# ALTA LOMA RIDING CLUB P.O. Box 8116 Alta Loma, CA 91701 See us on Facebook SEPTEMBER 2018 Www.altalomaridaltalomarid-

**CALENDER** 

Oct 6 - Saddle Up Ride 9:30am

Oct 16 City Council
Candidate
Forum 7pm

Oct 21 - 8am Gymkhana Playday

Oct 31 -HALLOWEEN!

#### ALRC City Council Candidate Forum

All ALRC Members, please mark your calendar and plan to attend the ALRC City Council Candidate Forum at 7 PM, October 16, 2018. This event will be held at the Heritage Park Equestrian Center Meeting Room.

Please note that all Mayoral and Council Candidates are being invited and they all have agreed to join us. Each Candidate will be given 5 minutes to make an opening statement about their background, and political platform.

It is hoped that Council Candidates will in their opening statements include comments on one or more of the following topics:

- What is the future of West End Parks and Trails
- Development in the City; where and how will it be handled.
- Equestrian / Rural Overlay District; still an important policy.
- Use of volunteers to assistance in many areas and activities.
- Government Finance.

There will then be a short social gathering, with refreshments to let everyone ask questions of the individual candidates. We will end the Forum by giving each Candidate 5 more minutes to make concluding statements. Candidates may want to include responses to questions the public has asked during the break.

Larry Henderson, ALRC Liaison



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#### Saddle Up For St. Jude

#### Ride

The Alta Loma Riding Club is hosting its annual Saddle Up for St. Jude Ride on Saturday, October 6<sup>th</sup> for a 2-hour local trail ride. After the ride, we will have a delicious lunch for hungry riders and



Finding cures. Saving children.

hold a silent auction to raise monies to help children with life-threatening cancer.

Date: Saturday, October 6

Time: 9:30 am Check-in, 10 am Ride starts, 12 noon Lunch

Cost: \$30 Ride and Lunch, \$10 Lunch only

#### **Donations Needed:**

I'm still looking for items for the silent auction and raffle to raise monies for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Bring your items to Heritage Park on Saturday morning. If you can't make the event and want to help out, you can write a check - payable to the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital and bring it to the event. All donations will be greatly appreciated. Call me at 909-921-5860 to pick up donations or bring the items to the park the day of the ride.

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital is a world leader in finding cures for children with cancer and other life-threatening diseases. The Saddle Up for St. Jude ride is a volunteer-based fundraising event to donate funds to the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital to help save children. The ALRC has been supporting St. Jude Children's Research Hospital for many years. Come out and help with set up and the silent auction and raffle. Volunteers are still needed and your help with be greatly appreciated.

Look forward to seeing you at the Saddle Up for St. Jude ride.

Charlene Ariza

#### **Famous Horses in History**

There are so may famous true and fictional horses that we all think of: Alexander The Great had Bucephallus, Anna Sewell's Black Beauty, My friend Flicka, Walter Farley's Black Stallion, The Trojan Horse and Hidalgo, Secretariat, just to name of few. Here are a few REAL stories of famous and not so famous horses.

Horses become famous for so many reasons. Racing, Movies, Television, Historical rides, Mail, Milk, Ice Delivery, Fire Fighting, and fictional books.

Jim the Fire Horse was eulogized in the Toledo Fire Department after breaking a leg in pursuit of fighting a fire. Paul Revere rode Brown Beauty in his famous ride.

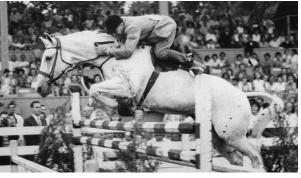
In Meredith Wilson's Music Man, he refers to "Dan Patch" in the song "Trouble, My Friends". Well for the few of you who might not know who that is, Dan Patch. born in 1896 won 14 world trotting records. Both the owner and the horse died within 13 hours of each other, one could say friends for life! Prior to Dan Patch was Old Henry Clay, also a trotter and considered the Father of the trotting horse of America. 145 years after he died, his bones were dug up and put together for a display for the United States National Museum.

General Thomas "Stonewall" Jackson of Civil War fame had a horse named Little Sorrel. He was a 15 hand grade horse but proved to be a sturdy brave little fellow who survived the war even though his rider didn't. He had been captured by the Confederates from the Northern troops and

went on to live to be 35. He was so famous he was stuffed and displayed at the Virginia Military Institute Museum in Lexington Virginia. Among other famous Civil War Horses let's not forget General Robert E Lee's famous Traveller. A

handsome horse that has been claimed by both the Tennessee Walking Horse and American Saddlebred associations.

Then there is Comanche, the only survivor of Battle of the Little Big Horn. He is currently displayed in controlled conditions at the University of Kansas Museum of Natural History in Lawrence, Kansas.



and his bond to Harry was legendary.

In the 1950's the horse was being replaced by machinery and draft horses were being sold off

cheap. Well a gentleman named Harry de Leyer needed a horse for training young girls to ride and he purchased a grey horse from an auction that turned out to be a Champion Jumper that took the country by storm in 1958 after winning the National Horse Show at Madison Square Garden in New York City. If you have never read the book or seen the documentary, you missed something really special. Snowman was a very special horse

So, this is only a very small sampling of famous horses, there are so many more, and I'll bet each and every one of you have a story to tell about your famous mount!

#### **Local Trail Rides**

#### Barb De Witt

I'm so excited about being the Local Trail Rides director again now that I'm retire. I've been living in Alta Loma for 30 years and I'm still discovering new places to ride and routes to take. I have two horses, Rajah and Pharaoh. Rajah, a chestnut Arab, is semi-retired because of arthritis, so you will see me riding Pharaoh, a flea-bitten gray Arab. I am very open to suggestions for where you would like to go that we don't have to trailer out to. My rides have gone from short loops around the ranch to longer rides on the Rails to Trails, both east and west. I have ridden east to Etiwanda and west to Euclid. I also enjoy limited distance (25 miles) endurance riding. So please don't be shy about letting me know what you would like.

I have a few things planned for the near future for club rides, but don't mind if you don't want to go in a group and would like me to take you out individually. In October Cassie is planning the fundraiser ride for St. Jude's Children's Hospital, so please see her article for the details. On **November 17**, we will meet at the park at 8:30 am and leave no later than 8:45 to head over to **Corky's Restaurant** for breakfast. It is on Haven and Lemon with tie up room along the chain link fence facing the 210 Freeway. Our traditional **Christmas Lights Ride** through Thoroughbred is on **December 11**, the night before the full moon. We will meet at the park at 6 pm. And leave no later than 6:45. Many people enjoy decorating their horses and themselves to help get us in the holiday spirit. We will need someone to volunteer to follow us in a golf cart with a trash can and shovel to scoop poop as needed. I would like to plan a brunch ride to Molly's Souper (388 N 1st Ave, Upland) for the end of January or beginning of February, depending on the interest shown. Molly is great about providing treats

for the horses as well a trash can and shovel for cleanup. We sit right outside where we can keep an eye on our trusty steeds. The route there takes us on the Rails to Trails and we come back by going up Euclid to 25<sup>th</sup> Street and cross the canyon just below the dam. This ride is one that has us out about 6 hours.

I'm looking forward to many fun rides this year. Happy trails.

Barb, Pharaoh and Rajah 909-238-0336



#### **City Survey**

The West-Side Landscape Maintenance District Advisory Committee for the City has a survey posted to gain insight from the public about their use of the parks and trails as well as their opinion regarding maintenance and security. This is a wonderful opportunity for members of the ALRC to express your opinions which will be shared with city staff and the city council. The survey can be accessed at <a href="http://bit.ly/West-Side">http://bit.ly/West-Side</a>

Please go to the site and fill out the survey, it only takes a couple of minutes. Let the city know that Heritage Park Equestrian Facility needs more attention



October 21, 2018 at 9am (office opens at 8) \$4.99/class \$5 grounds fee

Heritage Park Equestrian Center, 5546 Beryl St., RC 91737 We welcome all breeds of horses and all styles of riding

Hosted by the Alta Loma Riding Club

#### CLASSES

1. WALK/TROT BARRELS	10. OPEN TOILET PAPER		
2. OPEN BARRELS	11. WALK/TROT DOLLAR BILL		
3. WALK/TROT POLE BENDING	12. OPEN DOLLAR BILL		
4. OPEN POLE BENDING	RIDERS WILL NEED A PARTNER FOR		
5. WALK/TROT KEYHOLE	TOILET PAPER CLASS		
6. OPEN KEYHOLE	RIDERS MAY NOT CROSS ENTER DI-		
7. WALK/TROT EGG AND	VISIONS		
SPOON	RIDERS PROVIDE A DOLLAR BILL		
8. OPEN EGG AND SPOON	FOR DOLLAR BILL CLASS – THE WIN-		
	NER KEEPS ALL DOLLAR BILLS		

For info & pre-registration call or text Karen Petracek at (909) 731-5420 or call Pat Morris at (909) 987-9403. Food will be available for purchase. Helmets are required for all riders under 18.

9. WALK/TROT TOILET PAPER

## MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME!!!

By now you should have received your membership renewal forms and many of you have renewed, thank you. If you haven't renewed please due so soon and even talk to your neighbors and friends into becoming members of the Alta Loma Riding Club. Remember the club is not only for horse owners, it's for anyone who loves our rural living! We had such a wonderful display of supporters at the Community Annexations Meeting on April 19 of people who just love to see the horses in their neighborhood. Please remember that without the Alta Loma Riding Club we would lose a lot of our large animal rights. There are many other special interests in the city would that become more verbal and our wonderful way of life could be endangered. We are working on an online version of our membership application and paying trough pay pal. We will keep you updated when its available.

Happy riding!! Ali Smilgis - Membership Chairman

Men	mbership Application		
Membership is only \$30 /year for the whole fam	ily and its time to renew		
Please fill out the application and send it with a c 91701	check to Alta Loma Riding	g Club P.O. Box 8116 Alta	a Loma, CA
Name:			
Address:			
City:	State	Zip	
Phone	Cell Phone		
Email:			
Acknowledgement: The Alta Loma Riding Club sonal injury, property damage, or theft occurring any and all claims against the ALRC, officers, spe	(ALRC) is not responsible on the ALRC premises of	le and assumes no liability	
Signature of applicant(s)			
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#### **Welcome back to our members:**



- Patricia Martres
- Paul & Wyndee Kasteiner
- Clay Clements
- . David & Debbie Grossberg
- . Curtis & Wendy Pitts



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