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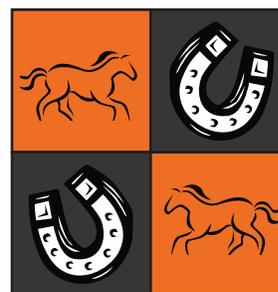
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## A Message from Tom Kirsch ETI National President

Hello to all.

The September ETI National Board meeting was held on the 17th. One item of discussion was insurance for next year and the fact that I want to pay it in full for 2019. The corrals can help by getting their corral function schedule in as soon as possible (hopefully before January), so our bid change can be reviewed. This will save us a lot of money!! So please get this into the office.



Dr. Walter De La Brosse gave an update on our show judges. It seems that we are having some problems with horse show rules. He will be sending information to Sarah to put in the magazine.

ETI is really starting to get back on track and once we get things straightened out with Convention along with other small matters, ETI is on track for great 2019. Thanks go out to Linda, Shelly, Patty, Sarah and Dawn for their hard work.

I hope everyone reads Lynn Brown's article on doing business with cities and county governments. It was very well done and very informative. She has done this for many years for ETI as well as many other organizations. We are lucky to have her on our side.

The ETI National Officers election is here, and the ballots are being mailed to the Corrals. So, let your Corral officials know your feeling on who you want to lead E.T.I.

Be safe and look out each other.

Tom



**National Board Meeting**  
October 15 at 7pm  
Foothill Trails District  
Neighborhood Council Office  
9747 Wheatland Ave.  
(Corner of Wheatland & Sunland)  
**Join us!**

### ETI SPECIAL EVENTS CHAIRPERSONS

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- 2018 CONVENTION (Sept. 22-24): Dawn Surprenant (661) 433-9069 [equinediva@hughes.net](mailto:equinediva@hughes.net)
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## Mounted Assistance Unit (MAU) Program Update



This is the season to enjoy the trails with the weather getting cooler. It will be a joy to ride the trails mid day.

There will be a MAU Certification and training weekend held at Marshal Canyon. The MAU members can camp from Friday to Sunday. On Saturday, October 13 will be the training and pm Sunday, October 14 will be the certification.

Supervisor Barger's Annual Trail Ride will be held on Sunday, October 21 at Frank G. Bonelli Park. The MAU's will be assisting in the planning and implementation for a successful ride.

There are three MAU's which patrol the LA County Parks on horseback. If you are interested in joining, the contact e-mails are listed below.

Bonelli MAU - [kbarro@msn.com](mailto:kbarro@msn.com)

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Horse Show Convention**

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## Coming Events Calendar

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All ETI High Point Shows are PAC approved.

#### October 7/Corral 101

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

#### October 14/Corral 118

NHP/SVAC Horse show, Simi Valley  
Contact: [www.eti118.org](http://www.eti118.org)

#### October 28/Corral 118

RAIN DATE: NHP/SVAC Horse show, Simi  
Valley Contact: [www.eti118.org](http://www.eti118.org)

#### November 11/Corral 37

NHP/Red Hat Cowgirl Horse Show,  
Thousand Oaks Info: [www.eticorral37.org](http://www.eticorral37.org)

### Individual Corral Circuit Shows/Series

#### 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  
Contact: Rhonda (805) 798-1713

#### Corral 118/Simi Horse Shows

SVAC Western & English Shows.  
High point saddle award  
Contact: Terry Simon (805) 522-3346  
[horseladyusa1@yahoo.com](mailto:horseladyusa1@yahoo.com)  
[www.eti118.org](http://www.eti118.org)

### GYMKHANAS

#### Corral 37

April thru November, Thousand Oaks Info:  
[www.eticorral37.org](http://www.eticorral37.org)

#### Corral 43/Riverside Rancheros

Gymkhana Call Lyn (951) 780-7208

#### Corral 70/Crossroads Riders

Gymkhana Contact: Rebecca Larkin (760)  
669-9647 [larkin206@gmail.com](mailto:larkin206@gmail.com)

### 2018 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 6-8/Corral 20

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

#### October 5-7/Corral 22

Alabama Hills camping, Lone Pine Trail  
Boss: Allan Johnson Contact: Kathleen  
Smart (626) 590-6972  
[kathleensmart99@gmail.com](mailto:kathleensmart99@gmail.com)

#### October 6/Corral 37

Gymkhana, Thousand Oaks  
Info: [www.eticorral37.org](http://www.eticorral37.org)

#### October 6/Corral 138

Trail ride, Bear Valley Springs Tehachapi  
Contact: Kimberly Dwight (661) 478-2770  
[jdwright@aol.com](mailto:jdwright@aol.com)

#### October 7/Corral 88

Gymkhana, Phelan Contact:  
Ray Barnhart (760) 351-6400

#### October 7/Corral 101

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

#### October 7/Corral 138

Trail Ride, Outback Agua Dulce  
Contact: Kimberly Dwight (661) 478-2770  
[jdwright@aol.com](mailto:jdwright@aol.com)

#### October 12-14/Corral 103

Camping, Bob Teran Camp, Hesperia Lakes  
Contact: Dawn Walker (760) 961-7879

#### October 13/Corral 138

Trail ride, Peaceful Valley Contact: Janette  
(858) 692-6836 [janette.beas@gmail.com](mailto:janette.beas@gmail.com)

#### October 14/Corral 2

Schooling Show; New Hunt Seat Classes  
Contact: Julie Unamuno (626) 278-9450

#### October 14/Corral 118

NHP/SVAC Horse show, Simi Valley  
Contact: [www.eti118.org](http://www.eti118.org)

#### October 20/Corral 20

Sammy Larsen Celebration of Life,  
Eternal Valley, Newhall Contact:  
Becky Borquez (818) 262-7764  
[beckyborquez1@gmail.com](mailto:beckyborquez1@gmail.com)

#### October 20/Corral 66

Trail ride, Barstow Contact: Beth Uzonyi  
(760) 953-2576

#### October 20/Corral 86

Trail ride, Acton Contact:  
Debby Arter (661) 816-4345  
[heatherkaufman2@gmail.com](mailto:heatherkaufman2@gmail.com)

#### October 20/Corral 88

Halloween ride, River Forks Contact:  
Cherie Kopasz (760) 963-8919

#### October 20/Corral 357

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

#### October 21/Corral 12

Trail ride, Malibu Creek State Park Contact:  
Jeanne Catron-Gonzalez (661) 259-7608

#### October 21/Corral 37

Red Hat Cowgirl Horse Show, Thousand  
Oaks Info: [www.eticorral37.org](http://www.eticorral37.org)

#### October 21/Corral 38

Play day, Griffith Park Contact: Diana Hoch  
(818) 841-6422 [dianahoch@att.net](mailto:dianahoch@att.net)

#### October 21/Corral 70

Gymkhana, Adelanto Contact: Rebecca  
Larkin (760) 669-9647  
[larkin206@gmail.com](mailto:larkin206@gmail.com)



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# Coming Events Calendar

### October 26-28/Corral 22

Sage Hill camping, Santa Barbara Trail Boss: Paul Jacques Contact: Kathleen Smart (626) 590-6972 [kathleensmart99@gmail.com](mailto:kathleensmart99@gmail.com)

### October 26/Corral 83

Wine Ride Contact: Peggy Smith (661) 821-9019

### October 27/Corral 65

Trail/Poker ride, Robertson Loop Contact: Alberta Dougherty (661) 808-8595

### October 28/Corral 118

RAIN DATE: NHP/SVAC Horse show, Simi Valley Contact: [www.eti118.org](http://www.eti118.org)

## NOVEMBER

### November 3/Corral 20

Terry Kaiser Memorial Trail Trials benefiting ETI National, Hansen Dam/Gabrieleno Park Contact: Becky Borquez (818) 262-7764 [beckyborquez1@gmail.com](mailto:beckyborquez1@gmail.com)

### November 3/Corral 103

Trail ride, Smoketree Ranch Ride, Oak Hills Contact: Dawn Walker (760) 961-7879

### November 3/Corral 138

Mescal Canyons Ride 10 mile ride, Llano Contact: Elaine Macdonald (661) 946-1976 [emac43031@gmail.com](mailto:emac43031@gmail.com)

### November 4 – 9/ Corral 14

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

### November 7/Corral 83

Trail ride, Ethels, Bakersfield Contact: Judy Walsh (661) 821-1615

### November 10/Corral 88

Trail ride, Vasquez Rocks Contact: Ray Barnhart (760) 351-6400

### November 11/Corral 37

NHP/Red Hat Cowgirl Horse Show, Thousand Oaks Info: [www.eticorral37.org](http://www.eticorral37.org)

### November 11/Corral 138

Trail ride, Outback Agua Dulce Tawna Contact: Kimberly Dwight (661) 478-2770 [jdwright@aol.com](mailto:jdwright@aol.com)

### November 15/Corral 83

Trail ride, Burro Schmidt Contact: Gaby Roth (818-307-5708)

### November 17/Corral 12

Trail ride, Sylmar ride Contact: Jeanne Catron-Gonzalez (661) 259-7608

### November 17/Corral 20

Rain date for Memorial Trail Trial OR Doc Larson Trail Ride Contact: Becky Borquez (818) 262-7764 [beckyborquez1@gmail.com](mailto:beckyborquez1@gmail.com)

### November 17/Corral 37

Gymkhana, Thousand Oaks Info: [www.eticorral37.org](http://www.eticorral37.org)

### November 17/Corral 88

Gymkhana, Phelan Contact: Ray Barnhart (760) 351-6400

### November 18/Corral 70

Gymkhana, Adelanto Contact: Rebecca Larkin [larkin206@gmail.com](mailto:larkin206@gmail.com)

### November 18/Corral 86

Trail ride, Pancake Poker Ride Contact: Heather Kaufman (661) 360-5151 [heatherkaufman2@gmail.com](mailto:heatherkaufman2@gmail.com)

### November 18/Corral 357

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

## DECEMBER

### December 1/Corral 86

Christmas party, Agua Dulce Contact: Vicki Marshall (661) 816-1054 [heatherkaufman2@gmail.com](mailto:heatherkaufman2@gmail.com)

### December 1/Corral 138

Toys for Tots trail ride, LA Cabana, Acton Contact: Kimberly Dwight (661) 478-2770 [jdwright@aol.com](mailto:jdwright@aol.com)

### December 3/Corral 83

Christmas party, Tehachapi Contact: Carolyn McIntyre (661) 822-9533

### December 11/Corral 66

Christmas Party, Newberry Springs Contact: Jean Bredelis (760) 447-0385 [bredelisjean@yahoo.com](mailto:bredelisjean@yahoo.com)

### December 15/Corral 65

Holiday Party Contact: Alberta Dougherty (661) 808-8595

### December 16/Corral 22

Christmas ride, Griffith Park Trail Boss: Paul Jacques Contact: Kathleen Smart (626) 590-6972 [kathleensmart99@gmail.com](mailto:kathleensmart99@gmail.com)

### December 16/Corral 88

Caroling ride, Phelan Contact: Tania Bennett (760) 807-7558

### December 19/Corral 83

Trail ride, California City Contact: Peggy Smith (661) 821-9019

### December 22/Corral 38

Christmas caroling, Burbank Contact: Diana Hoch (818) 841-6422 [dianahoch@att.net](mailto:dianahoch@att.net)

## NON-ETI EVENTS

### October 4-7/Norco Horse Affair

<https://www.norcohorseaffair.com/>

### October 21

Supervisor Barger Annual Trail Ride, Bonelli Park Contact not available

### October 28

REC Ride, Malibu Contact: Ruth Gerson (818) 991-1236 or register online at [www.gotorec.org](http://www.gotorec.org)

### AVDR Gymkhana

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

### Carousel Ranch Therapeutic Riding Program

(661) 268-8010

### ELSA

Experience.Learning.Support.w/Animals Therapeutic riding program (310) 403-966 [www.elsainc.org](http://www.elsainc.org)

### Head's Up Therapy on Horseback

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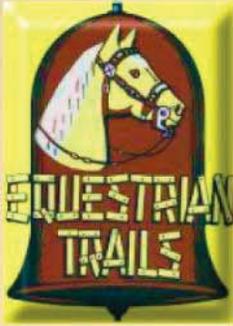
### Ride On Therapeutic Horsemanship

program for disabled riders (818) 700-2971 [www.rideon.org](http://www.rideon.org)

### Shadow Hills Riding Club Therapeutic Riding Program

Contact Johnny: (818) 352-2166 [www.shadowhillsridingclub.org](http://www.shadowhillsridingclub.org)





Terry Kaiser Memorial  
**TRAIL TRIAL**  
 To benefit ETI National

50/50 RAFFLE to benefit our Junior Ambassadors! \$1 per ticket; winner gets 1/2 the pot!

Ribbons 1st - 10th Place

Saturday, November 3rd, 2018

**Gabrieleno Park | Lake View Terrace**

Entry booth opens 8am \*First rider out at 9am \*Last rider out 11am

\*\$35.00 ETI Members \*\$40.00 Non-ETI Members

\*This includes \$5.00 drug fee

Lunch available for purchase to benefit our Junior Ambassadors

Stallions must be pre-approved, and riders must be over 18

**All riders under 18 must wear helmets**

For more information, Becky Borquez (818) 262-7764 or beckyborquez1@gmail.com

Staging area will be at Gabrieleno Park | Adjacent to Hansen Dam Equestrian Center |

Take Orcas off Foothill Blvd in Lake View Terrace

**Prizes 1st-3rd OPEN, NOVICE & JUNIOR DIVISIONS**

Rider's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ ETI Member? Corral# \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_  
 Horse's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Emergency Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Open: \_\_\_\_\_ Novice: \_\_\_\_\_ EVERYONE UNDER 18 MUST WEAR A HELMET  
 Junior: \_\_\_\_\_ (14 and under, Jan 2018) Jr. Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Helmet \_\_\_\_\_ Waiver \_\_\_\_\_

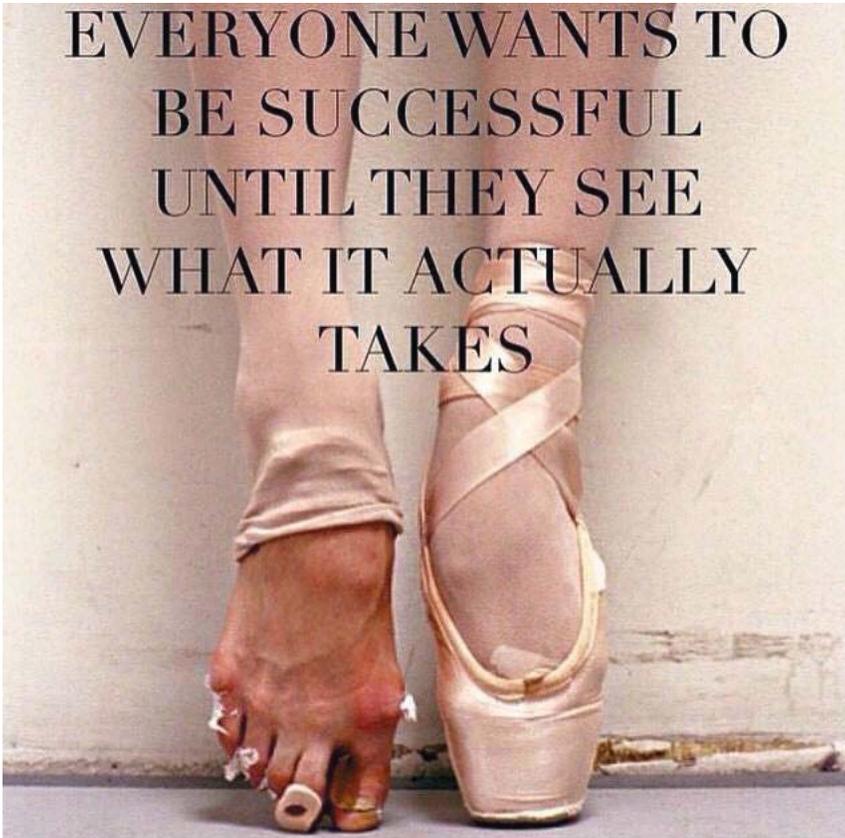
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TAKES



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BUILD YOUR  
DREAMS, SOMEONE  
WILL HIRE YOU TO  
HELP BUILD  
THEIRS.”**

TONY GASKIN



## Candidates for 2019-2020 ETI National Executive Board

### Nominations for President

#### Tom Kirsch, Corral 22 (current President)



I have been a member of ETI for 45 years. I'm a life time member of and member of Corral 22. During this time, I was a co-chair of the Spring Ride for 20 years. I am co-chair of the Death Valley Ride and have been involved with the ride for 37 years.

I'm the current president of ETI National. I have held the office of 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President in 1999 and was president of ETI from 2000 to 2004. During these years, I have been involved in hundreds of ETI functions. During my first years as President, I reorganized the office and set the organization on a more balanced fiscal plan. When I return as President in 2016, I once again had to bring the ETI office back to a more efficient responsive office. The changes I have put in place are bringing ETI back to a better financial status, but it is an ongoing project. I would appreciate your vote to continue as your ETI President so I can complete the procedures that will again put ETI on track.

I believe in our organization and am proud to be a member.



#### Dawn Surprenant, Corral 101 (current 1<sup>st</sup> ETI National Vice President, President of Corral 101 and 2018 Convention Chair)



I

have been involved off and on with ETI Nationals since 1986 when I joined Corral 20 at age 19. I very much enjoyed the organization and showed my Arabian Gelding. My entire family showed back then when ETI was thriving. I remember when there were 20+ Corrals offering shows!

Fast forward to the current state in which ETI has declined and that is when I decided I needed to put my money where my mouth was and so to speak help rebuild our ETI Organization. I saw the need to serve on the National Board in 2015 when I was appointed 1st VP. I have been in that position for the past 4 years.

During my journey here, I started another Corral, Route 101 Horse Show Circuit. We have brought in about 70 plus members and have had a very successful season so far. We had a Poker Ride put on through our Corral 101 this year and have many rides planned for the future.

I also chaired the 2018 Convention Horse Show. We revised many of the shows looks and themes to be current and modern to fit the Horse Show community's needs.

I have a horse and cattle ranch in Mojave, California and have owned horses my whole life. I am an avid rider and equestrian. I am a forward thinker with many new ideas...I have the perspective of a trail



## Candidates for 2019-2020 ETI National Executive Board

rider, coordinator & competitor and horse show Mom to bring forward as I ask for your consideration to become the new President of ETI Nationals.

also managed their year-end awards program where I ordered and purchased all awards. In addition, I

### Nominations for 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President

#### Jeanne Catron-Gonzalez, Corral 12

My husband and I have been members of ETI 23+ years. In this time, I have participated in and helped to put on horse shows, trail trials, trail rides, play days, driving play days, dressage events, horse camping, and rode as part of a MAU. These have been at corral and national levels.



have created and maintained their show website and Facebook pages. Not only did I show at the 118 shows, I was also a hands-on Board Member in helping run each show.



I have held officer positions in ETI Corral 12, ETI National, in another equestrian club, and in non-equestrian organizations.

I help the Route 101/ETI Corral 101 Horse Show with their website and Facebook pages as well and have assisted in the office during the show by accepting and closing out the participants entries.

Many of my friends are horse/mule people whom I met through my involvement with ETI. I

With ETI National Convention for 2018, I assisted the judges in the show ring and also helped in the show office as needed each day. I also help manage the Convention Facebook page.

firmly believe that ETI still offers great value to the equestrian community, and I want to help it thrive.

I have had horses and ridden horses most of my life. Most of my riding is trail riding, however I have shown Western Pleasure type classes and also have shown my miniature horses. I very much enjoy being around the horse show circuits and most any horse event. My heart passion is horses.

#### Shari Valdivia, Corral 101

I am Shari Valdivia. I reside in Simi Valley. I currently assist ETI Corral 118 and Route 101/ETI Corral 101 and helped run the ETI National Convention Show for 2018.

My business career is in the corporate world where I was Executive Assistant for 30 years to CEO of a computer systems software company where I held many functions other than Assistant, i.e., bookkeeper, office manager, systems analyst, and corporate secretary. Now retired.

I have been on the Board for ETI Corral 118 for 3+ years providing many functions to help run their shows, helping making operation decisions and coordinating plans for 118. I started and maintained the SVAC Corral 118 Royal Court, kids program. I

I hope you will find me to be a great asset to the ETI



## Candidates for 2019-2020 ETI National Executive Board

National Program as I work very hard at what ever I have set to do. I feel I am easy to work with and am one who always does the best job I can and follows through to the end. I enjoy a job well done.

### Nomination for 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President

#### Nikki Ahten, Corral 20



I have been an ETI Member for 27 years. My very first ETI event was a camping trip to Bandito where Bert Bonnett led us on a night ride to Newcombs Ranch where we got lost riding on "deer trails" and arrived after they closed. However, they graciously opened and made us all chili cheeseburgers to sustain us for the uncertain ride in the dark back to camp. I have been hooked on horse camping and ETI ever since!

I have ridden horses all my life and enjoy my little herd of three living on my property. I love having easy access to the trails right out of my backyard and would like to see it remain that way for generations to come. Two of the three horses belong to my teenage daughters who love to ride as well. My oldest is in the Equine Science program at Pierce College and has been an ETI member all her life! I'm hoping to contribute to the next generation of ETI members and leadership through my children and others we can wrangle in!

I have served as Corral 20 President, Newsletter

Editor, Membership and am current Vice President of ETI Corral 20. I have also worked the ETI National Convention for 18+ years and have been chair of the stall reservations for many of those years. I have judged and helped organize numerous ETI trail trials as well. I would like to see ETI thrive and grow in the coming years as well as help it stay dedicated to it's mission of being "dedicated to equine legislation, good horsemanship, and the acquisition and preservation of trails, open space, and public lands." I have spent many hours at city hall and community meetings fighting anything that threatens the equestrian way of life...be it developments or the high speed rail. I believe ETI and its membership can be a strong force in that endeavor as well! I would be honored to serve on the ETI board and do all I can to serve its members.

Fyi - Kim Estrada has decided to remove her name from the ballat.

### Next Steps

Per Page 7, Article 14, section B3 & C / D & E of ETI by-laws, nominations for the 2019-2020 Executive Board will be closed on September 21. Ballots will be mailed to the corrals by 9/27 to arrive the first week of October.

Corral will then have six weeks to vote for their choice for the 2019 /2020 ETI NATIONAL BOARD. Votes are due November 15.

Sealed ballots should be mailed to the ETI Post office Box. Three people (including Linda Fullerton) will open and tally the ballots. The people who won each position would be notified and published in the ETI December Magazine.





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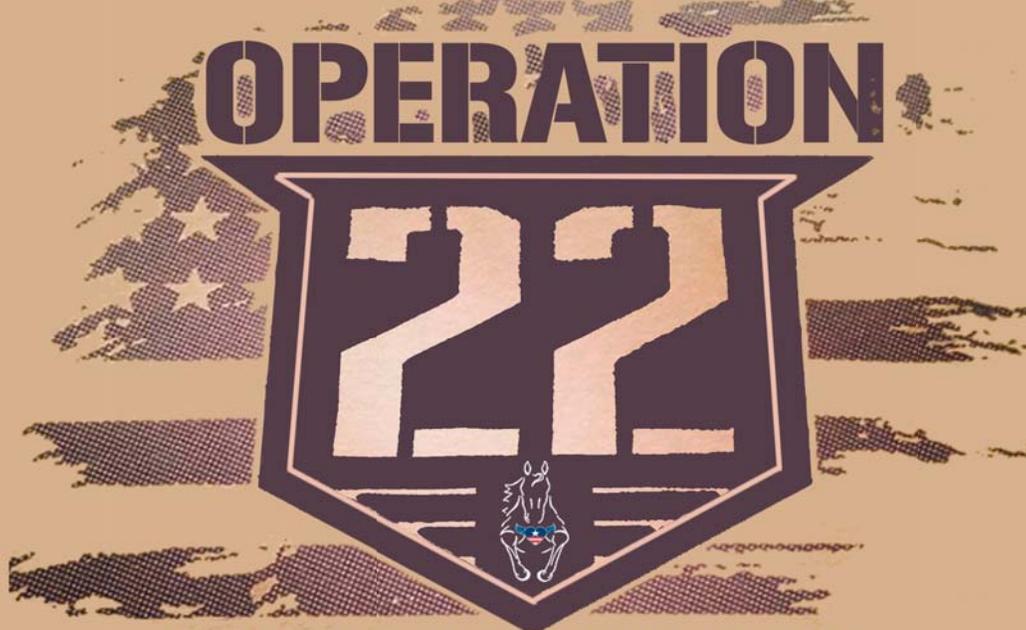
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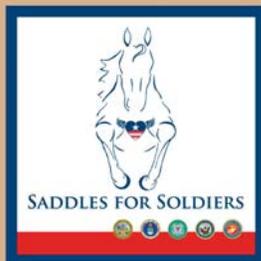
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## National Trail Coordinator's Message

### Written by Lynn Brown

#### Saving Silver Spur Stables

The Cities of Glendale, Burbank and Los Angeles border one another and surround Griffith Park. With 56 miles of hiking and equestrian trails and over 4,200 acres, Griffith Park is the largest Urban Park in the U.S.

From the top of the steep hills, one can see downtown Los Angeles, Burbank and Glendale sprawled out below. The Park was designated as an Urban Wilderness, since within its borders are foxes, coyotes, skunks, bobcats, deer, rattlesnakes, raptors and owls and a couple of mountain lions.

The availability of Griffith Park trails makes it ideal for keeping and riding horses. There are stables that existed mainly to give equestrians ability to enjoy their animals and a chance to escape the pressures of Hollywood.

It is a peaceful place to enjoy a rural life. Dogs and cats wander the barns, zoned to allow chickens, goats, sheep and other farm animals.

Along Riverside Drive, there are a row of stables, including the Silver Spur Stables, mostly built in 1938 to 1945. They are zoned for horse keeping and are in active use for equestrians. Most of the barns operate at capacity as horse owners have treasured their lifestyle if only for a few hours, in the middle of bustling City streets and hoped for careers.

In early March, 2018, the equestrian community learned that the owner of the Silver Spur Stables on Riverside Drive had put this building up for sale. The Silver Spur was operating as mainly a children's barn. Summer Camps are held there, with a petting zoo, and good broke horses. The Silver Spur also hosts an outstanding program fostered by the Los Angeles Police Dept., who bring groups of children from the gang infested projects. It is called Operation Progress offering kids a few hours where they ride horses and feel safe. Its a vision to excel in their future lives.

Board, sought a zoning variance for the purpose of razing the Silver Spur stables to put in 21 small lot three story buildings, to be squeezed onto less than one acre.



An emergency meeting was held in a local restaurant where the Burbank Riverbottom Rancho advocates strategized as to how to address this serious issue. It was understood that the current zoning is what protects the whole row of stables. If a zoning variance was allowed by Glendale, all the stables adjacent would fall like dominoes. This unique aspect of urban horse keeping would be gone, replaced by condos. Once it is gone, it's gone forever.

Plans were made and assignments issued to each person according to their skills...some for digging in files to dig up old maps, coordinating with other concerned groups, getting the word out on social media, others with connections to meet with City Councils, also to alert adjacent land managers in Los Angeles City Rec. and Parks as to what was happening. It was important to form a historic record of this area. Another equestrian stayed up late at night finding photos from the 20's right up to the 70's showing barns and riders.

A beautiful website was created by another concerned group in which a person could educate themselves as to the Silver Spur issue, sign a petition or receive info of meeting at Glendale City Council.

Meetings quietly began with members of the Burbank Riverbottom Rancho group and another concerned member to meet with Glendale Planning. A public request for Glendale City Council records was made.

On March 26, this issue came before the L.A. Equine Advisory Committee, a city committee, who wrote a letter opposing the destruction of the stable. Equestrian Trails Inc. sent a letter as well. Burbank City Council sent a letter of opposition also.

A buyer, a member of the Glendale Design Review



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In early June, two hundred concerned people showed up at the Glendale City Council meeting to speak to this issue at Public Comment.

One of the non-equestrian members who opposed Glendale's plan was the father of a child who took lessons at Silver Spur. He also had a talent for the Press, producing television coverage, and articles in newspapers. He manufactured lawn signs and banners, which sprouted all over lawns. There was a dedicated woman who worked hard distributing lawn signs and rallying the neighbors.

There was great concern about Allen Avenue, a small dirt street that passed between the Silver Spur and the stable next door. The developer had asked Glendale to "vacate" Allen Avenue in order to build more housing. This abutted a vehicle bridge on L.A. Rec and Parks property. To vacate that street would narrow it to be impassable for public access.

Due to the talents of finding old maps by a member of the Burbank Riverbottom Rancho, we found that the Allen Avenue bridge at the end of Allen Avenue belonged to LA Rec and Parks. This brought their official involvement from Los Angeles City.

Also contacted was the LA City Councilman in whose district this Bridge was included. Our group received visits from the Councilman's alert staffer. We presented the maps of the Bridge showing it as an weight bearing bridge, designed to support ambulances, fire trucks and vehicles. It is an important public safety emergency entrance and exit in case of accidents, fire or earthquake, plus allowing local stables access to the horse trails.

At a local barn, a long-time boarder is married to a retired surveyor. Arrangements were made for this surveyor to come to Allen Avenue and do a professional survey of the avenue to be vacated. A camera drone was hired to shoot an overhead video of a two horse trailer being hauled down

Allen Avenue, and attempting to turn around in the what would be the narrow allotted space. This was to illustrate the damage to the community and to the bridge access.

Everyone, horse people and even local residents, wanted to oppose the loss of this special and irreplaceable feature of their neighborhood. Apparently, the stables were preferred to small lot housing and increased vehicle traffic

Attorneys were hired, and two historians were brought in to establish the long term value of this unique area. We got ready for a tough fight.

Suddenly, the proposed buyer of the Silver Spur went back to Glendale City Council and withdrew his request for a zoning variance for the project.

It was stunning. The battle was over. The proposed developer said that he had no idea there would be that level of opposition.

Talk about fighting City Hall! We had doubts whether we could turn the tide against a City Council's forward motion. We weren't sure we could do it, but we just dug in and kept up the battle.

This was an amazing example of a wide variety of people coming together to stop an unwanted and destructive attack on a beloved piece of our heritage. It was a spontaneous group effort. It was the power of the groups that stopped the condos in their tracks. There was no single individual that saved the Silver Spur Stable.

We want to prevent this from happening again, so our efforts continue to have a historic recognition and protection for the stables along Riverside Drive.





# HALLOWEEN WORD SEARCH

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Have you ever heard somebody saying they were told that really weird thing their new horse was doing is called "cribbing"? They mentioned that they thought that was a bad habit they were put in.

Ah, cribbing. What is this strange, incurable behavior? Is there any way to manage it? How can it be avoided? If you have ever owned or stabled a cribbing horse, you will have asked these questions. Repeatedly.

Cribbing is considered THE MOST SERIOUS stable vice, more so than wood chewing, weaving or stall walking. (Cribbing is not windsucking, which is an entirely different medical condition.) Cribbing is not a disease, but a cribbing horse is considered unsound or at best, serviceably sound. Medically it is considered a repetitive behavioral pattern classified as "stereotypies" which indicates an inappropriate behavioral pattern.

If you have not encountered a cribbing horse, chances are good you eventually will. Six recent surveys conducted in various countries estimated that 4% of adult horses crib. That's a lot of horses destroying a lot of stables. Should you see a horse grasping a surface with his incisors, flexing his neck, swallowing air and making a gasping, grunting or groaning sound, you have just encountered your first cribber. If you are considering purchasing this horse...don't. Absolutely do not buy that horse. Even if he is free.

The behavior is hazardous to the horse's health. Cribbing horses require extraordinary dental and medical care. Once a horse starts to crib, he will feel the need to latch onto any solid surface in reach...fence boards, stall doors, feed tubs, metal surfaces, anything he can hook his teeth onto. I have seen horses cribbing on cross ties, on their own shoulder and knee. Cribbing truly is a classic addictive, obsessive-compulsive disorder.

It can be very difficult to board the horse in a public or

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private stable due to the substantial damage caused by the horse cribbing on any available surface. The damage to the horse's teeth will be second only to the damage to the stable surfaces by the grasping and pulling behavior of their teeth.

The real dangers of the cribbing horse are the dangers that the horse poses to himself. Cribbing presents a big risk factor for colic. There has not been a scientifically proven direct correlation between the frequency of cribbing and the risk of colic, although Cornell University has lost one-third of the cribbing horses studied due to colic.

#### CRIBBING CAUSES

Research on the causes of cribbing indicate the start of a horse's cribbing behavior may be fairly complex. There seems to be a mixture of risk factors that come together to result in this behavior. Personality, breed, diet, stress, early experience, and weaning method have all been studied as contributing factors.

True feral horses have not been observed cribbing in the wild. Therefore, the rituals involved in domestication seem to play role in the development of the vice. Here's a rundown of possible causes:

**Weaning:** Studies in the United Kingdom indicate half of all cribbing horses start within 20 weeks of age, which is the typical weaning period. Some techniques to reduce the likelihood of weanlings becoming cribbers would be to ensure good turnout, gradual weaning and minimal use of concentrates. Foals who mouth a lot are more likely to crib, as are the offspring of dominant mares. Dominant mares are more likely to terminate sucking episodes causing stress in the foals. And stress can trigger cribbing.

**Feed:** Changing the horse's diet and the actual diet itself is another trigger. Bringing him off pasture, placing him in a stall and giving him sweet



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feed continue to be a main stimulus to cribbing. The actual role that sweet feed plays in triggering cribbing is so far unknown, but it is highly suspect. Strangely, feeding straight oats seems to decrease the frequency of cribbing in horses already exhibiting the behavior. Low-roughage combined with high-concentrate diets with limited grazing are all common in cribbing horses.



Feed management is a challenge with cribbers as serious cribbers might lose weight because they become so addicted to their habit that they'd rather crib than eat. Cribbing horses are often skinny because they'll crib at the expense of eating. Once the cribbing habit starts, many horses keep cribbing even when turned out to pasture.

**Breed:** A primary factor in determining whether a horse will crib is the breed. Thoroughbreds are the number one breed for cribbing, with eight percent of them exhibiting the behavior.

Quarter Horses are next. Evidence points to a genetic link for the tendency to crib. Within a breed, it seems some horse "family lines" are more inclined to crib than others.

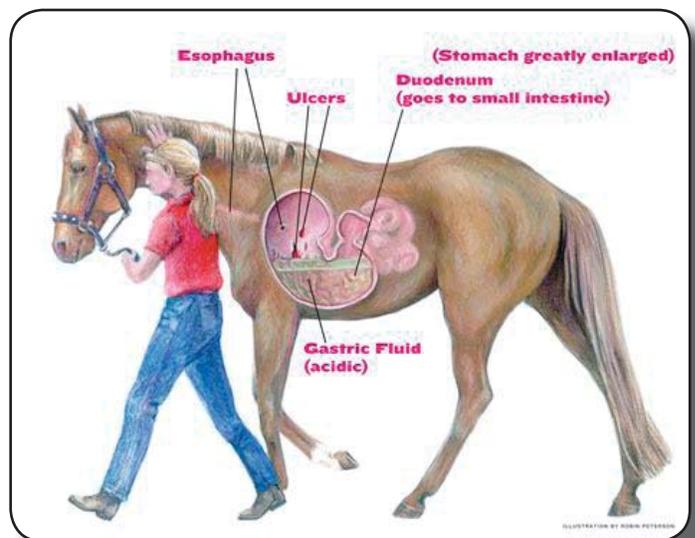
A recent Cornell University's study on cribbing horses identified three major "cribbing personalities"... obedient, intelligent and emotional (nervousness).



One of the largest studies of cribbing horses, all French Saddlebreds, revealed that dressage horses were more likely to crib than those who were used for riding lessons or pleasure riding. This result could be interpreted to mean that something about how dressage horses are managed and trained leads to cribbing or that horses with the personality to excel in dressage are also more likely to crib.

**Anxiety:** Some horses are just naturally more anxious and stress-prone than others and anxiety could be a predisposition for cribbing. The behavior is least often found in ponies and draft breeds, which tend to have less-worrisome personalities.

**Stomach Upset and Ulcers:** There may be an association between gastric ulcers and cribbing. Researchers have treated cribbing horses with antacids and found this often significantly reduces the behavior. There has been no conclusion as to whether cribbing causes stomach issues or whether the presence of stomach issues is the impetus for cribbing. The relationship between the two is the subject of an on-going United Kingdom study. The initial results indicate that antacids may be a successful tool in managing cribbing for horses with gastric issues.





The relationship to gastric upsets and cribbing was described as early as 1861 by the English veterinarian Edward Mayhew. He prescribed for "crib-biting" horses "a lump of rock salt in the manger, a large piece of chalk, a sprinkle



of magnesia and only feeding corn grain". Modern researchers revisited Mayhew's theory and have begun recommending feeding an antacid.

While cribbing has traditionally been thought to be just a vice or bad habit, this new research indicates that a horse that cribs may be responding to a digestive upset. The thinking is that the act of cribbing produces excess saliva. Saliva helps to buffer the stomach and can calm the pain of ulcers and other digestive problems.

### CRIBBING MYTHS OR FACTS?

**Cribbing is learned:** The belief that horses learn to crib from other cribbers is unproven and still a subject of controversy. Research shows only 10 percent of cribbers pick up the habit from others and those horses were probably genetically predisposed to crib. However, if your previously non-cribbing horse becomes one of those 10 percent, you will have experienced the equine version of "monkey see, monkey do". Conservative management suggests keeping a non-cribbing horse out of sight of one that does crib.

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**Cribbing horses are bored:** The idea that horses crib because they're bored may also be untrue. Enriching their environment and providing regular exercise isn't a help, an addicted cribber will still crib. Some experts disagree, saying cribbing horses that receive regular exercise and other types of environmental stimulation, such as toys and companions, are less likely crib.

Horses crib to get "high": Equine studies into endorphin levels (the "feel good" chemicals in the bloodstream) have not yielded consistent results as to whether cribbing horses actually get a "high" from their actions. One possibility is horses might not crib because of the endorphins; rather they crib to obtain endorphins that are already present from another source, such as sweet feed.

### MANAGEMENT TECHNIQUES

**Feed:** Horses kept on pasture and those with free-choice access to long-stem hay may crib less, but they will still crib. Eliminate sweet feeds. Providing an antacid in your horse's diet could be beneficial, especially in light of the research into cribbing having an intestinal ulcer relationship.



**Premises paint:** There are paint-like wood coatings on the market that claim to prevent cribbing on applied surfaces. At best, this is misleading advertising.



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These products deter, somewhat, wood-chewing horses, but not cribbers. A word about creosote: Since 2003 the EPA has determined it to be a probable human carcinogen. It is simply a wood preservative and will deflect wood chewers but not determined cribbers.

**Physical barriers to the facility:** Hot wiring favorite cribbing spots can be effective in protecting that particular spot, but the horse will just move on to another spot. Lining or encasing wood surfaces with metal can protect the surface but the horse will still be cribbing on the metal. I've heard of people running rubber strips along wood surfaces in the theory that the horse cannot get a good grip on slippery rubber. I have not seen this solution in action, but knowing horses, I would be concerned about a horse swallowing a loosened piece of rubber. The best physical barriers can do is protect the facility but will not prevent the horse from cribbing.

**Physical barriers on the horse:** Cribbing collars do seem to work, but to make them effective you have to make them so tight that often the horse develops lesions. The collars do not affect breathing, eating or drinking and is not painful when not cribbing. When he attempts to crib the collar applies pressure to the



throat latch, so he can't arch his neck and suck in air. On some horses, the use of this collar is beneficial in preventing cribbing. However, it doesn't work on all cribbers. Horses will resume cribbing when the collar is removed.

Cribbing muzzles do work, although horses will try their hardest to remove them. The muzzle clips to the halter, allowing the horse to graze and drink, but the horse can't get his mouth around a solid object to crib. Cribbing muzzles are preferable to collars as there is not a risk of pressure lesions on the throat latch area. Like the collars, horses will resume cribbing when the muzzle is removed.



Both the collars and muzzles can get caught on things. Collared or muzzled horses need to be in an obstacle-free environment (good luck on that) or checked frequently to make sure they have not gotten themselves hung up on something. Remember, a horse's daily goal is to (1) get loose and/or (2) get hurt.

**Cribbing rings:** These are copper hog rings that are inserted between the front incisors. They don't seem to create many side effects but only work as long as the rings are in place. They do wear out or fall out



or the area where they are inserted may become infected. Use of these rings is very controversial. The American Association of Equine Practitioners does not support the use of hog rings as an anti-cribbing device.

**Medication:** Therapy using naloxone was tried but without much success. As long as a horse was on this drug, it halted cribbing by replacing the horse's cribbing-created endorphins with a narcotic. However, as soon as the horse is taken off the medication, he returns to cribbing. Naloxone merely replaces the endorphins with a narcotic. It's a very expensive drug and difficult to obtain because it is a controlled medication. There are other medications still being investigated but preliminary results for medication-based relief are not promising.

**Surgical intervention:** For many years the Modified Forssell's Procedure was the only surgery available to stop cribbing. It removed portions of the three major neck muscles used in cribbing. However, it was only successful in about 75-80% of the surgeries. Horses would eventually start cribbing again, using other muscles to facilitate the action.

Starting in 1994 veterinarians at Louisiana State University began using laser surgery. Based on their highly successful results, they have continued to modify the technique. Using a laser to transect muscles and nerves reduces bleeding and creates a better cosmetic effect, leaving the horse with a cleaner throatlatch area. The laser surgery also reduces recovery time. The horse usually is kept at the hospital for seven days and once the staples are taken out (about two weeks) the horse can resume riding or training.

The most dramatic effect from this surgery is that most horses stop cribbing immediately after surgery. One will occasionally make an attempt to crib, then stops because it doesn't work. The mental aspect

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(the addiction) of cribbing has not changed; the horse would still crib if he could. But the surgery takes the physical ability away. After a time, the horse resigns himself to not being able to crib.

**So, what's to do with the cribber?** If you have the misfortune to own or care for a cribber, the first step would be to try to determine why the cribbing started. The "why" can frequently lead to the "solved" with many equine problems.



An examination by a veterinarian to rule out gastric ulcers, digestive issues or other underlying problems would be a good start. Your horse's cribbing may just be his way of telling you that he is in pain and needs help.

If your horse's cribbing is becoming an overwhelming management task, you might consider some of the methods mentioned in this article.

In the interests of presenting all available options, there are some alternative methods whose proponents say will cure cribbing. While I do not endorse any commercial method or product, I feel it is appropriate to investigate these alternative methods and offer them for your information.

Mike Hughes has developed a two-step training program which he claims to solve cribbing through



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training. With very limited information available, it appears he is using a training technique of eliminating behavioral causes to stop the cribbing behavior. He has a video on YouTube where he discusses his cribbing training. If any reader has used his program, please feel free to let me know your results. I'll be happy to include it in a future article.

Also in the interests of journalistic completeness, I should mention there is a person advertising a cure for cribbing through hypnosis. Having reviewed his information, I am somewhat confused about exactly who would have to be hypnotized to purchase and use his program. I'm betting it would not be the horse.



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

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## ETI Trail Rider Award Program (TRAP)

by Carol Elliott

TRAP was started in 1982 as a fun way for ETI trail riders to document trail usage while keeping track of hours in the saddle. Over the years, there have been many opportunities for ETI to utilize these records while working with communities and parks in preserving and establishing trails. TRAP riders record the trails and areas they ride on a Rider Log. Additional information noted is number of riders in the party, whether the trail is multi-use (bikes and/or hikers) and number of hours ridden. All of this information can be compiled and provided to park and community planners to show that, yes, we are riding the trails and that trails and open space for horseback riding, hiking and mountain biking are worth preserving. As the rider's hours increase, awards are given at intervals of 100 hours, 200 hours, 500 hours, 750 hours, 1000 hours, 1500 hours and on up. These awards are chevron patches with the hourly levels stitched in colored embroidery. Many riders attach their chevrons to hats, jackets, saddle pads, saddle bags and breast collars. The brightly colored chevrons are a conversation starter out on the trail and that in turn promotes discussion about trail use and keeping the trails available.

I wish to thank all TRAP riders for their dedication to recording trail use! Some of the TRAP riders have been in this program for many years and have thousands of hours. Other riders are just getting started. All TRAP riders...new and old timers...contribute to the database of our trail usage. Recording our hours in the saddle is a fun way to set riding goals and receive recognition along the way.

In this issue of the ETI magazine, you will find a listing of the TRAP riders and their hours as of September 22, 2018. Please note that ½ hour increments have been left off of this listing so it would fit on the page. Riders, you have not lost your ½ hour; it is still in the records.

In looking over the list, if you find any errors,

please contact me, and I will get them corrected. If you have participated in TRAP in the past and would like to join again, I can retrieve your hours from before, and you can get started right away.

We now have TRAP log sheets available online if you prefer to enter your hours on your computer or laptop and send as an email attachment. Email me for an online log sheet.

If you have an interest in joining TRAP for the first time, give it a try. We need you, plus, watching your hours add up can be a bit addicting...an addiction that is good for you, your horse and trail preservation. If you have questions or want additional information, you may email me, telephone or text message.

Happy Trails!

Carol Elliott

(760) 963-8209

[happy2appy@yahoo.com](mailto:happy2appy@yahoo.com)



Kimberly Dwight, Corral 138, introducing granddaughter, Kira, to trail riding this summer.



## TRAP (Trail Rider Award Program) Riders Hours as of September 22, 2018

### 9,000+ HOURS

Donna Eddy                      Corral 22                      9,414

### 8,000+ HOURS

Lynn Brown                      Corral 38                      8,092

### 6,500+ HOURS

Erica Balsam                      Corral 38                      6,976

Patt French                      Corral 22                      6,714

### 6,000+ HOURS

Jeanne Gonzalez                      Corral 12                      6,260

### 4,500+ HOURS

Charlotte Brodie                      Corral 54                      4,792

Ray Sims                      Corral 103                      4,659

Ray Drasher                      Corral 9                      4,651

Kimberly Dwight                      Corral 138                      4,542

### 3,000+ HOURS

Pamela Ronning                      Corral 83                      3,001

### 2,500+ HOURS

Marilyn Bridger                      Corral 83                      2,531

### 2,000+ HOURS

Janet Drasher                      Corral 9                      2,281

Carol Elliott                      Corral 103                      2,157

Maureen Levitt                      Corral 54                      2,102

### 1,000+ HOURS

Helene Schubert                      Corral 36                      1,366

### 750+ HOURS

Jane Sigona                      Corral 35                      869

### 500+ HOURS

Linda Elder                      Corral 14                      502

### 200+ HOURS

Pamela Sharp                      Corral 9                      376

Mary Jo Steele                      Corral 14                      352

Gordon Sharp                      Corral 9                      295

Amy Van Leuven                      Corral 118                      239

Michael Sinisi                      Corral 118                      239

### 100+ HOURS

Beth Uzoni                      Corral 66                      146

Valerie Swope                      Corral 88                      103

Cherie Kopasz                      Corral 88                      100

### Welcome New TRAP Riders:

Tania Bennett C88

Alberta Dougherty C65

Deborah Jasper C88

Meredith McKenzie C22

Mona Rodriguez C88

Jay & Debra Stella C9

Mary Timmer C22





## Trail Riding Safety

### What to bring:

- \* A hoof pick for loosening any rocks.
- \* A knife for cutting any leather or rope.
- \* A halter and lead rope, to tie your horse or allow him to graze.
- \* Two bottles of water, one for you and one for your horse.
- \* An ace bandage for wrapping any cuts.
- \* A flashlight in case it gets dark.
- \* A cell phone in case you get lost or need help.

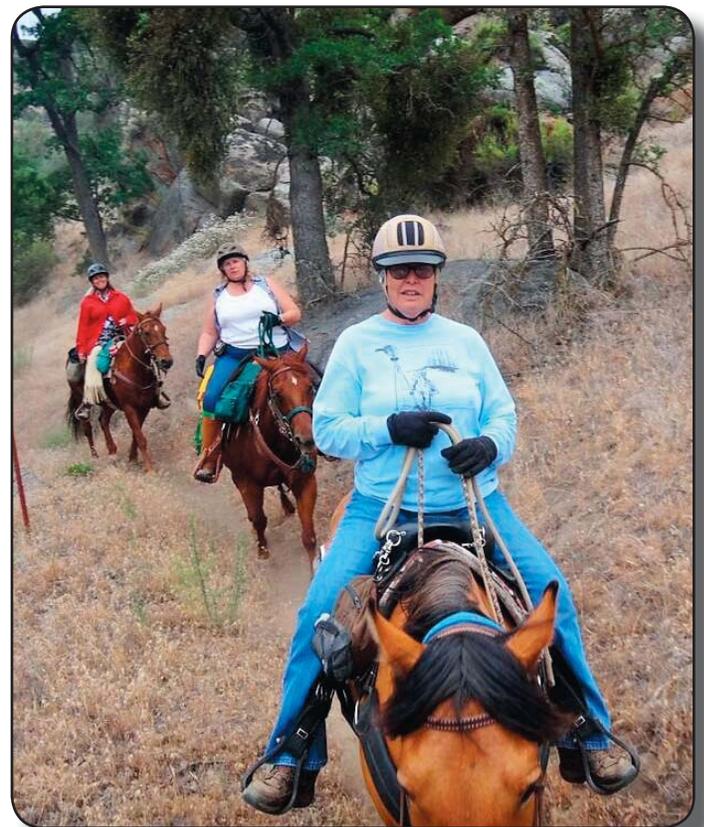
Always tell someone where you are going and when they can expect you back. This will save worry and will be able to provide help if needed. When trail riding, a few rules in regards to your wardrobe will bring you added protection. For maximum protection, you should be wearing a helmet. Wear sturdy boots to protect your feet. Wear gloves. Also, wear a brightly colored shirt so that you will easily be seen. You should also be aware of a few riding rules that are there for the safety of the rider and the horse.

If a vehicle is coming from behind, be aware that some drivers honk thinking it best to let you know they are there. If the horse spooks at the noise, try to calm him by facing the car as it passes and getting off to stand at his head if needed. Your horse should be accustomed to cars in general before you take him out. If you are on a narrow trail where four-wheelers, bikes (mountain bikes are quiet) and motorcycles are allowed, be especially cautious. When something going faster than you is behind you, move to the side. It is courteous, and it may save your horse from running away because

he thinks something is chasing him.

If you are going on a long ride, be aware of your horse's fitness level, and don't over do it. If your horse is only ridden once or twice a week, you should probably not do anything but a walk. If the ride is shorter, some trotting will probably be okay, but not on the road as this will damage your horse's legs. Even with a very fit horse, you should constantly be monitoring him. Make sure he doesn't sweat too much and is not out of breath. Take breaks throughout the day and if possible let him drink a little water. Don't, however, let him drink more than a gallon in any half-hour if he is even slightly hot. If you do run your horse, make sure you are familiar with that area of the trail, and there are no holes that could put a horrible end to your pleasant ride.

If you follow these riding rules, you'll be able to have a worry free ride because you will know you are prepared.



Corral 83 at Bear Valley Springs



## Rules for a Good Trail Boss

### by Gwen Allen and Art Monde

1. Choose safe trails.
2. Ride the trail out in advance so you can tell the riders the condition of the trail and know if it is all accessible. If riders call, give them the complete information about the trail, elevation, length of ride, water availability and any other pertinent information. Remember, when riding the trail in advance, it will take you about 20% longer with a group (30% with a large group.)
3. **START THE RIDE ON TIME.** This is the sign of a professional. Do not keep the riders who are ready on time waiting for the inconsiderate few who are late.
4. Introduce guests so they feel welcome and explain any rules at the beginning of the ride, i.e., smoking, gates, cattle, tailgating, etc.
5. Set a pace that is nice for the largest number of horses on the ride. You cannot please all riders, so don't try. It is helpful if you know your riders, but this is not always possible. Look back frequently and see what is happening to your group. Too strung-out - pace too fast - all bunched up - the reverse. Don't let your riders get spread out too far. Have a drag rider who is familiar with the trail and he/she will help keep the ride under control. Explain that those who persist in hanging back are on their own. The drag rider wants to enjoy the ride too.
6. Plan to stop every hour, and explain this to the group. The stop need not be more than 10 minutes, but this will reassure riders with tired horses or tired bodies. Plan your stops with consideration for smoking, rest, and the ever important lunch stop with adequate facilities for tie-ups. When you call a stop, tell the riders what kind of stop it is, how long you will be stopped and if they can smoke or not.
7. Count your riders at the start and during the ride. Explain at the beginning that you **MUST** be advised if anyone leaves the group.
8. Explain the rule of not getting ahead without permission. You can loose control of your ride and result in a fiasco. If someone has a horse fighting the bit or extremely nervous, use your own judgment if they request to ride ahead. Only one, though...any more and you loose control and create resentment from others who are obeying the rules.
9. If you have someone who knows wild flowers or history of the area or special features, have them up in front with you and don't hesitate to stop the ride and let everyone enjoy the information.
10. If the ride is a special function such as a poker ride, lunch, etc., make sure you have enough help and someone responsible for cash receipts.
11. Ride notices should contain the necessary information as to dogs, studs, unshod horses, equipment required (bareback pads, etc.) and have adequate directions to the staging area. Landmarks and mileage are most helpful.

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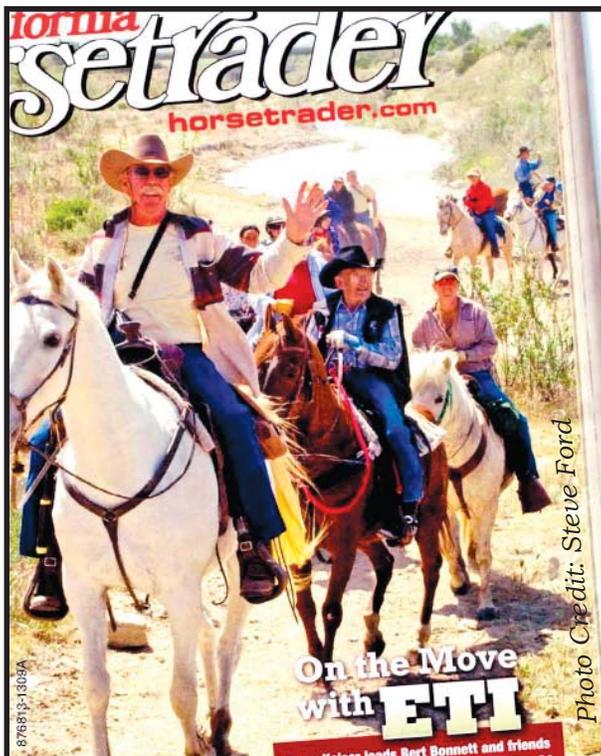


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# CORRAL NEWS

## Bonelli MAU

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There will be a training October 13 and a certification on October 14 at Marshal Cyan, Laverne. The members are welcome to camp out during that time. New MAU members complete four, four hour training sessions. After completing 16 hours of training, the members must pass the 25 item certification class. The training prior to the certification is a wonderful way for the horse and rider to be prepared for success with passing their certification exam.

Supervisor Barger's Annual Trail Ride will be held on Sunday, October 21, at Frank G. Bonelli Park. The MAU's will be assisting in the planning and implementation for a successful ride.

### What Makes a Good MAU Volunteer?

We are looking for new members with the following characteristics:

- 1) Demonstrated interest in the equestrian community and the MAU
- 2) Experienced horsemanship or willingness to obtain necessary experience
- 3) Willingness to serve – commitment
- 4) Ability to serve – time, resources, support
- 6) Reputable – professional, ethical, courteous, cooperative
- 7) Reliable – willing to assume necessary responsibilities
- 8) Leadership and communication skills – able to serve the public, the County, and the MAU

### Want to learn more?

Join us for our monthly meetings. Meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month at 7pm at Frank G. Bonelli East Shore RV Park Recreation Center at 1440 Camper View Road in San Dimas, CA 91773.

Enjoy the trails, with the cooler weather just around the corner. Hope to see some of you out on the trails.

Jean A. Chadsey

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## Corral 21

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 Castaic/Canyon Country  
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## Corral 22

Intervalley Trail Riders  
 Pres. Kathleen Smart  
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What better way to celebrate the National Day of the Cowboy than a moonlight ride to the Hideaway! The heat cooled off, and 14 riders (all couples!) set out for a 2.5 hour ride through Kagel Canyon. We parked our mounts



then headed into the Hideaway for drinks and Guido's pizza! Tom and I sported our horse tail and breast collar lights, which was nice to look at over dinner. Those of us that spent the night at Ranger Park woke up to breakfast by Craig. We had a spread of linguica (Portuguese sausage), eggs, and potatoes...thank you, Craig! A special thank you to Allan Johnson for letting us camp at Ranger Park and joining us on the ride.

Morro Bay Ride. We had riders from as far away as Texas and Arizona join us. We enjoyed several scenic rides. It was so nice to get a break from the inland summer heat. I know my horse enjoyed the cooler weather as much as I did. Friday and Saturday we enjoyed awesome pot luck dinners...Some dishes prepared in Dutch ovens. Many thanks to Patty Hug for coordinating this event!



Kathleen Smart



**Corral 35**  
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Glendora  
Pres. Dottie Hilliard  
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**Corral 36**  
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Pres. Holly Kessler  
hmkessler@charter.net



**We're gathering in OCTOBER New Location!**

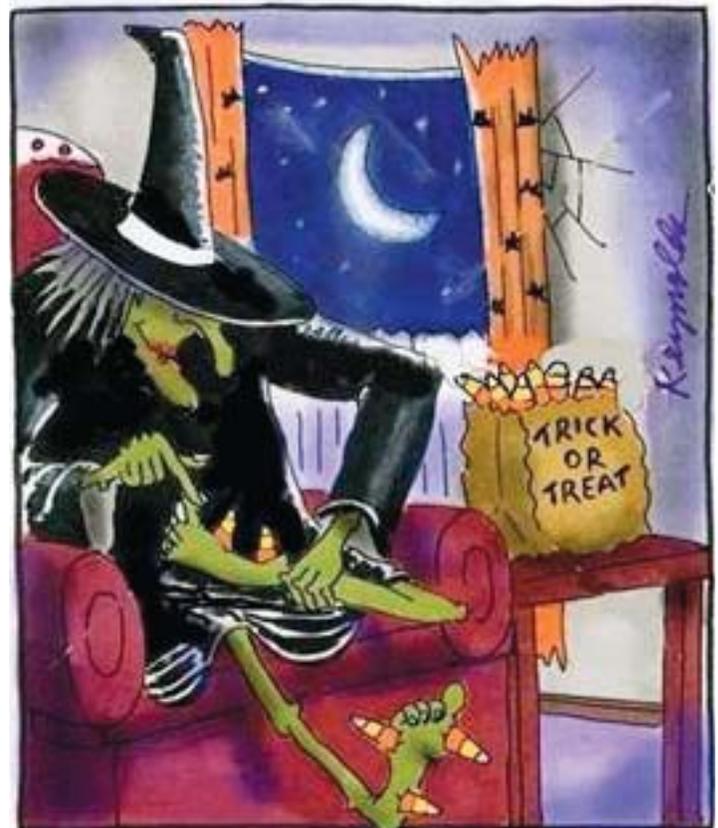
ETI Corral 36 - 2018  
Tuesday evening, October 2, 2018 at 6:30 pm.  
Meeting at LATIGO KID Restaurant, back room  
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Billie McGuire



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October 5-7: Alabama Hills Ride, Lone Pine  
October 26-28: Sage Hill Ride, Santa Barbara  
November 18: Corral 86 Pancake Breakfast Ride, Santa Clarita

For additional information, please visit us on our website:  
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Submitted by Corey Hallmark

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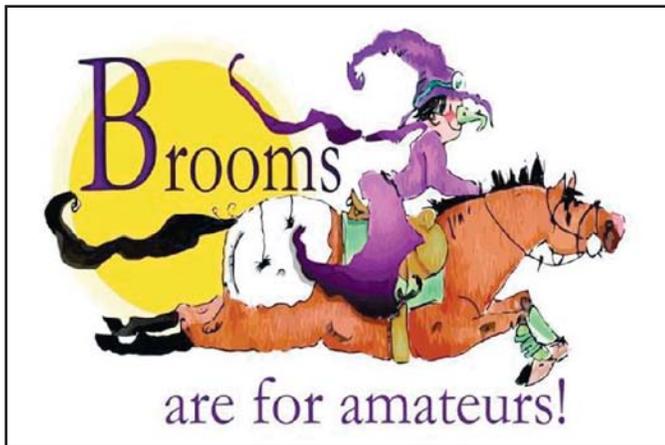
Corral 36 can't function unless we have volunteers to help with planning events, clinics, seminars, rides  
Please come to our October meeting. Discover the pleasure & fun of creating horse activities!



You can open the ETI Corral 36 Newsletter -- use the following Link to Dropbox <https://goo.gl/JVwq16>

**REMINDER:**

Time for Fall Vaccinations: Whether your horse or pony travels to compete or is strictly a stay-at-home companion animal, you'll need to talk to your veterinarian about an annual plan and schedule for vaccinations...a key to horse health. When you do, be prepared to discuss both core vaccines (considered essential for the majority of horses) and risk-based vaccines (which may or may not be essential given your horse's location and other potential factors).



Corral 36 is a member of the Santa Monica Mountains Trails Council (SMMTC). We encourage all Equestrians and other ETI Corrals to become members of this worthy organization.

Oct. 25, 2018 – SMMTC Annual Dinner Meeting – 6 pm Social, 7 pm Dinner, 7:45 pm Meeting. Agoura Hills/Calabasas Community Center, 27040 Malibu Hills Rd., Calabasas 91302. Dinner & Meeting are free and open to the trails community. RSVP online at [smmtc.org](http://smmtc.org).



**Buck Wicall Remembered By Nona Green**

There is no person who better embodied the Conejo Valley heritage than Buck Wicall. Calabasas and Agoura Hills history is part backstage Hollywood and part cowboy culture; Buck had one

Western boot in each world.

Buck grew up in 1940's San Fernando Valley. He worked for the studios as a stunt double. Rubbing elbows with the likes of Ronald Reagan and other cowboys turned actors. Buck took a shine to the horses and dabbled in breeding Quarter Horses on his Agoura ranch.

In the mid-1960's, Buck opened his West Valley Feed in Calabasas. The Agoura Hills store followed. Buck's regular customers were like actors in a reality show, each episode featuring "Adventures in Horse-Keeping". Buck was the virtual producer and the keeper of the archives of past episodes. There was never any shortage of hilarious material, as any horse owner can attest.

Buck's generosity was legendary. Some of his often-told stories were about life with Manolo, the black bull given to him by the entertainer Charro. Charro saved the calf from the butcher and raised him at her Bel Aire estate. When Manolo was too big to hide him from her neighbors, she entrusted Buck with his care.

Buck gave back in spades all the support given to him by the equestrian community.

Buck left us June 4, 2018. ETI Corral 36 is hoping the City of Agoura Hills will allow the Old Agoura Park equestrian arena to bear a plaque honoring Buck Wicall. This chapter of the equestrian organization would like to call the arena "Wicall Arena." Readers, if you agree with the idea, please visit: <http://www.agourahorseproperty.com/blog/2018/7/Buck-Wicall-Remembered.htm> and leave a comment.

**New Home of the U.S. Pony Club by Nona Green**

Before coming to the U.S, Tony Shad was in the royal guard riding academy in Iran from the age of 5 to 18. The cavalry is the pride of the Persian military, so of course, Tony became adept in the art. After moving to the US, he rode at the Aksarben Omaha Nebraska racetrack. He trained with acclaimed jumper Richard Spooner. For the past 30 years, Tony had helped countless students learn to ride by offering his special sauce of dressage/jumping combined with natural horsemanship. In a sport where it's not easy to find instructors with the strength, patience, and stamina to teach young beginners, Tony has carved a niche.

At a recent ETI (Equestrian Trails Incorporated) holiday party, Tony was cornered by a few old-timers as they reminisced about the last chapter of the US Pony club to grace the hills of Agoura and Monte Nido. Monte Nido dissolved when their instructor retired. Then in 2016, the Agoura-Woodland Hills Chapter folded when their facility was sold. Would Tony start a new local chapter? The answer is a resounding yes in the form of the Agoura-Conejo Valley Pony Club.



The US Pony Club of America is like the Boy and Girl Scouts of America; substituting most of the usual outdoor activities of hiking and camping with primarily equestrian activities.

As Winston Churchill is credited with saying, "There is something about the outside of a horse that is good for the inside of a man." Horses respond positively to kindness and consistency. They are honest and stoic. They are partners that can be trusted. The Pony club teaches children and young adults sound moral judgment, leadership skills, confidence, unselfishness, a sense of responsibility, sportsmanship, discipline - attributes for a lifetime - while helping them become proficient young horsewomen and horsemen.

Parents wanting to introduce their child to an equestrian experience can be overwhelmed with the expense. Caring for a horse of their own can run in the \$1000+ per month range: boarding, training, veterinary care, shoeing to start. Then there is clothing and tack, show fees, clinics, and more. Owning a horse is NOT a requirement to join the

Pony Club, which can be a bargain in comparison. Perhaps the best feature of Pony Club is the requirement that the child's parent participates. Parents are strongly encouraged to become involved in the administration of their children's club by becoming a Sponsor. Sponsors attend meetings, camps, rallies, etc. They spend time with their child and other children to help them learn and grow.



*Student Moe Snyder with Tony Shad, instructor. Photos Candy Shad.*

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



Tony Shad is operating the Pony Club with the assistance of a young, talented and experienced rider/trainer named Eman Nikooee. Nikooee's riding credentials would fill the page. He started at age seven amongst the riding elite in Iran. In 2009, he received his level 3 FEI certification for show-jumping course design and judging. In 2018, he became certified as a hunter/jumper trainer from the United States Hunter/Jumper Association.

The new location of the Pony Club is in Old Agoura. For club dues information, and to register for Pony Club or to become a Sponsor, call Tony Shad at (818) 640-4849, or via email, contact Candy Shad at [uniquefootwear@sbcglobal.net](mailto:uniquefootwear@sbcglobal.net).



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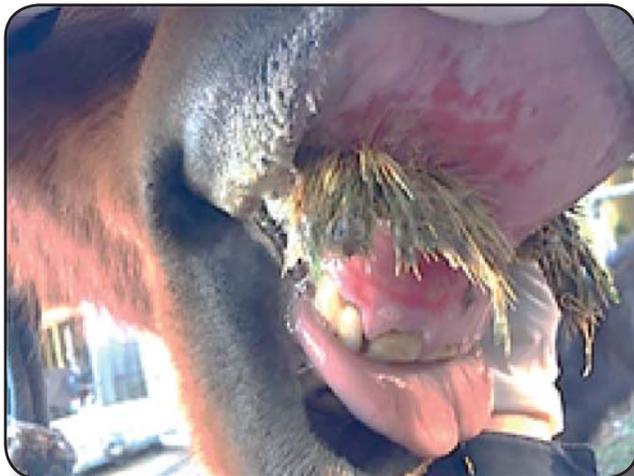
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**Hawkesbury Equine Veterinary Centre Australia -  
posted FB by Kathleen Hellman, U.S.A.**



Thought we would share this picture as a reminder to check your hay for barley grass and/or other seed heads [like California Foxtails]. This horse was presented to

Dr. Kylie Hardwicke for foul smelling breath, little did she expect to see this when she opened up his lips! These seed heads were also embedded under his tongue and deep into the back of his mouth and around his teeth. It is amazing how with the severe ulceration present, he was still relatively bright and eating and drinking normally. This is another example of how horses hide their pain from their owners. It is not uncommon for us to find embedded seed heads in gums of horses that have not shown any obvious signs other than being due for their routine dental.

Luckily this boy had all the dead heads removed, the remainder of the hay thrown out and will make a full recovery. His paddock mate also had some of these stuck right up behind his back upper molars which were also removed!

**Martha Jo Soule Facebook,  
July 20, 2018**

So, this happened, and the good Lord was watching over me cuz no one was hurt...both horses are fine. I had just stopped at a stop sign, so I was only going 5-10 mph when the hitch broke. Never thought this could happen. Never heard of it happening. Only posting to help others that may not know that bumper pull trailer hitches are rated - classed - for towing weight. I didn't know. Been pulling trailers all my life and never knew.



Most hitches sold are class 3 rated for 5,000 lbs. That is what this hitch was. I now have a class 5 rated for 13,000 lbs. You might want to get a heavy-duty hitch.



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Bakersfield  
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**Corral 66**

Route 66 Riders  
Barstow/Newberry Springs  
Pres. Beth Uzonyi  
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September 22 was our Paradise Springs trail ride north of Barstow. Paradise Springs is privately owned by the Walker families, so you have to get permission to ride here. It is a unique oasis in the middle of the desert tucked up in the foothills near Fort Irwin. Even the wild burros have discovered it. We had ten riders, and Marcy Watton and Cynthia Landis from ETI Corral 138 came all the way from Leona Valley to ride with us. After the trail ride, we rode up to the natural spring pool and the historic house. Some people went in and toured the house and signed the guest book. It was pretty warm by then, so we opened up one of the stock horse trailers and made a nice shady place for everyone to eat their lunch. It was a great ride, and thank you, Margaret Graessle, for the watermelon. That hit the spot!

October 20 is our annual Peggy Sue charity ride. This will start from my house in Barstow, 31879 Nelson Rd, and we will ride to Peggy Sue's Diner in Yermo. Arrive at 8:00am, sign waivers and saddle, then ferry rigs out to Peggy Sue's at 8:45am. Shuttle back and start ride at 9:30am. Arrive at Peggy Sues at approximately 12:00 noon, tie horses to trailers and then go in and have a great lunch! Our club voted to donate the charity proceeds to the Barstow Humane Society this year. You can donate even if you don't come on the ride, and also you can meet us for lunch if you don't ride. For more information, call Beth at (760) 953-2576.

Beth Uzonyi/President  
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### Corral 83

Tehachapi Mountain Riders  
Tehachapi  
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Co-Pres. Gaby Roth  
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Of late I have not heard of, nor seen the wild pigs or signs of their rooting around the oak trees in search of grubs or acorns. The Stallion Springs golf course closed a year ago and with little watering taking place it appears the wild hogs are no longer attracted to the golf course. The deer remain abundant around the golf course trail, drinking from the pond and browsing on the shrubbery.

The Corral 83 members have certainly enjoyed some late summer riding. We try to get out a couple of times a month on group rides and some individual members manage almost daily rides. The temperatures are dropping, some fall colors are emerging. The deer and elk are rutting. Lots of wild game encounters on the trails.

Along with the emerging fall colors, Tehachapi's most famous crop, the delicious Tehachapi apples are now available at local orchards. 3 or 4 local vegetable stands are open offering local produce.



Stallion Springs has also reported the annual migration of the California Condors, easily identified by their size and the tracking devices on their wings. Tehachapi Valley in general has experienced the annual migration of the Turkey Vultures, a huge bird that looks similar to the condor.

Stallion Springs has oak and pine covered hills, lower elevation chaparral, tall oats, clump and other types of grasses. Plenty of forage for the deer, rabbit, and game birds. Hunting is not permitted in Stallion Springs or Bear Valley Springs so it is a reasonably safe haven for wildlife. It's truly a wonderful experience to be able to ride our local trails, enjoy the brief wildlife encounters and breathe the cooler, fresh air.

Bear Valley Springs and Stallion Springs have no shortage of large game meandering through the designated trail areas. Last week a Stallion Spring fire department employee came to the aid of a pair of bull elk who had become entangled in a rope caught on their antlers. The larger, older, bull became exhausted and dropped to the ground allowing an opportunity for the fire fighter to step in and cut the rope freeing the younger bull still standing. The younger elk trotted off.

Numerous bear sightings have been reported in Bear Valley Springs (BVS). Some residents have said the bear in their area do not hibernate, but instead remain active year round. I am happy to report I have not had a bear encounter on the trail. Other C83 members live in very close proximity to a belt way the bear travel from the higher elevation down to the lakes and ponds of Bear Valley springs. Due to the



diligence of the trail maintenance crew in BVS the trails are in outstanding condition.

Our October 10 ride scheduled for Black mountain area is rescheduled for November due to high temperatures.

Doris Lora,  
Secretary/scribe C83

### Corral 86

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### Corral 101

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### Corral 103

Hesperia Happy Horsemen  
Hesperia/Apple Valley  
Pres. Dawn Walker  
(760) 961-7879



Our Mojave River Forks Ride was a very nice ride. The weather was not too hot with a slight breeze. We had 16 riders in the saddle including myself. Thanks to Lou Griggs for leading our ride. He did a great job even though he tried to talk everyone else into leading the ride. After the ride we all visited and had lunch before heading out.

Coming up is our Westward Ho Ride on October 19th thru the 21st. We will be based at the Teran Camp at Hesperia Lakes. No moving rigs this year. In the past we spent the night at different locations which had us moving the rigs. We are having a Roast Beef Dinner catered by Pam Hill on Saturday night. The Highview Riders Band will be the entertainment after the dinner. We will also be holding a silent auction, raffle and 50/50 drawing on Saturday. There will be a Pancake Breakfast on Sunday morning hosted by the Equestrian Council of Hesperia. Campground fills quickly. To be sure you have a space, call and reserve ahead. The flyer for the ride will be posted on our Facebook page.

We will be holding the Smoketree Ranch Ride in Oak Hills on November 3rd. This ride is hosted by Dave Rosique in memory of Carol Rosique. This will be a moderate 2 hour ride. I will be cooking the Taco Soup Lunch following the ride.

Dawn Walker

### Corral 118

Simi Valley  
Pres. Dan Mayer  
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### Final 2018 Horse Show Season Closer October 14 Dollars & Double Point Show (Rain Date: October 28)

With double points – and money – on the line, this last event packs a monster punch in the race for year-end points, standings and championships! Don't be left hanging. This is the way to bury the competition.

### Halloween Costume Contest

This show is definitely a big risk (trick) / reward (treat) opportunity, but we still gotta have some fun. Halloween is just around the corner, so a costume contest is a no-brainer! Eeeww, brains! So exhibitors, start planning your horsey-ween costumes. See if you can out-do the spooktacular ones we had last year!

### This is the 5th and final show of the season.

As with all of our shows, it is part of our 118 SVAC (Simi Valley Awards Circuit) and the ETI National High Point series, and qualifies for numerous breed registry performance programs. (Check with your breed association for details.) It will be held at the Arroyo Equestrian Center in Simi Valley.

Give a hand, literally, to all of our Volunteers! They work invisibly behind the scenes like ghosts, and toil endlessly like zombies on show day. Neither broken backs nor scorching sun, not even really bad hair can stop them!

### Early Sponsors get the Worms!

The sooner you or your company or organization gets on board as a Sponsor, the longer your information is advertised. There are several Sponsorship levels and options to choose from. This makes it frightfully easy and affordable to show your support of our equestrian events and get community exposure for you and your business.

Check our website for contact information and details. We appreciate every buck and cent! Our website is [www.eti118.org](http://www.eti118.org). A crystal ball isn't required to find out everything you need to know before you show.



Official rules, forms, records and patterns are posted online and available to download. No sorcerer's spell needed to save time and money. Take advantage of our Pre-Entry option.

Fall is here! Autumn began on September 22

Halloween is Wednesday, October 31

Always put your horse first, and he will last. Good riding 'til next time.

Beth Haney

### Corral 138

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



Every one agreed we had a fabulous Welcome Ride this year from my house. I always worry about the heat or the wind. Sunday was perfect. We had 15 riders, three from other Corrals and a prospective members. There's always so much food at a pot luck, and most people left what wasn't eaten, so I won't have to cook for a while!



The Agua Dulce Fair and parade was the afternoon before and several members participated in that.

Janette Sanders will be leading out next ride October 13 up Peaceful Valley in Acton. We're still trying to secure a route in Bear Valley Springs.

Kimberly Dwight

### Corral 357

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

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**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 contacting Michelle Roth-Daniels at (818) 268-2269 [michellerothdaniels@gmail.com](mailto:michellerothdaniels@gmail.com). The completed forms are due back in the office in April 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.



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