

VISTA PALOMAR RIDERS NEWSLETTER

APRIL 2023

President's Message

Happy Spring VPR Members!

Hopefully the rain rivers are a thing of the past and all of us are getting some quality time with our horses, working on shedding out that winter coat and slowly getting them back into shape for the trails and shows.

The board is hard at work with lots of fun events:

- Roping Clinic & BBQ on Wed 4/19
- Working Party on Sat 4/29 @ 8am
- Ranch Riding Show Off Schooling Show on Sun 4/30
- Cowboy Swap Meet on Sat May 13
- Quarterly Membership Meeting on Wed May 17 @ 6pm
- JR Spaghetti Potluck on Wed May 17 @ 6:30
- Wagon Wheel on Memorial Day Weekend May 26 - 29

We are always looking for volunteers to help lead these events as many hands make light work. Interested members can contact a board member for how to get started.

The dates for the Southern California Horseman's Council Shows are posted on our website and calendar. Hope to see you there showing your support!

Have a wonderful time with your horses this month and hope to see you around the club!

Respectfully Submitted,
Cindy Rota

IMPORTANT DATES

Board Meeting

May 10 @ 6:30 pm

Potluck-Guests Welcome

April 19 @ 6:30 pm

May 17 @ 6pm (Membership meeting and Spaghetti Dinner)

Work Party

April 29 @ 8am

Ranch Riding Show Off

Schooling Show

April 30 @ 9am

Cowboy Swap Meet

May 13 @ 8 am – 2 pm

SCHC Horse shows @ VPR

May 20 - 21

Wagon Wheel

May 26 - 29

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June 9-11

 JOIN US FOR OUR 

Roping Clinic & Barbecue

**BRING YOUR OWN STEAK, DRINK
AND SIDE DISH TO SHARE!!**

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19, 6:30 PM

**ROPING CLINIC (PART 1) - 5 PM
ROPE HANDLING AND THROWING
TECHNIQUES WILL BE TAUGHT
FROM THE GROUND**

**PLEASE RESPOND TO MARIO DENYS
760-583-2927**

COME HUNGRY AND READY TO ROPE!!



Everyone had a fun day with Cindy Forrest at the Ranch Riding Clinic. Next up is the Ranch Riding Show Off Schooling Show on April 30th.



The Board wants to thank Susan Miranda profusely for spending countless hours to get VPR reclassified as a 501c7 Organization, which means:

1. We don't have to pay income taxes even when we have a profit
2. We don't have to try to spend every cent every year that we show an income
3. We can build some reserves to help with more expensive projects that will be needed in the future (e.g. roofing)
4. **NOTE:** We are not a charitable organization. Accordingly, donations to the club are still not tax deductible.

The reclassification was approved for Federal and the State approval is still in the process.



VPR Work Party
Sat Apr 29 @ 8 am

Cleaning up our facility, trash pickup, pulling weeds, raking, trimming trees and anything else.
Need chainsaws, rakes, pruners, saws, clippers
Wear long sleeves, muck boots, gloves

Lunch provided for Work Party volunteers
Contact Mario Denys at 760-583-2927 to sign up
and for more information.

If anyone wants to put in a work order to Caltrans to fix the fence that is blocking our trail by Highway 76 leading to the golf course, please submit a work order to them from the following page:

<https://dot.ca.gov/programs/maintenance>

Wagon Wheel is coming up fast!

We need to collect applications ASAP now in order to get catering set and finalize some planning. With that being said, I could really use a hand with finalizing the catering quotes – I have begun the process, but it could use someone who can make some phone calls and follow up with some pricing details. I also need someone who can run the auction – a few helpers are set to work it on Saturday night, but we need someone willing to gather items, make the bidding pages, and set it up a few days ahead of time.

Make a donation to help with the cattle expenses! \$100 pays for a cow and its feed. Pick the number you want and name your cow. A gift certificate will be given for the favorite name.

I will be available at the potluck (5:30-6:30) on Wednesday, April 19, to collect any forms/payments, etc. and answer any questions.

These are some planned events:

- Chili Cookoff, Texas Hold-um, Craft Beer Exchange, Clubhouse Games, Riding in the arena (Obstacles available all weekend), Sorting
- Saturday Breakfast, Poker Ride or Riverbed ride, Sorting, DJ & Dancing, Catered BBQ dinner
- Sunday – Breakfast, Memorial Day Parade in main arena, Sorting Competition, Arena Games, Mexican Dinner
- Monday – Breakfast, sorting, obstacles, trail or arena riding

Awards: Buckles, gift certificates, and custom halters

Thanks so much to those of you who have already donated to the awards!!!

Gail Cantrell gailgallops@gmail.com 760 519-0628

Applications on our Website: vistapalomarriders.com

Dear Members,

It is with great pleasure to inform you that the bathroom remodel is complete. Attached below are some photos and more are posted in the members only section of the VPR website for your viewing pleasure.

Demo of the old stalls and vanity, patch/texture holes, fresh paint, new vanities, ceiling fans, lights, stall dividers, new valves and flex lines for all the plumbing fixtures (a lot of it broke off in our hands due to corrosion). Found a huge hole in the wall behind the full-length mirror in the women's bathroom so a beautiful new handmade 3 tier shelf for the ladies to stow sunglasses, keys, phone etc. was built by Craig Schmad.

All 3 toilets had moderate to severe leaks in the wax rings, those were replaced with new silicone rings, the toilets were shimmed to stop them from shifting and the bottoms of the toilets were caulked. This is the first time in years that the odor has been mitigated for a solid week straight. The septic tank and drains going to the septic were inspected and found to be in excellent condition.

The storage room and hall closet were emptied out, the popcorn removed from the ceiling, fresh paint and organized. The broom closet got a good cleaning and some new organization racks to keep everything in order.

There are a few more decorative touches to be done, but I hope you enjoy the hard work from the following volunteers: Steve Barrier, Bob & Cindy Rota, Eric & Robyn Schoelkopf, Robin Clift, Jody Fast, Barbara Laurito, Junior Riders (Emma Rota and Kyla Larkin), Nick Rota, Janet Pettersen and Craig Schmad

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Your Fearless Leader/Clubhouse Manager,
Cindy Rota



Horse Camping Caterer - April Fool's Campout

The weekend started off with rain on Thursday but cleared up and participants had a great time riding in the arena, participating in Gymkhana events on Saturday morning and tested their skills on the obstacles in a Gambler's Choice on Sunday morning. Lots of great food, games and dancing happened throughout the weekend. The next Horse Camping Caterer event at VPR will be on Oct 26 - 29.





Junior Riders

As a way to give back to the club, Junior Riders donated over \$1000 for 28 new folding chairs at the end of 2022. They also bought a Giant Connect 4 for everyone to use. Junior Riders will be sending out a flyer for members to sign up for Spaghetti Potluck on May 19th.

Cowboy Swap Meet

The Cowboy Swap Meet was rescheduled for Sat May 13. Laura Flynn has 30 vendors signed up but she still has room for more. Food/Drink will be for sale on site. Please share with family and friends. More information on our Website.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Anna & Toby Myatt
Family-Ella, Cara and Bria
Emma Cashman
Kathy Lasiter & Audrey McCleod
Jesse Hills
Robert Wm Crosby & Kasey Bennett
Family-Braxton son & Kollins daughter
Gabiella Ventura
Hayley Blanford and Mitchell Russo
Dolores Keys
Ann Kiggins
Debra Zavatto
Hallie & Lars Eisenhauer
Family-Liv, Marvin and Trulie
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Spaghetti Dinner Night

with the VPR Junior Riders

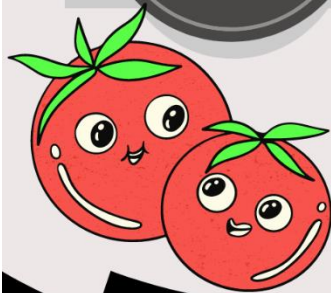
Wednesday May 17th 7pm

Come and meet the Junior Riders and enjoy a delicious dinner. Meal will include: Salad, Spagehetti and meatballs, garlic bread, and dessert.

Please call to reserve your dinner

Kim 760-525-0291

\$10



Kids \$5



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WANT TO GO CAMPING WITH YOUR HORSE?

You can camp almost anytime. There are just a few weekends when there might be a grounds rental. Just let me know when you wish to stay over.

Gail Cantrell 760 519-0628



Southern California Horsemen's Council 2023 Shows at VPR

- May 20-21
- July 22-23
- August 19-20
- November 11-12



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