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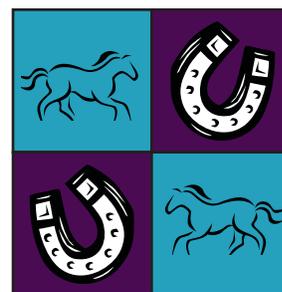
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President's Message

by Bob Foster

Oh my! The end of summer is around the corner, already. Well it's my hope that you had a good summer. I had the pleasure of spending two weeks in Wyoming with my son Jason. What a blast! The riding was superb. The scenery reminded me a lot of Big Bear, only you can ride for days ... in one direction.

Jason has learned to pack mules and gets to go out on 12 day hunting trips. Can't wait for him to come home for the off-season. We're thinking of doing a family trip using pack animals.

ETI did very well this year, and it happened all because of our volunteer membership and leadership. As an organization, our goal is to involve our friends and horse/mule in such a way as to encourage equine understanding and growth in our corrals and in the community.

I want to thank those corrals that sponsored horse shows. I know attendance was up and down, but that didn't deter the enthusiasm. Corrals went camping, and there were no hic-ups.

I want to thank all our membership that go the extra mile in providing trail/site maintenance. I know this is ongoing service with many of our corral members.

I want to thank Susan Pfann for stepping and taking over the High Point Program. I've talked to many of our members involved in this program, and they have some great comments on how well it's going.

Another member stepping up was Tracy Bolderoff. This year was the first year ETI sponsored a "State Finals" gymkhana thanks to the efforts and hard work of Tracy and her corral.

Although The Death Valley Ride has been a mainstay of ETI, it looks like we will not be providing the ride this year. I want to thank Tom Kirsch for all the crazy years of chairing this ride in the past. It is unbelievable how much time and effort went into making this one of the best known and requested rides of all time. (Most of this effort begins at the start of the year BEFORE the ride.)

Keep your eyes open for National's "Opportunity Drawing". There will only be 100 tickets sold. The recipient of the opportunity will be awarded \$5,000.

We are in need of a second vice president. Also with the end of the year approaching, keep your ideas open for a new National President.



National Board Meeting

September 15 at 7pm

Foothill Trails District

Neighborhood Council Office

9747 Weatland Ave.

(Corner of Wheatland & Sunland)

Join us!

ETI SPECIAL EVENTS CHAIRPERSONS

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ETI TRAIL TRIALS PROGRAM: ETI Office (818) 698-6200 equestriantrails@outlook.com

ETI HIGH POINT SHOW PROGRAM: Chair: Susan Pfann (626) 221-0829 Etihighpoint2015@gmail.com

ETI HIGH POINT GYMKHANA PROGRAM: Tracy Boldroff eticorral21@yahoo.com



Mounted Assistance Unit (MAU) Program Update



The MAU's, have been doing a re-certification process, which is going very well. There are two re-certifications left for the year... September 5 at Hasley Arena (North County) and September 19 at Whittier Narrows In the interim, there are several trainings

at the individual MAU's.

The Special Olympics were held at the Los Angeles Equestrian Center and was a great success. The MAU's had several of their members with their MAU horses at the event:

Bonelli MAU - Winnie Gilbert with Zana, Gail Bohlander with Rainey, Jean Chadsey with Buster Brown
Whittier Narrows Mau - Candice Camacho with Simba



World Games Special Olympics 2015
This picture says it all from wheel chair to horse.

Thank you all for donating your horses in this very special, once in a life time opportunity. I suspect these volunteers have received more than they gave.

Walnut Creek MAU is planning an event, "All About Horses", on October 10 (flyer on page 8). The event will be staged at Bonelli Park and will be family friendly and geared towards education, trail ride, lunch and a lot of fun. Come join the MAU's for a day of fun. Contact Walnut Creek MAU for more information.

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

Parks on horseback, if you are interested in joining, the contact e-mails are listed below.

Bonelli MAU, www.BonelliMAU.org

Marshall Canyon MAU, www.marshallcanyonmau.com

Whittier Narrows MAU, www.wnmau.com

North County MAU, chavez.gilbert@yahoo.com

Walnut Creek MAU, cindhawkins@gmail.com

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NEW Trail Trial Rules

The ETI National Trail Trial Rules have been revised. They will be posted to the ETI website and then emailed to corral presidents, vice presidents, and area directors. Rules with revision date 8/14/15 are effective immediately and apply to upcoming ETI-sanctioned trail trials.

My heartfelt thanks to the members of the National Trail Trial Committee who devoted many, many hours to this project. Your effort, patience, experience, perseverance, and kindness were GREATLY appreciated.

Jeanne Gonzalez





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Coming Events Calendar

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2015 Season High Point Shows

For High Point Show info Contact:
 Chair: Susan Pfann (626) 221-0829
Etihighpoint2015@gmail.com
 All ETI High Point Shows are PAC approved.

September 13/Corral 38 **CANCELLED**

High point show Contact: Mary O'Brien
 (818) 352-4230

October 4/Corral 118

High Point Show Contact: Terry Simon
 (805) 522-3346
horseladyusa1@yahoo.com

October 18/ Jr Ambassador

High Point show. Location TBD. Special Costume Contest Class Contact: Debbie Foster (661) 309-7371

November 8/Corral 37

High Point Show, Thousand Oaks
 Contact: Sharyn Henry

2015 Gymkhana High Point Season

redhatcowgirl@yahoo.com
 High Point Program through Oct.
 Contact: Tracy Boldroff, Maddie Patriarca or Sable Grasso eticorral21@yahoo.com

2015 Season

Oak Creek Corral, Canyon Country

September 26
 October 17

Individual Corral Circuit Shows/Series

Corral 6, Circuit Open Shows
 Laramore Arena; Mira Loma, Jurupa
 Call Gina (951) 681-4456 or
robbylandland@yahoo.com

Corral 8/Rolling Hills Estates
 English only. Held at Ernie Howlett Park.
 Contact: Dan etipresident@aol.com
 (310) 530-5618 www.eticorral8.com

Corral 35/Glendorra
 Belt Buckle Series Arena Challenge
 (best two of three scores) Contact:
 Jean Chadsey (909) 967-2065
jeanieac@aol.com

Corral 37/Thousand Oaks
 Red Hat Cowgirl Buckle Series - 5 Shows
 -8:15am registration Contact: Sharyn
 Henry redhatcowgirl@yahoo.com

Corral 57/Ojai

Open Shows at Ojai's Soule Park arena
 Contact: Rhonda (805) 798-1713

Corral 118/Simi Horse Shows

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

CLINICS

Corral 36 Riding Classes
 Wed @ 9am Agoura Equestrian Center
 with Karen Curtis Contact: Jeanne Wallace
 (818) 222-2560

GYMKHANAS

Corral 21
 March 2015 - October 2015 Race for the
 Saddle Gymkhana Series. Contact: Tracy
 Boldroff, Maddie Patriarca or Sable Grasso
eticorral21@yahoo.com

Corral 43/Riverside Rancheros
 Gymkhana Call Nicole (909) 809-0789

Corral 777
 February 2015 - October 2015
 Gymkhana Saddle Series.
www.SweetWaterRoughRiders.com

PLAYDAYS

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

TRAIL TRIALS

October 31/Corral 35
 Trail Trial, Location TBA Contact: Jean
 Chadsey (909) 967-2065
jeanieac@aol.com

ARENA OBSTACLE CHALLENGES

November 7/Corral 3
 Arena Obstacle Challenge, Walnut Creek
 Contact: Cindi Hawkins
cindhawkins@gmail.com

2015 ETI Trail Rides, Drives, Events

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



SEPTEMBER

September 10/Corral 83
 BVS Hart Loop. Contact: Carol Hellyer
 (822-0361) to RSVP

September 13/Corral 38
CANCELLED
 High point show Contact: Mary O'Brien
 (818) 352-4230

September 19/Corral 20
 Hansen Dam/Golf Course ride & lunch
 Contact: Terry Kaiser (818) 262-0315

September 19/Corral 66
 Trail ride/campout Mojave Narrows,
 Victorville Contact: Beth (760) 255-4767

September 20/Corral 43
 Gymkhana Contact: Lyn Morris (951) 780-
 7208 lyn4539@earthlink.net

September 24-28/Corral 9
 Montana De Oro campout Contact: Ray
 Drasher (661) 944-4359

**Equestrian Trails Inc.****Coming Events Calendar****September 26/Corral 12**

Trail Ride, C22 Mulligan Stew Contact:
Patty Hug (818) 367-2056
pattyhug@ca.rr.com

September 26/Corral 21

High Point Gymkhana Oak Creek Corral,
Canyon Country Start 4pm Contact: Tracy
Boldroff, Maddie Patriarca or Sable Grasso
eticorral21@yahoo.com

September 26/Corral 22

Mulligan Stew Ride Contact: Sharon
Richardson (661) 268-0754
ridinwcruz@gmail.com

September 26/Corral 357

Month end ride. Contact: Rick Balthaser
(949) 439-2414.

September 26-27/Corral 14

Fall Drive - - Long Ears Ranch, Mojave
Contact Mara Wadaf at (661) 821-1217

September 27/Corral 777

Gymkhana, Agua Dulce Contact: Melissa
Staudinger (661)478-6866

OCTOBER**October 1/Corral 22**

Mt. Pinos trail ride Trail boss: Tiffanie
Bailey Contact: Sharon Richardson (661)
268-0754 ridinwcruz@gmail.com

October 4/Corral 2

Schooling Show, Rose Bowl Riders,
Pasadena. Contact: Julie Unamuno (626)
278-9450

October 4/Corral 86

Brown's Canyon Ride Contact: Irving
Blank (661) 268-0098 irving@phwsinc.com

October 4/Corral 118

High Point Show Contact: Terry Simon
(805) 522-3346
horseladyusa1@yahoo.com

October 9-12/Corral 20

Caspers Wilderness Park, San Juan
Capistrano Contact: Becky Borquez
(818) 262-7764

October 10/Corral 3

All About Horses, Bonelli Park Community
outreach event Contact: Cindi Hawkins
cindhawkins@gmail.com

October 10 - 18/Corral 22

Bear Valley Springs Trail boss: Terry
Andersen Contact: Sharon Richardson
(661) 268-0754 ridinwcruz@gmail.com

October 11 - 12/Corral 66

Driving funday at Susie Figley's in Llano/
outriders welcome. Contact: Beth Uzonyi
(760) 255-4767

October 16-18/Corral 3

Natural Horsemanship Clinic, Rowland
Heights. Clinician Jo Johnson of JAF
Morgans Contact: Cindi Hawkins
cindhawkins@gmail.com

October 17/Corral 12

Trail Ride, Vasquez Rocks Contact: Patty
Hug (818) 367-2056 pattyhug@ca.rr.com

October 17/Corral 21

High Point Gymkhana Oak Creek Corral,
Canyon Country Start 9am Contact: Tracy
Boldroff, Maddie Patriarca or Sable Grasso
eticorral21@yahoo.com

October 17/Corral 66

Annual Peggy Sue's charity ride, Barstow
Contact: Beth (760) 255-4767

October 17/Corral 357

Buckle Play day Contact: Rick Balthaser
(949) 709-2359 rbalthaser@aol.com

October 18/ Jr Ambassador

High Point show. Location TBD. Special
Costume Contest Class Contact: Debbie
Foster (661) 309-7371

October 18/Corral 43

Gymkhana Contact: Lyn Morris (951) 780-
7208 lyn4539@earthlink.net

October 23-25/Corral 86

Live Oak Back Country Horsemen
Contact: Irving Blank (661) 268-0098
irving@phwsinc.com

October 24 - 25/Corral 66

Linda Laird 2 day clinic at Bredelis' ranch,
Newberry Springs. Contact: Beth Uzonyi
(760) 255-4767

October 25/Corral 38

Halloween Play day Contact: Mary O'Brien
(818) 352-4230

October 25/Corral 777

Gymkhana, Agua Dulce Contact: Melissa
Staudinger (661)478-6866

October 31/Corral 35

Trail Trial Clinic, Glendora Contact: Jean
Chadsey (909) 967-2065
Jeanieac@aol.com

NOVEMBER**November 7/Corral 3**

Arena Obstacle Challenge, Walnut Creek
Contact: Cindi Hawkins
cindhawkins@gmail.com

November 7/Corral 138

Mescal Canyons Ride Llano Contact: Elaine
Macdonald (661) 946-1976
eb45bktg@antelecom.net

November 8/Corral 37

High Point Show, Thousand Oaks
Contact: Sharyn Henry
redhatcowgirl@yahoo.com

November 8/Corral 43

Gymkhana Contact: Lyn Morris (951) 780-
7208 lyn4539@earthlink.net

November 8/Corral 86

Vasquez Fundraiser Contact: Irving Blank
(661) 268-0098 irving@phwsinc.com

November 9 - 13/Corral 14

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

November 14/Corral 20

Vasquez Rocks Ride Contact: Deb Mader
(818) 653-7628

November 15/Corral 22

Le Chene trail ride Contact: Sharon
Richardson (661) 268-0754
ridinwcruz@gmail.com

November 15/Corral 777

Awards Banquet Contact: Melissa
Staudinger (661)478-6866

November 22/Corral 12

Turkey Ride, Placerita Cyn. to Olive View
Contact: Patty Hug (818) 367-2056
pattyhug@ca.rr.com

DECEMBER**December 1/Corral 36**

Holiday Party Location/Contact TBA

December 5/Corral 12

Holiday Party Contact: Patty Hug (818)
367-2056 pattyhug@ca.rr.com



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Coming Events Calendar

December 5/Corral 20

Ho Ho Christmas Caroling Ride Contact: Linda Fullerton (818) 352-3693

December 20/Corral 22

Christmas Ride / Griffith Park trail ride
Trail boss: Paul Jacques Contact: Sharon Richardson (661) 268-0754
ridinwcruz@gmail.com

NON-ETI EVENTS

October 25

15th Annual REC RIDE celebration honoring Ruth Gerson - staging Malibu Valley Farms, Calabasas Contact: Cristina (818) 880-5139 ext 101

October 18

Antonovich Fall Ride

Trail ride, La Canada Flintridge. Contact: Vincent Pedroza (909) 599-8411

November 28 - 29

Cowboy Dressage with Eitan Beth-Halachmy at the LAEC Contact: Jay Geisenheimer sunnydayfarm@earthlink.net (818) 469-5473

AVDR Gymkhana

Antelope Valley Desert Riders
Contact: Doug (661) 944-6133
www.avdesertriders.org

Carousel Ranch
Therapeutic Riding Program
(661) 268-8010

Compton Jr. Posse - Mayisha Akbar
Compton Jr. Posse Youth Eq.
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Horse program for at-risk kids
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ELSA

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

Hi-Desert Horsemen's Assoc

Open Horse Shows Contact: Jean (661) 943-6132 hidersertha@aol.com

Head's Up Therapy on Horseback

Nancy (818) 848-0870
www.headsuptherapy.com

Ride On Therapeutic Horsemanship

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

Shadow Hills Riding Club

Therapeutic Riding Program
Contact Johnny: (818) 352-2166
www.shadowhillsridingclub.org

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"Walnut Creek M.A.U./Equestrian Trails, Inc."
Presents
ALL ABOUT HORSES



DATE: Oct. 10, 2015 **Location: Bonelli Park** **Time: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm**

A community outreach event, showcasing horse breeds, rewarding lifestyle, and volunteer programs



Los Angeles County Mounted Assistance Unit (MAU) volunteers provide a valuable service, patrolling the trails to ensure a safe, enjoyable experience for Park guests.

Equestrian Trails Inc. (ETI) is dedicated to the acquisition and preservation of trails, good horsemanship, and equine legislation...to ensure continuity of the equestrian lifestyle.

Showcase Your Horse! We will provide an area for truck-trailer parking, and portable corrals to give members an opportunity to showcase their horse, providing Park guests with interesting information.

Ride the Bonelli Trails! A 'poker ride' (\$10) will be available for those participating members who would like to ride a designated course, try fun sensory challenges, and *play to win* the Poker game.

Entertainment for All! Breakfast coffee and doughnuts provided for participating equestrians, hot-dog lunch (\$5), and Line-Dance lessons available for entertainment of Park guests and members.

Walnut Creek MAU & ETI Corral-3 invites fellow LACO-MAU & ETI Corrals to join with us in planning and staging this event: **Contact** Cindi Hawkins (909-354-1613, cindhawkins@gmail.com) if you'd like your unit involved.

**"This event is co-sponsored by Los Angeles County
Department of Parks and Recreation"**



Stallion Springs - For Your Information!

For those of you who have ridden **Stallion Springs** trails in the past or who are most likely to ride these trails in the future...**Stallion Springs, Tehachapi**, has a new Community Service District manager and, along with better oversight of the trails and signage, rules of using these trails are being tightened up. The main difference to those not residing in Stallion Springs is that you must be a guest of a Stallion Springs resident in order to ride there. Not a problem for ETI members as Corral 83 members Sheri and Barry Leslie will sponsor your group as long as you give them two weeks notice and the date and time of your ride. You can communicate with Barry or Sheri by e-mail at tcis@att.net or home phone (661) 822-1207 or cell phone at (949) 244-4705.

Also, please follow the same insurance protocol you would for any other private property you are riding on as an ETI group, i.e. obtain insurance and notify ETI National ahead of time.

Carolyn McIntyre
President, Corral 83

Photo Corner



David and Legacy's Best got 3rd place in the Ventura County Fair Cowboy Challenge! Several ETI members showed through out the fair and represented well! Pictures submitted by past Keelie Buck. Do you have a photo you'd like to share? To submit, please send photo and credit info to: dustysriders@sbcglobal.net.



ETI NATIONAL HIGH POINT NEW SEASON MARCH 2015-DECEMBER 2015



SEPTEMBER 13/CORRAL 38

CANCELLED

HIGH POINT HORSE SHOW
MARTINEZ ARENA, BURBANK
CONTACT: MARY O'BRIEN
(818) 352-4230

OCTOBER 4/CORRAL 118

HIGH POINT HORSE SHOW
SIMI VALLEY

CONTACT: TERRY SIMON
(818) 522-3346

HORSELADYUSA1@YAHOO.COM

OCTOBER 18/JR. AMBASSADORS

HIGH POINT HORSE SHOW
LOCATION TBD

CONTACT: DEBBIE FOSTER
(661) 309-7371

NOVEMBER 8/CORRAL 37

HIGH POINT HORSE SHOW
THOUSAND OAKS

CONTACT: SHARYN HENRY
REDHATCOWGIRL@YAHOO.COM

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE HIGH POINT PROGRAM,
PLEASE CONTACT

CHAIR: SUSAN PFANN (626)221-0829

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PHOTOS THANKS TO SHOT IN TIME!





ETI NATIONAL PRESENTS 2015 GYMKHANA HIGH POINT SERIES



Hosted by
ETI Corral 21
at Oak Creek Corral

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CALLING ALL LEVELS:

From the leadline novice all the way to AAA, there is a place for all levels of riders. **

JOIN US ON SATURDAYS:

- MARCH 28
- APRIL 25
- MAY 23
- JULY 25
- AUGUST 29
- SEPT. 26
- OCTOBER 17

7 EVENTS:

Cloverleaf, Speed Barrel, Washington Poles, Precision Barrels, Birangle, Tail Spin, and Mystery Events.

9:00 AM
(REGISTRATION 8 - 8:30)
START

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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- EMAIL: ETICORRAL21@YAHOO.COM, WWW.CORRAL21.COM
- FACEBOOK - OAK CREEK CORRAL OR ETI CORRAL 21

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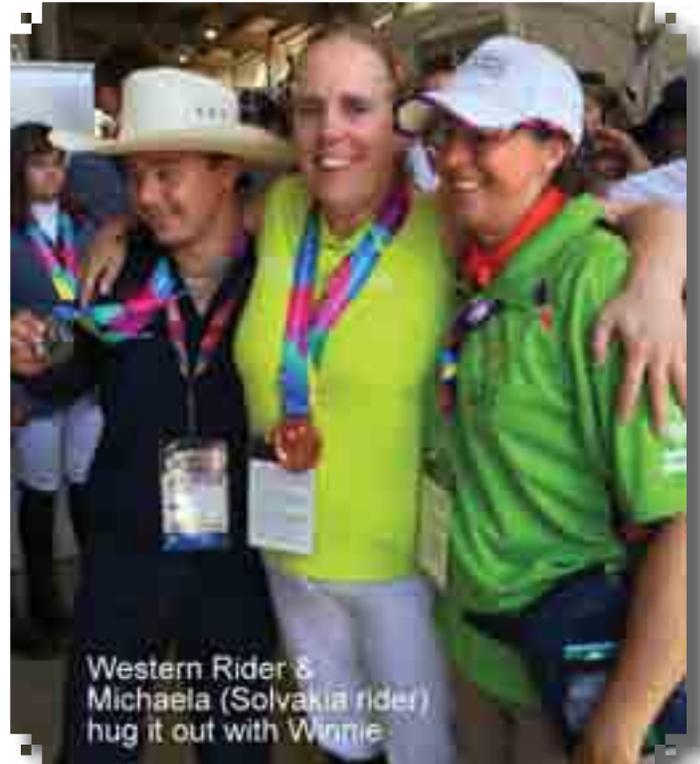
ETI at the Special Olympics World Games by Jean Chadsey

World Game Special Olympics...the event was a one in a life time event for us here in Southern California. It is when several things come together (held here in Southern Ca, having a great horse to lend, and ten days off work) for an ETI member to participate in such a wonderful international event. ETI was represented by fourteen plus members, most of who donated their horses to be use. Most are represented

member) comments about the events. "Michaela from Slovakia was really taken with Zana. She would come to the barn thirty minutes before her event to watch me groom and gave Zana a kiss after every event. I was amazed at how the athletes could get on a horse that they had only spent 10-15 minutes in the warm up arena and then ride in their event. It was a lot of work, but a lot of fun."



in the picture; five not in the picture are off doing horse duties somewhere. This event actually started in January, with the Ride On program, who was selected to manage the World Games. They had to find 85 sound, experienced horses that could be safely match to the athletes! The Ride On program had to identify appropriate horses and, equally important, owners willing to entrust their equine partners to them for a weeklong competition. This is why the Ride On program invited the horse owners to come along for the event and volunteer to groom at the show. This is where ETI members stepped up to the plate...not only donating their horses, but volunteering for ten days at the Los Angeles Equestrian Center. Ride On states "The two biggest challenges of the show were finding 85 safe, appropriate horses and building the team that could mount a world-class competition. Staff spent over six months talking with the equestrian community from San Francisco, to Phoenix, to San Diego to identify, test and finally transport 90+ horses to the LA Equestrian Center in Burbank. Ultimately, Ride On provided 23 of its school horses and over 50 owners and farms provided the remainder of the herd. The horses were exceptional."



With respect to MAU and our training, Winnie states, "Loretta from Italy had been riding a horse from another barn. Her horse was having an issue in the Equidome, so Zana was ridden in the trail class which was being held in the covered arena. There were so many new sights, sounds, smells, and surroundings. The training we do with MAU made these challenges very easy for our horses. Whether it was the pop-up in the middle of the outdoor arena, the echo of the Equidome, numerous horses going every which way in the warm up arenas, or the various flags and banners throughout the facility, nothing seemed to phase any of the MAU horses."

Kasaundra Salinas (Corral 35) and her daughter Sheyanne both loaned their horses to the World Games Special Olympics, and here is what they had to say. "My daughter Sheyanne's horse Blazer, carried an Olympian (Virginia from Gibraltar, a peninsula on the southern edge of Spain) and won 2 bronze medals. Blazer also carried a rider from Greece who won 2 bronze medals."

Winnie Gilbert (Bonelli MAU and ETI Corral 35



ETI at the Special Olympics World Games by Jean Chadsey

Sheyanne, (a junior at New Mexico State University who volunteers weekly at the New Mexico State University Therapeutic riding program), stated "The experience was more rewarding than I can put into words, and it is something so special that I will remember it for the rest of my life."



Kasaundra says "This experience was so different from anything else I have ever done with my horses. I have been a "horse show mom" for years, and yet watching these Special Olympic athletes fearlessly ride horses they have just met was incredible. Each day I watched the riders grow in confidence on their horses. I loved seeing the athletes come running to the barn to greet their horses with huge smiles on their faces and anxiously wait for it to be their time to mount up and head off to the warm up arena. Then there were several different languages flying around the arena as their coaches gave the athletes their final instructions before they headed into the show arena, and then the athletes were on their own with the horses to do what they love to do, and that was show. There were several times that different things throughout the week choked me up and brought tears to my eyes. I wouldn't trade that ten day experience for anything! I am truly glad I was part of something so much bigger than just going to a horse show!" Roo (my horse) and his rider from Germany earned three bronze medals, and his rider from Greece earned two bronze medals and two gold medals.

Candice Camacho (ETI and Whittier Narrows MAU Member) comments on the event, "I think the arena training we've done with the MAU definitely made a difference in the competitions that took place in the outdoor arenas. The use of desensitizing training helped with the noise and crowds.

I believe the training benefited the athletes as well because that training enabled the horses to compete successfully in a variety of disciplines."

There is so much to share, and knowing I will never be able to say in words what my heart feels, I hope the pictures speak the stories. With that said, I will tell of the athletes: Allison, a USA rider, suffered from seizures which is why she had a person walking beside her and a person leading, Cinder (Gail Shepard's horse) was the best match. Also, the rider Julio was paired with Rainey (Gail Bohlander's horse). This rider touched my heart. We were told his personal story... spearing the details, the ground crew put together a wonderful gift for him. He will remain in my prayers forever.



Well, my Buster Brown was a gentlemen, which is not always the case. I have several broken bones as proof. We decided to give something that was special to us, to Buster's riders, and that was two of his ETI belt buckles. So now, Elsa from Monaco and Hichman from Morocco are the proud recipients of ETI buckles. The "I" of ETI has made its way around the world.





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Want to give a shout out to Ingrid from Norco...she had two young ladies with her that were so helpful. Kelly O'Connell had the only western Olympian, and he was amazing. There were so many assistants and helpers from ETI, not all are named in the article. Hopefully the group pictures included



USA rider on Simba Ella on Buster



Hicham (Morocco) on Buster Brown



ETI Volunteers

most of you. Debra M. had her Misty at the event...Debra has always been such a wonderful advocate to the horse community, assisting whenever asked. And of course, our Chino Kid Friday Farm crew that came to assist...Avery, Mekanna, Ian, Hedi and Betsy who brushed, braided, gave baths and walked horses. Thank you all. I am so proud to know such a wonderful group on people...horse people are the best people.





ETI at the Special Olympics World Games



Frip (Slovakia) with Coach on Miss Onyx and Kelly leading



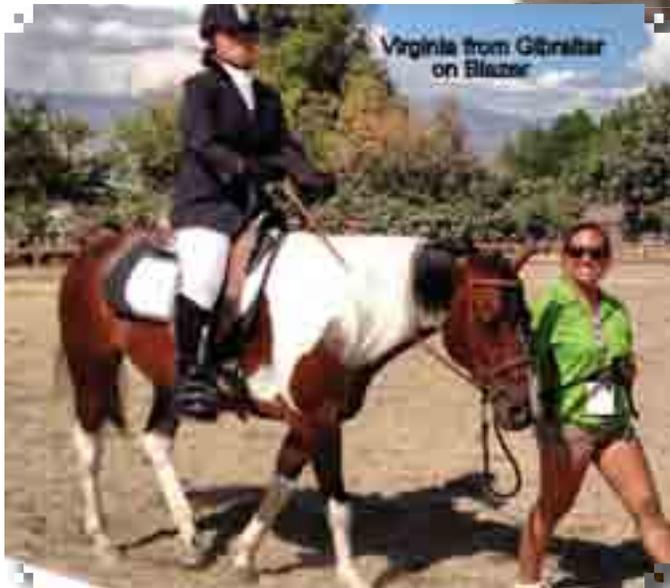
Frip (Slovakia) sporting the ETI Belt Buckle that Kelly gave him for good luck



USA Rider on Simba



Elia and Blazer



Virginia from Gibraltar on Blazer



Rider from Greece on Frip



Corral 357 Saddleback Canyon Riders - President's Corner by James M. Iacono

It takes all kinds....

ETI national, the parent organization of Corral 357 the Saddleback Canyon Riders- has two main fundraising events each year. This past weekend the ETI National Convention and Horse Show took place at the spacious LA Equestrian Center in Burbank, CA. Over 250 entrants participated in the three day event, and I was lucky enough, (along with Trail Boss Rick Balthaser and Treasurer Vicki Iacono) to attend closing day, Sunday June 28. The three days featured many disciplines from Gymkhana to English Show Pleasure to Hunter Jumping to Saddle Seat Equitation to Miniature Horse Driving, to Reining (and several categories in between).

It really got me to thinking how many different ways there are to bond with your equine partner. Out here in Trabuco Canyon, we tend to be more on the Western trail side of things. Now I wouldn't trade that for hardly anything, but I realize now that might not be everybody's cup o' tea. There weren't many cowboy hats on the grounds... though there were plenty of helmets, derbies, and fedoras. Also, a Gypsy Vanner might not look quite right on trail, but they sure look at home in an arena cantering like a rocking horse in a show pleasure class.

My horse when faced with a jump (okay, a railroad tie) or a puddle of water, will stop, hesitate, snort, and prepare herself as if she were leaping across the Grand Canyon, but I saw plenty of horses on Sunday spring over thigh-high fences without even breaking stride. There were Morgans, Andalusians, Thoroughbreds, Quarter Horses, Paints, Arabians, Vanners, Saddlebreds, and Warmbloods. There were boys, girls, men, and women...from ages 10 to 70, in all their different hats... and the one thing that they all had in common was a bond from person to horse. There was a smile on a face, and a purpose in a stride. At the end of the day isn't that what this is all about?

I applaud ETI National for staging this wonderful event for so many different types of people and horses. Sometimes I know we can feel like Lone Rangers out here, tenuously holding on to a lifestyle we see encroached upon by developers and city folks trying to stretch their legs a bit. But seeing all the participants on Sunday, from different walks of equestrian life, made me realize we don't have to be alone. We just have to merge with those of like-mindedness to create a path that preserves what we are all about- people who have a love for the same animal - whether that be trail trialing, jumping, showing, driving, reining, barrel racing, or cow sorting. There is strength in our diverse numbers, and in inclusiveness, and in following our unique inspirations.

Let's recognize our larger community so we can flex our muscles when it matters most. There are plenty of opportunities to show up and speak. Our anointed Corral 357 ambassador, Rich Gomez, cannot do it all. There are OCTA encounters, Town Hall Meetings, Emergency Evacuation discussions, Rutter Development standoffs, Canyon Cleanup Committee Organizational Gatherings.... all sorts of ways for us to be a voice in protecting what we love so much...with our equine bond at the heart of it all.

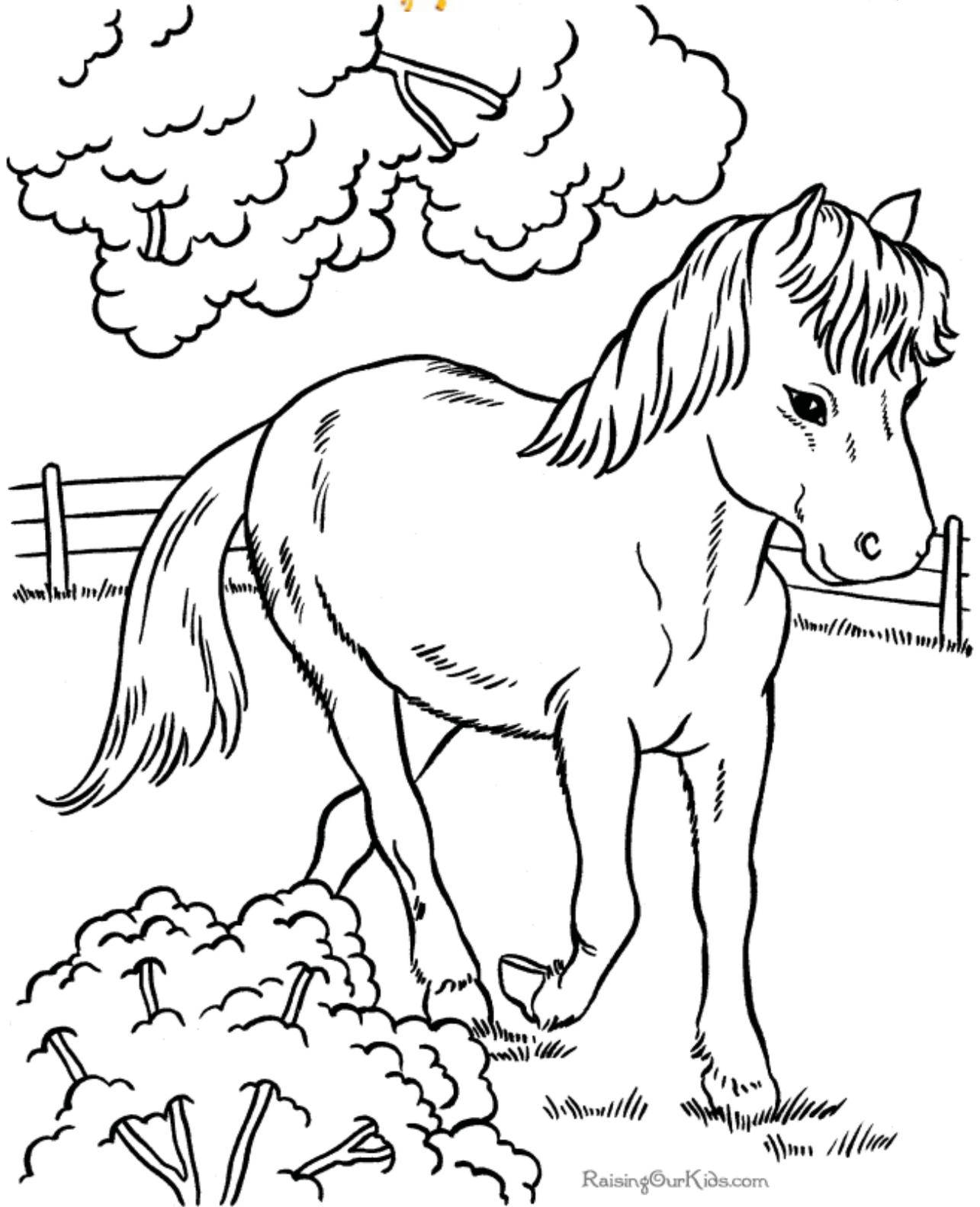
I urge you to support the ETI National Show next year by volunteering or simply spectating. Keep an eye out for the ETI magazine so you know what the various corrals are doing apart from us. There are lots of ways for us to draw new people into our sport(s). We just need to familiarize ourselves with these varied disciplines and make them available to ourselves and to seekers- people who are seeking an experience that is unlike any other! An experience that, for me, makes life worth living!

See you on the trail!





Kids Corner

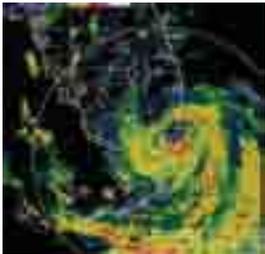


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Corral 357 Remembers Hurricane Katrina - August 23, 2005 by Debbie Kelly, Corral 357 Saddleback Canyon Riders

As we approach the 10th anniversary of what FEMA describes as "the worst natural disaster in US history", it is appropriate to reflect on how Hurricane Katrina impacted each and every one of us. Even if you did not respond to the disaster or had family or friends affected by the storm, you have been touched.



If you love animals and seek to protect them, or if you live or board here in Trabuco Canyon, you are affected; or you will be one day when natural disaster hits our canyons. Hurricane Katrina forever changed how we approach local and worldwide natural disasters.

On August 23, 2005, the 12th tropical depression of the season began forming over the Bahamas. It would rapidly intensify and organize itself; traveling first at about 40 miles an hour and by 11:00am on August 24th, reaching winds strong enough to name her Tropical Storm Katrina. By the morning of August 25th, Katrina had reached winds of up to 85 miles an hour now earning her the title of category (C1) hurricane as she prepared to make landfall near Ft. Lauderdale, FL. Katrina lasted six hours on land over the water-laden Everglades, losing hurricane strength before reaching the Gulf of Mexico. Wikipedia reports it was here where the first human casualties were claimed when an uprooted tree killed a couple. Katrina would eventually claim over 1,800 human lives and leave thousands homeless or displaced.

On Friday, August 26th, Katrina would once again be downgraded to a tropical storm as her winds decreased to 70 miles an hour. That was about 1:00am, but the sigh of relief the Gulf and the country was experiencing would be short lived. At 5:00am, the eye of Tropical Storm Katrina was located just offshore of southwestern Florida over the Gulf of Mexico about 50 miles north-northeast of Key West, Florida. Winds had increased to 75 mph, and she was once again upgraded to a Category 1 hurricane.

In the early afternoon of August 26th, the National Hurricane Center tracks Katrina from the Florida Panhandle to the Mississippi/Louisiana coast. The governor of Louisiana declares a state of emergency. Emergency response action was activated following the declaration of a state of emergency, federal troops and the Army National Guard were deployed to Louisiana. By 4:00pm

EDT, Katrina was upgraded to C2 hurricane.

On Saturday August 27th, Katrina was now a C3 Hurricane. Several parishes in and around New Orleans were given both mandatory and voluntary evacuation orders; depending on the area.

For two more days, Hurricane Katrina would continue to intensify bringing death and destruction as she rapidly executed her wrath across the gulf coast of Mississippi and Louisiana. She would hit the hardest in New Orleans, as the levees failed and flooded, 80% of the city and all of St. Bernard Parish, forever changing the lives of all living things in her way. This included the beloved pets of thousands of victims as households were broken apart in Katrina's wake. This is where thousands of Emergency Responders come in.

As the efforts to locate and move to safety tens of thousands of people trapped in flooded homes and Parishes, so did one of the largest coordinated efforts to save the lost and left behind animals. Under the direction of the Humane Society of the United States (HSUS) and other organized agencies, the deployment to these areas began. Participating in those efforts were four members of ETI Saddleback Canyon Riders,



along with other responders in the OC area. We were invited by the HSUS to respond to New Orleans, having recently taken intensive training as emergency responders for pets in



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then Hurricane Rita, the PETS act was put into legislature that would always allow disaster victims to evacuate with their pets. Families would no longer be forced to leave their pets behind to face certain death.

When we returned home to the safety of our own home and community, we reflected on how important it is to be prepared in something as devastating as a natural disaster. It can be said with confidence that the major threat here is wild fire, although we know disaster is not limited to fires. It was with this firsthand experience of how critical it is and life threatening, a small but determined group in the club formed a unified team to build and maintain an evacuation plan for Trabuco Canyon. That plan has since been tried and tested more than once and continues to be an intricate component of our club and community. We encourage anyone reading this to have their own personal plan for family and pets in the event of an emergency. ETI Corral 357 has an Emergency Response coordinator, and we can assist you with making your plan. Do not hesitate to ask any board member for suggestions.



Don't miss our September Member's meeting on Thursday, 9/3. Our guest speaker will be our friend and former member, animal communicator and Katrina responder, Terri Steuben. Terri will introduce us to her new book "Tails of Triumph: Animals tell Their Katrina Stories", and she can share even more of the heartbreaking and heartwarming rescue of those lives who could not save themselves. Signed copies of the book will be available. Please join us.

If you would like to schedule a mini session with Terri earlier on the same day, let me know. Sessions are for 30 minutes. Please contact me for times and price at debbiekelly57@yahoo.com.

disaster. The time there was spent rescuing dogs, cats, and horses. Additionally, organized teams would go into the area where animals were still in their homes, yards, or on the streets waiting for the families return. For some of them, the best that could be done was daily feeding and watering and waiting to gain their trust to bring them to the Lamar Dixon Fairgrounds where we were sheltering thousands of displaced animals. In the aftermath of Katrina,





Stallside...My Life With Horses & Other Characters **by Matthew Elliott, DVM**

The Healing Power of Horses

This chapter is printed with the blessings of Matthew Elliott, DVM

I pulled up in front of the stable at Pegasus Farm to check on Belle, one of their horses that had injured her eye. Sally, the barn manager, had left a message on my cell phone earlier in the day asking me to come out as soon as possible. I had been doing their work for quite some time and Sally knew, as I did, that eye injuries are always an emergency.

Belle was a big girl and she had an important job. She was a twenty-two-hundred-pound, chestnut-colored Belgian mare and was one of the sixteen or so therapeutic riding horses at Pegasus Farm.

The Belgian breed of draft horse, as the name implies, is native to Belgium. This little country is blessed with fertile soil and abundant rainfall, providing the farmers of Belgium with the excellent pastures, hay, and grain necessary to develop a heavy, powerful, and very kind breed of horse.

Belle was certainly just that, as sweet as she was big, and anyone who had spent any time around horses would have described her as an "easy keeper." It didn't take much in the way of groceries for her to put the weight on, and although she was heavier than she should have been I could never quite bring myself to think of her as being overweight. "Well nourished" seemed a kinder way of describing her plus-size when it came to her girth, shoes, and bridle.

I had been out of veterinary school for many years before I became familiar with the term or concept of a therapeutic riding horse. Of course, I knew that riding a horse was therapeutic, but in a broader and more casual context of the word, more perhaps in the recreational sense of being therapeutic, and not curative by any means.

"Alternative therapeutic modalities" as a strategy in approaching a disease or disorder had not yet been integrated into the medical curricula when I was a veterinary student.



My veterinary medical training had been traditional rather than "alternative," and acupuncture, herbal supplements, and chiropractic manipulations of the horse were never mentioned. My impression of the word "alternative" at the time had more to do with a California lifestyle than an approach to medicine.

My concept of something being therapeutic meant that it was to be found in a pill bottle, a medicated powder, or a vial of injectable medication. I was taught that healing was to be imparted by a medicinal substance found on a pharmacy shelf and therapy was something you went through while lying on a couch. I was old school and obviously had no idea at the time how the world of both human and veterinary medicine would soon change.

It's unlikely that doctors in the past would have scribbled out for their ailing patients a prescription that included whinnies and nickers. Therapeutic protocols described in medical textbooks years ago would have offered up electro-shock therapy rather than a trip to the barn for any number of neuromuscular disorders and emotional disabilities.



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The notion that horses could in a very real way be therapeutic was an astonishing revelation for me. Pegasus Farm would be my introduction to a truly remarkable dimension of medicine I didn't know existed.

If I was there for routine immunizations or to attend to an injured horse, I would always find some time afterwards to wander down to the riding ring and watch as the magic unfolded.

Belle saw several patients a day, including a young boy by the name of Brian.

Brian was an eight-year-old boy who had a developmental disorder characterized by emotional detachment and impaired communication. He was like many autistic children in that he seldom smiled. His social skills were clearly limited, and he appeared to live in a world of his own. He was a recluse of sorts, unwilling to look you in the eye, emotionally distant, and seemingly almost fearful and wounded. He wasn't obviously physically challenged, and yet it was clear that he seemed somehow rigid, unable to relax, and that he struggled with coordination.

As Brian was led up to the mounting block, things were about to change: Belle would work her magic.

Belle was ever so patient as she stood at the mounting block while three people helped Brian saddle up. One person would stand at the front of Belle holding her halter, with another person on either side to steady Brian once he swung his leg over the saddle.

"Why is therapeutic riding so therapeutic?" I asked the Ph.D. physical therapist who was standing next to me one day as we both watched Brian, sitting atop Belle, being led around the ring.

"All of a sudden, their world changes," he said. "The child's brain is dazzled by the smell, the feel, the touch, the rhythmical walk, the sound of a nicker, and the warmth of the horse's body. Sluggish and distant neurons in remote parts of Brian's brain begin to light up like a pinball machine."

"You're kidding," I exclaimed. "Absolutely not," he

emphasized. He described how the child's body would quickly fall into sync with the rhythmical walk of the horse. "It's like a dance," he said. "The child will follow the horse's lead. The horse swings its hips as it walks and the child mimics the motion. It sounds a bit Zen, but the horse teaches the kid to relax, something most of them don't know how to do." As I watched, I could see it begin to happen. Brian's motion was becoming Belle's motion. His rigidity and tension seemed to fade with each footfall of Belle's.

In Ph.D. lingo, the therapist went on to explain how not only would Brian's cognition improve with time in the saddle but his speech as well. "Brian's perception of the world changes in a wonderful way when he sits in the saddle. It's pretty empowering stuff when these kids are suddenly ten feet tall and no longer feeling as helpless as they do most of the time," the therapist commented.

"Have a look. Can you see what's happening now? Brian is starting to give a smile, kind of a rare thing to see with these kids, and the horses make it happen."

My concept of what was therapeutic was changing with the realization that the impaired ability of a child to think, speak, and perform complex motor skills could be remedied by something that eats hay and lives in a barn.

The boundaries of medicine were also changing-shifting and expanding as those involved in the health care professions were discovering that what is healing and medicinal is not limited to the confines of a pill bottle.

"I think she's got something in there but she won't let me open her eye to have a look," Sally said as we headed into the barn.

I went into Belle's stall and could see that her right eye was almost closed. She was squinting and tearing from the pain, and as I gently tried to pry open her eyelids, she squeezed her eye shut.

"I'll be right back. I need to grab some gear from the truck," I said to Sally.

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"All right, Sally, let's see if we can get a better look," I said when I returned with my ophthalmic kit. I drew up some medication into a syringe and attached a small-gauge pediatric needle. "Okay, Sally, here we go. Hang on to her halter and steady her head while I give her this injection."

The injection I was about to give wasn't one that is given into a vein or the muscle; instead it was given around a nerve, and almost anybody who has been to the dentist has had one. It's called a nerve block and it's achieved by giving a "local."

There are lots of different types of local anesthetics that physicians, dentists, and veterinarians use. Some are stronger than others, some last longer, and others are rapid in onset (these fast-acting ones are those most preferred by dental patients).

Novocain, the local anesthetic that dental patients and others are most familiar with, is actually the trade name for procaine. There is also lidocaine, bupivacaine, mepivacaine, proparacaine, and many, many more. They all seem to end in "-aine," which rhymes with what they're supposed to do: block the pain.

Most people are aware that a local anesthetic is given before a cavity is drilled or a wound is stitched. But many people don't realize that a local anesthetic can also be used to block the nerve that allows a muscle to function. This is why, after you have been given a local for a cavity filling, not only can you not feel that area of your gum, but often your lip is droopy as well. The embarrassment of having your friend tell you that you are drooling is understandably explained away when you reveal you have just seen the dentist.

Horses are not so keen on instruments and hands approaching their eyes, so what do they do? They squeeze their eyelids shut. It's the predictable response by almost all horses when an attempt is made to do an eye exam.

The fact that a muscle needs a nerve to function is a bit of neurophysiology taken advantage of when a veterinarian reaches for a vial of local anesthetic.

"That should take just a minute to kick in, Sally, and then we'll be able to have a

look," I said after injecting a bit of mepivacaine around Belle's auriculopalpebral nerve - a small nerve a couple of inches above her right eye that provided motor function to the orbicularis oculi, the blink muscle of Belle's right eye.

It's an odd way to spend a thought but think what would happen if we couldn't blink. The muscles around our eyes that allow us to blink are vital, even though they're likely not the ones that men try and flex when standing in front of a mirror. If we didn't have blink muscles, our eye-lids would not be able to function as the windshield wipers of our eyes. Being able to blink is somewhat similar to what happens when the big-rig semi blows by our car on a rainy day on the freeway, leaving our windshield covered in road spray and truck splash. We have trouble seeing until we flip the windshield wipers on.

"That worked pretty fast," Sally said as I turned the light of my ophthalmoscope on.

"Yup, that little local works well. Sort of makes their muscle go dishrag flaccid pretty quick. Have a feel now of her eyelid," I said to Sally.

"Wow, she can't squeeze her eye shut, and her eyelid feels like it has gone limp," Sally remarked as she lifted Belle's eyelid this way and that. "Her eye is all red.

What'd she do?" Sally asked.

"I'm not sure, but let's have a closer look," I said.

I numbed up Belle's cornea, the glassy surface of her eye, with a couple of drops of another type of local so she wouldn't feel what would happen next. "Sally, I need your help. Hang on to my ophthalmoscope and shine the light in her eye when I tell you." I took out a six-inch cotton swab. "Okay, let's go," I said, holding up Belle's eyelid with one hand and using the cotton swab in my other to sweep high up under her eyelid.

"Here's the problem, Sally, have a look," I said, showing her what was on the end of the cotton swab. "It was hiding up in the conjunctival sac under her eyelid."

"What is it?" she asked.

"It's a grass awn, a little torpedo-shaped seed covered



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with barbs. No wonder her eye was so red. It must have blown into her eye while she was eating her hay or out grazing.

"We need to see if she scratched her cornea," I added, taking out a fluorescein dye strip and gently placing it on the surface of her eye.

"What's that gonna do?" Sally asked.

"If that grass awn abraded her eye, the dye will turn green and fluoresce where she scratched her cornea," I explained.

When I shone my ophthalmoscope on her eye, I saw the neon-green staining, paintbrush-like streak marks across more than 60 percent of her cornea. "Have a look, Sally. She got a pretty good rub on her cornea," I said.

"Wow, no wonder she had her eye closed, it must have been awfully painful," Sally remarked.

"I bet she made matters worse, however." "Why? What do you mean?" Sally asked.

"Did you see her rubbing her face on her leg?" I asked. "That's exactly what she was doing before you came," Sally answered.

Horses are just like people in that when they get something in their eye, the itchy sensation that follows makes them want to rub the eye. Horses obviously don't have fingers, so instead they rub their faces up and down their legs. The effect is the same: Rubbing an itchy eye that has a foreign body typically results in more trauma to the delicate cornea.

I explained to Sally that despite the paintbrush-like abrasions affecting most of her cornea, Belle was actually somewhat fortunate in that the lesions were superficial. The cornea would heal within three to four days. Sally would need to administer some ophthalmic ointment several times per day to the affected eye, as well as give Belle some Banamine paste, an oral anti-inflammatory medication used in horses.

After showing Sally how to administer the ointment into Belle's eye, I explained that the affected eye

should appear much more comfortable over the next few days. "The squinting and tearing should begin to subside within a day, and she can go back to work tomorrow," I said. "Of course, give me a call if it hasn't," I added.

I handed Sally a couple of tubes of eye ointment and headed out of the barn toward my truck. Then I turned back. "Hey, Sally, I think I'll swing by in a few days and have a look at her just to be sure. Not to worry, there won't be a charge," I smiled.

I knew that Belle would be fine when I came back to check on her in a few days. I would of course have a look at her and make sure she was on the mend, but I would also wander down to the ring and see more of the magic unfold.



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CORRAL NEWS

Bonelli MAU

Mounted Assistance Unit
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What is required to become a MAU volunteer?

The selection of MAU volunteers is based on several criteria. Each member must complete an orientation / evaluation ride, process the proper County and MAU paperwork, and certify on their horse as a team. Once certified, members attend monthly meetings, patrol at least eight hours per month, participate in refresher training, and maintain ETI membership, First Aid & CPR certification, and LA County ID.



What makes a good MAU volunteer?

We are looking for new members with the following characteristics:

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

Want to learn more? Visit us online at www.bonellimau.org or join us for one of our monthly meetings. Our meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month at the Frank G. Bonelli East Shore RV Park Recreation Center at 1440 Camper View Road in San Dimas, Ca 91773.

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Join us at Corral 2's Schooling Show to be held Sunday, October 4, at the beautiful Rose Bowl Riders facility in Pasadena. We have added hunt seat classes in addition to our usual lineup of Western and Trail classes, so there will be something for everyone! Our schooling shows are relaxed and informal, and provide an opportunity to show in a fun and educational atmosphere. You can download the show premium from our website at <http://eticorral2.org>, or call Julie Unamuno at (626) 278-9450 for more information.

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IT'S ON!! Corral 3 Joint ETI/MAU "All About Horses" Memorial Ride & Showcase

Walnut Creek MAU and ETI Corral 3 are pleased to announce the "All About Horses" community outreach event at Bonelli Park, that includes breed showcasing and a memorial ride, has been approved by LA County Parks & Recreation and will be held Saturday, October 10. (We're talking to other ETI corrals and MAU groups to see if they'd like to help co-sponsor and coordinate.)

The "All About Horses" event will include a showcase of horse breeds, a 'random-departure' 1-hour memorial poker ride, and fun sensory challenges on the trail for those wishing to participate. Park guests will be given an opportunity to vote on their favorite breed entry, in various categories. Food



and beverages will be provided by a Bonelli Park support foundation group. (We're planning to offer country line-dance lessons as well, throughout the day.)

The event will be staged in the West Picnic Valley area of Bonelli Park. Event admission is free, and vehicle fee for Park entry is \$10. LACO Parks & Recreation has offered its public relations resources for such joint events. It will include both conventional and social media for community outreach events. Flyers are finalized and will be publicized to the community with Parks & Recreation Dept PR assistance.

(ETI has published a copy of the flyer in this September ETI issue on page 8. Those wishing to participate in breed show-casing or the memorial ride can access that contact info, or ETI Corral 3 contact info in this edition.)

ETI Corral 3 Hosting Jo Johnson Natural Horsemanship Clinic October 16, 17, 18 At Shebarum Park

ETI Corral 3 is pleased to offer the opportunity to attend a clinic with Jo Johnson. She's a 30-year aficionado of Ray Hunt, Buck Brannaman, and Bryan Neubert clinicians and will conduct the 3-day clinic. She's a superb trainer, and participation space is limited, so register early. (She owns a foundation Morgan breed ranch in Northern California and trains all her stock.)

Her background is available for review at <http://www.jafmorganstockhorses.com/training/early-learning/> Call ETI Corral 3 contact info below for more information regarding this event.

ETI Corral 3 2nd Annual ARENA CHALLENGE On Track For November 7

Planning continues for the November 7th arena challenge, to be held in the East arena of Bonelli Park. It will be hard to beat last year's Alpaca surprise, so keep this date open even if it's just to watch! Participation registration will be noted in the flyer included as a part of the August issue.

Don't wait too long – last year's event was a huge success, and you're being given fair warning...THERE WILL BE SURPRISES!

TRAIL & STAGING AREA CONDITIONS, WATER CROSSINGS, WARNING – TRAIL HAZARDS

The Walnut Creek trail is in very good condition. Water levels are fairly low, staging areas are clean, and the Reeder arena is being well maintained. As a wilderness area, natural challenges can occur. Should anyone notice difficulties or tricky areas, please advise Cindi or Charlie Hawkins.

With its natural tree-cover, shady & cool, Walnut Creek trails

are going to be more popular than ever. We look forward to seeing more equestrians on the trail, staying cool and enjoying the natural beauty of the Walnut Creek Wilderness Area.

PLEASE, JOIN US IN THANKING THOSE WHO VOLUNTARILY HELP KEEP OUR TRAILS CLEAN.

We've noticed several trail hikers who take it upon themselves to keep the Walnut Creek trails policed, picking up trash and various litter, discarding refuse properly. They definitely deserve our appreciation. ETI Corral 3 has surprised them with rewards for their efforts in August, giving them \$25 Stater Bros. gift cards when we met them on the trails. We intend to continue this policy of appreciation.

We encourage other Corrals to reward such volunteers in their neighborhood trails.

REMINDER - As always, please remember to thank those enjoying the trails when they show the courtesy and consideration to keep their dogs on a leash.

ABOUT CORRAL 3

As MAU members, we're happy to see a noticeable improvement when patrolling the trails in Walnut Creek. Corral 3 is primarily made up of Walnut Creek MAU volunteers as well as area riders. Our meetings are held bi-monthly on the first Thursday of the month (7pm, Bonelli RV Community Center).

Our emphasis is always to help Walnut Creek become a more desirable family venue, and cleaning up the area will also have a greater positive impact for the homes neighboring Walnut Creek.

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Corral 12

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Tuesday, September 8, 7:30pm will be Patty's Patio Party ... and general Corral 12 meeting. We'll be at the rancho of Patty Hug and Jim Renze, kicking back in the shade and enjoying beverages and appetizers and discussing all things ETI and fun.

October's trail ride will be Saturday, October 17, at Vasquez Rocks. Should be a bit cooler by then. We ride at 10:00, and afterward can go out for lunch or have lunch at the rigs ... whatever the trail boss wants or whatever the riders want.

November 22 will be Corral 12's Turkey Ride. Normally, we shuttle ride from near Placerita Nature Center over the mountain to the Sylmar side, where we potluck. In the past, real weather has changed the route, so we'll have to see how the trails hold up through the promised El Nino.

Details will be provided in upcoming Corral 12 newsletters, or you can call this scribe at (661) 259-7608 for info.

Jeanne Catron-Gonzalez

Corral 14

Western Wagons Mojave
Pres. Sue Martzolf
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Dates left for 2015 Drive Schedule:

Fall Wagon Drive /Ride - September 25 - 27 - Long Ears Ranch, Mojave, Ca. For information, call Mara Wada at (661) 821-1217 or email mojo14@qnet.com.

Death Valley Wagon Drive - November 9 - 13. For information, contact Sue Martzolf (760) 662-6102

Mary Jo Steele

Corral 15

Marshall Canyon MAU
San Dimas/LaVerne area
Pres. Darlene McGrady
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Re-certification is going well. We should all be re-certified by September 19. Looking forward to Countywide training on October 17 at Bonelli, and then our unit training will take place on November 14 at the Fred Palmer Equestrian Center.

Marshall Canyon MAU is actively looking for new members. We train at the Fred Palmer Equestrian Center in Marshall Canyon, plus we have many beautiful, tree-covered trails to ride. For information, please contact Darlene McGrady at (909) 592-6477 or email at DSings4Joy@aol.com.

If you would like to join our group or visit us, we meet the first Monday of each month at the Bonelli Park Conference Center in the campground at 7:00pm.

Julie Sandona,
Marshall Canyon MAU

We are in a major drought!
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! Hell's Bells! The mountains are **DRY**. BE PREPARED!!

Get out your copy of "What Do I Do With My Horse In Fire, Flood, and/or Earthquake?"

Every inch of this booklet is helpful whether you own a horse or not. If you can't find your copy, then go to the Equestrian Trails, Inc. national website, www.etinational.com, heading for Disaster aid, and download a copy for yourself and maybe even one for your neighbor, too!





Corral 20

Shadow Hills Rough Riders
 Pres. Becky Borquez
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We have had a busy summer, beginning with ETI Convention in June, when so many Corral 20 members volunteer, and our own Susan Kaiser took blue ribbons in Cowboy Dressage! I appreciate so much the willingness of our members to help out at Convention!

Royan Herman hosted our annual pool party/barbecue meeting, which was well-attended by members and friends alike! A few folks enjoyed the pool, and we ALL enjoyed the potluck dishes and burgers and dogs!

We had a great group of riders head to Montana de Oro in early August. This is the absolute BEST place to escape the heat! We had a wonderful time! One highlight for me was doing a ride to the Sea Pines golf course resort in Los Osos. Sea Pines offers pipe stalls for use of their guests (and folks who ride over for lunch!), and we all enjoyed a great meal and drinks before heading back to camp.

Coming up, we have several rides planned - a moonlight ride around Hansen Dam, a ride to Angeles Golf Course which includes lunch, and our camping trip to Caspers Wilderness Park in Orange County. We'd love to have any ETI members join us on our rides!

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 Corral 20 president
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Corral 21

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San Fernando Valley Riders
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Corral 35

Oak Canyon Riding Club
 Glendora
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Corral 36

Mountain Ridge Riders
 Agoura/Calabasas/Malibu/Monte Nido
 Pres. Vikki Siemons
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Thank you, Buck, for hosting the BBQ!

July 11, ETI Corral 36 President Vikki Siemons, and Board member Holly Kessler present Buck Wicall with a gift for hosting a Summer Santa Maria BBQ prepared by Dearmore's Bar-B-Cue Catering from Ventura, CA. (photo by Vinnie Muselli)



We had a wide variety of guests enjoying Buck's back yard, and a splendid evening. (Following 4 photos by Holly Kessler.)





**HORSE FACILITIES –
Certain Activists Will Take Enforcement Action
Against Properties Without Coastal Development
Permits (CDP)**

There are still not enough people coming to the LA County Regional Planning Department's One-Stop Center to file for their horse keeping facility permits (CDP). If too few people file, activists are watching and waiting for this effort by Regional Planning to fail at the end of the 2-year moratorium October 10, 2016. It is not wise to wait!

Activists are banking that horse facility owners won't expect that there will be any real

enforcement as in the past, but these owners are wrong.

It may be that many horse keeping residents are waiting to see what happens with the first wave of applicants. For too long, everyone has "flown under the radar" without permits for any seemingly simple task such as putting up a fence or adding an animal shelter. Because the whole application process seems daunting and costly, residents are wary. If your horse facility has been in place before 2001, the cost could be much less. Maybe \$1,500.00.

The goal of the activists' is to remove all horses from the Santa Monica Mountains. At the end of the moratorium 2-year time period, it is expected that the activists will use aerial photography to identify unpermitted horse facilities and file complaints to require R P to enforce the new restrictions.

Regional Planning's One-Stop center at 26600 Agoura Rd. in Calabasas has lightened the workload for you. There is no cost for this initial visit. New brochures have been printed to help you negotiate the process, and even more importantly, you can show your willingness to comply with the new laws by filing your application along with the fee due for the type of permit you need for your horse facility. This will give each of us the opportunity to piece together all the paperwork we need to finish our applications before the deadline.

If you enjoy the sight of horseback riders in the neighborhood and on our local trails, even if you are not a horse owner and have no interest in keeping a horse on your property, we ask that you encourage those home owners with horse corrals to get their permit.

Your encouragement just might keep all the property values in Monte Nido much higher than any neighborhood without the pleasure of horses.

Visit the L A County Calabasas One-Stop Center at 26600 Agoura Rd., Suite 110, Calabasas. Talk with Marie Waite. mwaite@planning.lacounty.gov. Calabasas office hours are limited to Wednesday and Thursday from 7:00 to 11:00am. Take all your building permits for your property with you if you have them.

You are also welcome to reach out to Gina Natoli at (213) 974 3426, gmatoli@planning.lacounty.gov; or to Josh Huntington at (213) 974 6462, jhuntington@planning.lacounty.gov.

~ ~Stephanie Abronson,
ETI Corral 36 Newsletter Editor



**Local Trails – 2015 Monte Nido
Trails Maintenance Fund**

Remember trail clearing only happens when you participate physically or



with your well-earned \$\$\$'s so we can hire a work crew. To contribute to our Corral 36 Trails Maintenance Program, please send your contribution to Jeanne Wallace, 1710 Cold Canyon Road, Calabasas, CA 91302. For information, call (818) 222-2560.

A work crew was out after the July rains and thoroughly cleared the Middle Trail into Lost Canyon and back over the Skipper trail on the west side of Lost Canyon. **THANK YOU, Jeanne!**

**GRAVE & CRITICAL NEWS FOR OUR LOCAL TRAILS:
South of Mulholland Hwy, west of Cold Canyon Road
and north of the main Monte Nido neighborhoods...**

On occasion, motor bikes tracks appear on the trails again. Tracking the sound from the Mulholland, I'm guessing they come from the Medrano side of the mountain taking the trail up past Isabel Snyder.

Yes, it is infuriating the danger these scofflaws place upon everyone here in the mountains! **Call the Sheriff if you see them. Get a description. (818) 878-1808**

The Anselmo parcel (next to the MRT property just south of Mulholland Hwy along the illegally paved road put in by Alan Satterlee a number of years ago) was sold in December of last year. Last Saturday, August 1, I saw the tractor with truck and trailer on the parcel. I did not see a permit posted on or near the tractor. The parcel clearing of the land by the new owner has left a 'nice' brush rubbish pile on the lowest part of their property near the pavement. No permits posted on the property.

In addition, the three Satterlee parcels were sold in December of last year.

Lori and Jeff Litow recently moved. Their house is for sale and their ten acre parcel south of that property is also for sale.

The changes in ownership of these lands are critical for all of us who use the trail system located across or near these properties. We must be diligent to keep aware of any changes on these parcels by the new owners, with the goal and resolve to keep these major connecting trails open for the public use.

Placerita Canyon area Warning to Horses and Bicycles - Booby Trap Spike found in Trail

A couple hiking up the Los Pinetos trail starting from the parking area on Placerita Canyon Road, about 1/8 mile below the saddle, they encountered a piece of 1/2 inch rebar that had been sharpened to a chisel point and hammered into the center of the single track trail right next to a steep

drop off.

It was sticking straight up about three inches out of the trail. It was located just below a curve and in deep shade right where a bicycle or horse could not see it.

Using a large rock, the couple beat the rebar back and forth but could not work it out of the ground (it was driven a long way in). So, using the same rock, they pounded it in until it was flush with the trail and not sticking up.

This was an obvious attempt to harm and someone went to considerable effort to sharpen and carry the rebar and a hand sledge hammer to that location. Bicyclists often ride up the "Beast" which is the fire road that starts at the Park and ride at the end of Newhall Ranch road, and then come down Los Pinetos trail at relatively higher speed. This "spike" would have caused a front tire to explode very likely causing a bike crash and resulting injuries.

We reported this in person to the Camp 9 Fire Captain. We have also notified the City.

Keep focused and be aware there are people out there that do this kind of thing...

What's going on in the Neighborhood?

Send us your photos & news. Send them via email (photos should be in jpeg files if you can). If you have news to share; photos to share; something you need; or something to sell...

Submissions for the ETI Corral 36 Newsletter must be received by the 15th of each month prior to the monthly issue date, i.e. Sept. 15th for the Oct. 2015 issue.

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**Just Who Competed in the USEF National Pony Finals?
Our own Marla and Marina Boudreau!**

This was their first year qualifying for the National Pony Finals through USEF Zone 10. Lots of work to get all the way to the Kentucky Horse Park.

Marina (age 10) & Maliblu competed in the small green pony division against 45 riders - was 6th in the hack and was standing 7th overall with her points from the Model. Then had some minor but costly mistakes, but had lovely distances and rides.

Marla (age 10) & Snapchat competed in the regular small ponies out of 120 riders. Marla & "Smurf" had good scores, but stood low in the overall standings



for the Under Saddle and Model. Over fences, she as well had some imperfections on course during the rain deluge that began as she stepped in the ring. Smurf loves a long distance, but when it feels like someone's spraying him in the face, he'd rather take the conservative approach and add the step.

Our overall experience as a family was priceless and an invaluable life lesson. The girls rode their best, and we couldn't be more proud. The Kentucky Horse Park was a fabulous facility, truly heaven on earth for the horse and pony lover. We hope to make it back again next year!!!

sponsored by Corral 36, Wednesdays, horsemanship classes start at 9:00am - be warmed up and ready to ride. Cost is \$15.00 per person, and you must sign releases. Fun exercises using ground poles. All levels of riders and horses welcome. You are welcome to enroll any time during the year. Come join us. Please contact Jeanne Wallace at (818) 222-2560 – for information and if you plan to attend. Thank you.

~ ~Jeanne Wallace

NOTICE from Judy Reinsma and Lynn Brown:

To all our friends, fellow horseback riders, hikers, and those who just love our local national forest and want to protect it from exploitation and over-use.

The mountain bikers hate the "wilderness" designation as it excludes wheeled vehicles of any kind while permitting hiking and equestrian activities. Mountain bikers want the "monument" designation as it allows access to all wheeled vehicles including ORVs, dirt bikes, motorcycles and, of course, mountain bikes.

In the ... HorseTrader magazine, August 6 issue, page 12, is an article about the Castaic Wilderness bill. Thanks to all of you who phoned Congressman Knight and to those who were able to attend a meeting with Mr. Knight on August 4. All who attended the meeting made a powerful impression on the Congressman. Special kudos to Dale Gibson, President of the LA Equine Advisory Committee, and to Ruth Gerson, who despite her injuries, made the journey to be present at this meeting.

Great progress has been made thanks to everyone's efforts. BUT, the battle isn't won yet, so please urge folks to continue to make those phone calls to Congressman Knight's office at (202) 225-1956 and thank him for the Castaic Wilderness Bill and the St. Francis Legislation (same bill) which will memorialize the St. Francis Dam Disaster here in San Francisquito Canyon, Saugus and establish wilderness designation for part of Angeles National Forest north of Castaic Lake and through the remote and still pristine areas located there.

Despite the progress made on this issue, there may be another phoning campaign coming up. We've done wonderfully. Now we have to keep supporting the Congressman.

HELP PRESERVE WHAT WE HAVE NOW.



Board Meetings are open to the public and held at Diamond



Marla & Snapchat



Marina & Malibblue

~ ~Mia Boudreau

CONGRATULATIONS TO ETI C-36 MEMBER KATRINA BRITNER. She is now a riding instructor for a class at Pierce in the regular session; and also riding instructor for the Pierce Extension classes.



**At the Agoura Equestrian Park
C-36 Lessons Continue –
Instructor Karen Curtis**

Lessons at the Agoura Equestrian Park, corner of Chesebro Rd. and Driver Ave.



X Ranch, 26412 Mulholland Hwy., Calabasas, on the 4th Thursday of the month at 7:00pm. There are three exceptions: Nov & Dec meet on 1st Thursday and no meeting in August.

PLEASE JOIN & SUPPORT SMMTC, a tax exempt, non-profit organization under IRS code 501(c) (3). Howard Cohen, President. www.smmtc.org; mail@smmtc.org. P.O. Box 345, Agoura Hills, CA 91376.

Stephanie Abronson

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**IMPORTANT NEWS FOR RIDERS AND CART DRIVERS IN BURBANK
RIDERS/CART DRIVERS AND AUTOMOBILE DRIVERS BE AWARE - RIVERSIDE DRIVE IS SOON TO BE POSTED AT 35MPH.**

The Burbank City Council voted 4-1 (Councilwoman Gabel-Luddy voted no) on Tuesday to raise the speed limit on Riverside Drive through the Rancho from 30 to 35mph.

All riders/cart drivers need to be very aware of this change. The increase will make it the same speed as Alameda Street. In spite of arguments to consider the school, horse/carriages, single family homes, curving street, school and numerous intersections with no traffic signals, the rest of the Council said it was better to raise the speed limit so that the police could use radar to cite anyone driving over 35mph.

The Council majority refused an alternative to continue the item for discussion in order to examine the statistics behind the staff proposal. It is not known when the new signs will be posted. For further information, contact citycouncil@burbankca.gov.

IMPORTANT WEST NILE VIRUS NEWS

The first equine cases of WNV in 2015 have been identified. A total of four (4) horses were confirmed positive and were located in Riverside (2), Shasta and Tehama County. Two of the four positive horses are alive and recovering. Two of four positive horses have died or were euthanized. All four

horses were unvaccinated.

CDFA continually monitors and investigates equine neurologic cases for the presence of WNV in California. CDFA urges horse owners to consult their veterinarian concerning a WNV vaccination program to ensure maximum protection of their horses.

For the latest WNV confirmed case count and additional disease information visit http://cdfa.ca.gov/ahfss/Animal_Health/WNV_Info.html or <http://westnile.ca.gov>.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

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Lynn Brown

Corral 43

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Hello Tri Valley Riders- We had an amazing night of food, fun and raffle prizes last month!! It was great to see everyone come out and support our club! A huge THANK YOU to Riverside Rancheros for everything they do!!

Don't forget, we will be drawing the winner of our Summer Series at the show on September 13!!

See you all soon!

Sally Vail

Corral 54

Rocky Hill Riders, Chatsworth
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E.T.I. Corral 54 would like to congratulate two of its members, Bart Eskander and Lynn Leonard, for their rides in the August 1, 2015 Western States Trail Ride, popularly called the Tevis Cup. It is an endurance race of 100 miles



to be completed within 24 hours, hosted by the Western States Trail foundation. There are seven "vet checks" along the route where the horses are evaluated by a veterinarian to determine if the horse is "fit" enough (in good condition) to be able to continue the race. Only 90 horses were able to finish the race.



In this year's ride, there were a total of 201 riders, eight of which were Junior Riders (ages 12-18 and accompanied by a responsible adult rider over 21). Twelve countries were represented, as were 20 of the United States. There were 21 "Signature Riders" which is defined as a rider who has completed a previous Tevis Cup.

Unfortunately, Lynn (& Sultan) was not able to complete the race.



64 was the winning number for Bart Eskander and his Arabian, Henry (JC Hendrix). At 64 years young, Bart Eskander of Trails End Ranch crossed the finish line at 4:22am, just shy of the 24 hour time limit, and placed 64th in the 60th Anniversary run of the Tevis Cup, which starts in Squaw Valley and ends in Auburn, CA.

"I was getting sentimental after my good friend Walt Hagman passed on a couple years ago. You see, Walt and I completed Tevis together in 1990 on two Thoroughbreds, and with the 60th Anniversary run coming up, I wanted to complete the ride again. I brought Walt's ashes with me... we crossed the finish line together again.



It was Henry's first 100, and up to this point, he's been an amazing athlete with a lot of heart. He completed seventeen 50's in a 14 month period - and he top 10'd several of those rides. When he started getting best time and best condition, I knew we were ready to step up our game and shoot for a Tevis completion this year." Bart

Part of a good ride strategy is having a good crew to support you along the way. Terry Wooley-Howe and Jennifer Bishop did an outstanding job of keeping Henry and Bart in tip top shape by providing much needed assistance at the various vet checks and stops along the way. "Your crew can make you or break you out there, and Terry & Jennifer really helped Henry and I complete the ride. We couldn't have done it without their help." Bart

Mary Kaufman

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Corral 65

Kern Equestrian Riders, Bakersfield
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On August 19, at Corral 65 General Meeting, our attending membership enjoyed our first Guest Speaker presentation. Tammy Bozarth, Education Director for Back Country Horsemen of California, Kern Sierra Unit, presented information on "Leave No Trace Ethics."





Tammy's presentation took our members on an overnight pack trip into the back country. She provided information on planning your trip, having a plan and knowing what and/or if permits are required for the area. Training your stock for riding into other than flatland country. Will there be high elevation, if so should you allow stock a one night layover to acclimate to the elevation. What and how are you going to feed your stock, and are there any feed restrictions, "weed free feed only." It is recommended that the "total head" riders and stock go into the back country in groups of 10 or less at a time.

She provided several options for care and containment of stock when not in use, high lines if there isn't a fenced meadow available, use of electric fencing, will your horse hobble and tethering.

Important in the "leave no trace" concept is "pack it in and pack it out." Riders should take in as little as possible, plan your meals and condense supplies as much as possible. If you cannot boil your water, it is important to carry a water filtration devise.

Carrying first aid kits for your stock and yourself. Carry them in your saddle bag and not on the pack animals with the rest of the equipment and supplies. You may need to be able to get to it as quickly as possible.

It was suggested that now all stock be put out to graze at the same time, that one or two should be kept on a highline and the stock switched out periodically...just in case you need one of your horses to chase and recover stock that get loose from their form of grazing containment. It is also important to pay attention to animal dynamics, who gets along with whom.

How to set up and break down camp and disposal of human and stock waste was covered...Again stressing the importance of "leave no trace" and as little as possible damage to the natural habitat. When you leave the area, other back country visitors should not be able to see that you were there before them.

Members were provided with handouts about the purpose and objectives of Back Country Horsemen of California, and for that matter nationwide. Several areas of focus are: To improve and promote the use, care and development of backcountry trails, campsites, streams and meadows; to advocate good trail manners, to promote the conservation and utilization of our backcountry resources in concert with livestock transportation, to keep the backcountry trails and forage areas open to horsemen on all public lands. To assist in keeping the public informed of the vital need for a clean backcountry. To promote public awareness and interest in the historical aspect of horsemen and stock in the backcountry and to help educate backcountry users on ways

to use the trail and forage in a manner that conserves the backcountry resources.

One interesting piece of information given to membership indicated the biodegradation rates for various materials. Examples include: paper towels 3-4 weeks, cotton cloth 3-6 months, rope one year, cigarette butt 1-5 years, steel can 10-20 years, aluminum can 200-400 years, plastic bottle 450 years and glass bottle, thousands to millions of years.

Tammy's presentation was very informative providing much more information than I have briefed here. She is very knowledgeable and experienced. Everyone was full of energy during and after the presentation, and she held their attention the whole time. It was great to see everyone so interested, and present her with many interesting questions. The information presented was important for any area that equestrians ride.

Corral 65 would like to thank Tammy for taking the time to be our first special topic speaker. It was a very enjoyable evening.

Alberta Dougherty, President

Corral 66

Route 66 Riders, Barstow/Hinkley
Pres. Beth Uzonyi
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The heat this summer in Barstow has made it all but impossible to ride, unless you trailered your horse somewhere cool. I don't believe anyone from our corral made it to the June Hesperia Lakes ride. I heard it was one of the hottest rides ever, so I guess we picked a good year to miss it. They said it was one of their best events ever.

We had no rides planned for July, but August was to be our Big Bear ride. Then the fire came and wiped out most all of our riding trails. We canceled our Big Bear ride and switched to McCall Park in Idyllwild. Several of us went up there on August 5, but then we discovered almost all the trails were washed out. On July 4, they had some devastating rain and hail, and then July 30 they had at least 1.5 inches of rain in like a half hour. So, we called ETI members that we knew were coming up to McCall Park and told them not to come due to no trails to ride. The first day we went up and down a few trails only to find them washed out. We had to scramble and turn around on trails that were steep and narrow...Very dangerous. On Thursday, a big group from the Lakeside Frontier Riders pulled in to camp. They told us about a trail on the other side of the busy road. So on Friday, we crossed the busy road, again dangerous, and went on the other side of the highway from the camp to find a trail. We went up a dead end road at first and wandered around looking for trails. Finally took some nice



jeep trails through a meadow and came to a locked gate, so we turned around and came back. Come to find out, it is okay to go around the gate, so on Saturday a few of us went out on another scouting adventure and went past the gate and to the top of the mountain where there was a beautiful meadow with pine trees. Took us 3 days to find it.

Riverside County is having a work day the first weekend in October, if anyone wants to help restore the trails. There is a Facebook page called Save McCall Park if you want to check it out. The campground is just beautiful, and we all agreed we would go back if only there were trails to ride on. We met three park employees, and they were all very nice and agreed that there were problems with the trails.

September 19 will be our Mojave Narrows trail ride in Victorville, with Jackie Lindgren as our trail boss. She said to be prepared for some deep water crossings.

October 12 will be a driving fun day at Susie Figleys in Llano. Outriders welcome.

October 17 will be our annual Peggy Sue's Charity ride from Barstow to Yermo.

October 24 & 25 will be a two day clinic in Newberry Springs with Linda Laird of the Double L Ranch in Bishop. Flyer will be in our September club newsletter. Email or call me for a flyer at bethygirl55@aol.com or (760) 255-4767.

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We had a big turnout for our Angeles Crest/La Cabana dinner ride on July 11. Twenty Corral members from various Corrals rode from our staging area northeast of Vincent Hill in the late afternoon to avoid the heat and met an addition eight members for dinner at La Cabana. We had a great ride, both ways, and the horses were not bothered by the gunfire at the mounted shooting event when we passed the Vincent Hill arena. We had to do a little improvising on the way back. We expected to be back before dark so didn't have flashlights, but when we crossed Angeles Crest Hwy. in the dark, everybody lit up their cell phones so any cars coming were able to see us! Quick thinking!

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Horse Shows

- August 30
- October 4 - last show of 2015

SIZZLIN! The heat is on! Literally and figuratively!



Recent temperatures have us all feeling a bit over-done and crispy. But we're due for a break in the weather just in time for the horse show on Sunday, August 30!

Showing at our Corral 118 events will not burn a hole in your wallet! (See the Premium and Entry Form online for a complete listing of classes and fees.) But let us fan the embers some more by reminding everyone to take advantage of our Pre-Entry option - entries received by the Thursday prior to the show date get discounted class entry fees! Plus, every show is also an ETI National High Point show! Plus, our shows are also approved by several breed registries as qualified events for their own performance programs!

The competition remains RED HOT! Short of the horses and riders bursting into flames, these last two shows promise to be SCORCHERS in terms of the year-end points race! Check out the current point standings now at www.eti118.org!

And let me just sound the alarm right now on all of the SMOKIN' HOT judges, volunteer staff and crew, sponsors, vendors, and Corral 118 (family) members for their support, dedication and devotion! There is so much time and work involved in putting on this show series! It can't be said enough - YOU ARE ON FIRE!!!

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Blazing trails and burning daylight take on critical significance in the midst of this ongoing drought. It is more crucial than ever to be aware of fire danger and to have a plan in case of emergency.

Heat stress in horses and humans is another serious situation that requires immediate action. Take extra precautions when riding out, especially on unfamiliar trails. Water and/or shade may be non-existent.

Exercise extreme care when and how you ride your horse to avoid heat stress, dehydration and dangerous situations for you both.

(Read our August Newsletter on the website www.eti118.org for more tips on caring for your horse in the heat.)

Stay cool. Be safe.

Labor Day is Monday, September 7

"Success doesn't always come with a ribbon, and often, personal triumphs are more subtle but just as rewarding."
~ bh

Good riding 'til next time!

Beth Haney

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Corral 138 had a spectacular ride at Inspiration Point in Wrightwood August 22. Thank you Cathy and Raul Pineda for leading us. This was the first time I was able to participate and really enjoyed the cooler weather in the tall pines. It was such a big difference from the desert I ride in every day. I think I'll go frequently and just maybe shorten it a bit.

We're talking about a progressive dinner ride again. They are so much fun. Maybe it will be earlier in the day and we'll just snack our way through the desert for dessert.

A few of us went to see the Tehachapi Mountain Wild horses at Oak Creek. We're trying to work out a ride or just a lunch visit to see the horses as a Corral. They will be featured at the Vaquero Heritage Trainers Challenge Oct. 9-11. VaqueroHeritageTC@gmail.com or (661) 771-2014.

Our Halloween costume Poker ride is October 24. Contact Marcy at horsinground@att.net

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ETI Corral 138 Barrel Springs Riders

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Corral 357

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Trabuco Canyon/Orange County
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Here are the activities for Corral 357 for September:

Wednesday, September 9: Meeting with the Rangers at O'Neill Park. 7:30am Contact Jimmy Iacono for more information at (949) 459-7742.



Saturday, September 19: Inner Coastal /Watershed Clean-up. 7:30am. Meet at the opening to Holy Jim Canyon and Live Oak Canyon Road. Contact Rich Gomez for more information at (949) 888-1604.

Saturday, September 26: Month end ride. Contact Rick Balthaser for more information at (949) 439-2414.

Patti Gomez
Secretary, Saddleback canyon Riders

NO FLAKES.....JUST GREAT PANCAKES!

By James M. Iacono

Tradition is something that has always felt historically significant to me, and to be a part of maintaining it gives me peace of mind and faith in mankind. Things of any importance don't just happen. A group has to be proactive in initiating and communicating a desire to serve, and then be recognized as being worthy to continue on - hence a tradition is born - but only by performing and delivering success every year, year in and year out.

Last Saturday August 1, was the annual Great Rancho Campout - a community gathering of some 200 families in Trabuco Mesa Park in RSM. It's kind of like "Camping Night Light", but none the less it's a great night when you're a kid and it's suddenly okay to sleep in your parent's "room." And there is a barbecue, and smores, and games, and a movie, and friends all packed in to a few hours. That's a good night.

But wait, that's not all. The tent enclave starts stirring at 6:15 a.m. By then, the Saddleback Canyon Riders had already rode in the night before to set up their "camp" - a mobile chuck wagon kitchen with 4 commercial griddles, a sausage warmer, pots for hundreds of cups of coffee, three chafing dishes, tables for juices and condiments, two industrial generators, and of course a banquet room sized sound system for country music. By 5:30am, they were all back at their posts, selflessly working together to put smiles on faces, and breakfast fuel in awakening tummies. By 8:30, close to 1000 pancakes and 40 lbs. of sausages were served up to the grateful campers, as they toe-tapped to tunes that make you want to don a cowboy hat and jump on a horse! (pig in a blanket in hand!)

I love our Club. For 11 years, this tradition has repeated itself. It takes brawn, brains, and humility to pull this off. Men have to go rent or retrieve heavy cooking hardware, women have to plot and organize ingredients and inventory, grills have to be aggressively cleaned, supplies need to be managed, bodies need to show up. And show up they did this year. Bob Wilks flawlessly managed production; Kristen Holden has seamlessly continued Debbie Kelly's organizing prowess in overseeing supplies and

handling all details. It's nice to have Dave "the tinkerer" Seroski around to troubleshoot any problems that may arise, only to have their butts kicked. Karen Balthaser has the



batter creation down to a perfect blended balance...No cakes were sacrificed in this production. Thank you to a few new shooters this year... Sue Marucci, Robert and Renate Soderstrom came both to "Setup" and to "Showtime" to add some new blood to the mix. Rich and Patti Gomez were in their usual eye of



the storm... barely breaking sweat. Thanks to Sue Seroski, Debbie Kelly, Vicki Iacono, and Spike Wilks, for being front line customer service. Finally, Rick Balthaser and Jimmy I rounded out the kitchen crew, perfecting the two- spatula flip for the most successful year ever for the creation of the coveted "Mickey Mouse" pancakes.

But what it all comes down to is knowing that you can count on the heart and the soul and the humility of each of the volunteers to get a job done, and stay until it is done. I



would be in the foxhole with any of you because if we were serving waffles it would all be about the "Eggs", not the egos.



Even some of the campers are starting to recognize us and remember us and reminisce about their experience the first weekend in every August. Yes, a tradition is born, and lives on in the legend that is The Saddleback Canyon Riders Great Rancho Campout Bredakfast.

Corral 357's July 4th Parade Fun!



To celebrate 50 years...Float with past Grand Marshalls. Bob Wilks representing ETI. The club was Grand Marshall in 2007. Rich and Patty Gomez were Grand Marshalls in 2003.





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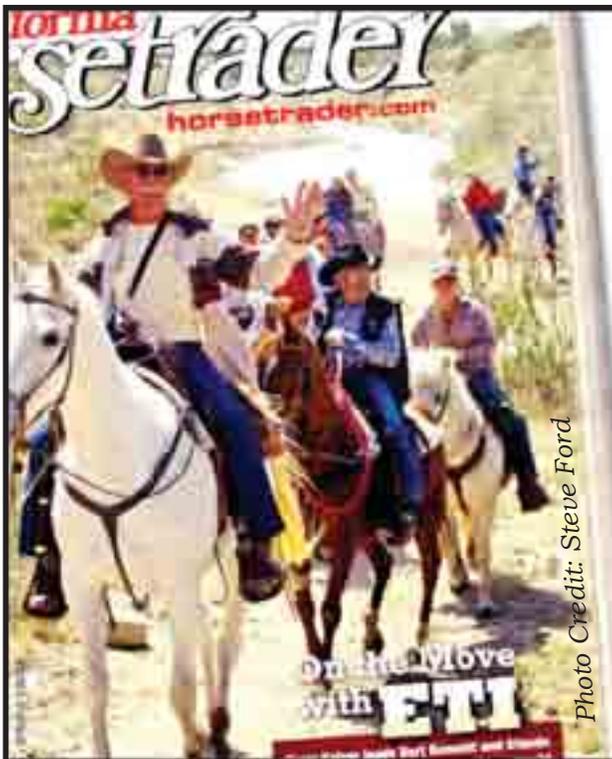


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Horse Shows ETI has a National High Point Circuit. High Point Chair is Susan Pfann (626) 221-0829 Etihighpoint2015@gmail.com. Non-ETI members can participate in our ETI High Point Shows. But to be a part of the National High Point Circuit you must 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. If you sign up by the third show, your points from the earlier season shows will be counted towards the year end awards.



The **Junior Ambassador Program** is open to all ETI youth age 7 to 21. Boys are welcome for the Prince and King category. Applications for the program may be obtained by calling Debbie Foster at the ETI Office (818) 698-6200 or equestriantrails@outlook.com. The completed forms are due back in the office in May 1st with all fees, sponsors, autobiography and pictures. This is a great way for our youth to represent their Corral and ETI. Participants volunteer their time at several mandatory events as well as many horse shows; trail trials, parades, trail dedications, quarterly dinner meetings and fun events just for the Junior Ambassador Court such as the retreat! Contact Debbie or any of the girls who have participated for more info on the fun activities.



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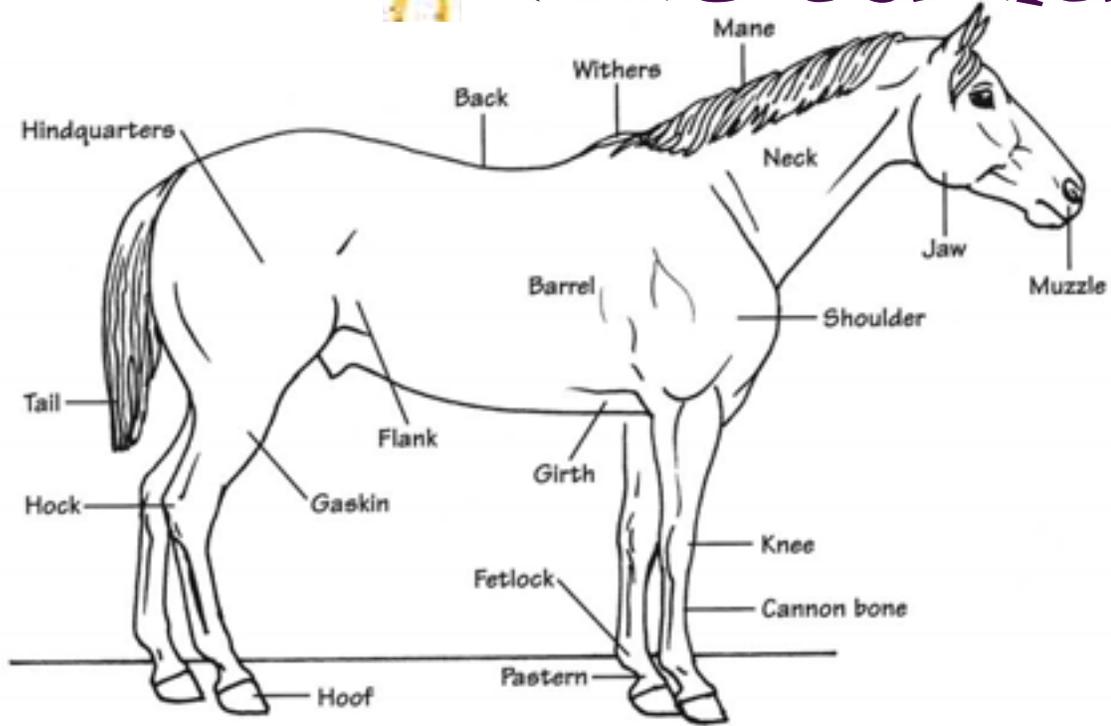
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