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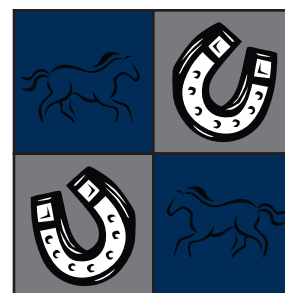
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A Message from Tom Kirsch ETI National President

Hello to all.

There was no ETI National Board this month. ETI is in good shape financially and holding our own with membership. I know some of the corrals are having a hard time with membership. Unfortunately, a lot of the equestrians are moving out of state, and we don't have a lot of young people joining our organization for many reasons. I think mainly the cost of owning animals. That being said, with the animal rights groups gaining power with the politicians and developers and if the city stops rodeos, the back yard horse owners and boarding stables will be next. We really have to look at who we are putting in office!!

I believe that our organization will have a great 2024. There seems to be many events being planned for the upcoming year. I hope we will have a great turnout for our upcoming Presidents luncheon. All the information is in this magazine. This is your chance to meet some great people and discuss any issues / problems, plus add your input into the running of our organization.

I hope everyone had a great Christmas, and we wish everyone a happy and wonderful New Year!!! We have a great organization, and with the help of our corrals and membership, we will have a great 2024!!

Take good care of yourself's and look out for each other.

Tom



Corral 88 member Britney Swenson and Smoke 'Em All The Sightless breaking a Guinness World Record. Story on page 17.

National Board Meeting

Next meeting will be on January 18 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

ETI MOUNTED ASSISTANCE UNIT: Coordinator: Jean Chadsey (909) 967-2065 Jeanieac@aol.com

2023 SPRING RIDE (June 8-12): Kelli Land horseqrtrs@yahoo.com Jeanie Gonzalez gilnjean@pacbell.net

ETI TRAIL RIDER AWARD PROGRAM (TRAP): Carol Elliott (760) 963-8209 happy2appy@yahoo.com

ETI TRAIL TRIALS PROGRAM: ETI Office (818) 698-6200 office@etinational.com



ETI's Annual Presidents & Membership Luncheon

Open to ALL ETI members!

Saturday, January 27, at 10am

New Hope Community Church
10438 Oro Vista Ave., Sunland

RSVP needed
by January 17

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NATIONAL 2024

January 27

Annual Presidents Luncheon

New Hope Community Church, Sunland

Contact: Office (818) 698-6200

June 6 - 9

Spring Ride

Location TBD Contacts: Kelli Land

horseqrtrs@yahoo.com Jeanie Gonzalez

gilnjean@pacbell.net

September 7

Back To School event TBA

2024 Individual Corral Circuit Shows/Series

Corral 37/Thousand Oaks

4 show series April-October

Contact: Sharyn Henry (805) 795-6493

redhatcowgirl@yahoo.com

2023 Schedule Completed

Corral 101/Hansen Dam Equestrian Center

5 show series - February - October

Contact: Kim Estrada (818) 497-4730

rockbacknzjp@aol.com

2024 Schedule:

February 17-18

April 6-7

June 1-2
September 14-15
October 19-20

Corral 37/Thousand Oaks

Saddle Series- 4 shows; April – October

Contact: Raquel Brusher

jrmisseti@yahoo.com

TRAIL TRIAL/OBSTACLE

February 3/Corral 10

RAIN DATE: February 24

Obstacle Event, Mitchell Ranch Contact:

Gabrielle Dagan-Winstead (818) 899-6702

eticorral10@yahoo.com

April 13/Corral 88

Obstacle Challenge Contact: Marjorie

Coulter marjoriecoulter76@gmail.com

April 27/Corral 10

RAIN DATE: May 4

Trail Trial, Hansen Dam-Doc Larson

Contact: Jeanne Mather (805) 208-7372

matherj@aol.com

May 4/Corrals 86 & 138

Trail Trial Buckle Series, Agua Dulce

Contact: TBD

November 2/Corral 20

RAIN DATE: November 9

Terry Kaiser Mem Trail Trials, Ranger Park/

LVT Contact: Nikki Ahten (818) 489-6527

nmahten@gmail.com

GYMKHANAS/PLAYDAYS

Corral 43/Riverside Rancheros

Gymkhana Amber Thwaites

(909) 319-4450

Corral 88/Dusty Spurs

Gymkhana series; February - November

Phelan Contact: Leslie Davis (760) 662-

1732 eticorral88@gmail.com

Corral 118

Three gymkhanas - March, October &

November Thousand Oaks Contact: Shari

Valdiva (805) 231-9466

Corral 210

Monthly play days fourth Sunday of

each month, Gibson Ranch, Sunland

Contact: Jeanette Provolt (818) 472-6537

countryatheart.jp@verizon.net

2024 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 2024

January 6/Corral 88

Trail ride, Puma Canyon Contact:

Rosemary Olney (760) 963-3981

January 13/Corral 12

Trail ride, Griffith Park Contact:

Patty Hug (818) 367-2056

January 14/Corral 86

Trail ride, Vasquez Rocks Contact:

Shirlee Kurtz (805) 573-6406

January 19-21/Corral 22

Camping, Caspers Park/San Juan

Capistrano Trail Boss: Tiffanie Bailey

Contact: Kathleen Smart (626) 590-6972

kathleensmart99@gmail.com

January 20/Corral 66

Trail ride, Bredelis Ranch Contact:

Jamie Rees (760) 953-7235

January 20/Corral 88

Dusty Spurs Gymkhana Contact:

Leslie Davis (760) 662-1732

January 27, 2024

Annual Presidents Luncheon

New Hope Community Church, Sunland

Contact: Office (818) 698-6200

January TBD/Corral 103

Trail ride, location TBD Contact:

Dawn Walker (760) 961-7879

delta3743@verizon.net



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FEBRUARY 2024

February 3/Corral 10

RAIN DATE: February 24

Obstacle Event, Mitchell Ranch Contact:
Gabrielle Dagan-Winstead (818) 899-6702
eticorral10@yahoo.com

February 3/Corral 88

Trail ride, Vasquez Rock Contact:
Rosemary Olney (760) 963-3981

February 10/Corral 12

Trail ride, Cheeseboro Contact:
Patty Hug (818) 367-2056

February 11/Corral 86

Trail ride, Griffith Park Contact:
Laurie Henry (661) 644-4555

February 14/Corral 66

Trail ride, Rainbow Basin Contact:
Jamie Rees (760) 953-7235

February 17/Corral 88

Dusty Spurs Gymkhana Contact:
Leslie Davis (760) 662-1732

February 17/Corral 103

Trail ride, Phelan Contact: Dawn Walker
(760) 961-7879 delta3743@verizon.net

February 17-18/Corral 101

Horse show, Hansen Dam Eq Center
Contact: Kim Estraada (818) 497-4730
rockbacknzip@aol.com

February 24/Corral 14 & 66

Barstow Play Day (with tack sale)
Contact: Nora Moran (760) 253-3363

February 24/Corral 20

Bert Bonnett Memorial Ride, Hansen Dam
Contact: Becky Borquez (818) 262-7764
beckyborquez1@gmail.com

February 24/Corral 22

Bert Bonnet & Doc Larsen Trail ride,
Ranger Park Trail Boss: Allan Johnson
Contact: Kathleen Smart (626) 590-6972
kathleensmart99@gmail.com

MARCH 2024

March 2/Corral 22

Day trip to Oak Creek Wild Horses,
Tehachapi Trail Boss: Ingrid Fines
Contact: Kathleen Smart (626) 590-6972
kathleensmart99@gmail.com

March 2/Corral 88

Trail ride, Black Rock (maybe camping)
Contact: Rosemary Olney (760) 963-3981

March 3/Corral 88

Cattle Sorting Practice Contact:
Noel Cook (951) 427-9343

March 9/Corral 12

Trail ride, Cherry Canyon Contact:
Patty Hug (818) 367-2056

March 13/Corral 88

Cattle Sorting Practice Contact:
Noel Cook (951) 427-9343

March 14-17/Corral 86

Camping, Black Rock at Joshua Tree
Contact: Janette Beas (858) 692-6836

March 16/Corral 20

Scavenger Hunt, Hansen Dam
Contact: Nikki Ahten (818) 489-6527
nmahten@gmail.com

March 16/Corral 88

RAIN DATE: March 30

Dusty Spurs Gymkhana Contact:
Leslie Davis (760) 662-1732

March 16/Corral 103

Trail ride, Summit Valley Contact:
Dawn Walker (760) 961-7879
delta3743@verizon.net

March 17/Corral 88

Cattle Sorting Practice Contact:
Noel Cook (951) 427-9343

March 20/Corral 66

St. Patty's Day trail ride, Sawtooth
Contact: Jamie Rees (760) 953-7235

March 22-24/Corral 14

Bakersfield Scenic Preserve Drive Contact:
Jack and Sharon McGee (661) 809-2113

March 22-24/Corral 22

Campout, Pioneertown/Yucca Valley
Trail Boss: Kathleen Smart/Billie McGuire
Contact: Kathleen Smart (626) 590-6972
kathleensmart99@gmail.com

March 27/Corral 88

Cattle Sorting Practice Contact:
Noel Cook (951) 427-9343

March 30/Corral 86

Debbie Does Acton Memorial ride
Contact: Shirlee Kurtz (805) 573-6406

APRIL 2024

April 3/Corral 88

Cattle Sorting Practice Contact:
Noel Cook (951) 427-9343

April 6/Corral 22

Day at the Races, Santa Anita Race Track
Trail Boss: Tiffanie Bailey Contact: Kathleen
Smart (626) 590-6972 kathleensmart99@gmail.com

April 6/Corral 86

Trail ride, Table Rock Rim Contact:
Charlene Lewis (661) 434-7751

April 6/Corral 88

Trail ride, Antelope Valley Poppies
Contact: Rosemary Olney (760) 963-3981

April 6-7/Corral 101

Horse show, Hansen Dam Eq Center
Contact: Kim Estraada (818) 497-4730
rockbacknzip@aol.com

April 7/Corral 88

Cattle Sorting Practice Contact:
Noel Cook (951) 427-9343

April 12-14/Corral 14

Inyokern Wildflower Drive Contacts:
Katie Christman (661) 824-2609 or
Denise Smith (760) 977-6046



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April 13/Corral 12

Poppies trail ride, Lancaster Contact:
Patty Hug (818) 367-2056

April 13/Corral 20

Poppy Ride, Antelope Valley Contact: Doris
Lora (661) 333-7797 dlora@earthlink.net

April 13/Corral 88

Obstacle Challenge Contact: Marjorie
Coulter marjoriecoulter76@gmail.com

April 14/Corral 22

Trail ride, Vasquez Rocks/Maria Bonita's
Trail Boss: Sharon Richardson/Patty Hug
Contact: Kathleen Smart (626) 590-6972
kathleensmart99@gmail.com

April 14/Corral 103

Trail ride, Mojave Narrows Contact:
Dawn Walker (760) 961-7879
delta3743@verizon.net

April 17/Corral 88

Cattle Sorting Practice Contact:
Noel Cook (951) 427-9343

April 20/Corral 66

Dental clinic at Sheri's house Contact:
Jamie Rees (760) 953-7235

April 20-21/Corral 88

Dusty Spurs 2-day Buckle Gymkhana
Contact: Leslie Davis (760) 662-1732

April 27/Corral 10

RAIN DATE: May 4

Trail Trial, Hansen Dam-Doc Larson
Contact: Jeanne Mather (805) 208-7372
matherj@aol.com

April 28/Corral 86

Trail ride, Red Rock/Petroglyph Contact:
Steve Nelson (661) 264-8414

MAY 2024

May 1/Corral 88

Cattle Sorting Practice Contact:
Noel Cook (951) 427-9343

May 4/Corral 66

Kentucky Derby Playday Contact:
Jamie Rees (760) 953-7235

May 4/Corrals 86 & 138

Trail Trial Buckle Series, Agua Dulce
Contact: TBD

May 4/Corral 88

Trail ride, Holcomb Valley or Heart Bar
Contact: Rosemary Olney (760) 963-3981

May 5/Corral 88

Cattle Sorting Practice Contact:
Noel Cook (951) 427-9343

May 5/Corral 103

Trail ride, Fairview Valley Contact:
Dawn Walker (760) 961-7879
delta3743@verizon.net

May 11/Corral 12

Trail ride, Ahmanson Ranch Contact:
Patty Hug (818) 367-2056

May 11/Corral 22

Progressive Dinner Ride, Agua Dulce Trail
Boss: Craig Tognazzini Contact:
Kathleen Smart (626) 590-6972
kathleensmart99@gmail.com

May 11/Corral 86

Trail ride, Castaic Contact: Vicki
Marshall (661) 816-1054

May 15/Corral 88

Cattle Sorting Practice Contact:
Noel Cook (951) 427-9343

May 18/Corral 88

RAIN DATE: May 19

Dusty Spurs Gymkhana Contact:
Leslie Davis (760) 662-1732

May 19/Corral 88

Cattle Sorting Practice Contact:
Noel Cook (951) 427-9343

May 21-26/Corral 14

Bishop Mule Days

May 29/Corral 88

Cattle Sorting Practice Contact:
Noel Cook (951) 427-9343

JUNE 2024

June 1/Corral 88

Trail ride, Mojave Narrows Contact:
Rosemary Olney (760) 963-3981

June 1-2/Corral 101

Horse show, Hansen Dam Eq Center
Contact: Kim Estrada (818) 497-4730
rockbacknzip@aol.com

June 2/Corral 88

Cattle Sorting Practice Contact:
Noel Cook (951) 427-9343

June 6 - 9, 2024

Spring Ride

Location TBD Contacts: Kelli Land
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glinjean@pacbell.net

June 8/Corral 103

Trail ride, Wildwood Park, Yukipa
Contact: Dawn Walker (760) 961-7879
delta3743@verizon.net

June 12/Corral 88

Cattle Sorting Practice Contact:
Noel Cook (951) 427-9343

June 14-16/Corral 14

Onyx Drive Contact: Jim and
Julie Porter (760) 378-2222

June 15/Corral 86

Trail ride, Paramount Ranch Contact:
Vicki Marshall (661) 816-1054

June 15/Corral 88

RAIN DATE: June 29

Dusty Spurs Gymkhana Contact:
Leslie Davis (760) 662-1732

June 16/Corral 88

Cattle Sorting Practice Contact:
Noel Cook (951) 427-9343

June 26/Corral 88

Cattle Sorting Practice Contact:
Noel Cook (951) 427-9343



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JULY 2024

July 4/Corral 66

Trail ride, Newberry Springs Contact:
Jamie Rees (760) 953-7235

July 4/Corral 86

Acton Parade 86/138 Contact:
Janette Beas (858) 692-6836

July 6-11/Corral 88

Camping, Montana d'Oro Contact:
Deborah Jasper (760) 508-3100

July 13/Corral 12 & 22

Trail ride, Mt. Pinos/Frazier Park Trail Boss:
Patty Hug Contact: Kathleen Smart (626) 590-6972 kathleensmart99@gmail.com

July 13/Corral 20 Tentative

Lucky Draw Ride, Ranger Park/LVT
Contact: Becky Borquez (818) 262-7764
beckyborquez1@gmail.com

July 20/Corral 66

Tevis night ride, Yoder's Little Yard
Contact: Jamie Rees (760) 953-7235

July 20/Corral 88

Dusty Spurs Gymkhana Contact:
Leslie Davis (760) 662-1732

July 20/Corral 103

Moonlight ride, Apple Valley Contact:
Dawn Walker (760) 961-7879
delta3743@verizon.net

AUGUST 2024

August 3/Corral 88

Trail ride, Wrightwood Contact:
Rosemary Olney (760) 963-3981

August 9-11/Corral 103

Campout, Mojave Narrows Contact:
Dawn Walker (760) 961-7879
delta3743@verizon.net

August 17/Corral 86

Trail ride, Mt. Pinos Contact:
Janette Beas (858) 692-6836

August 17/Corral 88

RAIN DATE: August 31
Dusty Spurs Gymkhana Contact:
Leslie Davis (760) 662-1732

August 19-26/Corral 12 & 22

Campout, Morro Bay/Montana de Oro
State Park Trail Boss: Patty Hug/Kathleen
Smart Contact: Kathleen Smart (626) 590-
6972 kathleensmart99@gmail.com

August 21-25/Corral 86

Camping, Agnew Meadows, Sierras
Contact: Steve Nelson (661) 264-8414

August 21-26/Corral 20 Tentative

Camping, Montana de Oro, Los Osos
Contact: Becky Borquez (818) 262-7764
beckyborquez1@gmail.com

August 24/Corral 66

Tack cleaning party Contact: Jamie
Rees (760) 953-7235

SEPTEMBER 2024

September 7/ETI National

Back To School event TBA

September 7/Corral 88

Trail ride, TBD Contact: Rosemary
Olney (760) 963-3981

September 14/Corral 12

Trail ride, Hansen Dam Contact:
Patty Hug (818) 367-2056

September 14/Corral 22

Trail ride, Hideaway Trail Boss: Allan
Johnson/Billie McGuire Contact:
Kathleen Smart (626) 590-6972
kathleensmart99@gmail.com

September 14-15/Corral 101

Horse show, Hansen Dam Eq Center
Contact: Kim Estrada (818) 497-4730
rockbacknzip@aol.com

September 14/Corral 103

Trail ride, Puma Canyon Contact:
Dawn Walker (760) 961-7879
delta3743@verizon.net

September 15-21/Corral 14

Fearful Crossing (Lovelock to
Fallon, NV) Contact: Jeanette
Hayhurst (760) 953-8520

September 21/Corral 20

Trail ride, Happy Camp, Moorpark
Contact: Jeanne Mather (805) 208-7372
matherj@aol.com

September 21/Corral 66 & 103

Trail ride, Mojave Forks Contact:
Jamie Rees (760) 953-7235

September 21/Corral 88

Dusty Spurs Gymkhana Contact:
Leslie Davis (760) 662-1732

September 28/Corral 86

Peaceful Valley Poker Ride FUNDRAISER
Contact: Shirlee Kurtz (805) 573-6406

September TBD/Corral 10

Play Day-Derby, Show Spire Park
Contact: Pamela Miller (818) 262-2846
pamelamillermitchell@gmail.com

OCTOBER 2024

October 5/Corral 88

Parade, Phelan Phun Days Contact:
Deborah Jasper (760) 508-3100

October 6/Corral 14

Antelope Valley Come Drive with Me
Contact: Sue Martzolf (760) 662-6102

October 10-13/Corral 22

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

October 13/Corral 12

Trail ride, Acton Loop Contact:
Patty Hug (818) 367-2056

October 19/Corral 66

Charity ride Contact: Jamie Rees
(760) 953-7235



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October 19/Corral 86

Trail ride, Crystal Hill Contact:
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October 19/Corral 88

Dusty Spurs Gymkhana Contact:
Leslie Davis (760) 662-1732

October 19-20/Corral 101

Horse show, Hansen Dam Eq Center
Contact: Kim Estrada (818) 497-4730
rockbacknz@aol.com

October 26/Corral 20

Trail Clean-up, Hansen Dam Contact:
Debra Mader (818) 653-7628
debramader@yahoo.com

October 27/Corral 88

Open Horse Show Contact: Shelley
Mulica (760) 669-8062

October 27/Corral 138 & 86

Halloween Ride, Vasquez Rocks
Contact: Kimberly Dwight

October TBD/Corral 103

Trail ride, Mojave River Forks
Contact: Dawn Walker (760) 961-7879
delta3743@verizon.net

NOVEMBER 2024

November 2/Corral 20

RAIN DATE: November 9

Terry Kaiser Mem Trail Trials, Ranger Park/
LVT Contact: Nikki Ahten (818) 489-6527
nmahten@gmail.com

November 2/Corral 88

Trail ride, TBD Contact: Rosemary
Olney (760) 963-3981

November 7-17/Corral 14

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

November 9/Corral 12

Trail ride, Sylmar Contact:
Patty Hug (818) 367-2056

November 9/Corral 22

Temecula Wine Ride, Temecula Trail Boss:
Maria Kurtz Contact: Kathleen Smart (626)
590-6972 kathleensmart99@gmail.com

November 10/Corral 103

Trail ride, Faces in the Rocks/Apple Valley
Contact: Dawn Walker (760) 961-7879
delta3743@verizon.net

November 14/Corral 66

Trail ride, Iron Mountain Contact:
Jamie Rees (760) 953-7235

November 16/Corral 88

RAIN DATE: November 30

Dusty Spurs Gymkhana Contact:
Leslie Davis (760) 662-1732

November 23/Corral 86

Trail ride, Doc Larson Contact:
Shirlee Kurtz (805) 573-6406

DECEMBER 2024

December 7/Corral 20

Christmas Party, Shadow Hills
Contact: Nikki Ahten (818) 489-6527
nmahten@gmail.com

December 7/Corral 88

Trail ride, TBD Contact: Rosemary
Olney (760) 963-3981

December 10/Corral 66

Christmas Party Contact: Jamie Rees
(760) 953-7235

December 13/Corral 22

Christmas Party, Simi Valley Host: Tom &
Kat Smart Contact: Kathleen Smart (626)
590-6972 kathleensmart99@gmail.com

December 14/Corral 14

Christmas Party Contact: Sue
Martzolf (760) 662-6102

December 15/Corral 22 & 12

Christmas Ride, Griffith Park Trail
Boss: Paul Jacques Contact:
Kathleen Smart (626) 590-6972
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December 21/Corral 86

Christmas Party Contact: TBD

NON ETI EVENTS

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Antelope Valley Desert Riders
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Carousel Ranch Therapeutic Riding Program (661) 268-8010

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Nancy (818) 848-0870
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Ride On Therapeutic Horsemanship

program for disabled riders
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Shadow Hills Riding Club Therapeutic Riding Program

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Save The Date!!!

Spring Ride

June 6 - 9, 2024 ~ Location TBD

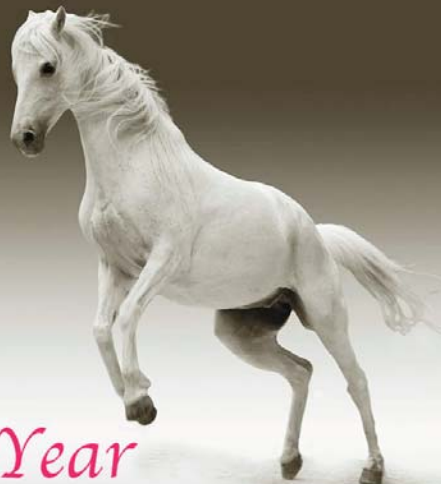
Arrive on the afternoon of 6/6 and leave after breakfast on 6/9
More info to come. Details still in the works.

See you there!!!!



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Chase them

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Obstacle Event

February 3, 2024

**Condition your horse to a variety of obstacles
on horseback or carriage.**

BRUNCH is included in the price! (Please R.S.V.P. by 1/27/24)

9:30 a.m. gates open; 12-1 lunch; 3 p.m. gates close

Location: 11001 Longford Ave., Lake View Terrace

Please complete a separate entry for each horse-rider (driver) combination.

Please include the required ETI waiver with your entry form; waiver available to download at etinational.com or eticorral10.wixsite.com/my-site/forms

MUST SHOW CURRENT MEMBERSHIP TO RECEIVE MEMBER DISCOUNT.

Rider/Driver Name:			Member Corral No.
Address:			
City:		Zip Code:	
E-mail address:			
EMERGENCY CONTACT:		Telephone(s):	
Horse Name:			
Owner's Name (if differs):		Telephone:	
Obstacle Event Fees	\$35.00 ETI Member	\$	
	\$45.00 Non Member	\$	
additional meal	\$10.00 x	\$	
Checks Payable to E.T.I Corral 10	TOTAL	\$	

Mail payment to: GDW/Obstacle Event

11342 Ruggiero Ave., Lake View Terrace, CA 91342

E-mail entry to: eticorral10@yahoo.com

Questions or more information – Visit our website: eticorral10.wixsite.com/my-site/

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AMOUNT: \$



What It Takes To Be An ETI Area Director

Submitted by Karen Dagnan, ETI 2nd Vice President

As 2nd Vice President of ETI National, I can no longer hold the position of Area Director. This makes me sad as disseminating information to and from National and Corrals (which is your basic role as an Area Director) is not only a fulfilling experience, but also highly rewarding in many ways. The ability to share knowledge and insights with fellow horse enthusiasts is a privilege that brings immense gratification.

Firstly, the act of disseminating information allows you to contribute to the growth and development within the ETI horse community. By sharing ETI knowledge and experience, you empower others to learn, and make informed decisions. Watching fellow group members apply the information you've shared and witnessing their progress and success brings a great sense of fulfillment.

Furthermore, disseminating information in a horse group opens up opportunities for dialogue and collaboration. What is one Corral doing to increase their membership? Did this work? What other ideas does this Corral do for fund raising? This exchange of ideas can lead to further learning, growth, and the formation of meaningful connections within your Corrals. The knowledge-sharing dynamic within the groups allows for mutual support, growth, and camaraderie, ultimately fostering a sense of belonging and unity. Not only did I feel a valued member of my home Corral (#86), but I felt valued as a member of Corrals 88, 9 and 138!

Lastly, the act of disseminating information in a Corral group can be personally rewarding on a deeper level. It allowed me to cultivate a sense of purpose when I contributed to the collective knowledge and well-being of our Corrals,

meeting new like-minded horse lovers and watching the Corrals grow.

On the practical side, you have maybe one meeting a month to attend per Corral, and some Corrals do not meet but disseminate their information on Facebook. I think holding monthly meetings face to face fosters a closer-knit community and leads to a more open problem solving venue. National meets once per month and is held by conference call. It's not brain surgery, and it's pretty easy to learn the ropes!

In conclusion, the rewards of becoming an Area Director are immense. From the satisfaction of contributing to the growth and development of the ETI Corral community, to establishing yourself as the "go-to" person for information/clarification and forming meaningful connections is truly enriching. So, embrace the opportunity to share your knowledge, meet new like-minded people and enjoy the journey of empowering and inspiring fellow horse enthusiasts.

Please feel free to contact me at (661) 904-2294 with any questions you may have!!





VETERINARY TELE-MEDICINE IS COMING IN JANUARY

Assembly Bill 1399 was signed into law by Gov. Gavin Newsom in October. The new law will go into effect on Jan. 1, 2024, and allows licensed veterinarians to practice veterinary medicine via telehealth, replacing the current law which prevents veterinarians from practicing virtually or even giving advice virtually.

There is controversy about this since it allows a veterinarian-client-patient relationship (VCPR) to be established remotely without the veterinarian having previously physically examined an animal prior to recommending treatments and prescribing medications.

Proponents claim that being able to establish the VCPR through synchronous real-time video communication would improve access to care, particularly for animals and clients in rural communities.

The California Veterinary Medical Association (CVMA) was neutral about this bill, but the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) opposed this law because telemedicine does not involve an in-person physical examination or diagnostic testing, it limits a veterinarian in gathering critical information about the animal patient, especially for patients that might not regularly be receiving veterinary care. Ultimately, these organizations say a wrong, missed, or delayed diagnosis or an inappropriate treatment plan can result in prolonged illness and animal suffering and ultimately costs the animal's owner more.

The California proposal comes with several stipulations that attempt to address some of these concerns to varying degrees, including the following:

- Prohibits a VCPR from being established solely by an audio-only communication or by means of a questionnaire.
- Authorizes only a person licensed in California to practice veterinary medicine via telehealth on an animal patient located in California.
- Prohibits a veterinarian from prescribing, via telehealth, any drug or medication for use on a horse engaged in racing or training at a facility under the jurisdiction of the California Horse Racing Board.
- Prohibits a veterinarian from ordering, prescribing, or making available a controlled substance, as defined, or xylazine unless the veterinarian has performed an in-person physical examination of the animal patient or made medically appropriate and timely visits to the premises where the animal patient is kept.
- In the case of an electronically established VCPR, prohibits prescribing of an antimicrobial drug for a period longer than 14 days. No further antimicrobial drug prescriptions, including refills, may be issued without an in-person examination of the animal patient.

AB 1399 was introduced February 17 by Laura Friedman (Our Assembly person) and Josh Lowenthal. During a town hall meeting in Shadow Hills, Laura Friedman specifically mentioned horse-keeping as a reason to pass this telemedicine bill.

It is advised that you discuss this issue with your vet to help you understand what situations your vet might consider appropriate for a telemedicine visit.





Corral 14's Christmas Party and General Meeting 12/9/23

Submitted by Linda Elder, Corral 14, Corral 14 Secretary

Corral 14 held their Annual Christmas Party at the Green House Cafe in Lancaster, Saturday, December 9 from 4 to 7pm. Dolly Kouri did a wonderful job acquiring the venue and arranging the beautiful Christmas decorations. Katie Christman brought a small cute pre-lit Christmas tree from home that Dolly placed on a table in the corner where we could put our gifts. The meal was a buffet with baked ham, roasted turkey with sausage stuffing, turkey gravy and mashed potatoes, vegetable medley, tossed salad, cranberry sauce, dinner rolls and dessert. There was something for everyone, so no one went away hungry. In fact, we all complained of eating too much. There was a total of 15 Corral members and one guest present who all had a wonderful time. We enjoyed the chance to visit with Corral members we hadn't seen for awhile before the buffet and then while we were eating and to see everyone in their Christmas finery.



Some of table decorations with tree in the background

Following the meal, we had our quarterly general meeting which included presentation of our event schedule for 2024 for approval by the membership and election of officers. The slate of officers was unchanged for the coming year and included President Jeanette Hayhurst, Vice President Katie Christman, Secretary Linda Elder, Treasurer Sue Martzolf and Scribe Dolly Kouri. We then proceeded to the fun part of the evening...the "Chinese Gift Exchange". Each member who brought a gift was given a number and when that number was called they were allowed to pick a gift from under the tree. All gifts had to be unwrapped when picked up so everyone could see what they were. The next person called could steal that gift or take one from under the tree. If your gift was stolen, you could then get another gift from under the tree. So it went until all the gifts had been distributed. Some people had their gifts stolen more than once.



Time to start dinner



Corral 14 Board for 2024



Corral 14's Christmas Party and General Meeting 12/9/23 (cont)

Submitted by Linda Elder, Corral 14, Corral 14 Secretary



Katie Christman



Beth Uzonyi opening her gift



Kevin Martzolf, Julie Porter and Jim Porter



Margie Macke got the covered wagon and then had it stolen so she got to pick another gift



Dolli Kouri

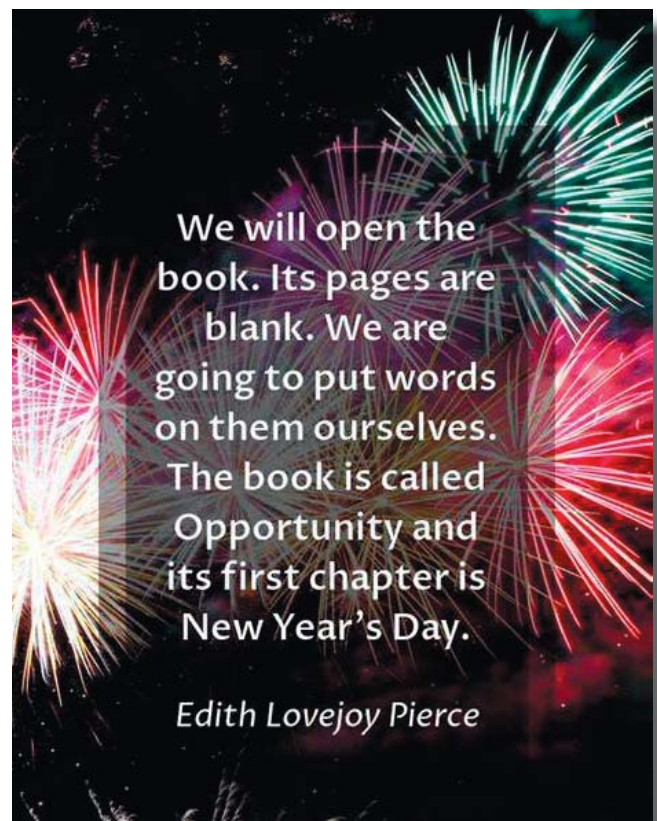
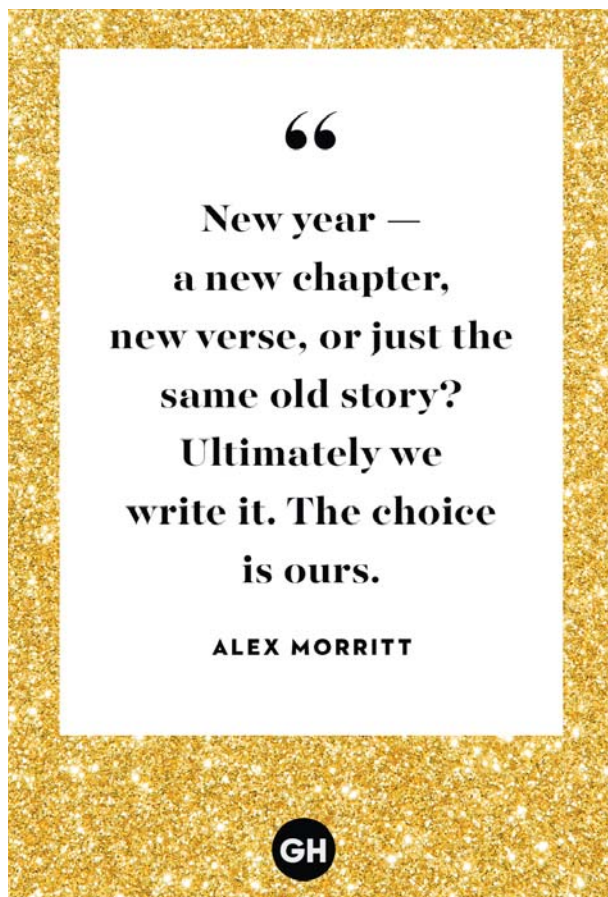


**MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR
FROM ETI CORRAL 14, WESTERN
WAGONS**



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





Smoke 'Em All The Sightless

Submitted by Britney Swenson, Corral 88

Smoke 'Em All the Sightless has a unique story. He started out as a foal in Idaho where he was bought and cruel methods of training were used on him. This led to many behavioral issues moving forward. He was purchased by a lady that became a dear friend to me about five years ago living in Newberry Springs, CA, where I first met him. She had owned him for many years, around 17. She rode him around her property which is large, but he never left that location for trail rides or any competitions, therefore no exposure to a lot of things.

About six years ago or so she detected something in his eye and took him to the vet who diagnosed cancer in his left eye. She opted to take him to the best vet for this surgery as it required his eye to be removed. After healing up from this, she attempted to ride him. He was already a flighty horse, and it did not go well. He panicked. She came off and decided to never ride him again.

I first met him five years ago when I first moved to a new area and boarded my two horses at her house. When I laid eyes on him, I was instantly in love. He is a beautiful horse. I tried to approach him while he was eating, but he remained a very frightened horse and ran away. I decided to leave him be as he wasn't mine and only admire him when I came to ride my horses.

I found a facility to move to and open my horse training and lesson program, so my horses were with me 30 minutes away now. I still visited often with my friend, as we had built a relationship while my horses stayed at her house. She had retired years ago and loved it when I visited. I would help her with her horses and various chores and again admire Smoke. I visited that Christmas with cookies and stayed to converse. She had fallen ill and wasn't in the best shape. Three short months later she passed.

I was devastated and went to her house upon hearing the news to make sure her husband was okay and if he needed help caring for their animals. I helped him with the ones that he needed help with, and he told me he don't know what to do with Smoke. No one will want him with one eye!

I said, "Oh, my gosh! I will take him and give him a good home." So I brought my big guy Jake who assists in training other horses in the trailer to pick up Smoke. That way he wouldn't be alone in the trailer as he was a skittish horse. After getting him home, I began retraining him and building a bond. Within a very short time, he learned to trust me and bonded with me so well that he would want me to walk on his blind side because he already knew I had his back(side).

He helped keep me distracted and steady after two





Smoke 'Em All The Sightless (cont.)

Submitted by Britney Swenson, Corral 88

hard life blows. First, my beloved mare had to be put down due to cancer spreading that was inoperable. Second, a very scary diagnosis for myself explaining major ear pain and loss of balance. There was a tumor found behind my right eardrum that had done severe damage. Two surgeries were scheduled, a year apart, for me to fully fix all the damages.



After healing myself, I resumed his training. The first time I rode him wasn't perfect, but he was so willing. From there, I took him off the property with Jake... leading him beside Jake so he wasn't ridden. I built his confidence and worked up to riding him by himself. When I began taking him out by himself, he and I continued our special bond. He continued to do so well, I decided for fun to try a local gymkana, Dusty Spurs with ETI Corral 88, and since I had never been, it would be a first for both of us.

I was pleasantly surprised. After all our bonding, this new arena with a ton of other horses and activities didn't phase him. We got into the arena, and he didn't mind most of the obstacles being the first time seeing them, surprising for most horses. We won that day in our division FC Adult. It was so exciting. We brought home a trophy. The win was so sweet.

I called the previous owner's husband to let him know his progress and that he won the first event he had ever been. When I told him this, he got choked up over the phone and told me I had come to his house months ago in the nick of time. He had opted to put Smoke down due to his one eye and fearing no one would want him. I was shocked. This beautiful horse had finally built confidence, and through our bond, I was able to see the beautiful soul he has.

Last year I noticed a small growth starting in his right eyelid. I took him to the vet who confirmed cancer, but after laser treatment confirmed the cancer was gone and nowhere near his eye.

From here we have done many trail rides and competitions. He has been in my lesson program and taught students to ride. He has carried my own son in competitions. We have won many times in our first year and moving to A division the next year. We have won many times in this division and brought home many belt buckles.

This past July we went to the 48th Annual California Gymkana state finals. It was there that I got a call from my vet letting me know a suspicious spot in his eyeball. I sent pictures of was indeed cancer as I suspected. I was devastated knowing the final outcome would be to remove his remaining eye. When we returned home we visited our vet to confirm in person and discuss options which weren't great. I decided to try, per vets recommendation, a cryo treatment to freeze the cancer from the eyeball. After only two months after, I noticed the cancer had not shrunk, which was ok, but had grown slightly. It was then that we had no other choice. In November, we did the surgery to remove his remaining eye.

I'm so ecstatic to say that he has adapted very well to



Smoke 'Em All The Sightless (cont.)

Submitted by Britney Swenson, Corral 88

his new life. I hope this gives hope to horse owners facing partial or full blindness in their horses. With the right training, these animals can still live a fulfilled life.

In January, only a month out of surgery, I started riding him again. Even though he's finding his balance under saddle, I can help direct his body. He relies on me telling him where to go and what to do.

We entered our first gymkana sightless in January. Oh, how sweet that was. He cantered for only the second time at that show. On November 19, 2023, we broke and set an unofficial new Guinness World

record for 'The fastest time on a blind horse to weave 5 poles'. (We are waiting for the record to be verified.)

He continues to amaze me. I'm gonna help him do the things he loves as much as I can! Watch out for us at local events. Hopefully some far away as well. :) He has a heart of gold and a soul on fire.

Britney is a member of ETI Corral 88. Seh attended the second buckle obstacle challenge on December 2, 2023 for ETI 88 at Coulter Performance Horses. They won the advanced division.





New Year's Resolutions for Horsekeepers

Equus (Updated: Dec 1, 2020; Original: Jan 20, 2012)

Kick off the New Year by putting your good intentions into practice and resolving to make changes around the barn that you've been putting off.

It's practically a tradition to break New Year's resolutions. How many of us have actually lost those 10 pounds, cut out caffeine or organized our closets despite the declarations we made when hanging the new calendar? Rather than going through the motions again this year, consider using the fresh start of January 1 to make resolutions that focus on your horsekeeping habits instead.

Of course, it's not like you're a bad equine caretaker now. In fact, if you're reading this, you're probably quite conscientious. But chances are you've thought of making at least one or two management changes that you just haven't gotten around to. These are the things you know will help make your horse healthier and happier but, for whatever reason, you just haven't done yet. Well, now's the time.

To help you get your list started, we've put together a few horse-related New Year's resolutions to consider, along with some practical advice for implementing them over the long term. Resolving to do them all would probably be too much to take on, but pick a few that seem the most manageable and will have the greatest benefit to your horse and situation.



Increasing your horse's turnout time is one of the most important things you can do to improve his physical and mental health.

1. Increase your horse's turnout time

You've no doubt heard this advice a hundred times, and with good reason: Horses on full turnout are naturally more fit, colic less, have fewer respiratory issues,

grow stronger hooves and tend to be less "flighty" when ridden. Given all of those benefits, why wouldn't you turn your horse out 24/7? Because the reality of walking out in the darkness of a rainy winter evening to fetch a wet horse you have to clean up before you ride is pretty miserable, that's why.

Fortunately, your horse can benefit from even a few extra hours of turnout each day. So resolve to increase your horse's turnout time by any amount you can. Small management modifications can help you keep that pledge:

- Consider building a small "holding" paddock close to the barn, where you can turn your horse out for a few hours even when you know you'll need him close by later on.
- Establish a smaller "catch pen" at the entrance to your larger field. Always feed and water your horse in this area and you can just shut the gate after a meal to keep him there until you ride him later.
- If grooming a wet horse is your biggest turnoff, look into lightweight turnout blankets and rain sheets that can cut down on the mud you'll have to contend with when you bring in your horse.

And remember that pasture living isn't an all-or-nothing proposition. If you know you won't be riding your stall-kept horse for a few days, leave him out in the pasture during that time. If he's got an adequate winter coat, companionship, a source of forage, water and shelter from the wind, he'll do just fine. When you're riding again regularly, you can go back to the regular stall routine. Even small increases in turnout will yield positive results, and as your horse's health improves and you spend less time cleaning stalls, you'll find that your incentives to keep him outdoors will outweigh the hassles. In fact, this will probably end up being one of the easier resolutions to keep.

2. Maintain your horse at a healthy weight

Equine obesity is now epidemic. Recent research from England showed that about 54 percent of horses there were dangerously overweight, but their owners did not recognize the problem. The researchers say they'd expect to find similar



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results in this country. Some owners, it seems, don't have an "eye" for weight or are in denial about how overweight their horses really are.



A horse who is overweight is at a higher risk of any number of diseases and conditions.

Extra pounds carry a high price. Horses who are overweight are more prone to joint disease, metabolic conditions and potentially deadly laminitis. The problem is compounded by the fact that many breeds of horses, and nearly all ponies, are genetically predisposed to obesity, probably due in part to a so-called "thrifty gene" that allows them to survive on minimal forage. These are the horses who can "live on air" but we end up giving a scoop of grain twice a day anyway because we don't want to leave them out at feeding time.

Making the resolution to keep your horse's weight under control will require adjusting your own perceptions as well as your horse's lifestyle. The first step is to review the Henneke Body Condition Score (BCS) System and determine for yourself what your horse's score is. If you're unsure, ask a knowledgeable friend or, better yet, your veterinarian for an unbiased assessment.

If your horse needs to lose weight, work with your veterinarian to determine how many calories he actually needs and adjust his diet accordingly. Be prepared to cut back on his ration dramatically or switch to a lower-calorie feed. You'll also want to look into using a grazing muzzle during turnout in the spring and fall and potentially year-round if your horse is susceptible to laminitis. Yes, a muzzled horse can look sad, but not nearly as sad as one who has foundered.

Diet changes probably won't be enough to slim down an extremely fat horse, so you'll also need to increase his exercise. More turnout with an active herd is a great start, but it won't be as effective as under-saddle workouts four or more days a week. Again, consult with your veterinarian to map out a progressive conditioning/weight loss exercise regimen for your horse. If you can't ride as often as necessary, consider half-leasing your horse to a trusted rider or just sharing him with friend looking for a regular mount.

3. Modernize your deworming plan

This is a resolution that benefits not only your horse but, ultimately, all of horsekind. It's a two-pronged approach, the first being to address your use of chemical dewormers and the second to improve your manure management practices to control parasites.

That internal parasites can develop resistance to chemical dewormers isn't a distant possibility---it's a scientifically proven reality. Resistance develops over several generations of parasites, when the ones that survive treatment are the only ones left to reproduce. Eventually, the parasites that remain on a farm are genetically selected to resist the chemicals (anthelmintics) used to control them. Experts warn that eventually we may have no effective anthelmintics for certain parasites, a devastating reality that sheep breeders are already facing.



Anthelmintic resistance is, in some respects, inevitable, but indiscriminate and overzealous use of dewormers greatly hastens the process. Deworming your horse based on the calendar alone is an outdated and harmful



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habit. Instead, resolve to work with your veterinarian to develop a deworming program tailored for your property and the individual horses on it.

Keeping this resolution will require some work and investment. You'll need to consult with your veterinarian and collect fecal samples for testing. Then you'll have to craft a master deworming strategy specifically for your situation. In the end, you'll likely find that you'll be able to deworm your horses less often, and perhaps some of your horses will never need to be dewormed at all. It's a nice bonus when doing right by your horse saves you money.

The second phase of this resolution involves managing your manure, specifically in pastures, to decrease the amount of parasite larvae your horses pick up as they graze. Spreading manure on pastures or dragging piles already there is a legitimate manure-management method, but if you're doing either when environmental conditions favor egg hatching and larvae growth, you're just seeding your pasture with parasites.

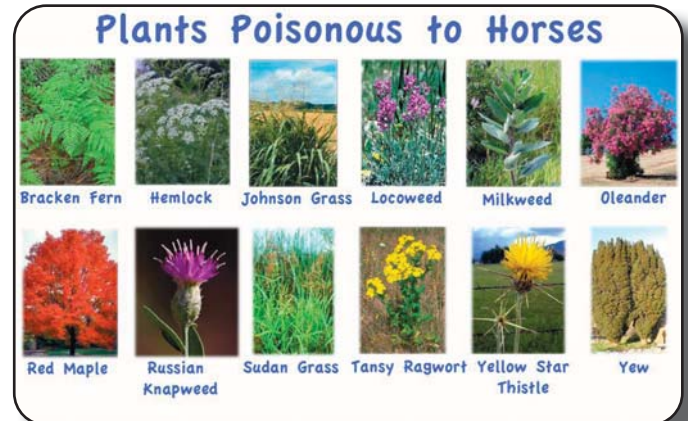
In general, spreading or dragging manure in hot (90 degrees Fahrenheit or higher), dry weather is safest, as the larvae will quickly be killed in the sun. Larvae are less likely to be killed in very cold weather, but prolonged periods of below-freezing temperatures can keep some larvae from maturing to the point they are infective. The worst time to spread and drag manure is in moderate (between 45 and 90 degrees Fahrenheit) temperatures, particularly after a rain. As appealing as outdoor work may seem in those conditions, resist the urge to hitch up the spreader. Instead, pick up piles in the fields and compost your manure to be spread only after it is thoroughly "cooked."

4. Learn about toxic plants in your area

It's a sad fact that the horse owners who know the most about the toxic plants in their area have usually learned the hard way. We all know that certain species are harmful to horses, but we don't often take the time to inspect our properties for them until a horse is sick and we are looking for the reason why.

Although most horses won't eat toxic plants unless their pasture has been stripped of all other

options, some are curious enough to nibble on anything just to see if it tastes good. And it takes only a mouthful of certain plants to kill a horse.



Your local extension agent is a great resource for learning about toxic plants. You can find one through your nearest land-grant university. Many have regular educational programs specifically on the topic of toxic plants, and some will travel to your farm and take a look around for you. If you can't find an expert, do some online research or head to the library for resources on the toxic plants in your area. When you walk around your property, bring color pictures to refer to. As you look, remember that horses reach through and over fence lines. If you're unsure about a plant, take a sample and consult with your veterinarian or even a local nursery for a positive identification.

Ideally, you could remove all toxic plants from your property, roots and all. If that's not possible, at a minimum fence horses far away from dangerous plants and then be vigilant to ensure clippings or branches don't come into their reach. You'll also want to use your newfound knowledge when you trail ride or travel to events---toxic plants can crop up anywhere.

5. Keep regular farrier appointments

If your horse is blessed with good feet, it's easy to slack off on farrier appointments. And waiting "one more" week to schedule a trim or reset typically won't adversely affect most horses. But when "one more" becomes two or three and it happens a few times a year, cracks, flares and imbalances can develop in any hoof.

Problems that take only a few weeks to develop in a hoof



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can take a few months to correct. Considering it takes nearly a year for a hoof to grow out from the coronary band to ground level, a crack that extends "only" two inches up from the toe could take six months to resolve. And hoof imbalances---toes grown too long or one wall higher than the other, for instance---don't just look funny, they alter the way a horse bears the load of each step and can stress his muscles, joints and tendons. A delayed farrier visit could eventually lead to a much more expensive veterinary visit and long lay-up as a lameness issue is addressed.



An easy first step to keeping your farrier appointments is to schedule them all at once, for the entire year. Most farriers will be happy to line up a regular schedule. Fill in your calendar and then adjust specific days as needed if other issues arise. If you board at a large barn, your farrier will probably be coming out on a regular basis anyway, which makes scheduling much easier. If you have only a few horses on your own property, it can also help to coordinate with other owners in your area who use the same farrier---by making your appointments on the same day, you'll have more incentive to stay on schedule. You can also help each other out by holding horses for shoeing, if necessary. Your farrier will be a great resource for coordinating schedules with other horse owners nearby.

6. Feed more forage

We all know that good-quality hay is the foundation of a healthy diet for your horse. Nutritionists recommend that a horse's diet be at least 2 percent roughage, by weight, which means a 1,100-pound horse needs at least 22 pounds of hay, a little more than half of a typical small square bale every day.

Hay keeps a horse's digestive system working properly, controls his weight when it's given instead of high-calorie concentrates, keeps him warm in winter by stoking his metabolism and gives him something to do with his time, reducing the risk he will develop stereotypies or behavior problems. Not to mention it only makes sense to base your horse's diet on something he naturally evolved to eat.

This is also, in theory, a pretty easy horsekeeping resolution to make and keep. Simply increase the amount of hay you give your horse, right? Not necessarily. Large amounts of hay tossed into a paddock or stall can go uneaten or be ground into the dirt under hooves. It's a waste of nutrients and money. To make this resolution a lasting management change, you'll need to make sure you're feeding more hay in a way it's most likely to be eaten.

First, make sure you're buying good-quality hay. This doesn't mean it has to be packed with nutrients. In fact, if your horse is overweight, a less nutrient-rich forage (combined with a vitamin and mineral supplement, if necessary) is a wise choice. But the hay must be dust-free and fairly leafy. Coarse, stemmy hay won't be eaten, and moldy hay can cause respiratory problems. Take a critical look at the hay you've been feeding and start shopping around for alternative supplies if the quality isn't all it could be.



Horses can still waste tasty hay, particularly if a large amount is tossed loose onto a stall floor. If you end up picking up hay as you muck, you could try to figure out a way to deliver small amounts more frequently, but returning to the barn mid-afternoon to throw hay doesn't always mesh



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well with work schedules. Instead, look into slow-feeders, which not only keep hay off the ground---often while still encouraging a natural heads-down grazing position---but force horses to eat it at a more leisurely pace, mimicking natural grazing patterns.

There are situations in which it's just impossible to feed more hay. It could be a supply or storage problem, or an older horse whose teeth are too worn down to chew forage. In these cases, you can supply the needed roughage in other forms. Alfalfa pellets and complete feeds, for example, can provide the same amount of forage as traditional hay. They

don't always provide the "chew time" that a flake will, but in some situations these alternatives are an ideal solution to hay problems.

There's nothing magical about January 1 that makes change any easier, but it's as good a milestone as any for giving it a try. If you've been toying with the idea of adjusting your horsekeeping habits, why not focus on those instead of the same old resolutions. Then, when your horse is happier and healthier than he was last year, you can enjoy your second cup of coffee and messy closets with a clear conscience.



What New Years Resolution do you wish your horse would make?

- 1. I will not search all humans for peppermints.*
- 2. I will not dig holes when tied.*
- 3. I will not pretend I'm a cutting horse with my pasture mates.*
- 4. I will not untie myself when tied.*
- 5. I will not use my poop as a pillow.*

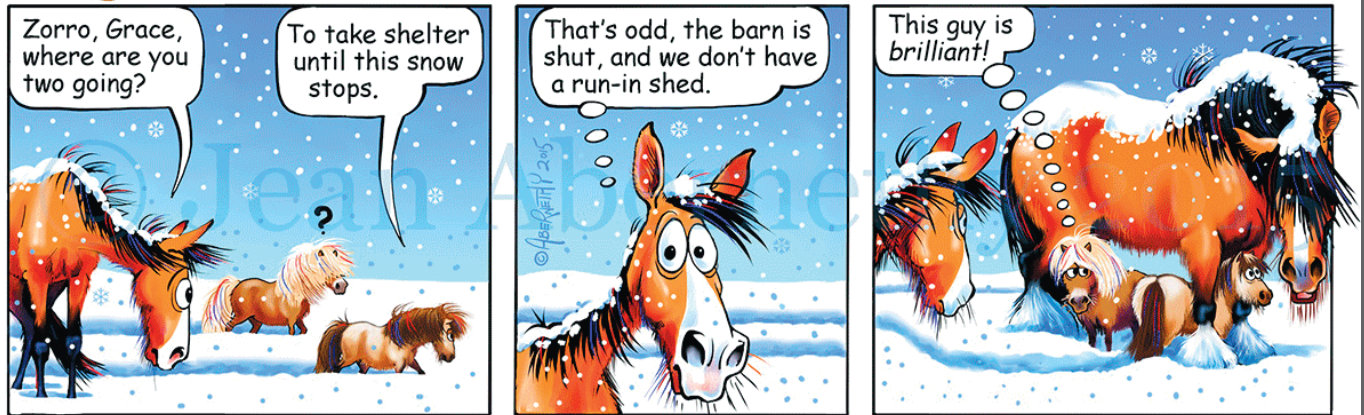
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Comedy Corner

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Trail Rider Award Program T. R. A. P.



It's TRAP! What is "TRAP" you ask?
TRAP is ETI's Trail Rider Award Program!



What does it do?
A heck of a lot more than it sounds!

If you have any questions about the TRAP Program, call TRAP Chairperson Carol Elliott, (760) 963-8209. All completed logs and CHECKS should be sent to Carol Elliott: 6990 Ord View Rd; Apple Valley Ca 92308. happy2appy@yahoo.com

All your TRAP dues of \$6.00 are due in January.

ETI TRAP keeps computerized logs on how many hours members are riding and where.

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.

When a Corral calls ETI TRAP and identifies a specific problem area, TRAP not only provides them with actual riding statistics of usage, but TRAP members are notified to increase usage and support in that particular area.

Documentation from 'trail logs' turned in by TRAP members are proof that trails are being used by equestrians.

ETI TRAP acknowledges hours in the saddle with shoulder patches and pins that can be attached almost anywhere.

Lest we offend the "cart" people, TRAP also counts those non-arena hours of driving time spent on the trails.

How much does all this cost? It's cheap!!! 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 (about the size of a police patch), and your log sheets. As you hit the hour goals (100, 200, 500, etc.), additional patches will be sent to you. When you reach the higher levels, your hours will be acknowledged with pins instead of patches.

Why should the Show people get all the awards?



TRAIL RIDER AWARD Program application



Name _____ Corral # _____

Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip _____ Phone(_____) _____ Email _____

New \$12. _____ Renew \$6. _____ ALL DUE January 1 or NOW

Send with Check, Money Order or Credit Card info _____

NEW Mail to: Carol Elliott, ETI TRAP; 6990 Ord View Rd; Apple Valley CA, 92308



CORRAL NEWS

Bonelli MAU

Mounted Assistance Unit
Pres: Paul Maselbas
(626) 419-6390

Walnut Creek MAU

Mounted Assistance Unit
Pres: Sheri Harder
(310) 502-8375

Whittier Narrows MAU

Mounted Assistance Unit
Pres. Joe Uribes
josephiuribes@yahoo.com

Corral 2

Pasadena/San Gabriel/Altadena
Pres. Ann Regan
(818) 321-6931



Corral 3

Walnut Creek
Pres. Sheri Harder
(909) 354-1613



Corral 10

Lakeview Terrace
Pres. Jeanne Mather
(805) 208-7372



The first board meeting for 2024 will be Monday, January 8. The All-Member meeting will be Friday, January 12, 2024. We look forward to seeing people at our Obstacle Event on February 3. Information is available on our website: eticorral10.wixsite.com/my-site/

Gabrielle Dagan-Winstead

Corral 12

Sylmar Vista Del Valle
Pres. Patty Hug
(818) 367-2056



Corral 14

Western Wagons Mojave
Pres. Jeanette Hayhurst
(769) 953-8520



Corral 20

Shadow Hills Rough Riders
Pres. Cheri Ovayan
(818) 335-2884



Corral 22

Intervalley Trail Riders
Pres. Kathleen Smart
(626) 590-6792
www.corral22.com



On December 17, 24 riders and 13 guests celebrated the 55th Annual Christmas Ride at Griffith Park. The weather was 79 degrees and absolutely gorgeous! Trail boss, Paul Jacques, led the group through the hills of Griffith Park overlooking spectacular views of the city. The cook crew were ready for us at the lunch stop in Crystal Park. We had Walt's juicy burgers, Tina's potato salad, and Jimmy's brownies. Thank you to our fabulous cooks/cook crew: Walt Conner, Jim Renze, Patty Hug, Patty Munson, Tina Pollard, Susy Martin, Becky George and Tom Smart. We had great representation from several Corrals. The award for best costume went to Katharine Ferrell (Corral 86) and Charlene Lewis (Corral 86). Aleta Bird (Corral 22) was recognized as the Oldest Rider. Tom Hill (Corral 12) won the poker hand with a full house! Jeanne Mather (Corral 10) won the 50/50 drawing. Thank you to Paul Jacques and everyone that joined to commemorate the legacy of such a wonderful ride!





We have some exciting rides for 2024:

- 1/19-21 Camp out at Caspers Wilderness Park
- 2/24 Bert Bonnett/Doc Larsen Chili Ride
- 3/2 Day trip to visit Oak Creek Wild Horses

For more information, please visit us at www.corral22.com.

Kathleen Smart



**Corral 35**

Oak Canyon Riding Club
Glendora
Pres. Dottie Hilliard
(626) 335-7112



Diane Bubier was third.

On November 17, we headed off into the Mohave Desert for our first ever Tonka Town Ride. Members of Corral 38 and Corral 103 joined us in our adventure. We would like to thank Ron and Lois for allowing us to stage at their cute little place.

**Corral 36**

Mountain Ridge Riders
Agoura/Calabasas/Malibu/Monte Nidov
Pres. Kimberly Gustafson
calkimbur@gmail.com
www.eticorral36.com

**Corral 37**

Conejo Riders
Thousand Oaks
Pres. Sharyn Henry
(805) 795-6493
www.eticorral37.org

**Corral 38**

Griffith Park Equestrians
Burbank/Glendale
Pres. Diana Hoch
(818) 841-6422
www.corral38eti.com

**Corral 43**

Tri Valley Riders
Nuevo/Riverside/Norco/Hemet
Pres. Khara Dizmon
(951) 212-6069

**Corral 54**

Rocky Hill Riders
Chatsworth
Pres. Carey Wendler
careywendler@yahoo.com

**Corral 65**

Kern Equestrian Riders
Bakersfield
Pres. Helen Ordway
(661) 706-3042

**Corral 66**

Route 66 Riders
Barstow/Newberry Springs
Pres. Jamie Rees
(760) 953-7235



Our next ride is at the Bredelis Ranch on January 20, 2024. Sign ups will start at 9am, and we ride at 10am. Bring a sack lunch and a chair. Sodas and water will be provided. For more information, please contact Jamie Rees at (760) 953-7235.

Jamie Rees/President, Corral 66
rocknhorse99@msn.com

On December 12, we held our annual Christmas party at the Bredelis Ranch. The food was delicious, as always. Sheri Devouassoux took high point, Jean Bredelis was second and



Corral 83

Tehachapi Mountain Riders
Tehachapi
Pres. Renee Baust
(661) 822-9404

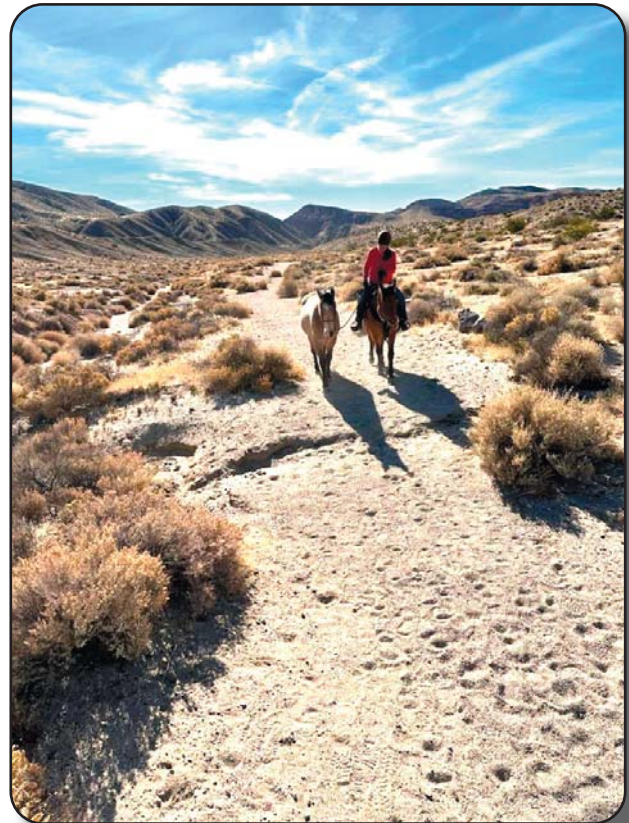


Happy New Year, fellow equestrians. Looking forward to another great year of trail riding in 2024.

Corral 83 ended our year of fun equestrian activity riding locally and out of town. Three Corral 83 members went to Red Rock Canyon State Park and rode to Nightmare Gulch which remains blocked by a sizeable chunk of the wall that came down more than a decade ago. Over the years, rain, snow and wind-blown sand have worked on dissolving the blockage, but it's still not quite broken down enough to safely pass by. It still makes for a very nice in and out ride if you have never seen the inside of Nightmare Gulch. You can hike in or ride in on horseback after passing through a wooden box equestrian gate designed to keep wheeled vehicles out. Some roads in the park remain closed as they were completely washed away during the land fall of Hurricane Hillary in August. There is at least one road open enough for vehicles to drive in as far as the equestrian gate on Iron Canyon Road. This road is not suitable for two WD or vehicles towing a trailer. Park at the Red Cliffs, if you plan to ride into the Gulch.



Our ride into Nightmare Gulch lasted about 2 ½ hours at a walk. I'd call it a slow walk for my 25-year-old mustang. Carol Knipp captured a photo or two. The ride starts out as a very friendly sandy loam for the first 30 minutes, then it transitions into incredibly rocky, deep sand, riverbed footing and remains as such until riders return to this point in the ride. In a nutshell, most of the ride was on a rocky riverbed. Carol used renegade boots on her 25-year-old mare, Sheila's horse is shod, and I rode Dolly, who is barefoot.



The second event Corral 83 members participated in was the Bear Valley Springs Christmas Parade ride in BVS...Followed by a cookie exchange that was a fundraiser for a local horse rescue, Tehachapi Valley Horse Rescue (TVHR).



Which reminds me...I wanted to share that two corral members have recently acquired new mounts from TVHR.



In October, Irene W. began fostering a lovely senior Missouri Fox trotter mare. Irene seems smitten, so I predict this will be a failed foster arrangement and permanent placement... Which would be just perfect. Also, in October, Corral 83 immediate past president, now current VP of our corral, Carolyn M acquired a beautiful red and white pinto gelding from TVHR. She is tinkering with the idea of a DNA test to see what the genetic heritage of this horse reveals.



Carolyn &
Koda

Back to the Christmas Parade ride in BVS. Susan M. invited Corral 83 members to join in with other local riding clubs to dress up for Christmas and parade around local streets of BVS then enjoy cookies after the ride. The proceeds from the cookie exchange benefitted a local rescue founded by and currently administrated by Amanda Hanson. She expressed her gratitude for our corrals participation and shared some photos of the parade. Amanda always has plenty of mouths to feed and lovely horses available for adoption.



Irene W
Cookie baker

Corral 83 plans to start the 2024 riding events with a trip to the desert. With the rains anticipated in the coming days, our local trails will likely be closed. The desert seems to be able to soak up a lot more moisture before any changes in the footing. We may ride Red Rock again or California City generally followed by lunch at Gloria's Mexican Restaurant. January rides, like most of our rides, are weather and road conditions dependent. Many club members live well above the 'snow' line and often find their rigs stuck in snow and ice. Further, we always need to check with Cal Trans District 9 for current road conditions. High winds and truck tipping over could close the roads. Not to mention less than pleasant conditions for riding in the high winds.

Friday, January 12, Corral 83 plans to ride in the desert. Doris Lora is the ride leader. Please call for more information about the trail conditions, staging, etc. at (661) 333-7797.

Doris Lora

Corral 86

Vasquez Vaqueros
Agua Dulce/Canyon Country/Acton
Pres. Shirlee Kurtz
(805) 573-6406



Corral 88

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



Corral 101

Route 101 Horse Show Circuit
Lake View Terrace
Pres. Dawn Surprenant
(661) 433-9069
www.route101horseshow.com



Corral 103

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



The Corral 103 Christmas Party and Potluck was a small group, but we ate very well. A big thank you to Mary Teran for allowing us to invade her home. We had good food, good company and watched the National Finals Rodeo. It was a very nice day.

I'm looking forward to the coming year. We have some nice rides planned. I hope to see you at our meeting or on the rides. If you have somewhere that you would like



to ride, please let myself or someone on the board know. It can be a simple no frills get together and ride.

Dawn Walker

Corral 118

Simi Valley
Pres. Shari Valdivia
(805) 231-9466
www.eti118.com



Corral 138

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



Christina Marquez led our Christmas toy ride in Acton. Most of the riders stayed for lunch at LaCabana. Ben Share dropped off the toys at the fire Dept.

2019 "What Do I Do with My Horse, Cat, Dog, Child, Gerbil in Fire, Flood, and/or Earthquake?"

Are your animals MICROCHIPPED? FIRE SEASON never disappears here in Southern California! MICROCHIPS - A 'must have item' if you must evacuate your property, and you want to get your animal(s) safely back home again. So easy to get through your veterinarian.

Hopefully you still have your copy of this booklet! If you cannot find your copy, you may download this booklet FREE at www.etinational.com, look for Forms & Documents. For information, contact Stephanie Abronson (818) 222 PONY; Stephanie@abronson.com.

ALWAYS BE PREPARED FOR FIRES!

THIS SEASON -- When you drive past the Fire Dept. Forestry Unit on Las Virgenes Rd. and notice that the warning sign says "HIGH FIRE DANGER", take special notice!! We are at risk! Our children are at risk! Our animals are at risk! Our homes are at risk! BE PREPARED!! Get out your copy of: "What Do I Do with My Horse, Cat, Dog, Child, Gerbil in Fire, Flood, and/or Earthquake?"



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

Our calendar is very tentative. Last year almost half of our rides were postponed due to weather. This year already we've found a lot of damage to the trails. Placerita is still working on removing fallen trees. Some areas will be forever changed or gone.

Possibly, maybe, we are going to do another Trail Trial in May if we can get enough volunteers. It will be combined with Corral 86 and held at Shanda's Mountain Trail course in Agua Dulce. Many of you did her Trail Challenges in April or June or September or helped judge. It's a fabulous trail. We'll use part of it and go off the property for part of the Trail Trial. This one will be a little different again. Everyone will need to pre-enter and be ready to ride at 10:00. The course will start in three different directions so there will be very little waiting, and we'll all be done around noon. Judges will not be waiting for that last rider to finally show up.

Kimberly Dwight

Corral 210

Sunland Riders
Sunland/Gibson Ranch
Pres. Jeanette Provolt
(818) 472-6537



Corral 357

Saddleback Canyon Riders
Trabuco Canyon/Orange County
Pres. Kristen Holden
(949) 444-1990
www.saddlebackcanyonriders.cv







WAIVER & RELEASE
FOR EQUESTRIAN TRAILS, INC., ACTIVITIES
This Is A Waiver of Your Legal Rights, And An Agreement Not To Sue
Serious Injury Or Death May Result From Riding Or Being Near Horses

1. **Participant's Name** (print): _____
Address: _____ **City:** _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____
Telephone: (____) _____ **Email:** _____ **ETI Member** ____ **If Yes, Corral #:** ____

2. **Liability Release.**

In consideration for Equestrian Trails, Inc. ("ETI") allowing me or my child to voluntarily participate in its activities, I agree as follows:

- a. This agreement, waiver and release applies to ETI and to ETI's affiliated Corrals, committees, employees, predecessors, successors, attorneys, insurers, members and volunteers who are working in the course and scope of their duties on behalf of ETI, including its affiliated Corrals, at the time of occurrence of any act or omission which is later alleged to be a cause or contribution to a claim for injury, damages or death ("Released Parties");
- b. I forever release, hold harmless and indemnify Released Parties from liability for any and all claims, demands, causes of action, damages, injuries or death to me, my minor children, my horse and my property, and legal liability of every nature, including the negligent acts or omissions of any Released Parties, whether known or unknown, anticipated or unanticipated, direct or indirect, arising out of participation in the past, present or future ETI activities (including equestrian activities, such as the riding, use of, or being near, horses, whether at an arena, stable or on a trail ride in association with ETI) and I assume all risks of injury or death as set forth in this release;
- c. I shall not bring any lawsuit, action or proceeding against any Released Parties, even if they engage in negligent conduct; and
- d. I make this agreement, waiver and release for and on behalf of myself, my spouse, my child and/or ward, heirs, administrators, successors, representatives and assigns.

3. **Activity Risk.**

I understand that some ETI activities take place in isolated or wilderness areas over rough terrain, and/or trails of unknown condition and others take place on land or in facilities owned and managed by others from whom such land or facilities are borrowed or rented. I understand that the organizers, workers and members involved in ETI activities are not professionals in the horse industry, or in the planning or conducting of trips or camping events, or in other areas of expertise involved in ETI activities. I also understand that horseback riding is a rugged adventure, recreational sport activity. I am aware that there are numerous obvious and non-obvious inherent risks of serious injury or death, or property damage, to me or my horse, which are always present in ETI activities, on or near horses. I understand that pregnant women are specifically advised not to ride horses. I understand that ETI is a non-profit club of private individuals who have come together to support and enjoy recreation-oriented activities.

4. **Nature of Horses.**

I understand that no horse is completely safe, and the Released Parties make no representations or guarantees regarding the safety, training or suitability of any horse. Horses are 5 to 15 times larger, 20 to 40 times more powerful, and 3 to 4 times faster than a human. If I fall from a horse to the ground, it will generally be at a distance of 4 to 6 feet, and the impact will injure me. A horse may divert from its training and act according to its natural survival instincts and may abruptly change directions or speed, trip, slip, fall, stop short, shift its weight, buck, rear, kick, bite, spook, or run from what it perceives to be danger if it is frightened or provoked, or for no reason whatsoever.

5. **Conditions of Nature & Locations.**

I agree that the Released Parties are not responsible for acts, occurrences or elements of nature or a particular location that can injure a person or scare a horse, cause it to trip, fall or react in some other manner. These elements include thunder, lightning, rain, wind, wild and domestic animals, insects, other people and horses, and reptiles which may walk, run, fly near, bite and/or sting a horse or person, irregular footing on groomed or wild land which is subject to constant change according to weather, temperature, natural and manmade objects. The Released Parties have not inspected, and make no representations or warranties concerning the safety or condition of, any trail, camping site, arena and/or other location of ETI events.

**6. Helmet Warning.**

I am aware that protective head gear which meets or exceeds the quality standards of the SEI certified and ASTM standard F1163 equestrian helmet, should be purchased and worn by me and/or my child while riding and being near horses, and the wearing of such helmet may reduce the severity of some head injuries and may prevent my serious injury or death as a result of a fall or other occurrence. If I or my minor child do not wear a helmet, it is because we so choose.

I HAVE READ, UNDERSTOOD AND VOLUNTARILY AGREE TO THIS TWO-PAGE WAIVER & RELEASE. I FURTHER AGREE THAT NO ORAL STATEMENTS, REPRESENTATIONS OR INDUCEMENTS APART FROM THIS WRITTEN AGREEMENT HAVE BEEN MADE TO ME TO OBTAIN MY CONSENT.

Dated: _____

Participant's Signature: _____

(Printed Name)

IF PARTICIPANT IS UNDER 18, SIGNATURE OF AGREEMENT BY PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN IS ALSO REQUIRED, AND SUCH PERSON FURTHER AGREES, PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH 2, ABOVE, TO RELEASE AND INDEMNIFY THE RELEASED PARTIES FOR ANY INJURY OR DEATH TO, OR ANY CLAIM BY OR ON BEHALF OF, SUCH MINOR:

Minor's Birth Date: _____

Dated: _____

Signature: _____

Relationship to Minor: _____

(Printed Name of Signor)

ETI Witness (print name): _____ Corral # _____

Description of Event Where Signed: _____



Your Equine Disaster Kit

- ☐ Leads, Halters, Shanks
- ☐ 3 Day Supply of Feed/Meds
- ☐ Buckets for Feed/Water
- ☐ Contact List/ ID Photos
- ☐ Portable Radio with Batteries
- ☐ Flashlights
- ☐ 1st Aid Kit
- ☐ Leg Wraps
- ☐ Blanket or Sheet
- ☐ Hoof Pick
- ☐ Tarps
- ☐ Shovel
- ☐ Sharp Knife
- ☐ Wire Cutters
- ☐ Water Hose
- ☐ Duct Tape

Take the time to Develop an Emergency Plan Today!

Horse owners are much more likely to evacuate early when they have:

- 1) An Emergency Plan
- 2) Available supplies
- 3) A pre-arranged destination where they feel familiar & comfortable.

Emergency Contact Numbers

Your Local Animal Control

Your Veterinarian

Your Sheltering Site

Your Family and Out-Of-Area Contacts

Would you like more information?
A FREE comprehensive emergency response booklet is only a mouse-click away!

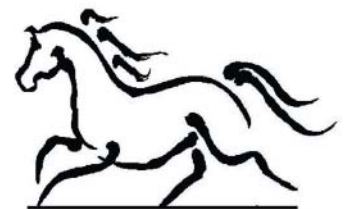
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Los Angeles County Department
of Animal Care and Control



Are You
and Your Horses
Prepared for an
Emergency Event?



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YOU ARE THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN PLAN TO KEEP YOUR HORSES SAFE!

10 Things You Can Do NOW To Prepare Your Horses for an Emergency Event

Living and owning horses in Southern California has its special challenges, particularly where emergency preparedness is concerned. It is every horse owner's responsibility to have an Emergency Plan in place. This includes making arrangements to evacuate or preparing an area where horses can remain safe during an emergency event.

EVACUATE EARLY! It is vital for horses to be evacuated early from threatened areas so horse trailers do not interfere with emergency response vehicles.

If Your Horse is Not Trained to load into a trailer, or will not load easily or safely, you must work in advance to make your horses' area as safe as possible to Shelter in Place. Check with the Fire Department for clearance regulations

BETTER YET -

Train Your Horses To Trailer, and have a working trailer available during fire season!

DO NOT TURN YOUR HORSES LOOSE!!

Although your instinct may be to let your animals loose in the event of a wildland fire, your animals are safer in their corrals.

Loose horses can pose a life threatening danger to themselves, the public and to emergency responders.

1. Plan NOW for Emergency Sheltering for Your Horses. Many designated sheltering sites may become overcrowded. Make plans now to house your horses with friends, at a commercial stable or other suitable sites out of the danger area. Discuss your plans with everyone in your family and keep the address and driving directions in your emergency kit.

2. Become Involved With (or Start) A Neighborhood Network During a disaster we will all need to help each other. Neighbors can work together to help the horse owners on their street who do not have a horse trailer.

3. Make A List of Emergency Contacts



Use the space provided on this brochure, use several and keep copies in your car or trailer as well as in your house.

4. Take Photographs and prepare a written description of each horse. Put one set in a safe place and another set in your emergency kit.

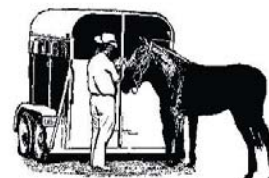
5. Have a Halter & Rope for Each Horse Make sure halters are marked/engraved with your contact information or you can write the information on a piece of duct tape and stick it on the halter. If your horse has medical issues or special needs, record this information on a luggage tag and attach it to the halter.

6. Microchip your horses. This is an easy, inexpensive way to help identify all of your animals.

7. Have a 3 Day Supply of Feed and Water (per Horse) This is particularly important if you plan to shelter in place, but you should also bring feed (and buckets!) if you evacuate. Make sure to include any medications your horse may need. Label ALL of your equipment.

8. Teach Your Horses How to Trailer Spend time loading and unloading your horses so they are safe and willing to load.

9. Keep Trucks, Trailers & Vans Well-Maintained and Ready to Move Keep your gas tank full, particularly during Red Flag Warning days. Continue working with your horses until you are confident they will load.



10. Make a Disaster Preparedness Kit Store non-perishable supplies in a portable container such as a clean trash can, bucket or canvas duffle bag.



Biological Controls - *Nature's Way*

Encourage the use of swallows, bats and other insect eating animals on your residence. For more information, call: 1 (800) 974-9794

Chemical Controls - *Your Least Resort*

Use these least-toxic products:

- Pyrethrin-based insecticides
- Dehydrating dusts (e.g. silica gel)
- Insecticidal soaps
- Horticultural oils

Pesticide Disposal



Rinse empty pesticide containers and treat the rinse water as you would the product. Dispose of empty containers in the trash.

City of Los Angeles residents should dispose of unused household toxics at a HazMobile instead of into the sink. Call 1 (800) 98-TOXIC (8-6942) for the location nearest you.

Dumping toxics into the street, gutter or storm drain is illegal!

Residents outside the City of Los Angeles can call the reference numbers listed in this pamphlet to learn more about the proper disposal of household toxics.



Spill Response Agencies

City of Los Angeles
Department of Public Works, Bureau of Engineering
Stormwater Management Division
1 (800) 974-9794

City of Los Angeles
Police Department, Hazardous Materials Unit
(213) 237-2793 or (213) 485-4011
Los Angeles Fire Department
Health/Hazardous Materials Program
City: (213) 485-6185 County: (213) 890-4045

Recycling & Hazardous Waste Disposal

City of Los Angeles
Small Business Hazardous Waste Hotline
(800) 98-TOXIC / 988-6942

Solid Resources Citywide Recycling Division
(213) 847-1444

Los Angeles County
Department of Public Works
Recycling & Household Hazardous Waste Hotline
1 (800) 552-5218

To Report Illegal Dumping

City of Los Angeles
Department of Public Works, Bureau of Engineering
Stormwater Management Division
1 (800) 974-9794

Los Angeles County
Department of Public Works
1 (800) 303-0003

To Report a Clogged Catch Basin

City of Los Angeles
Department of Public Works, Bureau of Engineering
Stormwater Management Division
1 (800) 974-9794

Los Angeles County
Department of Public Works
(818) 458-HELP

*This is one in a series of pamphlets describing storm drain protection measures.
Other pamphlets include:*

- Automotive Maintenance & Car Care
- Food Service Industry
- Fresh Concrete & Mortar Application
- General Construction & Site Supervision
- Heavy Equipment & Earthmoving Activities
- Home Repair & Remodeling
- Landscaping, Gardening & Pest Control
- Painting
- Swimming Pool, Jacuzzi & Fountain Maintenance
- Roadwork & Paving

For more information about storm drain protection or additional pamphlets, call:



1 (800) 974-9794
www.LAstormwater.org

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Stormwater Best Management Practices (BMPs)



Horse Owners & Equine Industry

Safe Environmental Habits and Procedures for:

Boarding Stables
Equestrian Centers
Small Farms
Urban Horse Owners

Stormwater Management Division Department of Public Works



Ocean Pollution Prevention It's Up to Us



Los Angeles has two drainage systems—the sewers and the **storm drains**. The storm drain system was designed to prevent flooding by carrying excess rainwater away from city streets out to the ocean.

Because the system contains no filters, it now serves the *unintended* function of carrying urban pollution straight to the ocean.

This pamphlet tells you how to prevent ocean pollution from "stormwater" or "urban runoff."

Rain, industrial and household water mixed with urban pollutants creates stormwater pollution. The pollutants include: oil and other automotive fluids, paint and construction debris, yard and pet wastes, pesticides and litter.

Urban runoff pollution flows to the ocean through the storm drain system—1,500 miles of pipes that take water and debris straight from Los Angeles streets to the ocean. Each day, 100 million gallons of polluted urban runoff enter the ocean untreated, leaving toxic chemicals in our surf and over 4,300 tons of trash on our beaches annually.

Urban runoff pollution contaminates the ocean, closes beaches, harms aquatic life and increases the risk of inland flooding by clogging gutters and catch basins.

These Best Management Practices (BMPs) will ensure a cleaner ocean and city.

Animal Waste Problems

Animal waste contributes to ocean pollution when it is improperly stored or left uncovered near small streams and storm drains. During rainfall, it is washed into storm drains and flows untreated, directly into the ocean.

Animal waste contains some nutrients—phosphorus and nitrogen—as well as bacteria. The nutrients fertilize the aquatic plants causing their proliferation which depletes oxygen in the water, killing sea life. The high bacteria levels in the water can cause gastrointestinal disorders and other medical problems for swimmers.

Sediment is also a common pollutant washed from pastures and livestock facilities. It creates multiple problems once it enters the ocean. It harms sea life by clogging the gills of fish, blocking light transmission and increasing ocean water temperature.



Solutions

Facilities Design

- Site barns, corrals and other high-use areas on the portion of property that drains away from the nearest creek or stream.
- Install gutters that will divert runoff away from livestock area.
- Design diversion terraces which drain into areas with sufficient vegetation to filter the flow.
- Protect manure storage facilities from rainfall and surface runoff.

Pasture Management

- Confine animals in properly fenced areas except for exercise and grazing time.
- Corrals, stables and barns should be located on higher ground when possible and surrounded by pasture to act as a natural filtration system.
- Utilize fencing to keep horses away from environmentally sensitive areas and protect stream banks from contamination.
- Use manure and soiled bedding sparingly to fertilize pastures and croplands.

Grazing Management

- Establish healthy and vigorous pastures with at least 3 inches of leafy material present.
- Subdivide grazing areas into three or more units of equal size.
- Clip tall weeds and old grass to control weeds and stimulate grass regrowth.
- Rotate animals to clean pasture when grass is grazed down to 3-4 inches.
- Let pasture regrow to 8-10 inches before allowing regrazing.
- Keep animals away from wet fields when possible.
- During heavy rainfall, consider indoor feeding, a practice which keeps more manure under roof and away from runoff.



Collection and Storage

Collect soiled bedding and manure on a daily basis from stalls and paddocks and place in temporary or long-term storage units. Store in sturdy, insect resistant and seepage free units such as:

- Plastic garbage cans with lids.
- Fly-tight wooden or concrete storage sheds.
- Composters.
- Pits or trenches lined with an impermeable layer.



Use and Disposal

- Compost soiled bedding and manure for your own use.
- Give away composted material to local greenhouses, nurseries and botanical parks.
- Transport manure to topsoil companies or composting centers.
- Fertilize pastures, cropland and lawns with manure and soiled bedding. **Do not** apply fertilizer just before or during rainstorms.

Pesticide Alternatives

The "chemicals only" approach to pest control is only a temporary fix. *Integrated Pest Management* is a more common sense approach for a long-term solution. Plan your "IPM" strategy in this order:

Physical Controls

- Pheromone Traps
- Tarps
- Bug Zappers
- Fly-Tight Storage Sheds





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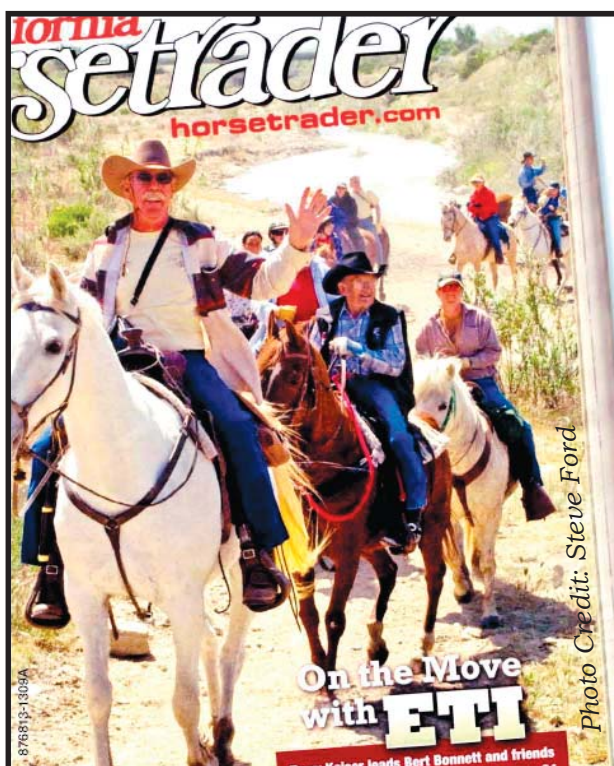


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Basic membership amounts are Family \$50; Senior \$35; Junior \$30.

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Please contact a Corral or send to ETI, P.O. Box 920668, Slymar, CA 91392

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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.

