



**ALTA LOMA RIDING CLUB**

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

**ALRC NEWSLETTER • JUNE 2024**

# **BITS** *of* **NEWS**

## **the PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE** *from Heather McGee-Decauwer, ALRC President*

At our May membership meeting, we voted for our 2024-25 and 2025-26 Board of Directors. Whenever there is a new start, it's the perfect time to celebrate, reflect and set goals for the upcoming year.

**Celebrate** - As we welcome new board members, we also say thank you and best wishes to others who have served us over the years.

- At our June board meeting we will be welcoming: Susan Csik as our Membership Director and John Recla as our new Food Director. Two board members who will be taking on new roles are: Joe Cowan as City Liaison Director and myself as President.

- Last month's Presidents message highlighted three long term board members: John and Cassie Sanchez and Larry Henderson.

- After serving over 3 years as Membership Director, Kate Bowers will be ending her term and continuing as a volunteer. In addition to maintaining our membership role, Kate has been key in helping with many of our behind the scenes tasks. Thank you so much Kate!!

**Reflect** - this last year we've hosted a number of events:

- 4 shows
- 6 local rides including the Christmas light ride and poker ride
- 4 trailer outs
- 1 horsemanship clinic

- 1 cinch making clinic
- 1 community event including pony rides, chili cook off and corn hole tournament
- 1 vaccination shot clinic

### **Goals**

- The current Board has lots of great ideas. Once the new Board members are installed we will set goals for the club and plan new and returning events.

- If you have ideas or suggestions you'd like for us to consider, please share those with a board member. The riding club is a volunteer organization. Your help and your participation is appreciated.

*Heather*





The Alta Loma Riding Club presents  
**COWBOY DRESSAGE CLINIC**  
 and **RIDE A TEST SESSIONS**  
**SATURDAY, JUNE 29**  
 at **HERITAGE PARK EQUESTRIAN CENTER**



Have you been interested in trying “**COWBOY DRESSAGE**” or would you like to just improve your skills?

This is the perfect opportunity to spend the day doing just that—right here at the Heritage Park Equestrian Center! Have fun, learn something new, be challenged. Sign up and participate in this great event! Training in the morning then put it all together and ride a test session in the afternoon!



## Clinician: Jesseca Hutchings

**8:00 -11:30 am** Cowboy Dressage Basics  
**12:30 - 1:30 pm** Upper Level Mauuevers  
**2:30-4:00 pm** Ride a Test Sessions,  
 with Feedback

### RESERVE YOUR SPOT:

[Vicepres2ofalrc@gmail.com](mailto:Vicepres2ofalrc@gmail.com)

Limited spots, but still available

**\$125 for Clinic and Test**

**\$25 to Audit**

### QUESTIONS?

Contact: [Vicepres2ofalrc@gmail.com](mailto:Vicepres2ofalrc@gmail.com)

**ALRC  
MEMBERS  
IT IS  
TIME TO  
RENEW!**

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**ANNUAL  
MEMBERSHIP \$30**  
July 1 to June 30



**IT'S AS EASY AS 1 - 2 - 3...**

- 1** Go to [www.AltaLomaRidingClub.org](http://www.AltaLomaRidingClub.org)
- 2** Click the **MEMBERSHIP** tab
- 3** Follow the steps to renew your membership!
- 4** Or watch your mailbox for the renewal form packet!

**Thank You for joining us in promoting and preserving the rural and equestrian lifestyle of Alta Loma and Rancho Cucamonga.**

**LOCAL TRAIL RIDE** with Heather

**Friday July 19th is 2 days before the BUCK FULL MOON. Join us and enjoy both the sunset and the moonrise. The sunset is at 8:00 pm and the moonrise is at 7:09 pm.**

**Native Americans named July's full moon the buck full moon because of the appearance of antlers on the young bucks at this time of year. So not the buck some equestrians are more familiar with than others.**

**DESCRIPTION OF TRAIL RIDE:**

**Date: Friday, July 19 • 6:30pm to 8:30 or 9 pm**

**Staging Info: Meet at Heritage Park around 6pm and plan to leave by 6:30pm**

**Route: to be determined**

**Distance: 5-6ish miles**

**Time: 2 to 2.5 hours**

**Terrain: Relatively smooth**

**Technicality: Riding at night**

**Contact: Heather if you have questions:**

**LocalTrailofALRC@gmail.com**

**NO Stallions or Dogs on the Trail Ride.**



# POKER RIDE Recap



Our poker ride on May 4th was a success, with 12 horses and riders, plus several non-riders, participating. Congratulations to Joe Cowan on the winning hand. Many thanks to our hosts (Heather and Lori) for the variety of beverages, cookies, sandwiches, and cake they provided along the way.

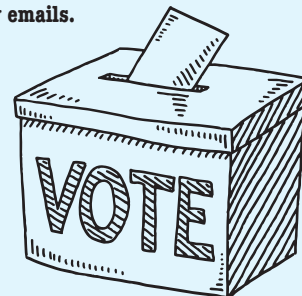


## Election results!!

**President:** Heather Decauwer  
**1st Vice President:** Martha Cowan  
**2nd Vice President:** Kara Haulman Recla  
**Treasurer:** Charlene Ariza  
**Secretary:** (vacant)  
**Membership:** Susan Csik  
**Youth Director:** Alana Quinn  
**City Liaison:** Joe Cowan  
**Local Trail Ride:** (vacant)  
**Trailer-Out Director:** Julie Bradley  
**Food Service:** John Recla  
**Publicity:** Natalie Hall (write in)  
**Newsletter Editor:** Claudia McNeill

Once again we have a great board to serve our members and community. Looking forward to the next two years. There are still two vacant positions. If you are interested in serving in either of these roles please contact Heather at [localtrailofalrc@gmail.com](mailto:localtrailofalrc@gmail.com). It'll take some time to get the new emails assigned. At the moment we do not have access to the President or Secretary emails.

**THANK YOU**  
 very much for being  
 a vital part of  
 the Alta Loma  
 Riding Club!



## HORSEMANSHIP CLINIC SUCCESS!!

The Club hosted a horsemanship clinic with Barry Berg over Memorial Day weekend.

For two nights we camped out at the park and learned relationship building skills with our horses. Barry started the clinic with a discussion of what we hope to get out of the clinic. With 11 riders and horses from varying backgrounds, Barry led the clinic and taught skills that were specific to each of the riders needs, first on the ground and then in the saddle. Skills we can all use and learn from watching and doing. It's amazing how it all comes together in the end.

Everyone left with renewed confidence in their horse and anticipation for the next clinic. The club hopes to host similar clinic at least once a year. If you haven't made it to any of our past clinics, keep an eye out for our next one consider signing up.





# ALRC Executive Officers & Directors

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**Thank You very much for being  
a vital part of 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!**

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**\$15/MONTH OR**

**\$120/YEAR**

**TO BECOME AN  
ADVERTISER CONTACT...**

**Claudia McNeill at  
NewsletterofALRC@gmail.com**



## ALRC UPCOMING EVENTS

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| <b>TUES, JUNE 11</b><br><b>7:00PM</b>       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ALRC Board Meeting</li> <li>• Heritage Park Equestrian Center • Clubhouse</li> </ul>   |
| <b>SAT, JUNE 29</b><br><b>8:00AM-4:00PM</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• COWBOY DRESSAGE CLINIC &amp; TEST SESSIONS</li> <li>• Clinician: Jesseca Hutchings</li> <li>• Heritage Park Equestrian Center</li> </ul> |
| <b>FRI, JULY 19</b><br><b>6:30-9PM</b>      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SUNSET &amp; MOONRISE RIDE</li> <li>• Staging at Heritage Park Equestrian Center 6:00 PM</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**



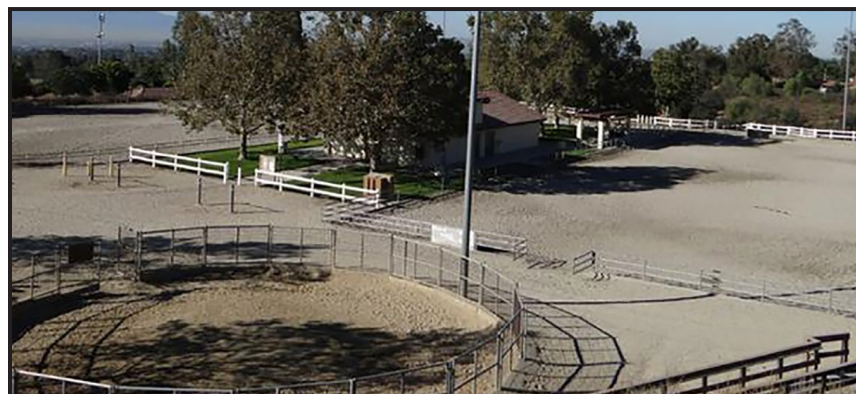
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Facilities are available for Shows & Clinics.

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- 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 2024**  
**DATES ARE AVAILABLE!**

**CONTACT: (909) 745-4906**  
**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) 285-4342 or email altalomaridingclub@gmail.com



# SUPPORT & COMMUNITY

**ALTA LOMA RIDING CLUB**  
at Heritage Park Equestrian Center

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- 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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