



# Hoof Prints Newsletter

Pine Valley Mountain Riders

PO BOX 300 LAKESIDE, CA 92040

July 2025



## Calendar of Upcoming Events

- ★ July 4: Julian 4th of July Parade
- ★ July 9: General Meeting 6:30  
Alpine VFW
- ★ July 26: Pine Valley Days Parade

### **Prez Says:**

Hello again! On August 22, Jodi will be your Trail Boss for the Santa Margarita Trail Ride. There will be two parades this month, the 4th of July Julian parade that will be short and sweet and another short and sweet parade in Pine Valley on the 26th with shopping afterwards. Call Jodi for the details on the parades.

The July board meeting will be at 6:30 at the Denny's off of Los Coches Rd. All are welcome to attend.

Let's not forget to promote getting vendors for the tack sale on Sept. 27 at Hawthorn Feed. The sites will be \$25 for a 12x12 space. They can contact me at 619-997-9138. Also, promote our Poker Ride at Tumbleweed Oct. 4th. (These are our two fundraisers for the year.)

Everything seems to be looking good and going well. Thank you to everyone who is working hard to make things happen!  
Susan

*Hello PVMR,*

*Now that summer is here, we are all going to be on new riding and exercising schedules with our horses.*

*For those of us who are morning people, we will ride in the awakening dawn and others of us will ride at just before the cooling dusk hours. In either case, there will still be time to enjoy our riding partners and participate with PVMR.*

*There will be a guest speaker at the General Meeting this month and a vote for online voting. Please plan on attending and sharing the evening with friends and your thoughts about our upcoming fundraisers. (There is more information on the following pages.)*

*Also, enjoy the photos of the activities last month and continue to send in photos of you and your horse having a great time. The pictures are inspirational to other members and it is always fun seeing members enjoying their time with their friends and horses, regardless if the event is with PVMR or on your own.*

*Stay cool, have a wonderful July and  
Happy Hoof Prints, Laura*

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# Pine Valley Mountain Riders General Membership Meeting Minutes June , 2025 Place: VFW Hall, Alpine (downstairs)

**Meeting called to order: 6:37 P.M.** by President

Susan Mena **Pledge:** Laura Precoda

**Members present:** Susan Mena, Jodi Davis, Marty Parker, Laura Precoda, Jamie Gassert, Bill O'Brien, Winnie Hennessy, Ernie Smith, Sherry M., Bob Petersen, Susan Petersen, Terry Jorgensen, Kammie Montanero, Valerie Hesson, Beverly Wagner, and Jeremy Bridges



## OFFICERS MEETING REPORTS:

**Secretary: Marty Parker for Diana Clark:** Minutes were read from May meeting and approved as read:  
1<sup>st</sup>. Winnie H., 2<sup>nd</sup>. Laura P.

**Treasurer's Report:** Susan Mena for Alexandra: Beginning Balance: \$3,653.67 Ending Balance: \$3,756.37

## Committee Reports:

- **Web & Public Liaison:** Ernie; no new news
- **Membership:** Jodi Davis reported that we have 64 paid members, 5 honorary members
- **Trails:** Bill had no report
- **Newsletter:** Laura Precoda requested that we send photos for "Horsing Around & "When We Were Younger" to submit to the newsletter. Laura also reminded members that the membership will be voting to amend club by-laws regarding a new voting app available that would increase club participation when we vote. The voting app. will be used as a trial run in July, so heads up.

## OLD BUSINESS:



- **Tack Sale:** Saturday, September 27 at Hawthorne Feed in Santee; the tack sale will include tack, crafts, anything you may have that you would like to get rid of. The Call Tree will be making phone calls in July to remind club members. Susan P. said she would pick up items in August if someone wanted to donate. Hawthorne asked the club to provide a porta-potty for the event. Diamond Porta-Potty is \$125 for Friday to Monday. A motion was made to approve the club to spend the money to provide the porta-potty. 1<sup>st</sup> Susan P., 2nd. Kammi M. New flyers are being created.

- **Los Vaqueros Camp:** Los Vaqueros is scheduled for October 23 – October 27, 4 nights; check out 11 A.M. Registration started at the June meeting. Corrals are \$135. Total corral reservations will be limited to 30.
- **Descanso Western Day Parade, June 7:** Jodi shared that the parade went well. We had a good turnout, were well received, and looked great. The gals carrying the flags did great.
- **Cuyamaca Loop Trail Ride, June 10:** Marty shared that she had 4 ladies join her on the ride. There was some water and mud just after getting on the trail at Trout Pond, and then more mud once we got to the first set of trees. The mountains were beautiful and flowers were in the meadows. The ride was 5.3 miles and all had a great ride.
- **Poker Ride:** Our poker ride this year will be at Tumbleweed in Lakeside on Saturday, Oct. 4. The club will need to deposit \$150 to secure the date. There was discussion of including obstacles and having Halloween surprises in the river-bottom to make the ride fun. Flyers need to be updated and more concrete plans will be made. Thank you Winnie for securing the information, date and place for our poker ride.
- **Christmas Party:** Our Christmas Party will be held at Bill & Winnie's ranch. A committee will be formed to help with planning, set-up and tear-down.



## NEW BUSINESS:

- **July 4 Julian Parade:** It was suggested the club include a float with kids and bubbles. There was mention of having a theme that reflected PVMR.



- **July 26 Pine Valley Days Parade:** More information will be going out regarding parade prep & planning.
- **July 9:** General meeting
- **July 15 BOD meeting:** Denny's on Camino Canada, Lakeside, 6:30

#### **BRAGS/DRAGS:**

Jodi shared that her oldest grandson was riding his motorcycle through a green light when he was hit by a car that ran the red light. The car was stolen, the people in the car ran. But, her grandson is keeping positive, knowing that he will be having several surgeries to repair a shattered foot/ankle and fractured knee.

Marie was told that she can start walking with a walker to strengthen her leg from the compression fracture in May. She's getting better every day.

**Adjourned:** 7:30 P.M.

**Respectfully Submitted:** Marty Parker

## ***Attention all members***

**Your vote is needed on the addition to the bylaws highlighted below.**

You may vote in person at the July 9th General Meeting at the Alpine VFW or you can vote using the potentially new online method during the window of July 3rd to July 8 ending at midnight. A voting email will be sent on July 3rd.

### ***Article VII. ELECTIONS***

#### ***Section 7.01 Nominating Committee***

*In September of each year, a nominating committee of three shall be appointed by the President of the corporation. Said committee will contact members to seek those interested in holding an office. In October of each year, a slate of eligible persons to serve as officers and Directors of the corporation shall be presented to the membership at large during the regular monthly meeting.*

#### ***Section 7.02 Time of Elections***

*During the last regularly scheduled meeting of the year (November), nominations from the floor shall be called for and elections held. **Voting will be held in person at the last yearly meeting and incorporate a private online voting app option to increase member participation.** Newly elected officers shall be installed and take office at the first general meeting of the New Year and shall serve until the new officers are installed the next year.*

## *Mark Your Calendar*

- ❖ Voting by email for private online voting: July 3-July 8. Voting at the General Meeting, July 9
- ❖ Julian Parade: July 4
- ❖ Pine Valley Parade: July 26, 8 am
- ❖ Santa Margarita Ride August 22
- ❖ Poker Ride: October 4
- ❖ Los Vaqueros Camp date: Arrival, October 23 to Departure, October 27.
- ❖ Christmas Party: December 6

### NEW LOCATION FOR THE TACK SALE September 27

**Hawthorne Country Store Santee**  
10845 Woodside Ave, Santee, CA 92071  
(More information will follow in the future)

If you would like to join in, please call Jodi Davis at 619-802-3277  
or Susan Mena 619-997-9138 for more information.

### Parades this month

The Julian Parade is July 4

The Pine Valley Days Parade is July 26

We will wear jeans and a PVMR jeanshirt. Bring your horse, carry the banner or ride in the float. Family members are invited too! Let's get the PVMR name out in the community!

If you would like to join in, please call Jodi Davis at 619-802-3277 or Diana Clark at (619 871-1140) to get on the contact list for more information.



# Guest Speaker This Month

## *Gary Abbamonte*

Gary is a saddle and repair man in Descanso. After forty years working with saddles as a hobby and now as an expert he specializes in problems in saddles. In the past, he worked for the well known Gary McClintock. Gary will introduce himself to our members and talk about his business and skills at the General Meeting.

### **Plan to attend the General Meeting on July 9th at 6:30.**

The location is at the VFW Hall in Alpine. The meeting room is downstairs. The parking lot is usually full because of a food event so come early to park. There is parking available on the street. Don't miss out on the opportunity to meet a skilled craftsman.

### Words of Wisdom

... send a silent intention: *I wish you well*. Remember CALF [as we interact as club members]:

**Compassion** is the understanding that everyone is fighting some battle.

**Acceptance** delays negative judgement, giving others room to breathe and permission to be different.

**Love** helps you picture others in the circle of people who love them; you can place yourself in the circle to the extent you feel comfortable.

**Forgiveness** guides you to move beyond the minor inconvenience others may have caused you.

Source: The Mayo Clinic Guide to Stress-Free living Sood, Amit M.D

# Parade Fun in Descanso



The side of the streets were lined with people wearing red, white and blue and smiles. There was a large Descanso community turnout that enjoyed thirty-nine entries to the parade. The crowd watched floats, antique cars, community groups and businesses, fire trucks, and, of course, PVMR decked out in their jean shirts and green scarves on their amazing equines. The horses wore royal blue and bright green feathers with green and blue handprints on their shoulders and haunches. Simone Schad's daughter, Summer, was on hand during the prep time to help everyone prepare their horses.

In between the float of queens and police officers, Susan Mena led the PVMR group in her vehicle that bore the Pine Valley Mountain Rider banner across the front. Her granddaughter, Sophia, released bubbles from a small bubble machine that floated in mass behind the cart.

Kaeytlyn Kotterman and her horse, Gracie, carried the American flag and Hadara Mcglennon on Willow, carried the California flag. The other parade participants were Marty Parker and Ocho, Laura Precoda and Annie, Belinda M and Cody, Simone and Boo, and Jodi Davis and Captain.

As the parade group passed the Descanso Town Hall and Perkins store, the announcers at each site described PVMR as a fun loving family and community based group that is active in helping others and riding and spending time together.

## *In The Spotlight*



Susan Mena with her Granddaughter Sophia and Belinda Marrasso getting ready for the Descanso Parade



Jodi Davis and Captain parading down the street

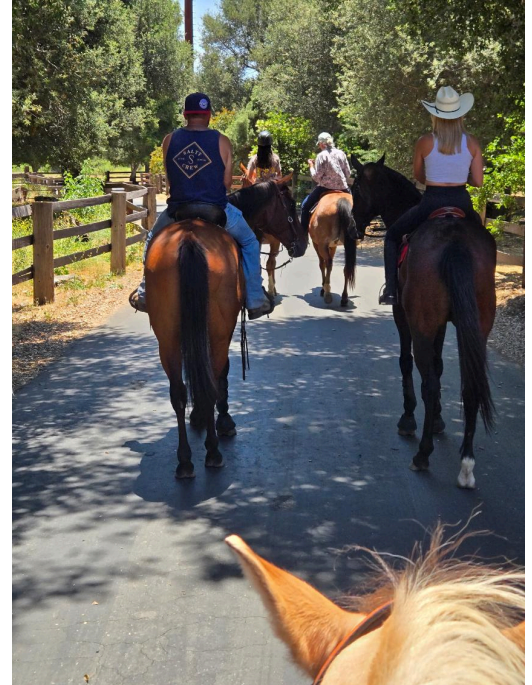


The Cuyamaca Loop Ride on June 10.  
PVMR nestled in the Mountain Lupine

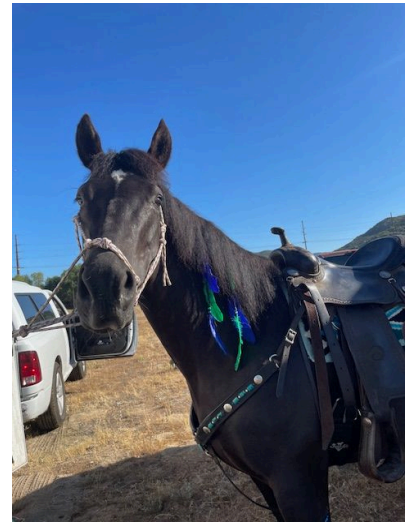
Left photo from left to right: Tanya Rule, Laura Precoda, Francine Parent and Marty Parker. Right Photo: Tanya Rule, Laura Precoda, Francine Parent and Cathy King.



*Parade Practice. June 4. Host: Holly Bean*



*Parade Practice. June 28. Hosts: Diana and Ken Clark*



*Descanso Days Parade June 7.*

# Member Notices

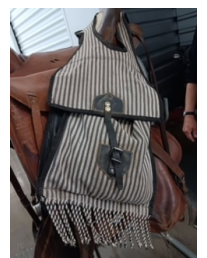


**Crimson Collar will be playing at Descanso Junction:** PVMR member, Francine Parent, will be singing with her band on Friday, August 8 from 6pm to 10pm. Come join the fun and entertainment.

**Order information on T-shirts:** If you would like to order a shirt like the samples displayed at the meeting, go to [Bulkapparel.com](http://Bulkapparel.com). T-shirt: G800 Gildan T-shirt 8000 Dry Blend 50/50 at \$3.75 each. There is a large variety of colors. Hooded Sweatshirt: Gildan 18600 Heavy Blend Full-Zip \$19.44 each. Call Susan Mena with any questions at 619-997-9138. [bulkapparel.com](http://bulkapparel.com)

**Saddle Repair:** Gary Abbamonte trained with McClintock and is in Descanso. His number is 619-990-5195. Diana Clark recommends Gary.

**Eddie Martinez** is offering a McClintock, all leather, endurance saddle for sale which has a 16"-17" in seat with fleece and Tapaderos. (He has regular stirrups too.) Wither is 7"-8" The price is \$1,000. He also has a fringed canvas bag made in Spain for \$30. If you are interested in either item please contact Eddie at (619) 244-6418.



**Desensitizing Clinics** with Lynn Snyder Harrington. You can strengthen your partnership, gain confidence and build trust between you and your equine partner. Cost is \$60. The location is in Alpine off of Japatul Road. Contact: Marty Parker, text, at 619-508-4198 or [mparker6@cox.net](mailto:mparker6@cox.net) for more information.

**If an e-bike trail incident report** is ever needed the BCHC (Back Country Horsemen of California) website has a form with directions BCHA (. . . of America) is compiling statistics for trail safety nationwide.

**From the Editor:** Please send in photos for "Just Horsing Around" [lpredoda@gmail.com](mailto:lpredoda@gmail.com) Also, do you have any old (ancient? Lol) pictures of yourself, friends and horses with descriptions that you can send me? I want to put together a page or two of "Horses and Times of Yester-Year" during the summer when riding has slowed down. Thank you.



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## 2025 Membership Application

Please print legibly.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse/Partner (Couple/Family Membership) \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip code \_\_\_\_\_

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Type of Application ( ) Renewal or ( ) New Member (referred by): \_\_\_\_\_

PAY BY: Zelle \_\_\_\_\_ Check \_\_\_\_\_ or Cash \_\_\_\_\_

For Zelle use Email: [PVMRpinevalleymountainriders@gmail.com](mailto:PVMRpinevalleymountainriders@gmail.com)

Names of Children (Note: Must be under 18 years of age to be included in family membership)

Number of Riders: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Non-Riders \_\_\_\_\_

For further information, please contact: Jodi Davis at 619-802-3277 or email [marijo.jodi.davis@gmail.com](mailto:marijo.jodi.davis@gmail.com)

☐ I have received and read the "Ride Rules and Trail Etiquette." I also understand that the Pine Valley Mountain Riders ride in a variety of terrain. Horses and mules need to be in excellent condition and members who ride should be experienced trail riders. You may call the Trail Boss at any time for additional information not posted in the Newsletter. *Remember, you ride at your own risk.*

### Liability Release

The undersigned, in consideration of acceptance of the application for membership, does hereby for himself/herself, his/her heirs, executors and administrators, waive and release the Pine Valley Mountain Riders, their officers, board, and all individual members thereof from any and all rights, claims, or legal liability that he/she might have due to membership participation in club sponsored activities.

\_\_\_\_\_ (Initial here) Applicant(s) have at least one of the following insurance coverage: Homeowners or Medical

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

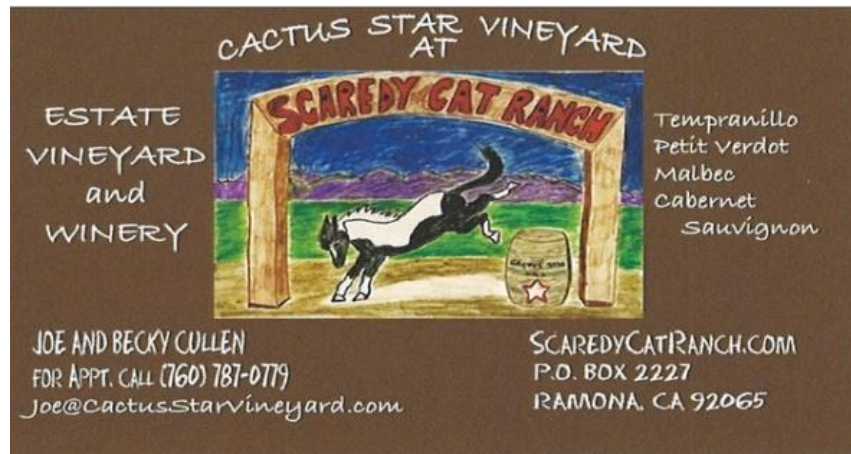
Have you ever been convicted of a Felony? Circle Yes or No.

If yes, PVMR Board Directors will contact you in consideration of your request for membership. Thank You Revised 1/25

# Member Businesses in our PVMR Community



<https://www.facebook.com/TBCCCORP>  
<https://youtu.be/OtcZmh1BG5k>



PVMR receive a 5% discount at Double S Tack and Feed



Note: If you would like to include your own business card or small logo, please provide a jpeg or photograph of the item. Send to: [lpredoda@gmail.com](mailto:lpredoda@gmail.com)





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