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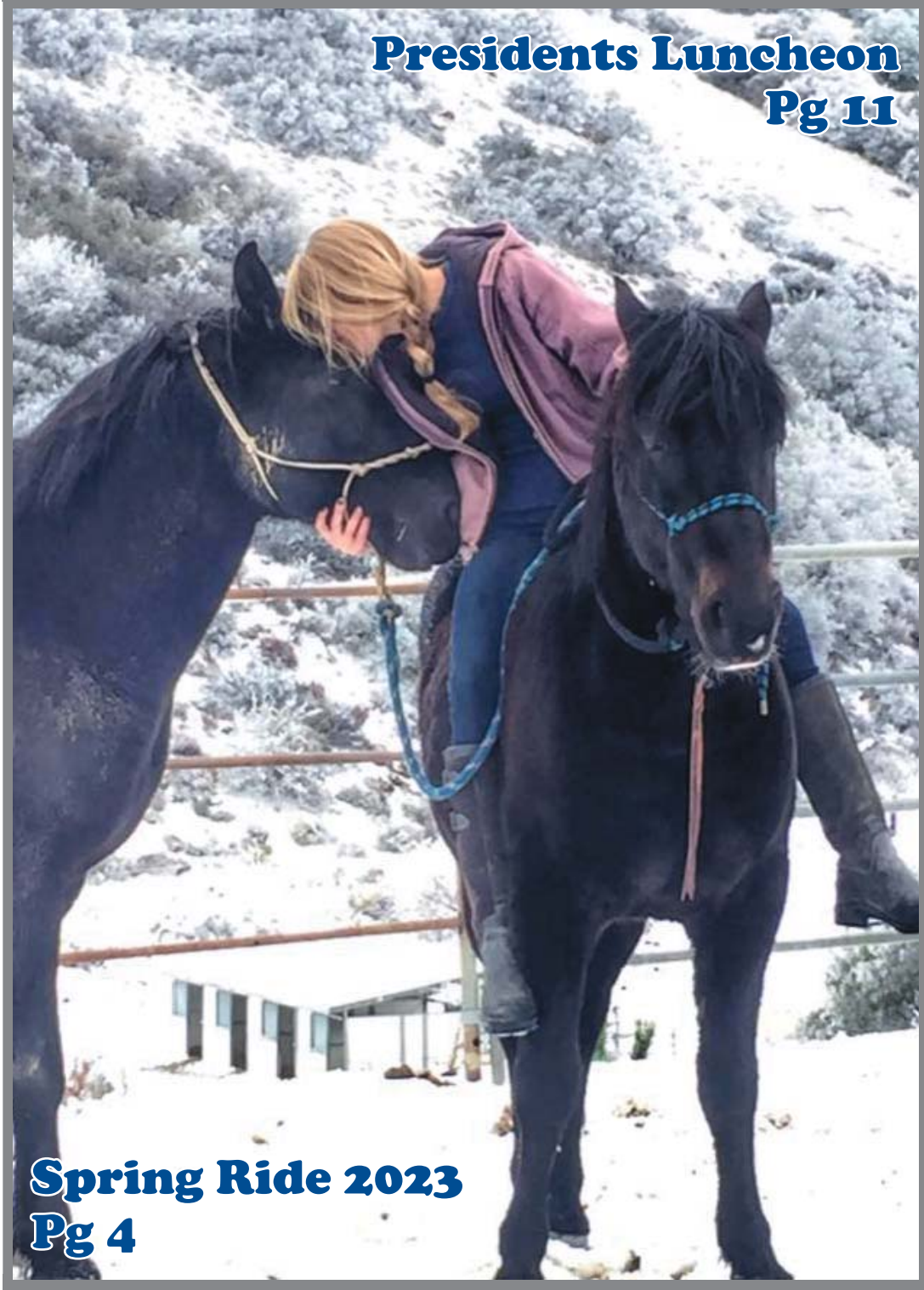

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A Message from Tom Kirsch ETI National President

Hello, to all.

We did not have an ETI National Board meeting in December. Things are good with ETI, and we are looking forward to a better year in 2022. Unfortunately, 2021 wasn't as good as we all hoped for, but we survived it and will move on.

We looking forward to a great Convention this year.

We need the corrals to get their event calendars into Sarah along their 2022 rosters. So here's to a great 2022!!!

Stay safe and look out for each.

Tom

Blast From The Past - 2016 Cover. Amber McGee, Corral 83, with Miguelito & Meakoda. Photo submitted by Doris Lora, Corral 83.

National Board Meeting
January 17 at 7pm

To keep all safe during Covid, the monthly meeting is via conference call. If interested in joining the call, email us at office@etinational.com

Join us!

ETI SPECIAL EVENTS CHAIRPERSONS

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LOOKING FORWARD TO 2023 SPRING RIDE

We regret that we have made the decision not to hold a Spring Ride in 2022. This painful decision was reached after considering several factors that could limit the number of riders, and we always need enough riders to at least break even.

The current higher cost of fuel impacts not only our traveling riders, but also affects transporting equipment. There is uncertainty over what State and regional COVID19 guidelines will be in place by June 2022. Even if the event is permitted, some might be reluctant to gather, as we saw when we worked to put on the ride in June and then again in October 2020. Also, we understand it is important that we not raise the price of the ride.

We were encouraged during the last ETI Board meeting to set up a Zoom call for enthusiastic input and fresh Spring Ride ideas. Kelli set up the December 13 Zoom call, but we were very disappointed when no one called in.

Kelli and I will keep looking for beautiful locations to horse camp which have what we need.

Kelli Land and Jeanne Gonzalez
Your Spring Ride Co-chairs

Spring Cleaning time!

Clean out your tack room and support ETI!
Use the NEW ETI Marketplace to sell your unneeded items.

It's EASY, affordable... and it works!

As a current ETI member you receive a 10% Discount on any advertising in *California Horsetrader* or *horsetrader.com!*

That's right, on every ad or media buy — whether a $5 "online-only" ad listing on *horsetrader.com* or a full-page color display ad in *California Horsetrader* magazine — you will receive an instant 10% ETI Club Partner discount.

Your ETI discount also applies to any online or studio production, including custom video, podcasts, or a new website by *Horsetrader Media.*

WHAT'S MORE!: Horsetrader donates an additional 10% of your purchase directly to ETI!

ETI member accounts are already set up in *Horsetrader.com* — and *Horsetrader* has put $10 in "Horsetrader Dollars" into your account that you can use when you check out!

QUESTIONS? Here are some links:

- Club Partner Program overview
- How to access your ETI Marketplace account online
- How to place your classified, Fototrader or online ads now!
- Get more info on ALL advertising and media you can use in the program
- Check out the ETI Marketplace here
- Email link for ETI Marketplace support and feedback

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QUESTIONS OR SUPPORT: ***eti@horsetrader.com***

In Search Of...

With the passing of Lynn Brown, Equestrian Trails, Inc., is reaching out to our membership for a new National Trail Coordinator. We understand, and do not expect, one person to be able to step in and immediately fill Lynn's shoes. She learned from her predecessor, Darrell Readmond. Lynn protected and enhanced our equestrian community for many years. We need an ETI Member to step up and fill the position. This is not a position that you will have to learn alone. Our National Board will support and provide information to fill this position. We do have some of Lynn's files that will provide background to many ongoing issues. It is now more than ever, imperative that we don't lose our equestrian voice.

There is room to grow to make this your position. We work on city, county and state issues that affect all equestrians.

Below are the published duties of the National Trail Coordinator as documented in our ETI's By-laws.

ARTICLE XVII – DUTIES OF APPOINTED POSITIONS Section A: The National Trail Coordinator

1. *Shall serve as ETI representative and liaison at national, state, county, regional or local meetings regarding the acquisition and preservation of safe trails, including multiuse trails where safe. His/her mandate is to represent ETI's position to assure continued access of trails and open areas and to ensure that governing bodies encourage horse keeping.*

2. *May, upon approval of the President, call meetings of the Corral and ETI Area Trail Coordinators, and shall preside at such meetings.*

3. *Shall attend Board meetings and be a voting member of the Board.*

4. *Shall have such other powers and perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors or the By-Laws.*

If you are interested in filling this much needed position, please email us at office@etinational.com. Please consider being a part of keeping our equestrian life intact.

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2022 NATIONAL EVENTS

2022 Spring Ride
CANCELLED

July 29-31, 2022
National Convention, LAEC
More information to come

2022 Individual Corral Circuit Shows/Series

Corral 37/Thousand Oaks
4 show series April-October
Contact: Sharyn Henry (805) 795-6493
redhatcowgirl@yahoo.com
2022 Schedule TBD

Corral 101/Hansen Dam Equestrian Center
4 show series - February - October
Contact: Kim Estrada (818) 497-4730
rockbacknzip@aol.com

2022 Schedule
February 18-20
May 13-15
August 26-28
October 21-23

2022 TRAIL TRIALS

May 14/Corral 20
Trail Trial; Hansen Dam Contact: Becky Borquez (818) 262-7764
beckyborquez1@gmail.com

October 29/Corral 20
5th Annual Terry Kaiser Memorial Trail Trial; Hansen Dam Contact: Becky Borquez (818) 262-7764
beckyborquez1@gmail.com

GYMKHANAS/PLAYDAYS

Corral 37/Thousand Oaks
Saddle Series- 6 shows; May – October
Contact: Raquel Brusher
jrmisseti@yahoo.com

Corral 43/Riverside Rancheros
Gymkhana Call Lyn (951) 780-7208

Corral 88/Dusty Spurs
Gymkhana series; February - November
Phelan Contact:Leslie Davis (760) 662-1732 eticorral88@gmail.com

Corral 210
Monthly play days third Sunday of each month, Gibson Ranch, Sunland
Contact: Jeanette Provolt (818) 472-6537
countryatheart.jp@verizon.net

2022 ETI Trail Rides, Drives, Events

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

JANUARY

January 2/Corral 88
Trail Ride; Puma Canyon Contact: Rosemary Olney (760) 963-3981
eticorral88@gmail.com

January 9/Corral 12
Trail ride; Griffith Park Contact: Patty Hug
pattyhug@ca.rr.com

January 13/Corral 83
Trail ride; Red Rock Canyon Contact: Doris Lora (661) 333-7797

January 15/Corral 88
Dusty Spurs Gymkhana Contact: Leslie Davis (760) 662-1732
eticorral88@gmail.com

January 22/Corral 66
Trail ride from Bredelis Ranch with monthly meeting following Contact: Jamie Rees (760) 953-7235

January 22/Corral 86
Trail ride; Griffith Park Trail Boss: Janette Beas (858) 692-6836

January 28/Corral 88 Rain Date
Dusty Spurs Gymkhana Contact: Leslie Davis (760) 662-1732
eticorral88@gmail.com

January 30/Corral 22
Bert Bonnet & Doc Larsen ride; Ranger Park Trail Boss: Tiffanie Bailey Contact: Kathleen Smart (626) 590-6972
Kathleensmart99@gmail.com

January 30/Corral 103
Trail Ride; Hesperia Lakes Contact: Dawn Walker (760) 961-7879
delta3743@verizon.net

FEBRUARY

February 3/Corral 83
Trail ride; Cal City Contact: Doris Lora (661) 333-7797 & Susan Mustaffa (661) 538-0995

February 12/Corral 12
Trail ride; Cheseboro Contact: Patty Hug
pattyhug@ca.rr.com

February 12/Corral 88
Trail Obstacle Course Contact: Rosemary Olney (760) 963-3981
eticorral88@gmail.com

February 13/Corral 103
Trail Ride; Puma Canyon Contact: Dawn Walker (760) 961-7879
delta3743@verizon.net

February 16/Corral 83
Trail ride; Stallion Springs Mustang Contact: Renee Baust (661) 822-9404

February 18-20/Corral 101
Horse Show, Hansen Dam Eq Center
Contact: Kim Estrada (818) 497-4730
rockbacknzip@aol.com

February 19/Corral 20
Burt Bonnet Trail Ride; Hansen Dam
Contact: Nikki Athen (818) 489-6527
nmahten@yahoo.com

February 19/Corral 88
Dusty Spurs Gymkhana Contact: Leslie Davis (760) 662-1732
eticorral88@gmail.com

February 20/Corral 66
Spanish Trail Ride Contact: Jamie Rees (760) 953-7235

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February 20/Corral 86
Doc Larson Trail Ride Trail Boss: Shirlee Kurtz (805) 573-6406

February 26/Corral 22
Progressive Dinner ride; Bridlepath Trail Boss: Tom & Kat Smart Contact: Kathleen Smart (626) 590-6972 Kathleensmart99@gmail.com

February 26/Corral 14
Barstow Play Day Contact: Nora Moran (760) 253-3363

MARCH

March 3/Corral 83
Trail ride; Portal Ridge Contact: Doris Lora (661) 333-7797

March 5/Corral 10
Obstacle Event; Mitchell Ranch Contact: Gabrielle Dagan-Winstead gdwinstead@yahoo.com

March 6/Corral 88
Trail Ride; Juniper Flats Contact: Rosemary Olney (760) 963-3981 eticorral88@gmail.com

March 9/Corral 88
Cattle Sorting Practice Contact: Noel Cook (909) 427-9343 eticorral88@gmail.com

March 11- 13/Corral 22
Campout; Palm Springs/Los Compadres Trail Boss: Heidi Furer Contact: Kathleen Smart (626) 590-6972 Kathleensmart99@gmail.com

March 12/Corral 10 (Rain date)
Obstacle Event; Mitchell Ranch Contact: Gabrielle Dagan-Winstead gdwinstead@yahoo.com

March 13/Corral 12
Trail ride; Ahmanson Ranch Contact: Patty Hug pattyhug@ca.rr.com

March 13 /Corral 103
St Patrick's Day Ride; Summit Valley Contact: Dawn Walker (760) 961-7879 delta3743@verizon.net

March 16/Corral 83
Trail ride; Sand Canyon Contact: Renee Baust (661) 822-9404

March 17/Corral 66
Trail ride; Sawtooth Canyon Contact: Jamie Rees (760) 953-7235

March 17-20/Corral 86
Camping; Pioneertown Trail Boss: Janette Beas (858) 692-6836

March 19/Corral 20
St Patty's Day Ride/Lunch; Griffith Park/ Viva's Contact: Deb Mader (818) 653-7628 dmader@yahoo.com

March 19/Corral 88
Dusty Spurs Gymkhana Contact: Leslie Davis (760) 662-1732 eticorral88@gmail.com

March 23/Corral 88
Cattle Sorting Practice Contact: Noel Cook (909) 427-9343 eticorral88@gmail.com

March 25-27/Corral 14
Bakersfield Scenic Preserve Drive Contact: Jack and Sharon McGee (661) 809-2113

APRIL

April 1/Corral 20
Trail Clean up; Hansen Dam Contact: Deb Mader (818) 653-7628 dmader@yahoo.com

April 2/Corral 10
Carriage Play Day/Driving Derby; Mitchell Ranch Contact: Gabrielle Dagan-Winstead gdwinstead@yahoo.com

April 2/Corral 88
Trail Ride; Black Rock Contact: Rosemary Olney (760) 963-3981 eticorral88@gmail.com

April 6/Corral 88
Cattle Sorting Practice Contact: Noel Cook (909) 427-9343 eticorral88@gmail.com

April 9/Corral 10
Rain date
Carriage Play Day/Driving Derby; Mitchell Ranch Contact: Gabrielle Dagan-Winstead gdwinstead@yahoo.com

April 10/Corral 12
Trail ride; Vasquez Rocks Contact: Patty Hug pattyhug@ca.rr.com

April 10/Corral 22
Trail ride; Vasquez Rocks/Maria Bonita's Trail Boss: Sharon Richardson Contact: Kathleen Smart (626) 590-6972 Kathleensmart99@gmail.com

April 14/Corral 83
Trail ride; Poppy Ride Contact: Doris Lora (661) 333-7797

April 23/Corral 14
Lancaster Wildflower Drive Contact: Rick Maness (661) 886-6208 or Linda Elder (661) 824-2250

April 16/Corral 88
Dusty Spurs Gymkhana Contact: Leslie Davis (760) 662-1732 eticorral88@gmail.com

April 20/Corral 88
Cattle Sorting Practice Contact: Noel Cook (909) 427-9343 eticorral88@gmail.com

April 23/Corral 66
Trail ride; Crucifix bushes near Afton Canyon Contact: Jamie Rees (760) 953-7235

April 23/Corral 83
Wild Hope Clinic Contact: Amber McGee (661) 547-3982

April 30/Corral 20
Trail Trial; Hansen Dam Contact: Becky Borquez (818) 262-7764 beckyborquez1@gmail.com

April 30/Corral 86
Trail ride; Rincon Beach Trail Boss: Janette Beas (858) 692-6836

April 30/Corral 88 Rain Date
Dusty Spurs Gymkhana Contact: Leslie Davis (760) 662-1732 eticorral88@gmail.com

April TBD/Corral 83
PCT Willow Springs Trail Work (No horses) Contact: Doris Lora (661) 333-7797

April TBD/Corral 103
Trail Ride; TBD Contact: Dawn Walker (760) 961-7879 delta3743@verizon.net

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MAY

May 7/Corral 66
Kentucky Derby play day Contact: Jamie Rees (760) 953-7235

May 7/Corral 88
Trail Ride; Little Rock Dam Contact: Rosemary Olney (760) 963-3981 eticorral88@gmail.com

May 11-18/Corral 14
Lone Pine to Bishop Drive Contact: Sue Martzolf (760) 662-6102

May 11/Corral 88
Cattle Sorting Practice Contact: Noel Cook (909) 427-9343 eticorral88@gmail.com

May 12/Corral 83
Trail ride; Vasquez Rocks Contact: Doris Lora (661) 333-7797

May 13-15/Corral 101
Horse Show, Hansen Dam Eq Center Contact: Kim Estrada (818) 497-4730 rockbacknzip@aol.com

May 14/Corral 20
Trail Trial - Rain Date/Trail Ride; Hansen Dam Contact: Becky Borquez (818) 262-7764 beckyborquez1@gmail.com

May 15/Corral 12
Trail ride; Malibu Creek Contact: Patty Hug pattyhug@ca.rr.com

May 15/Corral 22
Trail ride; Cheri Blue/Malibu State Creek Trail boss: Paul Jacques Contact: Kathleen Smart (626) 590-6972 Kathleensmart99@gmail.com

May 15/Corral 86
Trail Ride; Mormon Rocks Trail Boss: Ann Trussell (661) 713-2358

May 15/Corral 103
Figure 8 Ride; TBD Contact: Dawn Walker (760) 961-7879 delta3743@verizon.net

May 21/Corral 83
Trail ride; BVS Sycamore Canyon Contact: Carol Knipp (916) 337-2755

May 21 & 22/Corral 88
Dusty Spurs Gymkhana Buckle show Contact: Leslie Davis (760) 662-1732 eticorral88@gmail.com

May 25/Corral 88
Cattle Sorting Practice Contact: Noel Cook (909) 427-9343 eticorral88@gmail.com

JUNE

June 2/Corral 83
Trail ride: Stallion Springs Buckeye Contact: Renee Baust (661) 822-9404

June 4/Corral 66
ECH annual ride Contact: Jamie Rees (760) 953-7235

June 5/Corral 22
Le Chene Ride Trail Boss: Sharon Richardson Contact: Kathleen Smart (626) 590-6972 Kathleensmart99@gmail.com

June 5/Corral 88
Trail Ride; Mojave Narrows Contact: Rosemary Olney (760) 963-3981 eticorral88@gmail.com

June 8/Corral 88
Cattle Sorting Practice Contact: Noel Cook (909) 427-9343 eticorral88@gmail.com

June 17/Corral 83
Trail ride; Wine Ride Contact: Susan Mustaffa (661) 538-0995 & Peggy Smith (661) 331-4995

June 18/Corral 86
Trussell Playday Fundraiser Contact: Ann Trussell 661-713-2358

June 18/Corral 88
Dusty Spurs Gymkhana Contact: Leslie Davis (760) 662-1732 eticorral88@gmail.com

June 22/Corral 88
Cattle Sorting Practice Contact: Noel Cook (909) 427-9343 eticorral88@gmail.com

June 23/Corral 66
Trail ride; Mojave Narrows Contact: Jamie Rees (760) 953-7235

June 24-26/Corral 14
Onyx Drive Contact: Jim and Julie Porter (760) 378-2222

June 24-26/Corral 22
Danielson Ranch Campout Trail Boss: Sheryl Phelps Contact: Kathleen Smart (626) 590-6972 Kathleensmart99@gmail.com

June TBD/Corral 103
Trail Ride; Mojave Narrows Contact: Dawn Walker (760) 961-7879 delta3743@verizon.net

JULY

July 4/Corral 86 & 138
Acton Parade Contact: Janette Beas (858) 692-6836

July 6/Corral 88
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Trail ride; Stallion Springs Contact: Renee Baust (661) 822-9404

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Trail ride; Inspiration Point Contact: Patty Hug pattyhug@ca.rr.com

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Dusty Spur Gymkhana Contact: Leslie Davis (760) 662-1732 eticorral88@gmail.com

July 18/Corral 88
23rd Trail Ride Campout; Montana De Oro Contact: Noel Cook (909) 427-9343 eticorral88@gmail.com

July 20/Corral 88
Cattle Sorting Practice Contact: Noel Cook (909) 427-9343 eticorral88@gmail.com

July 21-24/Corral 22
Big Bear Campout; Heart Bar Trail Boss: Billie McGuire Contact: Kathleen Smart (626) 590-6972 Kathleensmart99@gmail.com

July 21/Corral 83
Trail ride; Bear Valley Springs Contact: Susan Mustaffa (661) 538-0995 & Peggy Smith (661) 331-4995

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July TBD/Corral 103
Moonlight Ride Contact: Dawn Walker
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AUGUST

August 6/Corral 14
Mojave Moonlight Drive Contact:
Linda Elder (661) 824-2250

August 7/Corral 88
Trail Ride; Wrightwood Contact:
Rosemary Olney (760) 963-3981
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August 17-22/Corral 20
Camping; Montana Del Oro Contact:
Becky Borquez (818) 262-7764
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August 20/Corral 83
Trail ride; Wine Ride Contact:
Renee Baust (661) 822-9404

August 20/Corral 86
Moonlight Ride; Vasquez Rocks
Trail Boss: Laurie Henry
(661) 644-4555

August 20/Corral 88
Dusty Spurs Gymkhana Contact:
Leslie Davis (760) 662-1732
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August 22- 29/Corral 22 & 12
Campout; Morro Bay/Montana de Oro
Trail Boss: Patty Hug/Kathleen Smart
Contact: Kathleen Smart (626) 590-6972
Kathleensmart99@gmail.com

August 23/Corral 66
Tack cleaning at Bredelis Ranch & meeting
Contact: Jamie Rees (760) 953-7235

August 26-28/Corral 101
Horse Show, Hansen Dam Eq Center
Contact: Kim Estrada (818) 497-4730
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August 27/Corral 88
Horse Show Contact: Shelley Mulica (760)
900-7504 eticorral88@gmail.com

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September 7/Corral 83
Trail ride; BVS Hart Loop Contact:
Joan Howard (661) 821-1577

September 10/Corral 12
Trail ride; Mt. Pinos Contact:
Patty Hug pattyhug@ca.rr.com

September 11/Corral 22
Trail ride; Happy Camp/Moorpark Trail
Boss: Sheryl Phelps Contact: Kathleen
Smart (626) 590-6972
Kathleensmart99@gmail.com

September 15-18/Corral 86
Camping; Blackrock Trail Boss: Cindy
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September 16-18/Corral 14
Mojave Long Ears Drive Contact: Mara
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September 17/Corral 20
Trail Ride; Hansen Dam Contact:
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Horse Show Contact: Shelley Mulica (760)
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Trail ride Mojave Forks Contact: Jamie
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Trail ride; Wine Ride Contact: Susan
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Peggy Smith (661) 333-4995

September 24/Corral 103
Trail Ride; Mojave River Forks Contact:
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September 24- 25/Corral 22
Campout; Mulligan Stew/Mojave
Narrows Trail Boss: Billie McGuire
Contact: Kathleen Smart (626) 590-6972
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Dusty Spur Gymkhana Contact:
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October 6- 9/Corral 22
Campout; Alabama Hills/Lone Pine
Trail Boss: Allan Johnson Contact:
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October 8/Corral 83
Trail ride; Stallion Springs Poker Ride
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October 8-9/Corral 12
Campout & trail ride; Lone Pine Contact:
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October 9/Corral 86
Trail Ride; Tehachapi Trail Boss: TBD

October 11-13/Corral 83
Camping & rides; Rainbow Basin Contact:
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Smith (760) 977-6046

October 15/Corral 88
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October 21-23/Corral 101
Horse Show, Hansen Dam Eq Center
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October 22/Corral 66
Charity Ride Contact: Jamie Rees
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October 29/Corral 20
5th Annual Terry Kaiser Memorial Trail
Trial; Hansen Dam Contact:
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Coming Events Calendar

October 29/Corral 103
Halloween Ride; Summit Valley Contact: Dawn Walker (760) 961-7879
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October 30/Corral 88
Horse Show Contact: Shelley Mulica (760) 900-7504 eticorral88@gmail.com

October 30/Corral 138 & 86
Halloween Ride Contact: Kimberly Dwight (661) 478-2770

NOVEMBER

November 1-13/Corral 14
Death Valley Drive Contact: Sue Martzolf (760) 662-6102

November 5/Corral 22
Moonlight Ride; Hideaway Trail Boss: Tiffanie Bailey Contact: Kathleen Smart (626) 590-6972
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November 5/Corral 83
Trail ride; Wild Hope Clinic Contact: Amber McGee (661) 547-3982

November 5/Corral 86
Trail Ride; Lost Canyon Trail Boss: Charlene Lewis (661) 434-7751

November 5/Corral 88
Trail Ride; Pioneer Town Contact: Rosemary Olney (760) 963-3981
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November 19/Corral 22
PCT/Potluck Dinner; Agua Dulce Trail Boss: Sharon Richardson Contact: Kathleen Smart (626) 590-6972
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November 19/Corral 66
Trail ride; Petroglyphs near Copper City Road Contact: Jamie Rees (760) 953-7235

November 19/Corral 83
Trail ride; Cummings Valley Contact: Carolyn McIntyre (661) 972-2337

November 19/Corral 88
Dusty Spurs Gymkhana Contact: Leslie Davis (760) 662-1732
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November 20/Corral 12
Trail ride; Sylmar Contact: Patty Hug pattyhug@ca.rr.com

DECEMBER

December 3/Corral 88
Trail Ride; TBD Contact: Rosemary Olney (760) 963-3981 eticorral88@gmail.com

December 6/Corral 83
Christmas Party Contact: Doris Lora (661) 333-7797

December 10/Corral 14
Christmas Party (Mojave) Contact: Linda Elder (661) 824-2250

December 10/Corral 20
Ho Ho Ride; Stone Hurst Park Contact: Cheri Ovayan (818) 335-2884
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December 10/Corral 22
Christmas Party at Tom & Kat Smart Contact: Kathleen Smart (626) 590-6972
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December 10/Corral 86
Christmas Party Contact: TBD

December 13/Corral 66
Christmas Party Contact: Jamie Rees (760) 953-7235

December 14/Corral 83
Trail ride; Cal City Contact: Doris Lora (661) 333-7797

December 18/Corral 22
Christmas Ride; Griffith Park Trail Boss: Paul Jacques Contact: Kathleen Smart (626) 590-6972
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ELSA
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Head's Up Therapy on Horseback
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www.headsuptherapy.com

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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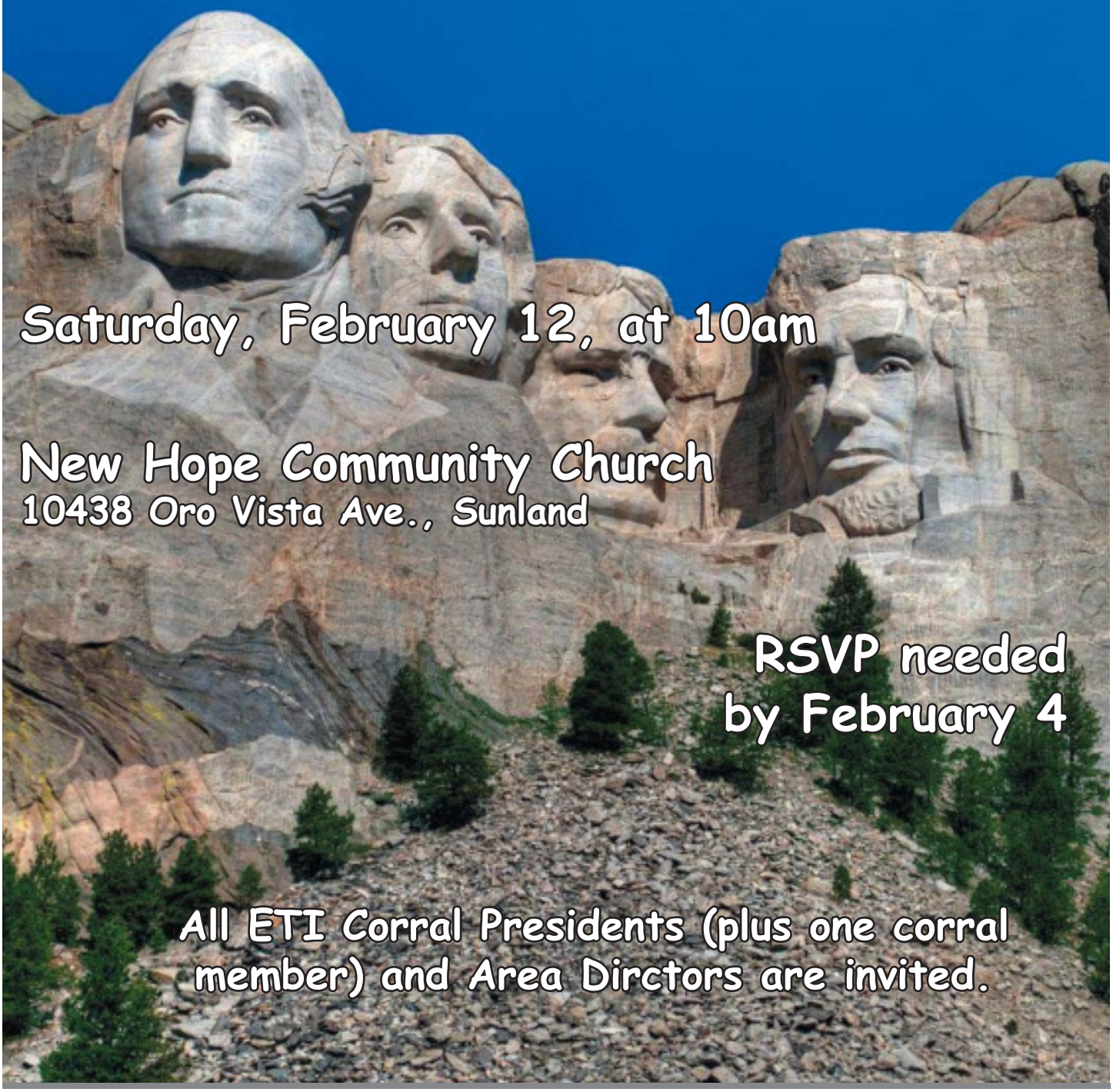

Saturday, February 12, at 10am

New Hope Community Church
10438 Oro Vista Ave., Sunland

RSVP needed by February 4

All ETI Corral Presidents (plus one corral member) and Area Dirctors are invited.

Photo taken at RTF's San Luis Obispo, Calif., satellite sanctuary by Meg Frederick.

50 Years After Wild Horse And Burro Act Enacted, Spirit That Led To Law Remains

Today, December 15, marks the 50thanniversary of the enactment of the Wild Free-Roaming Horses and Burros Act (Public Law 92-195). Three days later, On Dec. 17, President Nixon issued a signing statement in which he said that he took "special pleasure … in signing strong new legislation to protect these noble animals."

In honor of the Act's anniversary, we'll be taking a three-day look on our website at the history of wild horses, the passage of the law and the challenges wild horses face now, and the solution that RTF supports in order to move how wild horses and burros are managed in a direction Americans can take pride in.

Propelled by a wave of public sentiment, the Wild Free-Roaming Horses and Burros Act was passed unanimously by Congress, which declared that "wild horses and burros are living symbols of the historic and pioneer spirit of the West; that they contribute to the diversity of life forms within the nation and enrich the lives of the American people; and that these horses and burros are fast disappearing from the American scene."

At its most basic level, the Act has been a success: Wild horses and burros, of which there were an estimated 17,000 left when President Nixon signed the bill into law, remain on our public lands. The Bureau of Land Management estimated there were 86,189 on the BLM-managed public lands in March of this year.

But for all its good intentions, the new law did not set up a humane, forward-looking management plan for wild horses. Instead, it handed broad authority to set population targets and maintain them to the BLM and U.S. Forest Service.

Congress further complicated matters in 1976 when it mandated that our public lands be managed for multiple uses: not just wild horses, burros and other wildlife, but livestock grazing, energy extraction and public recreation.

In the years since its passage, the Act has also been amended – some would say gutted -- to allow for the use of helicopters for rounding up and transporting horses, to define "excess animals": those that must be removed to preserve a "thriving ecological balance" in multiple-use areas, to allow the sale without limitation of wild horses more than 10 years of age or that have been offered unsuccessfully for adoption three times.

Although we celebrate the spirit and intent of the Act, it is difficult to fully embrace this legislation:

· when wild horse habitat has been stripped by 15.5 million acres since the Act's passage;

· when BLM and USFS continue to rely on often deadly helicopter roundups to manage numbers, tearing apart family bands and herds, instead of using the most minimally intrusive management necessary to protect the freedom of our wild horses and burros on their ranges. For more than two decades safe, proven and humane fertility control has been available to stabilize herd growth yet BLM has never even allocated 4% of its budget to this progressive and humane alternative to its aggressive capture-and-removal management paradigm;

· when this antiquated management policy has resulted in more than 58,000 wild horses and burros warehoused in off-ranging holding corrals and pastures;

· when incentive programs and sales keep our once wild and free horses and burros vulnerable to the slaughter pipeline;

· when government agencies routinely allocate the least amount of resources to wild horses and burros, which are outnumbered by livestock even in the areas set aside them;

· and when a promise that was made to the horses and burros that helped build this nation has been broken.

And yet –

The Act is a touchstone for a growing number of people not just in the United States but around the world who are emotionally invested in this issue. The Act's intent -- ensuring wild herds remain on our public lands -- has not been erased from law.

Wild horses and burros, these "living symbols of the historic and pioneer spirit of the West" that "enrich the lives of the American people," still live on remote, fragile rangelands and in our hearts.

That you are reading this message, that you keep sending letters to Washington, D.C., and that you help us provide sanctuary for hundreds of wild horses and burros displaced by government roundups -- all of that is proof positive that you, like us, believe that the protection and preservation of wild horses remain worth the fight.

ETI Corral 14 Death Valley Wagon Drive Nov. 2021

Written by Dolly Kouri, Corral 14 member

Some 100 wagons found themselves in Salt Lake City, heading West, too late to cross the Sierra Nevada. They banded together and started for the gold fields in California. There were several "ill-fated" caravans that trekked through Death Valley in 1849. After getting stuck in Death Valley, California, two families, the Brier and Arcanes, waited 25 days for their rescuers, Manly and Rogers, to leave and return with supplies and livestock to take them out of the Valley. Harry Wade, and his ox-drawn wagon, left the rest of the party and headed south to the Spanish Trail (present-day Highway 127), along what is now known as the Harry Wade Exit Route, thereby saving his life and those of his wife and children.

Every year, since 1967, ETI Corral 14 has caravanned by pony/horse/mule-drawn wagons across the floor of Death Valley to commemorate the "ill-fated" wagon trains of the 1849 California gold rush. Unlike the original pioneers who faced the difficulty and hardship of walking across this land in 1849, we only travel 100 miles, and we had the luxury of traveling with an excellent support crew and support vehicles that carry feed and water for our stock, two comfort potties and a freezer to keep our food from spoiling. We are also followed by a horse trailer in case an animal has to be evacuated.

We had an amazing group of participants at Death Valley this year! They came from all over the country…Alaska, Arizona, California, Mississippi, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, and Washington. It was good to see our friends who return every year, but we also welcomed two new teamsters and two more teamsters that we haven't seen for many years. Our youngest teamster was Macy Alcott, 15 years old, and our oldest teamster was Norm Noftsier, 86 years old.

Macy in her red wagon with her Mom

This year, we staged and started the first leg of our 100-mile journey at the Harry Wade Exit Route. After offloading our wagons and equipping them with supplies for the trip, we shuttled our vehicles to Shoshone, California. There were nine pony/horse/mule-drawn wagons ready for the

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journey; five more wagons would join us in a few days at Ashford Junction for the second leg of the trip. Usually, our water buckets freeze overnight during the first leg of the journey, but this year the temperature was in the high 80's during the day, and down to the 50's at night.

Sunsets

Daryl Hopson, from Walla Walla, Washington, joined us for the first time this year. Daryl brought his 4-up of elegant Friesian Sport Horses (he would drive two and his friends, Kama and Ian McMurry, would drive two) and his Weaver Wagon with an attached Weaver Pup Wagon. Daryl explained that a registered Friesian Sport Horse must have 25% to 100% Friesian bloodlines. His geldings are registered and are out of Percheron mares and range from 16.1 to 17 hands in height. We have never seen such elegant horses at our Death Valley Wagon Drive, and we wondered if they were tough enough to handle the hot temperatures and rough terrain. We found out that they are very versatile and were just as hardy as our mules. They were very well trained and easy to handle, and we learned that they have also been on the Pendleton Round-up Wagon Drive and have appeared in many parades. It was easy to strike-up a friendship with Daryl, because he has a great sense of humor and is very generous with his time. One of our outriders, Ewa Vaars, and one of our support crew, Judy Zimmerman, have an interest in learning how to drive horses, so Daryl actually let them take over the lines several times. Truth be told, Ewa was also seen driving Lisa Barnes-Ferganchick's team; with her big smile, Ewa admitted that she had been wagon hopping. In talking with Daryl, we learned that he is not only a skilled teamster, but he also shows Morgan horses to Western Pleasure Championships. Daryl said he found the scenery beautiful, loves the history of Death Valley, and is amazed that the lowest point is 282 feet below sea level. He complimented our support crew for their help and found all the other teamsters very friendly and helpful.

Daryl in the lead followed by Kama and Ian McMurry driving the Friesian Sport Horses

Kama and Ian McMurry, of Eagle Creek, Oregon, met Daryl at the Pendleton Round-up four or five years ago and have been friends ever since. They are avid packers and have been on other wagon drives, including the 42-day sesquicentennial

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celebration with the Oregon Statehood Wagon Train, re-enacting the historic Dalles Military Road from Huntington to The Dalles, now known as The Oregon Trail. So, when they heard of the Death Valley wagon drive this year, they approached Daryl to suggest they all go together. And, so they did. A covered wagon was borrowed from Vicki Leonard, Wagon Master of the Pendleton Round-up, and Daryl brought them his Friesian Sport Horse wheelers. Kama is adventurous and a good sport. She had never cooked in a Dutch-oven before, but she entered a dessert cook-off with Lisa Barnes-Ferganchick. They were both declared winners. Both Ian and Kama complimented our support crew for their help and found all the other teamsters very friendly and helpful.

Connie, Lisa, and Netty

Lisa Barnes-Ferganchick, from San Tan Valley, Arizona, and Vanessa Gravani-Sammons, from California, never met each other, but they were brought to the Death Valley wagon drive by a mutual friend at different times, years ago. In fact, 1979 was the last year that Lisa was at Death Valley. Since that time, Lisa has lived in Alaska, has been a certified equine dentist for 24 years, is a farrier and a team roper, and collects antique horse-drawn wagons in Arizona. Lisa has fond childhood memories of Death Valley and has always wanted to return. She and her husband bought a team of Morgan cross horses and a wooden wagon so they could come on the drive this year, but he passed away several months ago. Knowing that her husband would want her to carry on with her plans, she contacted two of her long-time Alaskan friends, Connie Green, and Nanette Myers and asked if they would like to join her. Being the good friends they are, they jumped at the chance and flew down to meet Lisa in Arizona.

Starting off the first leg of the journey on Thursday, November 4, 2021, were Daryl Hopson (of Washington), driving his team of Friesian Sport Horses; Dave Fly (of New Mexico) and his friends, Howie Fly (of Montana), John (of Montana), and Jim Anderson (of Arizona), driving Dave's five new mini mules who have "rap sheets"; I was driving my molly mule and my friend's Morgan cross mare, and Cathy Smith (of California) was my swamper; Ian and Kama McMurry (of Oregon) driving a team of Daryl's Friesian Sport Horses; Jim Porter and Tom Feland (of California), driving Jim's team of mules and Julie Porter as their outrider; Lisa Barnes-Ferganchick (of Arizona) and Nanette Myers (of Alaska), driving Lisa's team of Morgan cross geldings and Connie Green (of Alaska), as their outrider; Jeanette Hayhurst (of California) driving her team of mini horses; Ray Woodside (of Montana) and Clifford Meridth (of California) driving Ray's 4-up of stocking legged mules; Sue Alcott-Martzolf and Bob Fischer (of California) driving Sue's 3-up of Haflingers. Other outriders were Ewa Vaars (of Nevada), Paul Villanueva (of California), and Shirley Abels (of Mississippi). Outriders play an important part of a wagon drive; they bring messages to and from the wagon master, they communicate between each wagon, they stop traffic when necessary, and they scout the trail when needed.

Ray Woodside and Clifford Meridth

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Saratoga Springs was the group's first night camp. After the wagons were circled and before dinner, everyone jumped into a pickup truck and drove to the nearby springs to view a beautiful large oasis containing pupfish, found only in Death Valley National Park, California. It is an amazing sight in the middle of a dry desert.

Friday and Saturday's drives were about 13 miles each. On Saturday, my mule began showing signs of mild colic and our veterinarian, Dave Fly, suggested that she be taken out of the hitch. The support crew sprang into action. The wagon drive was halted, and the horse trailer was brought forward for easy access. My team was loaded onto the horse trailer, my wagon was hooked to the back of the trailer, and we were transported to the next camp to wait for the others to arrive. I had a decision to make. Should I end my trip and take my team home or try to continue on with the others? Ray Woodside was kind enough to offer me one of his 4-up of mules if my mule could not go on. He said he was prepared to drive three of his mules in a unicorn hitch if needed. Fortunately, we were at the Ashford Junction camp and had a layover day the following day. We all went to bed that night and prayed for 'shit to happen'. Our prayers were answered. The next morning, I found four piles of manure. My mule was back to normal, and we were able to continue on.

Transporting Dolly's Mule and Wagon to Next Camp

During the one-day layover at Ashford Junction, four more wagons and one more outrider arrived to join us for the second leg of the journey. They were Jack McGee and Norm Noftsier (of California), driving Jack's mules; Larry Jacobs and Margie Macke driving Larry's molly mules and Larry's son, Jason (of California), as their outrider; Macy and her Dad, Wes Alcott (of California), driving their molly mules; Nora Moran (of California), driving her molly mule, Sarah; and Travis and Vanessa Sammons driving a team of mules and Travis' Dad, Greg Sammons, (of California), as their outrider.

Outrider Ewa Vaars

Vanessa Gravani-Sammons also has childhood memories of the Death Valley wagon drive. Years went by without a wagon or a team, but she would make it a point to visit the group as often as she could. Last year, her husband, Travis bought a wagon and remodeled it so it could be reduced in size to fit into their horse trailer. He thought of everything. The sides move in and out and lock into place. The platform beds collapse and become seating. The exterior is of a beautiful wood, and the storage boxes are of diamond tread aluminum to keep the weight to a minimum. They debuted their new wagon and team this year. They brought their two daughters, Emma Jo, 7 years old, and Indie Lynn, 4 years old, and Travis' father, Greg Sammons, came as their outrider. The girls were so cute in their pioneer dresses and played together all day long. It was a pleasure to watch them and hear their cheerful voices. This may be the start of their own family tradition.

The youngest teamster this year is a third-generation teamster, 15-year-old, Macy Alcott. Her Grandmother, Sue Alcott-Martzolf has been on the Death Valley Wagon Drive for 36 consecutive years and during that time she has played

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the role of swamper, support crew, and Wagon Master. Sue's three sons grew up on the trek, and now they are bringing their own children. Macy learned how to drive a team a few years ago, and this year she won Youth Reserve World Champion Teamster at Bishop Mule Days, showing Wendy Bailey's Skunk Team. We have watched Macy grow into a beautiful, talented, young lady. She learned to play guitar and sing at the campfire along with our own musicians, and as an FFA project in school, Macy redesigned a wagon that she bought with her own money. Retaining only the running gear, she dismantled the body and rebuilt the entire thing using new pine boards and painted it red. Grandma Sue made its canvas cover and its bedding. Macy, accompanied by her Dad, Wes, was so proud to drive the family's mules to her new red wagon.

Crossing Devil's Golf Course

Sunday, November 7, was used to shuttle all trucks and trailers into Furnace Creek where they would await us at the end of the wagon drive.

Monday, November 8, 14 wagons set off for the second part of the journey to Furnace Creek. Death Valley proudly displayed her beautiful colors and scenic mountains as we plodded along. The dirt roads had been graded and were smooth. We were all in awe of the landscapes.

Wednesday, November 10, was our layover day at Tule Springs. This is the day dedicated to resting our stock and having some fun. We start the day off with a waffle making contest, followed by Death Valley Olympic Games, an auction, a pot luck dinner, and end it around the campfire listening to our musicians singing.

Musicians Singing Around the Campfire

The waffle contest is always hilarious so everyone in camp can be found gathered around to see the creative entries up close. The contest is judged on presentation, taste, and story. Lisa, Connie, and Netty told of how they met in an orphanage because their parents had been killed. The girls were mistreated and wanted to leave when a wagon came through town loaded with loud, wild, fancy women on their way to California. The fancy women took the girls with them and promised to teach them how to make some money. Eventually, the girls learned to cook and entered our waffle contest, because they heard there was a thousand dollar first place award that would surely help them with their college education. John told of how his lady friend ran off with an ATV rancher, on his Japanese Quarter Horse. He lost his house and his cat, so he came to Death Valley to take his mind off his misfortune. After walking to the China Ranch to get the dates for his waffle, he also had to walk to Nevada for other ingredients. When he got back to the wagon drive, he realized he had been gone so long that his hair and beard had grown long, and he had heat stroke. He came to the realization that even though this country is beautiful, it was too hot. He was ready to go back to Montana where the winters are cold, and the women are even colder. The judges chose John's tasty waffle and story.

Many wonderful items, large and small, were donated by our members to the auction, and Travis Sammons and Wes Alcott were the auctioneers. Last year,

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Clifford Meredith won a three-day stay at Ray Woodside's ranch in Montana. Clifford shared his humorous adventures with us, and he told of how he was able to drive Ray's 4-up of mules and his chariot race team, hitting all the obstacles. Ray reminded him that he was supposed to go around the obstacles. We were happy to see Ray come back this year and even happier to see Clifford as his swamper. Once again, Ray Woodside donated a three-day stay with him and his wife, Brenda, at their ranch in Montana. Mark and Judy Zimmerman were high bidders, and they are excited to visit with Ray next year, meet his wife, and learn driving skills. The second highest money-making prize was for "Things from the NW". It included a commemorative Pendleton blanket celebrating 150 years of the Walla Walla Fair and Frontier Days (the oldest fair in the state of Washington), a bottle of 1910 Pendleton Whiskey, a sweatshirt from the Pendleton Wagon Train drive, honey from hives at Kama and Ian's farm, and a bottle of Oregon rain water, generously donated by Daryl, Ian and Kama. Greg Sammons was the high bidder for this donation. Bob Fischer (of California) grows walnuts and sends them to market. He brought a huge bag of walnuts to be auctioned off. You can only imagine the one-liners and laughter about Bob's nuts.

Doc Fly and Dolly's mule, Molly

Friday, November 12, was our last day on the trail. The last day in camp is always bitter sweet. Old friendships had been rekindled, and new friends had been made. We all had a greater appreciation for the settlers who traveled here in covered wagons during the gold rush of 1849. We all dressed in our pioneer clothing, got a group picture, hitched up our teams, and left for Furnace Creek. We paraded into town, following the United States Marine Corps Color Guard, cheered on by the tourists and spectators who marveled at our courage and ability to travel by wagon train. As we turned into the parking lot at the resort, we were honored by the Old Western Trio, singing "Rawhide". A few of the teamsters wanted to get a head start for the long trip home and left after packing up. Most teamsters stayed overnight and left for home on Saturday.

Dusty road

In reflection, the group witnessed spectacular sunrises, beautiful sunsets and an abundance of bright stars in the clear night skies. Many shooting stars and the Milky Way were seen every night. Each night after dinner, we gathered around the campfire to enjoy the music of several of our talented members as they played their guitars, mandolin, dobro, and fiddle, and sang songs of the old west, while being treated to some awesome fruit cobblers and cakes cooked in cast iron Dutch ovens over the red-hot-coals. It was really comical when Jeanette Hayhurst on the guitar, Mike Hayhurst on the mandolin, Jim Porter on the dobro, Macy Alcott on the guitar, and Ewa Vaars on the fiddle took requests from the audience and played them all at one time. You guys are the best.

A special thank you goes out to Sue Alcott-Martzolf, Wagon Master, for planning and organizing this year's Death Valley Wagon Drive. Her dedication allows this historic recreation of the 1849 pioneers trek through Death Valley to continue. Another HUGE thank you goes out to an outstanding support

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crew, Mike Hayhurst, Mark and Judy Zimmerman, and Tom Moessner. They were always there when help was needed, always had fresh water for the stock, and always cleaned up after us at every camp. And, a BIG thank you goes out to all the teamsters themselves. Much as the original pioneers must have been, our group was very friendly and helpful, lending spare equipment if needed, sharing food with each other, and enjoying the experience with all.

Salt Tanks Camp

For those who could not come on the trip, please enjoy the ride as you look through the pictures and meet the people in them. For those of you who were on the wagon drive, you can relive the memories and be proud that you made the trek. It was an adventure, like no other.

Wagons circled in camp

If this wagon drive is on your 'bucket list', and you want more information, you can go to www.corral14.com or contact Sue Alcott-Martzolf, Wagon Master, (760) 662-6102. Or, go to Corral 14's Facebook page to see short videos of this and other Corral 14 wagon drives.

Photos credits go to Tom Moessner.

Desolation Canyon

Remembering Melanie Brooker

Written by Linda Elder, Corral 14 member

It's with a sad heart that I'm letting everyone know that Melanie Brooker, long time member of Corral 14, has passed away.

Melanie and Lee Worshaw moved to Windsor , SC about 3 years ago. Melanie was very happy being amongst a neighborhood of top notch drivers. She made many friends and had great driving opportunities with her new driving horse "Sara", an Andalusian mare.

Melanie was suffering from the effects of lung cancer which spread to her bones and brain. She had a wonderful attitude towards life and was happy, continuing to drive as recent as the last month.

Melanie will be greatly missed by her friends and the driving community. Lee said that she didn't suffer, was in minimal pain, and passed in her sleep.

Enjoy this article, courtesy of The American Driving Society, Inc. magazine The Whip, about Melanie.

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Getting to know Melanie Brooker

City/State: Windsor, SC

2004 Red Sky, Dulcie Pi and Jenny at Pismo Beach.

1 How did you get into horses?

I was born with the horse bug. I had a Wonder Horse and numerous Breyer horses. When I was five my sister took me to the local horse rental stable, that's when I found out I was allergic to horses… But that didn't stop my love for horses! My parents gave me a three-year-old Appaloosa and I broke her to ride with some help from my friends. That mare took me all over the hills and valleys.

2 How and when did you get involved with driving?

In the '80s the owner of the boarding facility I was at drove horses. She and her friends would go on wagon trains including the 100-mile Death Valley wagon train. I decided to breed my Appaloosa mare and when her daughter was two, a friend broke her to drive. That's when I started driving. I bought a Smucker's harness and a custom-built training cart. We would go all over the area. She was a fantastic driving horse. I was privileged to drive Iron Eyes Cody in the 1995 Tournament of Roses Parade.

2008 Poppy Drive.

3 Tell us about the horse(s)/pony you drive now:

I have a Fjord/Quarter horse cross named What's Your Name or "What". I broke her to drive when she was seven years old. We have done CDEs, Pleasure Shows and Wagon Trains together. She drives as a single or pair. She is absolutely wonderful. Not warm and fuzzy; just all business.

My new horse is Vistosa LXI or "Sarah", a seven-year-old Andalusian. I have been driving her for six months now. I am looking forward to competing locally, then maybe in Florida.

4 You reached your 1500 Hours to Drive milestone in 2019. Tell us about your involvement in the program.

I just enjoy driving, whether it is a single horse or a pair of mules. I use My Tracks to record each adventure on the box seat. I have participated in the program for over 15 years now. In 2015, What and I drove 780 miles totaling 200 hours. Since I just moved to the east coast, I am looking forward to driving new trails, and meeting all the fellow drivers here.

5 What was your most memorable driving experience?

My driving in California. I loved driving for hours in the desert above Los Angeles and in the wagon trains. We drove 60 miles over five days in the Owens Valley. You really get to observe the Flora and Fauna at a 3.5 mph walk with the High Sierras to the west and the White Mountains to the east.

Another memorable experience was winning the 2013 Bishop Mule Days World Championship, Single Driving Division. Jenny and I had many hours on the trails preparing for Mule Days.

6 What are your hobbies outside of driving?

I enjoy snorkeling and all types of water sports.

2010 Wagon Train.

2012 Lone Pine Wagon Train.

Wagons

2012 Wagon Train.

We all need encouragement and positive energy...especially these days. Each month, I'm going to send come positivity your way on this page. If you have a favorite saying, please share at magazine@etinational.com and I'll include the following month!!

Your Editor

An Obituary printed in the London Times..... Absolutely Dead Brilliant!!

Today we mourn the passing of a beloved old friend, Common Sense, who has been with us for many years.

No one knows for sure how old he was, since his birth records were long ago lost in bureaucratic red tape. He will be remembered as having cultivated such valuable lessons as:

- Knowing when to come in out of the rain;

- Why the early bird gets the worm;

- Life isn't always fair;

- And maybe it was my fault.

Common Sense lived by simple, sound financial policies (don't spend more than you can earn) and reliable strategies (adults, not children, are in charge).

His health began to deteriorate rapidly when well-intentioned but overbearing regulations were set in place. Reports of a 6-year-old boy charged with sexual harassment for kissing a classmate; teens suspended from school for using mouthwash after lunch; and a teacher fired for reprimanding an unruly student, only worsened his condition.

Common Sense lost ground when parents attacked teachers for doing the job that they themselves had failed to do in disciplining their unruly children.

It declined even further when schools were required to get parental consent to administer sun lotion or an aspirin to a student; but could not inform parents when a student became pregnant and wanted to have an abortion.

Common Sense lost the will to live as the churches became businesses; and criminals received better treatment than their victims.

Common Sense took a beating when you couldn't defend yourself from a burglar in your own home and the burglar could sue you for assault.

Common Sense finally gave up the will to live, after a woman failed to realize that a steaming cup of coffee was hot. She spilled a little in her lap, and was promptly awarded a huge settlement.

Common Sense was preceded in death,

-by his parents, Truth and Trust,

-by his wife, Discretion,

-by his daughter, Responsibility,

-and by his son, Reason.

He is survived by his 5 stepchildren;

- I Know My Rights

- I Want It Now

- Someone Else Is To Blame

- I'm A Victim

- Pay me for Doing Nothing

Not many attended his funeral because so few realized he was gone.

If you still remember him, pass this on. If not, join the majority and do nothing.

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Corral 14 celebrated their Christmas party at Hacienda Bow-Wow, the home of Linda and Jim Elder, on Saturday the 11th. The home was decorated for Christmas including a tree under which we placed our gift until time for the the gift exchange. There was a good turnout of 18 members all dressed in their Holiday finery. Linda Elder cooked a ham furnished by the Corral along with a turkey that was donated by Katie Christman. While the turkey and ham were finishing cooking, we all enjoyed visiting and catching up on the latest news. The other members furnished wonderful potluck dishes...Sue Martzolf brought mashed potatoes, Mary Jo Noftsier, even though she was not able to attend, sent wonderful baked yams, Katie Christman brought the stuffing to go with the turkey, Wendy Bailey brought stewed vegetables, Susie Figley candied carrots, and Larry Jacobs made some very good beans. We had green salad prepared by Mara Wada and a layered jello salad made by Julie Porter. All of this was followed by servings of pecan, pumpkin and apple pies furnished by Dolly Kouri and Clifford Meridth.

Other members present were Matt Marcellus, Rick Maness, Jim Porter, Chuck Christman, Jeanne Gordon, Jim Elder,

Richie Pauley and Margie Macke.

Following our meal and prior to eating any dessert, we held our membership meeting and election of officers for the coming year. The slate remained the same as last year with Jeanette Hayhurst President, Katie Christman Vice President, Linda Elder Secretary, and Sue Martzolf as Treasurer with Dolly Kouri Scribe. Everyone then enjoyed the delicious desserts while we had a Chinese gift exchange.

Everyone seemed to have a good time and enjoyed the fun of the Chinese gift exchange stealing gifts from each other. No one went home hungry...some of them even took home leftovers from the turkey and ham.

Linda Elder

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Our Christmas party on December 14, 2021, at the Bredelis Ranch was a great success despite the fickle High Desert weather. Great food and great company make a beautiful night! We gave out a few awards this year. The high point awards were handed out to Sheri Devouassoux, 1st place; Diane Bubier, 2nd place and Jean Bredelis, 3rd place. Specialty awards were also given out. Rick Ingram received an engraved pen for his superb newsletter. Sheri Devouassoux and Cindy Franey received gifts for being outstanding ambassadors for Corral 66, representing the club by promoting it while on other club's rides and other riding events. Lastly, I was awarded the "I stole a mule" award for "borrowing" Honey. Don't tell the owners, but she's my favorite mule!

Our next ride is January 21, 2022 at the Bredelis Ranch. Signup is at 10am, and we ride at 11am. Member donations for the ride will be accepted and $10 for non-members. Please bring a signed waiver. Our January meeting will follow the ride. Please bring a lunch. Water and soda will be provided. The address is 36911 Mountain View, Newberry Springs, CA 92365. Please contact Jean Bredelis at (760) 447-0385 for directions.

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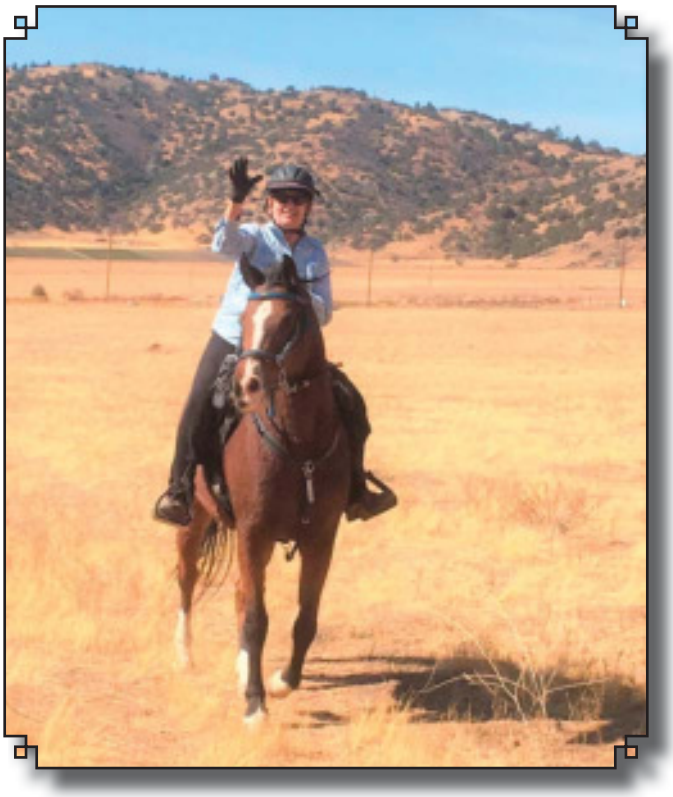
Corral 83
Tehachapi Mountain Riders
Tehachapi
Pres. Carolyn McIntyre
(661) 972-2337

On December 7, 2021, Corral 83 conducted their final meeting of the year. About twenty people gathered for our annual Christmas Potluck…ham and turkey main dishes with all the trimmings and a preponderance of dessert. Members voted on our 2022 slate officers then enjoyed the always entertaining gift exchange. The highly sought after gift this year was a very nice set of knives and a letter opener. After a series of "steals" and negotiation, Amber McGee ended up with the knives…well played as she and Gary are completing a kitchen remodel.

Corral 83's 2022 Slate of officers is as follows:

Carolyn McIntyre will retain her position as President. Carolyn worked diligently in 2020 and 2021 to keep the club viable during the pandemic. Many adjustments had to be made to continue our monthly meetings. Some meetings were conducted outdoors after a scheduled ride. Carolyn was also the driving force behind the October Poker Ride fundraiser. Something the club hasn't done in ten years. Carolyn has three horses, but this year her primary mount has been Max, a young 6-year-old gelding from the Oak Creek herd in the Tehachapi Mountains.

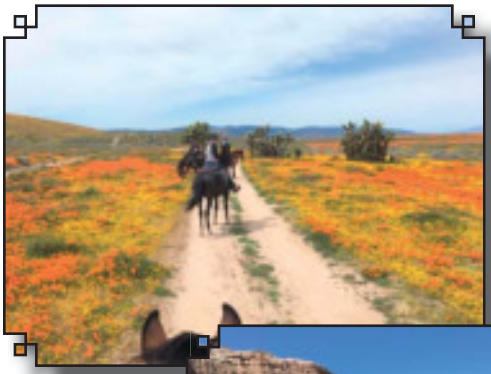
Peggy Bergman Smith will be the Vice President. Peggy is a long time ETI member who has served in the past as a Delegate, Vice President, and then President during Carolyn's absence back in 2015. She also diligently produces a monthly Corral Newsletter distributed online. As an endurance rider, Peggy has an affinity for the Arabian horse. She rides a tall, stunning bay Arabian named Dezi. Peggy is also the administrator of the ETI Corral 83 Facebook page. Follow us on Facebook.

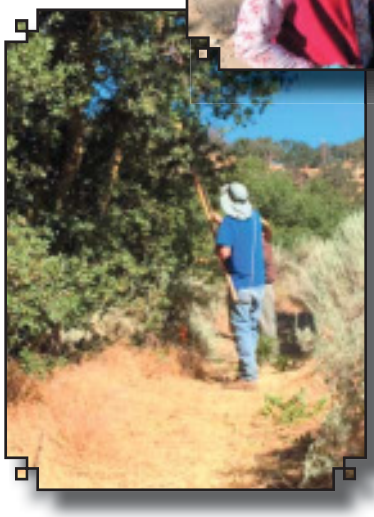


Nancy Thompson will be the Secretary for 2022. Nancy has been with Corral 83 for a few years. She also rides an Oak Creek horse she named Willow-the-wisp. Willow is a 7-year-old mare. This is Nancy's first time serving in an officer capacity for Corral 83.

Renee Baust is taking on the task of Treasurer for 2022. In my opinion, this is the most difficult officers' position to fill. Renee stepped up and filled the vacancy mid-2021. Renee rides the cutest bay, Welch Cob you could ever imagine. She calls her Belle, and she is a beautiful example of the breed. Her long full tail is mesmerizing. Renee is another longtime member of ETI Corral 83 and has served in various officer positions.

We are looking forward to a great 2022 trail riding year. We have some trail maintenance events in the spring and more than 22 trail rides and events scheduled for 2022. We ride the mountains and the desert areas. Our signature Cummings Valley Wine rides, Poppy ride, Red Rock Canyon ride (coming soon January 13), California City ride and post ride lunch at Gloria's are a must. Corral 83 member, Amber McGee will host two clinics at the Wild Hope Ranch in Cummings Valley, usually followed by a short ride to the local vineyards. The Wild Hope Ranch is conveniently situated in the heart of the newly designated





Tehachapi Viticultural area. The checkerboard of vineyards offers cooler temperatures for summer riding.

Hope to see you on the trail.
Happy New Year, Happy Trails.

Doris Lora,
Scribe/Trail ride coordinator.

Corral 86

Vasquez Vaqueros
Agua Dulce/Canyon Country/Acton
Pres. Ben Share
(661) 992-4899

Corral 88

Tri Community Horsemen
Phelan/Pinon Hills/Wrightwood
Pres. Noel Cook
(951) 427-9243

We have our new Board and dates are set for the upcoming year! Excited to add an obstacle course event and cattle sorting practice.

December was the party month for both Corral 88 and Dusty Spurs. Gift exchanges, and quarter auctions added a little excitement to the festivities.

We'll be kicking off the new year on January 2 with a trail ride at Puma Canyon. Can't wait to see if there will be snow on the ground again. Made for some great photo ops!

Lilly Adams

Corral 101

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Corral 103

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

ETI 103 had their Christmas ride and potluck, and everyone had a good time. We had ten riders with their horses decorated and six people on the wagon. We had plenty to eat and started making plans to make a change for next year and do it after dark with possibly eating before we ride out. Coming up in January, we have the Presidents Ride on January 30 at Hesperia Lakes.

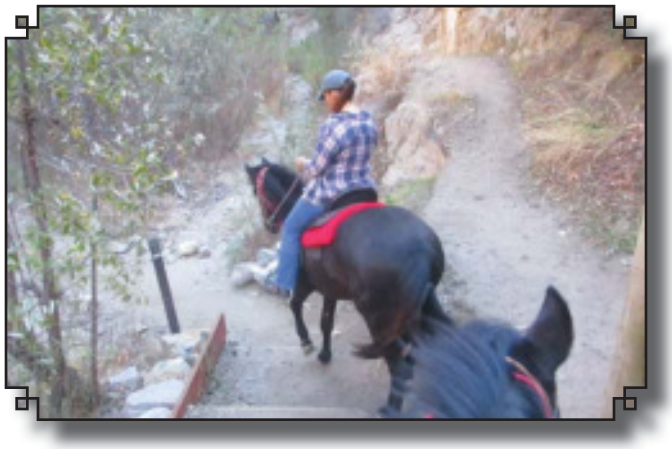
I hope everyone has a wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Dawn Walker

Corral 138

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

Our Corral had a great turnout at our ride in Placerita November 21. 15 riders enjoyed perfect weather. There can be hikers, dogs and bikes on the single tract trail. Beautiful trees make it such an enjoyable ride.



December 4 was our Christmas Toy ride in Acton. We staged at LaCabana, and the fire department came to pick up the toys this year. We took a little different route since we had several young horses. The trail was a little longer, flatter and did not go up the mountain. Most everyone was decorated for Christmas.

Kimberly Dwight
ETI Corral 138 Barrel Springs Riders

Corral 210

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ETI National Programs

Horse Shows ETI has a National High Point Circuit which is currently on hiatus. Until then, please contact the ETI office. 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 Cheri Ovayan at (818) 335-2884 covayan97@icloud.com. The completed forms are due back by April 2nd 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.