

# VISTA PALOMAR RIDERS NEWSLETTER

FALL 2023

## President's Message

Dear VPR Members,

Fall is upon us with cooler weather and shorter days, but I hope you are enjoying lots of time with your horses.

Please join us this Wednesday, Nov 15, at this month's potluck as we have several things going on, the Roping Clinic Part 2 at 5 pm, our annual election for Board of Directors and lots of Thanksgiving themed food.

I am looking for help with decorating the clubhouse on December 3rd. If you are interested, please contact me for further details.

I'd like to welcome Jessica Mount as our new Social Media Manager. She works magic with Facebook and promotes our events!

Horse Camping Caterer had a spooky time with an amazing costume contest and thrilling obstacle challenge. Thank you, Margaret, for a wonderful weekend.

Wagon Wheel was a super charged event with scenic trail rides, a fun gamblers choice, cattle sorting and lots of laughter. A huge thank you to all

### IMPORTANT DATES

#### Board Meeting

Dec 6 @ 6:30 pm

Jan 10 @ 6:30 pm

#### Roping Clinic #2

Nov 15 @ 5 pm

#### Potluck/Election

Nov 15 @ 6:30 pm

#### Thanksgiving meal

#### Potluck

Dec 13 @ 6:30 pm

#### Holiday meal

#### Trail Ride

Dec 2 @ 10 am

Jan 6 @ 10 am

#### Annual Membership Meeting

Dec 13 at 6 pm

#### Annual membership dues

Jan 1. 2024

the volunteers that made this event so successful! Looking forward to more good times with friends hanging out at our amazing club.

I know many of you camp at VPR over the New Year's weekend for the benefit of your horses/dogs to escape the city noise, please reach out to Gail as your point of contact.

Have a safe and wonderful Thanksgiving holiday with family and friends

Warmly,  
Cindy Rota



Happy  
Thanksgiving



JOIN US FOR OUR



## Roping Clinic Part 2

**BRING YOUR FAVORITE  
THANKSGIVING DISH TO SHARE!!**

**WEDNESDAY, NOV 15, 5PM**

**ROPING CLINIC (PART 2) - 5 PM  
ROPE HANDLING AND THROWING  
TECHNIQUES WILL BE TAUGHT  
FROM YOUR HORSE**

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

**COME HUNGRY AND READY TO ROPE!!**

## Mario Denys for VPR President



Dear Members,

VPR has been a significant part of my family's lives, offering a special place for activities, gatherings, and equestrian events. My involvement in fundraising events, work parties, leading trail rides and service on the board of directors, including as Vice President of the 2023 board, highlights my commitment to this club's well-being.

While my profession is in software sales, my heart clearly belongs to horseback riding and equestrian pursuits. My memberships in other equestrian organizations, such as Rancheros Visitadores and the Santa Barbara Trail Riders, further illustrate my passion for this lifestyle.

My unique position of living across the street from the VPR facility provides a valuable perspective on club usage. My goal to increase membership participation in various events and projects is crucial to ensuring that VPR remains a vibrant and cherished place for all members.

Taking on the role of President of the 2024 board is a significant commitment, but I'm confident to serve in this capacity. My experience, dedication, and love for VPR will undoubtedly help preserve its legacy and foster its continued success.

Therefore, I appreciate your support and the opportunity to serve as President of the 2024 Vista Palomar Riders board.

Sincerely,

Mario Denys

## Kevin Cotton for VPR Vice President

My Name is Kevin Cotton. My Wife and I have been members of VPR for over two years. We have two horses; my wife has Denver, and I have Jack. We both board at River Trails Ranch next door to VPR. We enjoy camping and many of the activities, and most of all, the People that VPR affords us.

I have been involved with Carlsbad Youth Baseball and Carlsbad Pop Warner as a coach in the past along with the fund raising and community projects etc.

Best Regards,

Kevin M Cotton



## **Gail Cantrell for VPR Secretary**

Gail has been on the Board for four years. She has three quarter horses and also participates in a mounted posse and cattle sports. She is a dedicated volunteer to VPR, planning many of the riding and cattle events, and helping with other physical needs of the clubhouse. She tries hard to keep funds coming into the club to offset the many expenses of an aging site. As Secretary, she sends out information to the members, adds articles to the newsletter, and she types up the monthly agenda and meeting minutes.





## Susan Miranda for VPR Treasurer

SUSAN MIRANDA, CPA  
CA License 55899  
7144 Via Mariposa Sur  
Bonsall, CA 92003  
smirandacpa@mac.com  
949.689.9687



I have been in the equestrian world for over 10 years. After allowing my six-year-old daughter to ride, I wanted to learn too! Well, I haven't stopped.

I would be honored to continue to serve as Treasurer for VPR. It's a great chance for me to continue to get to know people and become a more integral part of VPR. In my role as Treasurer for VPR this past year, I have set up the club on QuickBooks Online (easily transferred to any VPR Treasurer), providing full accounting for both 2021, 2022, 2023 and going forward.

I am also working with the Board to complete the process of becoming recognized, for tax purposes, as a not-for-profit under 501(c)(7). I have worked with the Board and Budget Committee to create and maintain a financial projection to aid in planned expenses and projects to improve the club.

In my career as a CPA I have served numerous entities of all sizes and stages of development, in various industries, including but not limited to: manufacturing, real estate, technology, not-for-profits, government contracting, and hospitality. My focus throughout my career has been in audit and assurance services as a public accountant working with KPMG, as well as two OC firms.

I began my own practice in 2001 serving clients in Orange, Los Angeles and Riverside counties on matters related to accounting, financial reporting, assurance services and compliance under Federal Acquisition Regulation.

Thank you and Happy Trails,

Susan Miranda

## **Robyn Schoelkopf for VPR General Board Member**

For almost 30 years, I have been associated with VPR in some capacity or another. My husband became a member when he was just 11 years old back in 1973 and with myself joined the VPR family in 1998. We have both enjoyed our time with VPR doing various activities and finding great friendships within.



I have personally served as a board member for 3 years in the past for VPR. Also, chairing and running the dressage schooling shows that we as a club offered successfully to our community. I have served as the secretary for San Diego Dressage Society for 3 years as well.

I am passionate about providing a place of good horsemanship and camaraderie amongst our members. I understand the importance of inclusion for all types of horse related activities as well and the day to day responsibilities needed to protect and care for our one-of-a kind facility.

Sincerely,

Robyn Schoelkopf



## **Robin Clift for VPR General Board Member**

I have been a member of Vista Palomar Riders for seven years. I can remember being so amazed during my orientation to see the wonderful grounds and learn about all the amenities that go along with a VPR membership.

Since that time, I have thoroughly enjoyed meeting so many new friends, attending dressage shows, obstacle challenges, cattle sorting, Wagon Wheels, and campouts, etc.

I have previously served on an HOA board for over 10 years, and I am familiar with what is required. I would love the opportunity to work with the other board members to address our club business for another year.

Thank you for your consideration.

Robin Clift



## **Doug Goad for VPR General Board Member**

Having filled a vacant position on the VPR Board, I am now seeking to be elected to the Board of Directors for a full upcoming term. I would appreciate your support to serve on the Board as a General Director. Thank you.

My equestrian pursuit really started in grade school for two years on rental horses. Six hours a week was all I could get. Then there was a long gap until 1986 where I bought my first horse and began the journey. Trail riding, horse camping, Team Penning, and sorting have been my favorite activities. Also, very much enjoyed attending a Ray Hunt Clinic on developing a riders feel and trust for his horse. Years later my horse and I qualified for the 1997 AQHA World show in Open Team Penning. Where my horse earned an AQHQ Register of Merit. Currently enjoy the Sorting, clinics, and trail ride events at VPR and San Pasqual Valley Ranch.

Military Service - 1969 to 2005. 1 year enlisted and 5.5 years Commissioned officer in communications. Tour in Vietnam and Okinawa with Honorable Discharge as Captain.

Education - BA Economics U.C.S.D. 1975, MBA National Univ 1978.

Volunteering - Helped establish Trails Master Plan for City of Encinitas (plan in ongoing build-out), 20 years on Encinitas Parks & Rec Commission, Coordinated no cost to City buildout of Little Oaks Equestrian Park thru volunteer contributions, 20 years on San Diego County Parks Advisory Committee (Chair).

Employment - 1978 to 1986 Construction Sales, 1986 to 2010 Dean Willer Reynolds/now Morgan Stanley as Associate VP Investments, and Assistant Branch Manager.

## **Blake Blomberg for VPR General Board Member**

My name is Blake Blomberg and I am a proud California native who currently resides on a small ranch here in Fallbrook. Growing up surrounded by the cowboy way of life was a great privilege, has shaped much of who I am today.

I became a member at VPR in 2021 and have enjoyed several events and evenings at VPR with our children, family, friends, and horses. My family and I enjoy the atmosphere at VPR and enjoy & appreciate all members.

I currently own & manage LMV Recycling Solutions, a global wastepaper trading company.



It would be an honor to become more involved with VPR and help enhance the future of the club. Looking to the future, I remain dedicated to maintaining my membership at VPR and becoming a member of the board to build upon the opportunities and traditions that have already been established.

Thank you and regards,

Blake Blomberg

# WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

## New VPR Members August 2023

David & Christian Dollahan (Family)

Bruce & Susan Palmer (Family)

Christine Rousseau

Moria Farrah

Leilani Santos

Kristin Jankel

Marion Wright

Charlie Jones

Returning Richard & Elaine Roberts

## New VPR Members September 2023

Jessica & Chris Mount

Linda & Russell Harvey (Family)

Jennifer Williams

Ariel Jones

Jenna Fransioli

Ely Cashman (Adding Family)

## New VPR Members October 2023

Maura & Aric Timm ((Family) Paisley, Piper & Marsha (Grandma))

MaryJane & John Strauss (Family)

Kaitlin Spangler & Jake DeRoads

Nicole & Erik Benite

Returning - Cyndi Mantsch

Returning - Fichtelman Family

## New VPR Members November 2023

Laura & Gary Martino

Jennifer & Ryan Even, Ciaran & Flynn

Jennifer Jones

Amy Smith

Michele & Tim Ness

Returning - Diana & Tom Zdeb





Happy Halloween  
From HCC campout





# Thank you to our Sponsors



(760) 731-0777  
RoofingSince1978.com



GAF Solar Shingle  
EXPERT



**El Corazon  
Recycling**

(760)  
433-3316



DRE # 00913229

REALTY MASTERS

**Stephanie Cavanaugh 760-458-0016**

*Serving North San Diego County 35+ years!*

**Pawley**  
EQUIPMENT CO.

Vista · Escondido · Temecula

*Established 1983*



Servicing North S.D. County & Region of Temecula

*Equine Veterinary Medicine at it's best.*

**760-728-2319**

**ADAMS TOWING**  
& AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR

*Family Owned and Operated Since 1950*

**Charles D. Richmond**  
Attorney at Law

(858) 755-0965 [www.cdresq.com](http://www.cdresq.com)

[charles@cdresq.com](mailto:charles@cdresq.com)

**RTR**  
RIVER TRAILS RANCH  
PREMIER BOARDING STABLES

760.300.5811

**RIVERTRAILSRANCH.NET**

**YOUR TRAILS  
ARE CALLING!**



Vista Palomar Riders

**Lorinda Quatralo**



# Jerry Tindell Clinic





## BULLETIN BOARD:

Have something to sell or tell VPR Members about? Let us know and we will post it in this space.



---

**Disclaimer:** The Vista Palomar Riders, Inc. (VPR) merely provides this bulletin board for informational purposes and is not involved in any aspect of those transactions. VPR makes no representations or warranties of any kind, express or implied, as to the services or items for sale in this newsletter.

---

Website: [www.vistapalomarriders.com](http://www.vistapalomarriders.com)

Facebook: [Vista Palomar Riders](#)

Board email: [vistapalomarriders@gmail.com](mailto:vistapalomarriders@gmail.com)

Newsletter: [Lynknits2@gmail.com](mailto:Lynknits2@gmail.com)