



ALRC Newsletter

ALTA LOMA
RIDING CLUB

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April 2026



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A message from Heather, President of ALRC

Nominations for the next term of the ALRC Board are officially open, and this is a wonderful opportunity to step into a role that truly makes a difference. Serving on a board that promotes the equestrian lifestyle is deeply rewarding—it allows us to protect cherished traditions, share and preserve our trails, and support the long-term vitality of the Equestrian Center. Together, we provide a unified voice for our community, strengthen connections among neighbors, and help shape policies that safeguard the equestrian way of life. It's meaningful work that enriches our community and offers personal growth, leadership experience, and the satisfaction of preserving a lifestyle that brings joy to so many.

If you've ever considered being part of what we do—or have ideas you'd love to see put into action—we encourage you to step forward. The following offices are open for nomination: President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Publicity, Newsletter, Food Service, City Liaison, Trailer-Out Rides, Local Trail Rides, Youth Director, and Membership.

Board positions run for a two-year term beginning July 1. Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at 7pm at the Heritage Park Equestrian Center Clubhouse.

Voting will take place in person at our May membership meeting. Our current board has done an outstanding job under challenging circumstances, supporting the equestrian lifestyle in Rancho Cucamonga and fostering a strong sense of community among our members. As our club continues to grow and welcome new individuals from Alta Loma and surrounding equestrian communities, your involvement becomes even more valuable. Please consider joining us in preserving our equestrian heritage and caring for the Heritage Park Equestrian Center.

To place your name in nomination, email presidentofalrc@gmail.com. Nominations received by April 20th will appear in the May newsletter, but write-ins will still be accepted afterward.

In this issue, you'll also find announcements about the upcoming poker ride, membership meeting, and elections. Mark your calendars and cast your vote on May 2nd.

I look forward to seeing you at the poker ride and at our membership meeting!

In this newsletter you can expect:

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ALRC Board of Directors Role Highlights:

President: The CEO of the club and the Chairperson of the Board of Directors

1st Vice President: Plans and runs quarterly meetings, social events, Founder's Day Parade participation, and submits event budgets.

2nd Vice President: Chairs Show Committee; plans and runs horse shows, playdays, clinics; submits budgets and tracks related revenues/expenses.

Secretary: Records, publishes, and maintains Board minutes and ALRC records.

Treasurer: Manages ALRC finances and financial records.

Publicity: Oversees all ALRC publicity.

Newsletter: Creates and distributes the monthly newsletter.

Food Service: Handles all ALRC food & refreshment event needs.

City Liaison: Represents ALRC to the City of Rancho Cucamonga and other entities.

Trailer-Out Rides: Organizes trailer-out rides and camping events.

Local Trail Rides: Chairs the Trail Committee and leads local trail rides.

Youth Director: Serves on the Show Committee and represents youth interests.

Membership: Reviews applications, forwards dues, maintains roster, welcomes new members, leads membership drives, and provides monthly email lists.

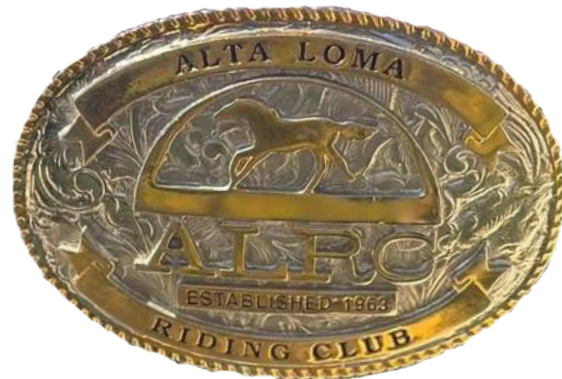
Vintage Belt Buckles!

Did you know that the Alta Loma Riding Club has its own ALRC belt buckle?

Designed and produced many years ago for the Club, you may see several members wearing it regularly to ALRC events, local trail rides, trailer out rides, and just every day general.

The good news is that we've connected with the original maker of the buckle, who still has our mold for it in their archives. We've placed an order for 15 of these stunning beauties, which are expected to be crafted and delivered to the Club in about 6 weeks!

They will be available at our events for \$150 until sold out. Given that demand may be high, we will place additional orders as needed.



Be a part of history, and proudly wear the ALRC buckle!

ALRC First Trailer-Out Ride of 2026!

It was a beautiful day in the saddle as ALRC hit the rolling green hills of San Dimas! 12 riders explored the spring like backdrop from the best seat around, the saddle seat! Hope you all will join us for our April Trailer-out ride to Wildwood Canyon State Park, Yucaipa!



Upcoming Events

April 11th

Inland Communities Chapter, CA
Dressage Society Show, Spring Fling



Saturday, April 11, 2026

Closing Date: Entries must be postmarked by April 3, 2026 (Proof of current vaccinations required.)
Judge: Peggy Klump (S) (No phone entries, incomplete entries NOT accepted.)
Location: Heritage Community Park – 5546 Beryl St., Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91737
In cooperation with **Alta Loma Riding Club**
Show Manager: Linda Florence lfd@iccds.org; (909) 730-7931
Show Secretary: Susan Williams sittleblackhorse12@gmail.com; (951) 660-9468

CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

1	Introductory Level, Test A	13	Third Level, Test 1	
2	Introductory Level, Test B	14	Third Level, Test 2	
3	Introductory Level, Test C	15	Third Level, Test 3	
4	Training Level, Test 1	16	Fourth Level, Test 1	
5	Training Level, Test 2	17	Fourth Level, Test 2	
6	Training Level, Test 3	18	Fourth Level, Test 3	
7	First Level, Test 1	19	FEI Test of Choice (specify test)	
8	First Level, Test 2	20	Walk-Trot Equitation, Jr. & AA	} Classic
9	First Level, Test 3	21	Walk-Trot-Canter Equitation, Jr. & AA	
10	Second Level, Test 1	22	Western Dressage – See attached list of classes	} Western
11	Second Level, Test 2	23	Walk-Trot Equitation, Jr. & AA	
12	Second Level, Test 3	24	Walk-Trot-Lope Equitation, Jr. & AA	

Specify Amateur, Junior or Open on entry form.

NOTES –

FEES: Classes 1-19 & 22 - \$45.00. Classes 20-21 & 23-24 - \$40.00. Contact Show Manager to use VENMO.
REFUNDS: No refunds after closing date unless ride is filled from waiting list.
TIMES: Will be available on the ICC website (www.iccds.org) and on our Facebook page after April 8th
AWARDS: Awards to 1st place. Ribbons to 3rd. Riders might also be eligible for Chapter Year-End Awards. Please visit our website at www.iccds.org for details.
HIGH POINT: Highest percentage score of the day for Amateur, Junior and Open (classes 4 through 19) will win a special award. For **HP Western Dressage**, an additional \$5 fee applies (form attached) <https://cawda.org>. Please bring separate payment payable to CAWDA and a rep will be available at the show.
ARENA: Competition and Warm-up arenas are sand footing, uncovered. No longeing in Warm-up arena. Separate round pen available.
EQUITATION: Riders will show as a group in both directions. Only Intro Level riders may compete in Classes 20 & 23. Riders may not compete in both Walk-Trot & Walk-Trot-Canter/Lope Equitation.
NO OVERNIGHT STABLING-Limited Day Stabling Available: Contact Linda Florence (909) 730-7931 to reserve. (Reserve early - space is limited. Reservations will be confirmed prior to the show.)
FOOD: Available for purchase.

Absolutely, **NO DOGS!**

April 25th

Trailer-out ride to
Wildwood Canyon State Park, Yucaipa

- Meeting on Beryl Street in front of Heritage Park at 8:30am to caravan to location
- The park offers terrific opportunities for a horseback adventure. All trails are horse friendly.
- A horse staging area is located near the entrance. The Hunt Ranch corrals available for equestrian use, no vehicle access to these corrals



Contact: lorikrasch@ymail.com

May 2nd

Join us for ALRC Local Trail Ride "Poker Ride"!

Riding time 1pm-4pm

\$20 a hand, Welcome to riders and non-riders!

ALRC will be providing pulled pork sandwiches, bring a dish to share at potluck dinner

Winner wins half the pot!



Route: Start at Heritage Park Equestrian Center, to Demens Channel South then North to Almond Trail circling back to park

Distance: approx. 6 miles

Time: approx. 2.5 hours

Elevation: relatively flat

Terrain: Wide trails behind houses and along street

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

Note: Please no stallions, dogs or ponying on ride

Not riding?

Join us for Membership Meeting, voting & dinner at 4pm

Contact: Julie at localtrailofalrc@gmail.com

June 5th

Equine Chiropractor Clinic
with Dr. Don Moore at
Heritage Park Equestrian Center

Dr. Moore brings years of experience in equine bodywork and chiropractic care, helping your horses move, feel, and perform their best. Whether it's maintenance, performance tuning, or something just seems "off", this is a great opportunity to get your horse feeling right.

- Clinic starts at 10:30am
- 15-20 minutes per horse
- \$125 per horse



Limit of 20 available spots

Contact: rubio.sara8888@gmail.com

Upcoming Events

May 22nd, 23rd & 24th

Partner'Up Horsemanship Clinic

Barry Berg and Joe Cowan, "Partner Up Horsemanship", in conjunction with the Alta Loma Riding Club are offering a 3-day Horsemanship Clinic for all experience level riders. This clinic is for people who want to have fun and be safe on and around horses, in the arena or on the trail. Learn how to effectively communicate with your horse and evaluate what your horse trying to say to you. We will discuss safety issues throughout the course and signs or indications that your horse is about to have an issue and how to deal with that issue before it becomes an incident.

The clinic will take place on May 22, 5-8pm, May 23, 9 am-4pm, May 24, 9am-4pm. We recommend "DRY" camping Friday and Saturday night for the best experience, but it is not required. There are 6 stalls available for overnight camping + 1 round pen (below) if you have multiple horses that can stall together. Friday afternoon/evening will be registration, discussions, expectations and evaluations. Saturday will start off with groundwork, about 1 hour, the rest of the day will be under saddle exercises. There will be breakout sessions for those that want to learn more about groundwork, round penning for respect or issues that arise with the horse/rider. We will accommodate those who need frequent breaks or more time between sessions or those that believe they are not physically able to go nonstop. Saturday night will be a community dinner while we discuss horsemanship and debrief the day. Sunday Morning will be finishing up under saddle, revisiting lessons learned and any questions or demonstrations needed.

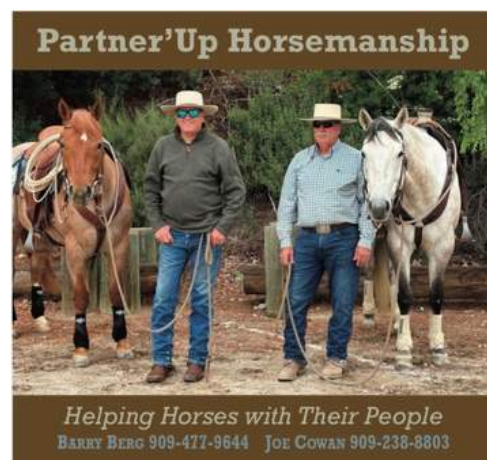
Saturday Night Dinner will be provided while the rest of the meals will be up to the individual. Family members are welcome to attend the dinner for a \$10 fee. Please RSVP

There are only 15 spots available, please sign up by May 8, by email to Joe Cowan at joeofire@gmail.com

The Fee for the event is \$200 which includes everything, the camping, the stall, and the Saturday night dinner.

There will be two scholarship slots available. To apply, merely write a paragraph or 2 about your discipline, equestrian background, and why you should be awarded one of the slots. email the document to Joe Cowan at joeofire@gmail.com by May 1, 2026.

WE WANT TO SEE YOU SUCCEED!



Club Calendar

June - Memberships due

April 11th - Inland Communities Chapter, CA Dressage Society Show, Spring Fling

April 25th - Trailer-out ride to Wildwood Canyon State Park, Yucaipa

May 2nd- Local trail ride, Poker Ride, start at Heritage Park Equestrian Center at 1pm & Membership Meeting including Board Nominations

May 22nd, 23rd & 24th - Partner'Up Horsemanship Clinic (limited space)

June 5th- Dr. Don Moore Equine Chiropractor Clinic (limited space), Heritage Park Equestrian Center at 10:30am

June 6th - Inland Communities Chapter, CA Dressage Society Show, Summer Breeze

August 15th - Hot August Nights event by ALRC... Stay tuned for details!

September 19th - ALRC Boots & Brews Event at the Chaffey-Garcia House... Stay tuned for details!

October 17th - Inland Communities Chapter, CA Dressage Society Show, Autumn Leaves

October 24th - ALRC Halloween Horse Event, Heritage Park Equestrian Center



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Website Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Type of Service: _____

Years in business: _____ Additional Information: _____

Sponsorship/Advertisement Options:

Donation:
 \$10 \$25 \$50 \$100 Other: _____

NEWSLETTER: Business Advertisement in ALRC Newsletter:
 \$120.00 Yearly(12 issues) \$15.00 each issue(you choose the month(s))

BANNERS: Connect with our Community! Hang Your Banner at ALRC Event(s):
 \$175.00 Hang my banner at all ALRC Events! (Jan-Dec) \$35.00 Hang my banner at the next ALRC Event!

Don't have a banner? ALRC will create one!
 \$75.00 make my 30" x 60" professional quality banner created by www.indworksDP.com for me to keep!
 • send logo in high resolution in png, jpg, or vector eps file(preferred) with any pertinent info to have exhibited to: publicityofALRC@gmail.com

All application and donations/sponsorship monies must be received prior to show

- Two ways to submit your completed ALRC Show Sponsorship Application:**
1. Email completed application to: AltaLomaRidingClub@gmail.com and pay via PayPal at <https://www.paypal.com/us/signin> (search PayPal under AltaLomaRidingClub@gmail.com, be sure to include sponsorship description as checked above)
 2. Print and mail completed application with check payable to "Alta Loma Riding Club" at: Alta Loma Riding Club
 P.O. Box 8116
 Alta Loma, CA 91701

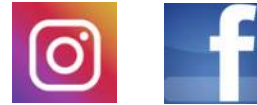
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE ALRC HORSE SHOW, YOUR SUPPORT HELPS US GROW OUR EVENTS AND OUTREACH TO THE EQUESTRIAN COMMUNITY! ©



Equestrian Parking Area:

In an effort to ensure safety and appropriate use of Equestrian Center, a lock at the entrance gate has been installed. All ALRC members have been provided the code. We ask that you lock the gate upon entering and exiting the parking area. For further questions, please contact (909) 238-8803 or email altalomaridingclub@gmail.org

Get Social with us! Alta Loma Riding Club



Heritage Park Equestrian Center

A general purpose equestrian facility available for Shows and Clinics!

Amenities:

- Show office & Clubhouse
- Concession Stand
- Restrooms
- Arena Lighting
- 2 Round Pens & 7 Paddocks
- South Arena 295' x 150'
- North Arena 220' x 90' (Dressage)
- PA System
- Hitching Rails & Water Trough
- Trailer Parking
- Trail Course & Trail Access

Contact: Joe Cowan
Joeofire@gmail.com

Executive Officers & Directors

President: Heather McGee Decauwer

1st Vice President: Martha Cowan

2nd Vice President: Kara Haulman-Recla

Treasurer: Charlene Ariza

Youth Director: Alanna Quinn

City Liaison: Joe Cowan
Joeofire@gmail.com

Local Trail Director: Julie Bradley

Trailer Out Director: Lori Krasch
Lorikrasch@ymail.com

Food Services: John Recla

Publicity: Natalie Beechler

Newsletter Editor: Sara Rubio

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 Heritage Park Vicinity, please call the Rancho Cucamonga Park Ranger. 1-909-552-1727 or 1-909-552-1678 Email: ParkRanger@CityofRC.us



RC2GO Reporting

Thank you for reading!