



Dedicated to promoting and preserving the rural and equestrian lifestyle in our community.

ALRC NEWSLETTER • APRIL 2022

BITS *of* NEWS

the PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE *from Natalie Beechler, ALRC President*



The last few years, I have dabbled a bit in cowboy poetry. One of my works entitled “The Rescue” came about last year after passing of my Tennessee Walker “Boney Joe” and the soon after acquisition of “Elvira”. I was blessed enough to have it and several other works published in a Horse Trails and Camping Across America (HTCAA) online Journal, and thought the one year anniversary a fitting time to share here.....

The Rescue

“Never again!” says the wiser me, as I contemplate my druthers
 Never again will I pick up a horse with a head full of baggage from others
 Never again will I take on the ‘rescue’ or one that’s an endless pursuit
 In trying to find the brain and the mind that’s buried behind all the fruit.

Cause I’ve done that before, and I don’t want the war that faces me up that hill
 The challenging days, and many dismays of finding my way to the will
 The rears and the spins in the trail groups I’m in, perfectly timed for the hedge
 Or for the mountainside, that will take out your hide if one toenail falters on edge
 The days that stretch on, other riders long gone where I’m riding those circles alone
 Just to show that the barn, is not the place to run hard, when I’m needed an easy ride home
 But....

With each one I’ve learned, more ‘bout the wheelin and turnin, that takes up a horses brain
 How to guide them on out, listen to what their about, and find out the source of their pain
 See they didn’t have it so great, and I can truly relate to the damage that people can make
 On a mind that is new, curious and true, longing for guidance to take

Now I have to believe, there is hope in reprieve—perhaps that’s what lures me such ways
 If my mind sits too still, it goes off to bad will and these “rescues”, they keep that at bay
 I must see something there, which I relate to somewhere, and I just can’t leave them to strife
 For when I was in need, an angel stepped up for me, and changed the course of my life.
 So I’m heading down the road, with another in tow, with a head full of farts and bees
 I say, “It’s for them, dear”, but it’s become pretty clear, that the rescues are rescuing me

...In Memory of “Boney Joe”, who began my seeking transition from horseback rider to horseman.

Natalie 

“You don’t throw a whole life away, just ‘cause it’s banged up a little” —Seabiscuit

ALTA LOMA RIDING CLUB PRESENTS



SPRING forward HORSE SHOW

Has been **FORWARDED!**

~~Sunday, March 13, 2022~~

NEW DATE: April 10

SHOW OFFICE OPENS AT 8:00AM

\$9 Grounds fee

\$5 Office fee

\$5 ALRC Temporary Membership Fee
(for non-members)

\$4.99 per Class

***We reserve the right to combine
classes with low entries.*

JUDGE: Kash Grimes

PRIZES: To First Place

RIBBONS: First - Sixth Place

HIGHPOINT AWARDS:

17 & Under

18 & Over

Walk, Trot 17 & Under

Walk, Trot 18 & Over

Heritage Park Equestrian Center

5546 Beryl Street

Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91737

SHOW ATTIRE:

ENGLISH:

Boots, breeches, and hard hats required. Long sleeve shirt required if not wearing a hunt coat.

WESTERN:

Boots, hats, long sleeved shirts
and jeans required.

Classes

1. Halter
2. Showmanship W/T Open
3. Showmanship 17 & Under
4. Showmanship 18 & Over
5. English Equitation W/T 17 & Under
6. English Equitation W/T 18 & Over
7. English Equitation 17 & Under
8. English Equitation 18 & Over
9. English Pleasure W/T 17 & Under
10. English Pleasure W/T 18 & Over
11. English Pleasure 17 & Under
12. English Pleasure 18 & Over
13. English County Pleasure -Open
14. Hunter Hack Equitation W/T
15. Hunter Hack Equitation 17 & Under
16. Hunter Hack Equitation 18 & Over
17. Lead line E/W Equitation 8 & Under
18. Lead line E/W Pleasure 8 & Under
19. Western Equitation W/T 17 & Under
20. Western Equitation W/T 18 & Over
21. Western Equitation 17 & Under
22. Western Equitation 18 & Over
23. Western Pleasure W/T 17 & Under
24. Western Pleasure W/T 18 & Over
25. Western Pleasure 17 & Under
26. Western Pleasure 18 & Over
27. Western County Pleasure
28. Ranch Rail Pleasure W/T
29. Ranch Rail pleasure Open
30. Ranch Riding W/T
31. Ranch Riding open
32. Trail W/T
33. Trail 17 & Under
34. Trail 18 & Over



ALTA LOMA RIDING CLUB



ALERT as a subcommittee of the ALRC has functioned since 2001 assisting with large animal evacuations, rescues (trapped animals), animal abuse investigations involving seized animals, and loose horses. Two of the significant events the ALRC/ALERT assisted with are the 2003 Grand Prix and 2014 Etiwanda Fires.

The Rancho Cucamonga Fire District has requested our assistance with the upcoming County Wildfire Preparedness Drill. The drill is something that RCFD does annually in May to prepare for the upcoming fire season. Each county in Southern California trains in one discipline or another to help them improve their skills. This year, RCFD hosting the drill here in Rancho Cucamonga and are trying to get as many entities involved as possible, so we can all work cohesively in the event of an actual incident.

The drill will be a simulated vegetation fire that will start to the rear of Klusman off of Archibald, with it burning to the southwest towards Gooseneck. There will be a structure threat to the homes on Gooseneck and the cul-de-sacs that are off of Beryl. Firefighters working on the vegetation fire, along with firefighters protecting the homes on the mentioned streets. The helicopter will be making water drops if approved by their agency.

RCFD would like the ALRC/ALERT to coordinate with the Incident Commanders to assist in evacuating horses in the threatened area. ALRC/ALERT Members will be requested after notification to rendezvous at Heritage Park and then drive their trailers to an address/s or location where horses are loaded and moved back to the park for a safe refuge area. I am not sure how many will be able to participate, but any involvement will let all parties know where we can shore up any loose ends for future training and/or actual incident.

RCFD will be having two-drills on each day that will last between 1-2 hours with a debrief in the end.

The dates scheduled are for **Wednesday and Thursday May 18-19 from 8AM to 1 PM**. I know many of you would like to attend but are working. Please call, text, or email me if you can participate at on or both of these days. Let me know whether you are available to assist at any level.

Thank you
Lawrence Henderson ALRC Liaison/ALERT Leader
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VACCINATION & WORMING CLINIC
with Dr. Blair
SAT-SUN
APRIL 23-24



Dr. Blair will be available on April 23rd and 24th to give shots and worming at Heritage Park. The shots include a 5-way with the Herpes virus shot included for \$65.00. Worming is also available upon request. She will be at the park on Saturday April 23rd beginning at 9:00 a.m and available throughout the day. She will also be available on Sunday, April 24th after 3:00 p.m. but not in the morning or early afternoon on Sunday.

You may bring your horse(s) without an appointment. If you prefer to have her come to your house she will also make those calls. Please call Cassie Sanchez at (909) 987-8366 or text at (909) 560-2822 to give your name, the number of horses, and your phone number so that you may be scheduled for the visit by Dr. Blair and to make sure she has the necessary supplies.

Please call Cassie by April 19th. If you have questions or concerns please call and Cassie will give you the necessary information.

Watch your mailbox for your invitation!

APRIL LOCAL TRAIL RIDE

with Heather *Heather McGee Decauwer, Local Trail Director*

This month's trail ride will be over to the Deer Creek community near Chaffey College. The trails through that community are on the tree lined grass bridal paths that run in front of the houses.

DESCRIPTION OF TRAIL RIDE:

Date: Saturday, April 16, 2022 **Time:** 10am-1pm

Staging Info: Meet at Heritage Park around 9am and plan to leave by 10am

Route: Loop along back trails to Haven

Distance: 9 miles

Time: approximately 3.5 hours

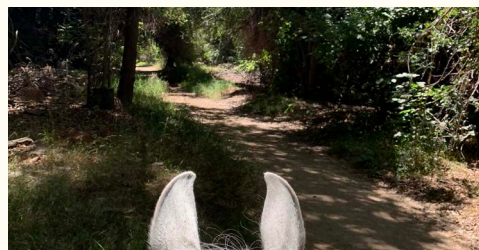
Elevation: Relatively flat

Terrain: Wide trails behind houses and along the streets. Grass when we get to Deer Creek.

Technicality: Crossing streets, shared trails and backyard activities of residents

Contact: Heather if you have questions: localtrailofalrc@gmail.com

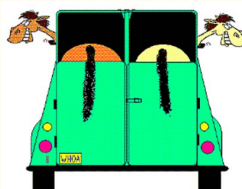
NOTE: No stallion, dogs or ponying on the ride.



APRIL TRAILER OUT RIDE

with Julie *Julie Bradley, Trailer Out Director*

Join us April 30 to ride a loop around lovely Bonelli Park in San Dimas. We will ride through the 1,975 acres around the lake and up into the hills for fantastic views. This is one of my favorite nearby trails, and it's less than 30 minutes away! There will be multiple opportunities for photos. The scenery is always nice, and the best part, in my opinion, is the tree lined part of the trail.



DESCRIPTION OF TRAIL RIDE:

Date: Saturday, April 30, 2022 **Time:** 8-2pm

Staging Info: Leave Heritage Park at 8am. We will park at the Raging Waters staging area in Bonelli Park.

Route: Bonelli Park Loop around the lake

Distance: 8.5-10 miles

Time: 3.5-4.5 hours depending on breaks and photo ops

Elevation: Rolling hills about 350 feet from highest to lowest point

Terrain: Fire roads (wide) and single track trails. Closer to the lake there will be picnickers.

Technicality: A few moderate steep spots. Possible small water crossing. Nearby small airport (haven't seen a problem yet, just letting your know).

Shade: Intermittent

Pictures Opp: Many!

Questions Contact: traileroutdirectorofALRC@gmail.com

NOTE: No stallion or dogs on the ride.

LET'S RIDE!

Plan on joining the fun on an upcoming trailer out ride with Julie or local ride with Heather!

Trailer out ride with Julie

4/30	Bonelli Park
5/28	Wild Horse/Big Bear

Local ride with Heather

4/16	Deer Creek
5/7	Poker Ride
6/4	TBD



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President: Cassie Sanchez

1st Vice President: Martha Cowan

2nd Vice President: Kara Haulman Recia

Treasurer: Charleen Ariza

Secretary: John Sanchez

Membership: (write in)

Youth Director: Alana Quinn

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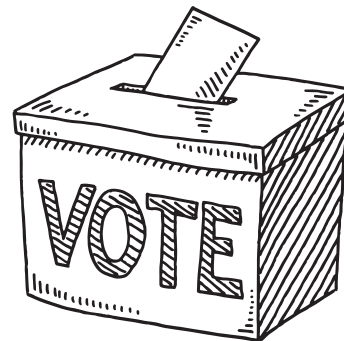
Local Trail Ride: Heather Decauwer

Trailer-Out Director: Julie Bradley

Food Service: Joe Cowan

Publicity: (write in)

Newsletter Editor: Claudia McNeill



Voting will be held during the general membership meeting at the Heritage Park Equestrian Center on **Saturday, May 7, 2022**. Voting will be in person where ballots will be distributed.

Thank You very much for being a vital part of the Alta Loma Riding Club! Happy Trails!

Your membership makes a difference! We look forward to meeting you at upcoming events! Encourage your friends and neighbors who enjoy the trails and facilities to join us too!



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ALRC UPCOMING EVENTS

SUN, APR 10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SPRING FORWARD FORWARDED HORSE SHOW • Show office opens 8AM • Show starts 9AM • Heritage Park Equestrian Center
TUES, APR 12 7:00 PM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ALRC Board Meeting • Heritage Park Equestrian Center • Clubhouse
SAT, APR 16 10AM-1PM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Trail Ride • Deer Creek Trails • Meet at Heritage Park Equestrian Center staging 9AM
SAT-SUN APR 23-24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SPRING HORSE VACCINATION CLINIC with Dr. Blair • Saturday from 9am on • Sunday after 3PM • Heritage Park Equestrian Center • Clubhouse
SAT, APR 30 8AM-2PM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trailer Out Trail Ride • Meet at Heritage Park Equestrian Center 8AM • Bonelli Park, San Dimas staging Raging Waters entrance
SAVE THE DATE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WINE TASTING EVENT • May 14, 2022 • Historic Chaffey-Garcia House, Rancho Cucamonga



Help the Alta Loma Riding Club protect and preserve the rural equestrian community in Rancho Cucamonga.

If you see any questionable or potentially dangerous activity occurring in or around the Heritage Park vicinity, please call the Rancho Cucamonga Park Ranger, at (909) 941-1488. You may also report such activity through the app: **RC2GO.com**



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CONTACT

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EQUESTRIAN PARKING AREA: In an effort to ensure safety and appropriate use of Heritage Park Equestrian Parking, a lock at the entrance gate has been installed. All ALRC members have been provided an access code via the email on file. We ask that you lock the gate upon entering and exiting the equestrian parking area. **Look for the gate code via email and text, for further questions please contact (909) 226-3956 or email altalomaridingclub@gmail.com**



SUPPORT & COMMUNITY

ALTA LOMA RIDING CLUB at Heritage Park Equestrian Center

The Alta Loma Riding Club exists to promote and preserve the rural and equestrian lifestyle of Alta Loma and Rancho Cucamonga. Our membership is very important in continuing to impact our community. We maintain communication with the local city council and city planners to assure the trails and horse facilities we enjoy stay intact and maintained. We welcome you with open arms! It is not necessary to own a horse to be a member. If you use the trails and enjoy the outdoor lifestyle, ride or walk on two or four legs, by yourself or with your friends, pets and kids, then join us!

- ALRC Monthly Newsletter
- Organized Local trail rides and Trailer-out rides
- Special Events • Shows • Clinics • Social Events
- Members are invited to monthly ALRC Board Member Meetings on the 2nd Tuesday of the month, at 7PM in the Clubhouse at Heritage Park Equestrian Center
- Quarterly ALRC General Member Meeting
- Opportunity to meet other local horse enthusiasts
- Be part of supporting and promoting the rural/equestrian lifestyle in our community!

Visit our website to join or contact
MembershipofALRC@gmail.com
for more information



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