



ALRC Newsletter

ALTA LOMA
RIDING CLUB



March 2026



A message from Heather, President of ALRC

By the time you're reading this, the long-awaited bridge to our parking lot should finally be complete! We've all felt the inconvenience of not having access to our lot, but we made it through—and now we can get back to all the fun and cowboy comradery stuff our club is known for.

And speaking of fun... our first membership meeting of the year is right around the corner! Join us Saturday, March 28th for a Chili Cook-Off and Cornhole Tournament.

It's been a few years since our last chili showdown in 2023, when Lori Krasch, now our Trailer Out Director, took home the top prize with her family's secret recipe. We're sure she'll return with another delicious pot—but don't let that scare you off.

We know there are plenty of amazing cooks in our membership, and this is your chance to show off your skills! And for those who prefer to toss corn bags rather than stir pots, the cornhole tournament promises plenty of friendly competition. Best of all, the winning chili winner and cornhole team walks away with half the pot... of money, that is—not chili. (Sorry, couldn't resist a good play on words!)

We can't wait to gather, reconnect, share club news and kick off another great year together.

See you there!

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CleanUp Day

Joe Cowan, City Liaison
Joeofire@gmail.com

A cleanup day is scheduled for **Saturday, March 7th at 9 AM**, to restore the equestrian center's appearance. Please bring gloves, rakes, round and square shovels and brooms. Many hands make light work and with sufficient help, it should only take a few hours. ALRC will supply coffee and donuts in the morning. Thank you in advance for your help!



ALTA LOMA RIDING CLUB
CHILI COOK-OFF
& OPEN HOUSE!

MEMBERSHIP MEETING & OPEN HOUSE
MARCH 28TH • 2 PM

★ CHILI COOK-OFF ★
\$20 Entry Fee
Bring Your Best Chili in a Crockpot!
Popular Vote Wins 50% of the Pot!

★ CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT ★
\$20 Per Team
2 Person Teams • Winner Gets 50% of the Pot!

HERITAGE PARK EQUESTRIAN CENTER
5564 BERYL ST., RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA

In Loving Memory of Dr. Becky Blair



Simply the best. The world has lost an extraordinary soul. Dr. Becky Blair was wickedly smart, with a sharp wit and an even sharper sense of humor. She possessed exceptional emotional intelligence, spoke the truth with courage, and remained forever the salt of the earth. An unpretentious, genius-level veterinarian, she was in it for all the right reasons—always putting the animals and the people who loved them first.

She represented a rare and remarkable breed of ranch vet with instincts that come from a lifetime of experience. One of a kind in every sense. Rest in peace, Dr. Blair. You will be deeply missed and never forgotten.

To read Sarah Mapp Cullins article about Dr. Blair,
please use QR Code or URL provided



<https://www.equinechronicle.com/in-loving-memory-of-southern-ca-vet-dr-rl-blair-dvm-1959-2026/>

Member Highlight

by Alanna Quinn, Youth Director

If you have ever been to an ALRC event, you've likely met our Second Vice President, Kara Haulman Recla. With six years serving on the ALRC board, Kara and the board have organized countless events catering to the Social Equine Community - clinics, fundraisers, horse shows, obstacle courses, and other community outreach events like our annual Hot August Nights or Halloween Horse Show.

One of her goals in serving on the ALRC board was to revitalize community engagement with the park and equestrian life. Having grown up on horse property in Alta Loma, Kara has great memories of riding her pony at ALRC shows at Heritage Park. And when her two daughters started to ride, she wanted them to also have the opportunity to show locally.

Kara's shadow at every show are her two beloved horses - Eclipse, an Arabian, and Delta Kilo (better known as DK), a formerly wild American Mustang. Unfortunately, DK was hospitalized at Chino Valley Equine six months ago after being seen for colic. But it was not a normal colic - the vet discovered an eight lb. stone in his upper dorsal colon. Given its size, the vet estimated he may have been developing it for almost 10 years. When asked if she had any advice for horse owners experiencing a similar crisis, Kara emphasizes to "have a good relationship with a local vet... We never want to think about something happening to our horses, but think about what you would do in this type of situation, so you don't have to make a split-second decision. I already knew I would do surgery on him [DK]." And we can't neglect to shout out to DK for being so well-behaved at getting in the trailer when the vet told Kara he would need emergency surgery. Those hours of practicing loading in the trailer paid off! As for DK's recovery, the process has been smooth. According to Kara, if faced with a similar situation, "Do everything that your vet says, every single thing they say... having that partnership with your vet to make sure that you are handling the recovery as laid out for you is really important."

All of us at the ALRC are eager to get back in the saddle and plan another year of fun for equestrians and community members alike. So be on the lookout for DK and Kara at Heritage Park at the next ALRC event. If you're lucky, you might even get to see the stone.



HORSEMANSHIP ISN'T JUST ABOUT SHOWS, IT'S ABOUT PREPARATION AT HOME. DK'S STORY REMINDS US THAT TRAILER LOADING IS A SAFETY SKILL. KARA'S CONSISTENT TRAINING MEANT THAT IN AN EMERGENCY, HER HORSE LOADED WITHOUT HESITATION, AND THAT MADE ALL THE DIFFERENCE. IF YOUR HORSE NEEDED URGENT CARE TONIGHT, WOULD LOADING BE THE EASIEST PART? EMERGENCIES DON'T WAIT, BUT WE CAN BE PREPARED.



ECLIPSE, KARA AND DK

Upcoming Events

March 14th - Inland Communities Chapter, CA Dressage Society, Schooling Show



Closing Date: Entries must be postmarked by March 6, 2026 (Proof of current vaccinations required.)
Judge: Kim McGrath (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 info@iccds.org; (909) 730-7931
Show Secretary - Susan Williams littleblackhorse12@gmail.com; (951) 660-9468
Payment - Must be received with entry. •

CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

1	Introductory Level, Test A	14	Third Level, Test 2	
2	Introductory Level, Test B	15	Third Level, Test 3	
3	Introductory Level, Test C	16	Fourth Level, Test 1	
4	Training Level, Test 1	17	Fourth Level, Test 2	
5	Training Level, Test 2	18	Fourth Level, Test 3	
6	Training Level, Test 3	19	FEI Test of Choice (Specify test)	
7	First Level, Test 1	20	Musical Freestyle (Specify Level)	
8	First Level, Test 2	21	Pas de Deux (Specify Level)	
9	First Level, Test 3	22	Walk-Trot Equitation, Jr. & AA	} English
10	Second Level, Test 1	23	Walk-Trot-Canter Equitation, Jr. & AA	
11	Second Level, Test 2	24	Walk-Trot Equitation, Jr. & AA	} Western
12	Second Level, Test 3	25	Walk-Trot-Lope Equitation, Jr. & AA	
13	Third Level, Test 1	26	Western Dressage – (Schooling) Test of Choice (Specify test)	

Specify Amateur, Junior or Open on entry form.

NOTES –

- FEES:** Intro through Pas de Deux (1-20) - \$35.00. Equitation and Western Schooling (21-25) - \$30.00.
- REFUNDS:** No refunds after closing date unless ride is filled from waiting list.
- TIMES:** Will be available on the ICC website (www.ICCcds.org) and on our Facebook page after March 11th.
- AWARDS:** Awards to 1st place. Ribbons to 3rd. Riders might also be eligible for Chapter Year-End Awards. Please visit our website at www.ICCcds.org for details.
- HIGH POINT:** Highest percentage score of the day for Amateur, Junior and Open (classes 4 through 19) will win a special prize.
- 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 Class 22 & Class 24. 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. Breakfast, lunch, snacks & beverages

Please, NO DOGS!

Club Calendar

March 7th - CleanUp Day at Heritage Park Equestrian Center

March 14th - Inland Communities Chapter, CA Dressage Society, Schooling Show

March 28th - ALRC Membership Meeting/ Open House 'Chili Cook-Off!' at Heritage Park Equestrian Center

June - Memberships due

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

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

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- ALRC Halloween Horse Event



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Sponsorship Form



Alta Loma Riding Club Sponsorship Form

Name/Organization: _____

Street Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

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!

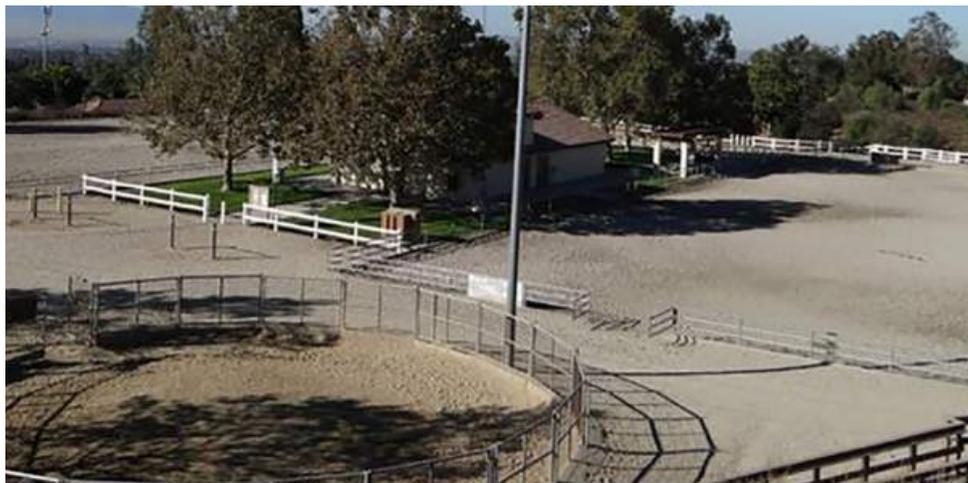
\$75.00 make my 30" x 60" professional quality banner created by www.inkworksDP.com for me to keep!
• send logo in high resolution in png, jpg, or vector eps file(preferred) with any pertinent info to have exhibited to:
publicityofALRC@gmail.com

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

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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!