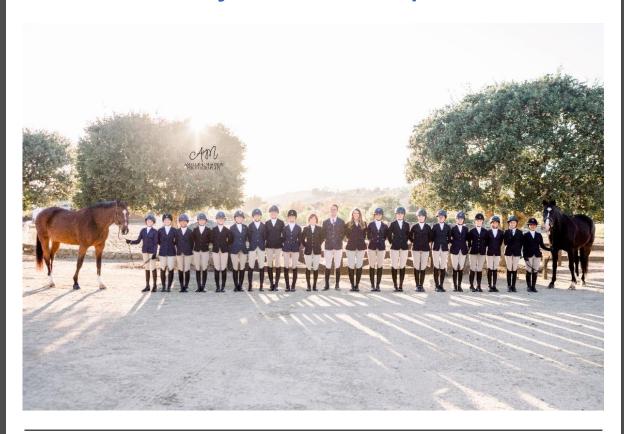


January 2020 News & Updates



Upcoming Dates to Note

- **December 28** Clinic with USEF R Judge Melissa Kalember
- December 29 Clinic with USEF R Judge Melissa Kalember
- **December 31 January 2 Winter Vaccinations (Barn Closed)**
- January 2 Desert Series Weeks 5 & 6 Show Intent Due
- January 4 5 IEA Show at Elvenstar in Moorpark
- January 5 Tessa Daniel's Birthday
- January 8 Ally Meister's Birthday
- January 11 12 IEL Show at Blenheim

Note: IEL Forms Due to Alison Gerami by January 1

• January 18 - 19 - IEL Show (Rain Make-up) at Blenheim

Note: IEL Forms Due to Alison Gerami by January 8

- January 25 26 IEA Show at Elvenstar in Moorpark
- January 27 Hailey Burgett's Birthday

- January 28 Kate Parker's Birthday
- February 15 16 County Show at Blenheim
- February 18 23 Desert Series Week 5
- February 25 March 1 Desert Series Week 6

Please note that this month includes some national holidays and our winter vaccination series. The barn will be closed for lessons but riders are welcome to come visit their equine babies. We kindly ask that you consider our regular barn hours for any visits:

Monday - Closed Tuesday - Friday from 9am - 6pm Saturday from 8am - 4pm Sunday from 8am - 2pm

Visit our Website



THANK YOU

We hope you all enjoyed a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! We thank you for working with us in partnership this past year and we look forward to making 2020 a great one for all of our riders, horses, and our families!

Thank you to all the families who helped our team celebrate the holidays and for the amazing team gift! Special thanks to the **Donchess Family** for hosting our celebration in their lovely home!

INTERSCHOLASTIC EQUESTRIAN ASSOCIATION TEAM NEWS

Our Bridges Equestrian "IEA" Team is off to a great start again this season!

With just three shows under their belt, our Middle School Team has claimed two champion titles and one reserve champion title. Our High School Team has claimed 3rd at all three of our shows. Awesome work Team Bridges!

Among the amazing ribbons that our team earned, Lauren Derstler was nominated for the Sportsmanship Award at Chestnut Hills on Saturday, December 7th and Julianna Kornegay earned the Sportsmanship Award at Elevenstar on Sunday, December 15th! Way to go ladies!

The team and parents also co-hosted two of the shows, helping with ribbon distribution, horse handling, tacking and un-tacking, hospitality, clean-up, announcing, scribe duties, and more! It was tons of fun and made for some wonderful memories already.

We are all looking forward to our next shows scheduled for January 4th and 5th at Elvenstar in Moorpark, CA.









OC-IEL SHOWS IN JANUARY

There are four scheduled IEL show dates in January. Please use the document links below to obtain and submit your registration forms to OC-IEL for each show date.

JANUARY SHOW DATES

- Saturday, January 11th
- Sunday, January 12th
- Saturday, January 18th
- Sunday, January 19th

CLICK HERE TO VISIT THE OCIEL HOMEPAGE

Please also let Kendra know the dates that you are planning to show via email at info@btstable.com

Saturday Show Registration Form
Sunday Show Registration Form
Show General Release Form

Completed forms should be emailed to Alison Gerami, Show Secretary at OCIELoffice@gmail.com

HAND-FEEDING ADVISEMENT

Your safety and that of our entire BTS team is our PRIORITY! With your well-being in mind, we kindly ask all riders and fans to <u>refrain from hand-feeding</u> any of the BTS horses treats at this time.

Some of our horses have picked up some bad habits related to handfeeding and we would like to fix those habits before other horses learn them too. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding!

Still want to give <u>your horse</u> a treat? Then please cut it into small pieces and add it to his or her feed bin, this includes carrots, apples, bananas, and other treats.





RIDER SPOTLIGHT KATE PARKER

We wish to congratulate Kate Parker on her IEA accomplishments already this season. Kate placed well at all three shows and has qualified for



Regional Finals in both of her classes: Class 9 Future Intermediate Over Fences and Class 10 Future Intermediate on the Flat. Congratulations Kate! We look forward to seeing what more you accomplish at our next two shows!

HORSE PARK CIRCUIT 2020

Members of our team and our trainers will be heading out to the Desert Circuit formerly Thermal) for Week V from February 18 - 23, 2020 and Week VI from February 25 - March 1, 2020.

If you are interested in joining the fun for this show, please let Devon and Kendra know before January 2, 2020 at info@btstable.com because the show forms are due by that date.

Follow the link below to learn more about the desert series.

LINK TO THE DESERT HORSE PARK WEBSITE







CLICK HERE TO RESERVE YOUR GOLF CART FOR THE DESERT SHOW TODAY

RESERVE YOUR GOLF CART NOW WITH DEVER

Planning to rent a cart for the Desert International Series? Reserve your cart today to ensure that they have one waiting for you! This is a show where carts come in handy!

EQUITATION CLINICS WITH USEF R JUDGE MELISSA KALEMBER

Day One - December 28th

This day of clinic will focus on the IEA (Interscholastic Equestrian Association) format of showing. It will include classroom and group riding experiences. Riders will swap horses for this clinic.

Day One Cost: \$200 per rider (includes 2 complimentary audit spots for non-riders). \$75 to audit (non-rider)

Schedule:

9am - 10am Classroom Section 10am - 12pm Riding Group 1 (Flat and xrails) 12pm - 2pm Riding Group 2 (2' - 2'6" section)

Location:

Bridges Training Stable

Attire:

Riders participating in this clinic should wear a show shirt and tan breeches with team jacket.



Here are just a few of the highlights of this clinic experience:

- learn about judging regular equitation versus IEA
- the tests the judges can ask
- strategies to be successful with your draw
- how to navigate judges comments

During the riding portion we will practice:

- how to ride your draw
- how to ride the track of the course
- how to perform tests
- how to improve your equitation

Link to Kalember Equine

REGISTER HERE FOR CLINIC ON 12/28

Day Two - December 29th

Melissa will provide Equitation
Small Group Lessons and Private
Lessons on the rider's/riders' own
mount(s). From 9am - 2pm we will
be running 45 minute private
lessons and 60 minute group
equitation lessons. The small
groups will include 2-3 riders at
\$200 per rider. Private lessons
will be provided in a one-on-one
format at \$250 per rider.





REGISTER HERE FOR CLINIC ON 12/29



IN-BARN HALF LEASES AVAILABLE

We currently have two amazing horses available for half lease at Bridges Training Stable:
Buzz and Sammy
Contact Kendra or Devon for more information about these opportunities at info@btstable.com

LEGIS LEAGUE MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Join the LEGIS League now for the 2020 season. The LEGIS League is an awards program for junior and amateur riders. Earn points in your hunter, jumper, and equitation classes to qualify for



the LEGIS Finals in the fall. Ride in the LEGIS League Medal Classes and compete in the LEGIS League Medal Finals.

The LEGIS League is about having fun while showing your horse and winning fabulous awards!

Will you be a LEGIS League Champion this year?



CLICK HERE TO JOIN LEGIS NOW for 2020

CLICK HERE FOR INFORMATION ABOUT THE LEGIS LEAGUE



USEF MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

If you are planning to compete at a licensed competition (any A show), it is important to make sure you are an active competing member before the show begins.

RENEW YOUR USEF MEMBERSHIP HERE

2020 SHOW CALENDAR



We have prepared a google calendar that includes the dates of several local shows and team member birthdays. This calendar can be used for your planning purposes for the 2020 season!

CALENDAR LINK

TEAM FAN SWAG



BTS TEAM WEAR.... SHOW YOUR TEAM SPIRIT

It's not too late to order BTS Team swag and fan wear. Follow this link to The Perfect Impression to order directly.

LINK TO PERFECT IMPRESSION