clinic for March 24 and another trail ride on April 14. Further information will be provided when final arrangements have been made.

Karen Tuttle

One Corral 83 Member was able to free up some space and is offering long term boarding available at a very reasonable rate. Contact Doris Lora if you know someone still needing long term boarding.

Corral 101

Route 101 Horse Show Circuit
Lake View Terrace
Pres. Dawn Surprenant
(661) 33-9069



Corral 83 looks forward to winter riding in the desert. Places like Red Rock, Burro Schmidt tunnel area, Last Chance Canyon area and Lake Los Angeles beckon as the mountain trails become iced and snow covered.

Corral 103

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



With snowfall in the Eastern Sierras, we will have to wait until Spring to return to our favorite places there in the Inyo National Forrest and Inyo County.

The Sunday after Thanksgivings we had a Treasure Hunt Ride to benefit of the local 4H equestrian kids. We had a very nice ride. Pam Hill made a very tasty chilli for our lunch, and there were really great prizes for those that found the tickets on the trail led by Ray Simms. Everyone said they enjoyed theirself. We plan on holding another ride like this later in 2018. Coming up on January 28, 2018, we will be holding our Presidents Ride out of Hesperia Lakes Equestrian Camp (camp name will be changing to honor Bob Teran who passed away this past year). There will be a lunch after the ride featuring ham and bean soup. We have some great rides planned for 2018 at some new locations and are looking forward to having a lot of fun in 2018.

Dawn Walker

Overall, we will wait and see the damage assessment reports for all out of the area trails that fell victim to the fires. Places like Ojai valley trail and the Hansen Dam Area.

Happy Trails,

Doris Lora, Secretary/scribe
Tehachapi Mt Riders, C83

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Our Christmas Toy Ride was huge this year. It was a good thing the fire department came early Sunday. My truck could not hold any more toys! Rigs kept coming; we had about 50 riders. This year we had a drink stop. Thank you, Janette Beas, for volunteering your husband, Alfred, to meet us with soda and water, etc. Great idea. Will he be available next year?



We had three riders from Idaho, a couple from Nevada, and five different Corrals, 138 Antelope Valley, 86 Agua Dulce, 9 Littlerock, 118 Simi and 65 Bakersfield. I just counted waivers. We had a total of 56 riders! Probably because we had the best weather I can remember.



We're hosting a ride New Years Day at Vasquez Rocks and a pot luck at the pepper tree for those interested in staying. I can't think of a better way to start off the year. Contact Marcy at (661) 878-1791.



Kimberly Dwight





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ETI MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name (last): _____ First _____ Corral _____ *

Mailing Address: _____ Spouse: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Occupation: _____

Email Address: _____

_____ Junior (under 18) Birthdate _____ Dues Paid _____

_____ Adult (over 18) Dues Paid _____

_____ Family Sr " _____ Jr. # _____ Dues Paid _____

New _____ Renew _____ or Changing from Corral # _____ to Corral # _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent's signature if Junior only membership-under 18

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

Non members must complete a Single Event form and pay \$5.00 for an individual for the day or weekend-camping membership. \$3.00 of this is to be sent with the forms back to the ETI office. A family membership for the event is \$7.00; \$5.00 goes to the ETI office.

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). 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 Laurel Surprenant (661) 212-7713 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. 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.

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.

