



**ALTA LOMA RIDING CLUB**

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

ALRC NEWSLETTER • JANUARY 2022

# BITS *of* NEWS

## THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

*from Natalie Beechler, ALRC President*

As the New Year presents itself, folks often use this time as an opportunity to reflect, evaluate future goals, and/or find renewed motivation. If you've been burning the candle at both ends, perhaps you are simply looking for rest and down time. Looking back, we had some great events and saddle time this year! Our first equestrian center event post COVID lock-down was our Spring Show, followed by our Hot August Nights Playday/tack sale/movie night. We held our most successful St. Jude Charity Obstacle event to date and tasted delicious delights at our Dutch Oven Cooking Clinic. We wrapped up the year with our Thanksgiving Hangover Horse Show which integrated traditional and fun classes! Our Local trail rides included scavenger hunts, moonlit views, sunset views, Christmas adornment and riding to In-N-Out for lunch—all on our beautiful local trail system. Our Trailer-Out rides included destinations to Gavilan Hills near Lake Matthews, Wildwood Canyon in Yucaipa, Lake Perris State Park, Scharbarum Regional County Park in Hacienda Heights, Mohave Narrows in the High Desert, Inspiration Point along the Pacific Crest Trail near Wrightwood, Frank Bonelli Park and Walnut Creek in San Dimas, and Chino Hills State Park.

We had some great events in 2021, and have started 2022 on the same tract. One thing we've had to consider is the reconstruction of drive/pedestrian/equestrian main bridge entrance into the Equestrian Center that is set to take place in 2022. This will impact access to the equestrian center and our ability to hold/plan events. We have not been provided specific dates of construction as of yet, only that construction is planned for this year. We will update our membership as soon as we have better details from the City—so stay tuned.



Six months from now, ALRC board member positions will be up for grabs. I encourage anybody who is interested in volunteering, participating, or having a voice in the decisions we make to run for a board position! We have a great group of enthusiastic and cohesive folks that are great to work alongside! Please reach out to [altalomaridingclub@gmail.com](mailto:altalomaridingclub@gmail.com) if you are interested in running for an ALRC board position.

So as 2022 begins, let's take the time to pack those saddle bags, hit the trails, and get ready for the sweet smell of green growth to that follows the rain.

Happy New Year! *Natalie* 🐾



**"If you're too busy to ride, then you're too busy" –Author Unknown**

You Are Invited to the  
**GRAND REOPENING**  
 of the **OBSTACLE TRAIL COURSE**

Local Girl Scout and ALRC member Emily McGowan has been working on earning her Gold Award to achieve Ambassador status (the Girl Scout equivalent to achieving Eagle Scout). Last summer she reached out to ALRC desiring to tackle a project—renovating the Heritage Park Equestrian Trail Obstacle Course. After months of hard work, and donations from members of the club, we are ready to celebrate this very special achievement!



**COME AND SEE**  
 how great the course looks!

**Saturday, January 15, 2022**

**Special Guests &  
 Acknowledgments**

The ceremony takes place at the base of the trail leading down the hill accessing the course from the far west end of the Heritage Park Equestrian Center. Park in Heritage Park Equestrian Center parking lot and come on down or ride on over!

**Come Celebrate with Us!**

8:30 am Coffee, Juice, Pastries  
 9:00 am Grand ReOpening Ceremony  
 Ribbon Cutting  
 Trail Demonstration

**THANK YOU**

**EMILY, HER FAMILY, GIRL SCOUT TROOP,  
 DONORS AND VOLUNTEERS  
 WHO WORKED HARD TO IMPROVE  
 OUR TRAIL OBSTACLE COURSE!**

**COME RIDE THROUGH  
 THE OBSTACLES FOR YOURSELF  
 AND ENJOY THIS NEW AND IMPROVED  
 LOCAL TRAIL FEATURE!**

**NEW BRIDGE:  
 BUILT, INSTALLED & PAINTED!**

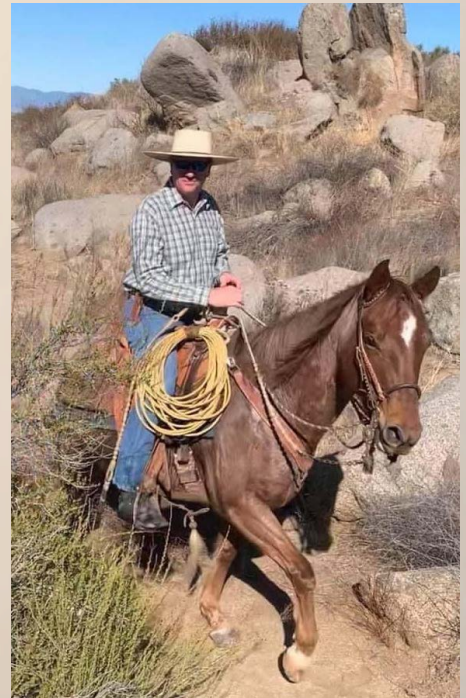
**WAGON WHEEL:  
 ALL WOOD REPLACED**

**ALL OBSTACLES:  
 BRUSH CLEARED & GROUND LEVELED  
 DG ADDED AND WOOD REPLACED  
 AS NEEDED!**



**ALTA LOMA RIDING CLUB PRESENTS**

**TRAIL CLINIC**  
**with BARRY BERG**



Participate in this very practical clinic for both you and your horse!  
Improve horse and rider confidence on the trail!  
Barry Berg will teach techniques and train riders to better equip themselves and their horse to enjoy trail riding success!

**SATURDAY JANUARY 15, 2022**

**10:00 am-3:00 pm**

**\$50 per rider • 15 riders maximum**

**Fee Includes Lunch • ALL proceeds benefit the ALRC**

**Register to reserve your spot NOW**

**Call Cassie Sanchez at (909) 987-8366 or (909) 560-2822 cell  
and mail your check to Alta Loma Riding Club P.O. Box 8116, Alta Loma, CA 91701  
or send fee via PayPal to altalomaridingclub@gmail.com**



**Questions?? Call Cassie Sanchez at (909) 987-8366  
Or email altalomaridingclub@gmail.com**

**Parking and Corral space limited  
at Heritage Park Equestrian Center**

## LOCAL TRAIL RIDE with Heather

Heather McGee Decauwer,  
Local Trail Director

Join us on Martin Luther King's day for a local trail ride through the wash below Cucamonga Canyon over to the San Antonio Heights side. We had planned this route in November, but it got changed it due to the heat. There's lots of trails out there to explore while staying out of the forest closures areas.

### DESCRIPTION OF TRAIL RIDE:

**Date:** Monday, January 17

**Time:** 10:00am-2:00pm

**STAGING INFO:** Leave from Heritage Park at 10 am

**ROUTE:** Loop **DISTANCE:** 8-9 miles

**TIME:** 3-4 hours depending on breaks.

**ELEVATION:** The steepest part of the ride is the single track trail going down the side of the canyon from the San Antonio Heights side. Other than that, the route is relatively flat except for a couple short ups and downs going in and out of the wash.

**TERRAIN:** Smooth on the wider portion of trail, but rocky where we cross over. **TECHNICALITY:** Step overs, water crossings & rocks (it's the wash).

**SHADE:** No **PHOTO OPPS:** Definitely! (If Julie is there)

**QUESTIONS:** Contact Heather at [LocalTrailofALRC@gmail.com](mailto:LocalTrailofALRC@gmail.com)

Please no stallions or dogs.



## TRAILER OUT RIDE with Julie

Julie Bradley, Trailer Out Director

Wildwood Canyon is about 45 miles away from Alta Loma in Yucaipa and offers miles of trails through hills that lead to panoramic views. We may encounter deer or other wildlife as well as other equestrians, hikers, and dogs. There is no water in the large dirt parking lot so bring some water and snacks for yourself and your horse. As always, there will be photo ops. Let's Ride!



### WILDWOOD CANYON PARK RIDE

#### DESCRIPTION OF TRAIL RIDE:

**Date:** Saturday, January 22

**Time:** 8:00am - 2:00pm (approx.)

**STAGING INFO:** Leave from Heritage Park at 8 am

**STAGING AREA:** 12241 Canyon Dr. Yucaipa, CA 92399

**TIME IN THE SADDLE:** 3-4 hours depending on breaks.

**TERRAIN:** Hills, Fire Roads, Single Tracks

**QUESTIONS:** Contact Julie at [TrailerOutofALRC@gmail.com](mailto:TrailerOutofALRC@gmail.com)

Please no stallions or dogs.

## ALRC Local Trail Ride Recap Christmas Lights Ride 2021!

by Heather McGee Decauwer, ALRC Local Trail Director

We had 27 horses and riders come out for our annual Christmas light ride. It's so much fun to see the horses decked out and the smiles on everyone's face. For many on the ride it was their first time.

A big thank you to the equestrian patrol for their assistance. And thank you to Brandon and Martha for your poop patrol services. Very much appreciated!



# Trail Ride RECAP of 2021!

For some, our goal for 2021 was to ride more and spend meaningful time with our horses. This last year, we had 11 trailer outs and 9 local trail rides. Adding up the totals for all the rides, we had 212 horses and riders and 152 miles of great trails. We also had our 21-in-21 Challenge where participants logged hours spent with their horses. Thanks everyone for a great year. Looking forward to more fun trail rides in 2022! Happy New Year from Heather, Local Trail Director & Julie, Trailer Out Director



Come ride with us!

## ALRC Executive Officers & Directors

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## GET SOCIAL WITH US!

Be in the know! Make sure you follow us on Instagram and Facebook @altalomaridingclub for up to the minute information and happenings.



**Support the businesses who support ALRC! Did you know that you can advertise your business in the ALRC newsletter too?**

Owners Glenn & Cindy Mocabee, Friends & Members of ALRC

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## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

**Sharon Kemper  
Kelsey & Pechez Sepehri  
& Orlando Ochoa  
Destiny Lucas  
Michelle & Logan Oehler**

**Thank You for joining  
the Alta Loma  
Riding Club!**

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!

**Happy Trails!**

## ALRC JANUARY EVENTS

<b>TUES, JAN 11</b> <b>7:00 PM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ALRC Board Meeting</li> <li>• Heritage Park Equestrian Center • Clubhouse</li> </ul>
<b>SAT, JAN 15</b> <b>8:30-10 AM</b> <b>10 AM-3 PM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grand ReOpening &amp; Ribbon Cutting Ceremony</li> <li>• Obstacle Trail Course Heritage Park Equestrian Center</li> <li>• Trail Clinic with Barry Berg HP Arena &amp; Trail Course</li> </ul>
<b>MON, JAN 17</b> <b>10AM-2PM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Local Trail Ride</li> <li>• Meet at Heritage Park Equestrian Center 10AM</li> <li>• Ride through the Wash trail below Cucamonga Canyon</li> </ul>
<b>SAT, JAN 22</b> <b>8AM-2PM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Trailer Out Trail Ride</li> <li>• Meet at Heritage Park Equestrian Center 8AM</li> <li>• Wildwood Canyon Park ride Yucaipa</li> </ul>



### 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**



## HERITAGE PARK EQUESTRIAN CENTER

A GENERAL PURPOSE EQUESTRIAN FACILITY  
Facilities are available for Shows & Clinics.

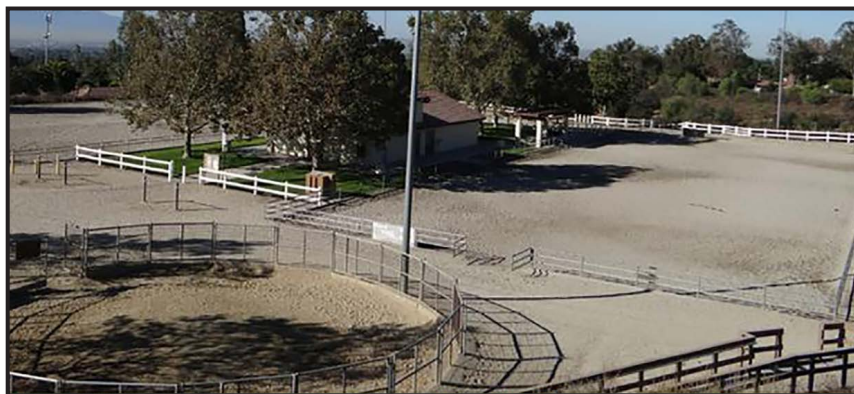
### AMENITIES

- Show Office & Clubhouse
- Concession Stand
- Restrooms
- Arena Lighting
- 2 Round Pens & 7 Paddocks
- South Arena 295'X150'
- North Arena 220' X 90' (Dressage)
- PA System
- Hitching Rails & Water Trough
- Trailer Parking
- Trail Course & Trail Access

**LOW RENTAL RATES!**  
**BOOK YOUR EVENT FOR 2021**  
**DATES ARE AVAILABLE!**

### CONTACT

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altalomaridingclub@gmail.com



**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  
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for more information



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