



Corral News

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

BY RICH GOMEZ

What a Club!

You know it sure is a pleasure bein' your president. When we have events like the annual Trabuco Canyon 4th of July parade and our annual "BBQ and Horseshoe Tournament" it sure makes me doggone happy to be a part of this GREAT corral! Not only did we ride in the parade, everyone looked so sharp, we had great participation and WOW, even



a trophy! Man, I could barely hold the trophy and all the ribbons! A special thanks to everyone for ridin' and smilin' and helpin' and doin'...and you gotta love those hot dogs!



And as you all know, this is our 20th Anniversary year and we were so happy to have TWO past Board members (President and Vice-President) join us at the parade! A big corral howdy-thanks to Ron and Carol for comin' from Tehachapi and Clinton, Arkansas to join us! You made our day!!!



And how about that BBQ, horseshoe "smack-down" and live music? Not a bad way to celebrate our country's birthday!!! Thanks to everyone who made it out...and our thanks to RSM for the fireworks finale that just wouldn't end! They



sure did have some trouble but we sure do appreciate being able to see the fireworks. We're just sorry things didn't work out because of some technical difficulties...dang technical difficulties! That's why we like horses! And speaking of 20th Anniversaries you gotta know that your (Continued on page 2)

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE (CONTINUED)



Board has some great events planned for you as we head into late summer and fall. We've got a PlayDay in September, our BIG

20th Anniversary-Charity-Buckle PlayDay in November and more!!! Stay tuned, come to the meeting at the Cantina in August and September and hear all about it!



So, as always, until we get together next, here's to a great summer, all of partyin' together and ridin' together...see you on the trail.

IMPORTANT DATES

MARK YOUR CALENDAR TODAY (SEE WEBSITE FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION)

Members Meeting: Thursday, August 5th

Board Meeting: Thursday, August 12th

Great Rancho Campout: Saturday, August 7th

Month-End Ride: Saturday, August 28th

Trail
Maintenance Saturday
August 14th



MEMBERSHIP REPORT BY SHEILA SEGIEN

Very Expired (Sorry, Last Newsletter): Fiona Nelson 1/10, Patti Williams 1/10, Leslie Ingham 2/10, Jacqui Moreland 2/10

Expired: Karen Peyser 3/10, Cheryl Segien 4/10, Kim Tillinghast-DeBellis 4/10, Connie Presley 5/10, Beverly Warren 5/10, Chris Richardson 6/10, Schicht Family 6/10, Dave & Susan Seroski 6/10, Kristen Holden 7/10, Prieto Family 7/10, Debi Geary 7/10, Alice Sorenson 7/10

Expiring: *Connie Nelson 8/10, Evelyn Ortega 8/10, Pam Hutchins 8/10*

Annual Dues: Individual \$45; Family \$70 for the first two members, add \$8 for each additional family member.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!!

TRISHA LAIRD & FAMILY



TRAIL BOSS REPORT

BY DEBBIE KELLY (TRAIL BOSS BOSS)

By Debbie Kelly for Jeff Kelly.

As the deadline for a monthly message from the Trail Boss approaches; I find myself with a severe case of writer's block. It's not that it has all been said and I am writing for the sake of writing. I believe it is because there is so much to be said and sometimes the search for words, especially written, to describe the true meaning of equis (one description for the language of horses) is not within reach. It is a state of mind and cannot always be translated into print. Sometimes the time with your horse can only be embraced by him and you; so there are no words. So I did a little web surfing for help. Before we outline the Trail Boss and club activities below, please read the following excerpt from "The Finished Horse-Flash" by Kris Peterson found at www.wild-mustangcoalition.org. (hyperlink- In Honor of Our Mustangs). As being part of a family that includes horses, we know we will likely never see all the attributes outlined here in our own horse. This would truly be the "dream horse". I don't even know what some of this stuff means. But to me, these words truly embrace the wonder of having a horse as a partner. I hope you will enjoy reading it and go to the website for the rest of the story about Flash.

"A finished horse turns when you look in the direction you want him to go. He works on a very light rein, no hesitation or arguments when responding to your request. Rider can move each foot independently and place it wherever she decides

(down to the very inch) so lots of flex edibility, agility, and ability to take direction from the riders weight, reign, or leg. Knows his leads, lead changes, lead departures, will sidepass at a walk, trot, or lope; both directions. Has vertical and lateral flexion in his body. Comes when called, leaves when directed. Stops smooth, straight, and softly at all gaits. Loads in a trailer easily, ground ties anywhere, hours if asked to. Willing to stand tied to a picket line overnight without incident. Feet... easy to trim, patient to stand on three legs as needed. Good with clippers, ear and leg trimming, bathing. Social and polite with other horses and new people. This horse is brave with his feet and his mind is clear about what is new to him. He doesn't run and ask questions later. A horse that would rather be with me than anywhere else".

The August Month End Ride will be Saturday 8/28. We leave the equestrian arena at 9:00 am and ride for about two hours. It's always nice to see old and new faces on the ride. The next bi monthly trail maintenance will be Saturday August 14th at O'Neill Park. This is again a diversion from the first Saturday due to the Pancake Breakfast ETI offers for the Great Rancho Campout. Speaking of pancakes, we could use a hand with this event. We set up on Friday night 8/6 at Trabuco Mesa park and return bright and early Saturday morning 8/7 around 5:30 am. (This is not the time I would choose but those campers get up early and head home at 9:00am). So do we. If you can help please call Debbie Kelly at 459-7191.

A Change in the ETI Magazine Delivery

The bimonthly ETI national magazine, Equestrian Trails, is now available only online. It's very easy to access. One simple click from the ETI home page www.etinational.com where it says EQUESTRIAN TRAILS MAGAZINE NOW ONLINE CLICK HERE. Or go directly to http://www.etinational.com/etj_magazine/ We will have a link available on the ETI 357 web site as well. The current issue is available now.



ETI 357 SUMMER ACTIVITIES

BY JAMES M. IACONO

As spring has turned to summer, ETI 357 has heated up the Activities Calendar. The end of June saw the Corral have a campout in O'Neill Park, a month end ride with 15 riders in perfect 78 degree weather, a chili cookoff contest lunch at the inimitable Cook's Corner, a private group tour at the estate of 19th century Shakespearian actress Helen Modjeska, a Western style barbecue for the campers, and finally movie night under the stars at the O'Neill outdoor amphitheater. What a great day of riding, eating, learning and laughing together.

As we turned the calendar to July, the Club rode in the annual Trabuco Canyon 4th of July parade. 16 riders and 9 people on the ground helped present our 20th anniversary entry for "Horsin' Around in Trabuco Canyon." We showed 5 facets of the Club's partnership with the horse and our presence in the Community – riding to preserve open space causes, organizing emergency response teams and mounted assistance units, riding to benefit charities that utilize

the horse in their programs, maintaining trails in the Park, and finally staging Play Days for horse and riders to gather together in regular friendly competitions. The attention to detail earned the Club the "Best In Theme" trophy!

The Corral will have another ride and movie night July 24th. Long summer days invite these get-togethers. We bond with our horses and each other and celebrate the good fortune we have of life in this canyon.

We have moved our next Play Day from July 24th to September 11th. The Board has decided to make November 13th a 20th Anniversary Celebration Event. It will be our 2nd Annual Buckle Playday with a Charity Auction. The beneficiaries this year are two worthy charities in the horse community- Hannaleah Horse Rescue and Bethany's Gait. The Corral seeks to continue its work to support organizations that heal horses and those that use horses to heal.

See you on the trail!



JULY 4TH PARADE



JULY 4TH PARTY AT GOMEROSA RANCH



MODJESKA HOUSE





THIS COULD BE YOU BEFORE YOU KNOW IT

SHARE YOUR STORY WITH THE CLUB:

Your First Horse

Your Best (Or Worst) In-The-Saddle Experience

Some Cowboy Poetry

Something You've Seen On The World Wide Google-net

Pictures

Drawings

Horse Quiz

Email your submissions to SDSegien@mac.com

If you are submitting work that was created by somebody else, please credit the source.

Oh yeah, the nifty illustration of Gene Aurty was created by freelance illustrator Robert Rodriguez, whose work has been featured on more than a dozen previous stamps....See how easy.

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TREASURER'S REPORT

BY VICKI IACONO

ETI - CORRAL 357 FINANCIAL REPORT FOR PERIOD ENDING JUNE 2010

Ending Bank Balance (Bank of America) \$ 9,438.64

DEPOSITS: June \$ 0.00

Deposits Made After June Closing: \$0.00 \$ 0.00

Sub-Total for beginning Balance + Deposits \$9,438.64

EXPENSES:

Ck#	Source:	Reason:	Amount:	Ck #	Source:	Reason:	Amount
1375	J Iacono	permit playday	\$65.00	1376	J Iacono	playday trophies	\$47.85
1377	M Nagy	banner	\$35.00	1378	V Iacono	speaker's dinner	\$19.00
1381	R Gomez	campout	\$40.00				

Total expenses paid in – June 2010 (\$206.85)

UNPAID CHECKS ISSUED IN THIS PERIOD

Ck#	Source	Reason	Amount	Ck#	Source	Reason	Amount
1379	ETI	dues	\$40.00	1380	Modjeska	tour	\$45.00
1382	ETI	dues	\$40.00				

Total Outstanding Checks June 2010 i.e. Spending: \$ 125.00

Funds on hand in checking as of 06-30-2010 \$ 9,313.64

Petty Cash on Hand as of 06-30-2010 \$ 400.00

Corral FUNDS On Hand at 06-30-10 \$ 9,713.64

SUBTOTAL CORRAL FUNDS: \$ 9,713.64

Less Reserves:

1.- MAU as of 07/31/09 = After payment for 2nd Chip Scanner: (\$ 779.89)

Total Corral Funds Committed To Reserve: \$(779.89)

NET- NET - NET Funds on Hand in Checking, Petty Cash to credit of : Corral 357 \$8,933.75



WHO ARE THE SADDLEBACK CANYON RIDERS?

The Saddleback Canyon Riders are ETI Corral 357. Established in 1991, we are one of the largest ETI corrals in California with members from South Orange County and points beyond. We are a family-friendly equestrian group based in Trabuco Canyon at the foot of the majestic Saddleback Mountains. Our Corral is committed to supporting and helping maintain O'Neill Regional Park and other local riding trails.

WHAT IS ETI?

Equestrian Trails, Incorporated is a family oriented riding club established as a nonprofit corporation in 1944 with the Charter to be "Dedicated to the Acquisition and Preservation of Trails, Good Horsemanship, and Equine Legislation."

With its combined membership, ETI has successfully worked to keep our trails open and add more equestrian facilities. The more members we have backing equine legislation and trail preservation, the more likely the State, County and City Officials will be to comply with our needs.

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