



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- 10-22 & 10-23 **JIMMY TORANO JUMPING CLINIC**
8:00AM-4:00PM MAIN ARENA
- 1-1-19 **MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS DUE**
- 1-8 **RBR BOARD MEETING**
6:30PM CLUBHOUSE
- 1-27 **WINTER HUNTER SHOW**
- 2-2 **ETI PRESIDENT'S LUNCHEON**
9:00AM-3PM CLUBHOUSE



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PRESIDENT'S LETTER



Driving into our oak studded driveway on a recent weekend, I was impressed to see a line of parked cars extending outside of our gates, reflecting all the people attending a schooling show at Rose Bowl Riders. Inside the gates was a flurry of activity: beautiful horses

gleaming with shampoo and show sheen; sparkling, polished tack; and dozens of competitors from very small children to older adults, all dressed in show attire. Some competitors were nervously getting ready and others - relief and satisfaction evident, colorful ribbons hooked onto belts - were walking around attending to horses or thoughtfully helping their peers get ready for another class.

On any given Saturday, or really any day from Tuesday to Sunday, the scene at Rose Bowl Riders is similar (minus the show glitz). Riders of all ages and abilities come to take riding lessons and to learn and practice horsemanship. Volunteers help clean and maintain the facility and can be seen dragging the arena, gardening,

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FALL WORK DAY ON NOVEMBER 3



WORKDAY: WINNER WINNER CHICKEN DINNER!

When asked to give a brief summary of our semi-annual workday in November, I had to stop and ruminate upon that day for a while. What did I want to say for this newsletter? The conclusion of my rumination was that it was fantastic! We had approximately 54 people volunteer. That is a good turnout. We ate like champs, we worked hard and we worked well together. We are very grateful and want to extend a hearty "THANK YOU".

So, what could be better? Okay, perhaps completing all the jobs, as in May, would have been a feather in the RBR cap, but we came darn close! Most of the items on our list were completed. There were very few jobs that either weren't worked on or weren't finished. (If you want to help complete these tasks, drop Luray Good an email luraygood1@gmail.com and I will

hook you up with the appropriate person so we CAN finish our entire list.)

Both Shivani and I see a lot of pride and passion exhibited by everyone. This is as contagious as a smile. We are a community that loves horses, enjoys riding, and wants our organization to present well.

Even though you do have volunteer hours to complete, I saw everyone pitching in and working with gusto. Some of you waited patiently until a job was communicated and others of you were able to jump in right away. All of you are special in your own way and we are quite thankful for each of you! (A special shout out goes to Rebecca for the marvelous breakfast spread she prepared for us. All of us thank you, Rebecca!)

Until next time,
Luray Good & Shivani Joshi
 Volunteer Co-chairs



WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

- **The Dundas Family**
- **The Grace Family**
- **The Norton Family**



THANKS & KUDOS

- **Harrison Zuk & Terry Walsh for trenching by rain gutters.**
- **Shannon Griffin for overseeing new dumpster deliveries.**
- **Heidi Babcock & Shivani Joshi for holding a fun RBR Holiday Party!**
- **Peter Goodwine for helping to rat-proof one of our tackrooms.**

PRESIDENT'S LETTER *CONTINUED*

raking, sweeping, picking up manure, emptying the trash, painting, and a host of other projects.

This past summer, I met a local scout leader (at a ceremony celebrating a young man who earned his Eagle Scout award at Rose Bowl Riders) whose middle school aged daughter had recently started riding at our club. The gentleman raved about the overwhelmingly positive experience his daughter was having in our lesson program. Her parents could already see a newfound confidence in their daughter as she learned to handle, care for and ride horses, not to mention the inner joy that comes from connecting with these noble animals. Like many parents, the father was also grateful for the comparative affordability of Rose Bowl Riders.

These vignettes exemplify the purpose and tradition of our venerable club, existing in the Arroyo for nearly 75 years. We are united in our love of horses and our appreciation of the value they bring to our lives, and for many of us, the lives of our horse-loving children. Our volunteering ethos contributes to a sense of community and extends access to horses to a wide and diverse group of people in an otherwise prohibitively expensive sport. Collectively we ensure that our horses are well cared for, exercised regularly, and thriving in a natural, outdoor setting in close but safe contact with their herd-mates. Our love of nature and commitment to sustainability allows humans and horses to coexist within an environmentally sensitive area. Finally, we are dedicated to constantly learning; to become better riders, horsemen and horsewomen, and environmental stewards through lessons, clinics, competitions and educational programs.

Your board has been hard at work this year advancing various projects and priorities to fulfill the club's mission of connecting people to horses and nature and to achieve the goals outlined in our strategic plan. This work would not be possible without our active and committed membership, nearly 200-strong. Thank you!

I am honored to be both a member of Rose Bowl Riders and your president, and look forward to enjoying another fun and rewarding year at our club.

Happy Trails

Ingrid McConnell

CONGRATS HARRISON!

Rose Bowl Riders is profoundly grateful for the countless hours of dedicated service Harrison has contributed to our club. He is a most deserving recipient of the 2018 Golden Horse Shoe Award!

Harrison hails from La Cañada (and before that, the real Canada), but has spent the last 5 years earning his bachelors and master's degrees from the University of Georgia in Athens, Georgia. Harrison came to Rose Bowl Riders in 2017 and asked if he could volunteer in all aspects of the operation as a complement to his day job interning for KPMG, where he currently works full time in the Audit department. From his very first day, where he showed up so early that he had to wait for the regulars to arrive and open the gate, Harrison has dug right in helping Vitalio, Walt, Ariel, Greg and Katie from cleaning stalls to tractor work to landscaping and carpentry. Harrison loves to roll up his sleeves (if he has any at the time) and dive right in to a project, and even now with his busy work and travel schedule, he makes time when he can to work - for free - at Rose Bowl Riders. Along the way, Harrison also learned to ride and especially enjoyed riding Phyllis Ginter's trusty quarter horse, Mati.



FALL VACCINATION CLINIC

The fall vaccination clinic with Dr. Lindsay Brown of Foothill Equine was held on October 24 and 22 of our boarded horses were vaccinated and had their teeth checked. We're glad to report that all horses took their shots without protest! Follow up care clinics were held on November 2 and 7 and 8 horses were seen to. These clinics throughout the year provide owners with the opportunity to give their horses essential preventative care keeping them happy and healthy. **Thanks Dr. Brown!**



THE BIG DIG HAS COME TO HAHAMONGNA



The County has started work on the “*Devil’s Gate Reservoir Restoration Project*” in preparation for the removal of 1.7 million cubic yards (MCY) of sediment. The County has planned and received approval for an aggressive hauling schedule for 8 months annually over the next 4 years (8 hours per weekday). Beginning in April 2019 the Project hauling will involve up to 425 daily diesel truck round-trips that will pass by the intersection at Berkshire Place and Oak Grove Avenue and up onto the 210 freeway entrances in both directions i.e. within less than a 0.5 mile radius of several schools.

Hours of Operation

- ✦ Cannot be operating, trucking or otherwise, before 7am or after 5pm
- ✦ Cannot operate on weekends, holidays or days when a large event is occurring at the Rose Bowl.

Sediment Removal Trucks

- ✦ Cannot stage on streets around the basin. This includes early morning before 7am.
- ✦ Cannot haul out sediment before 7am or after 3:30pm
- ✦ Cannot have their engines running before 7am or after 5pm
- ✦ Must have tarps over the haul loads
- ✦ Cannot be old trucks - must be model year 2010 or newer
- ✦ Must use the proper ingress and egress routes

Recreational Trails

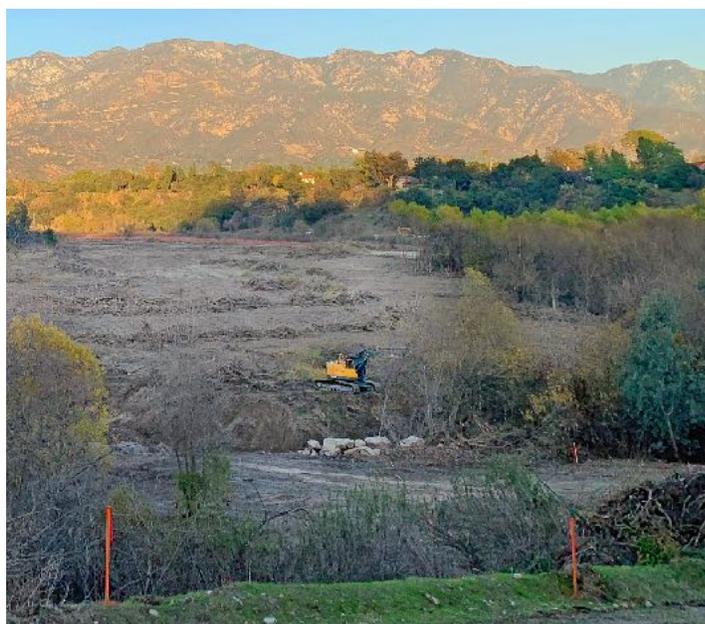
- ✦ Cannot close or obstruct the perimeter trail around the basin on evenings, weekends or holidays.
- ✦ Must remain safe and accessible for all recreational uses.

Removal Activities

- ✦ Must apply water during clearing, crushing and loading to prevent dust plumes
- ✦ Must have a qualified biologist on site during ground and vegetation disturbing activities

If you see anything that is clearly an immediate risk to the public, wildlife or park facilities, call the 24-hour hotline set up by the County.

The number is (800) 675-4357



PHYLLIS & MATI'S EXCELLENT ADVENTURE



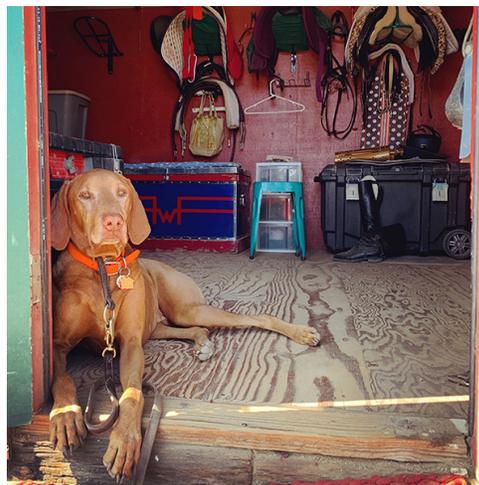
Attending Greg Eliel's 4-Day Horsemanship and Cow Working Clinic, with Mati, was the motivation for finally using the trailer I bought about six months ago. 1st there was the preparation, like buying new tires for the trailer, practicing driving the trailer and loading Mati in and out of the trailer. My success with loading Mati into the trailer was inconsistent at best which made me feel a little anxious. Thankfully, when it came time to leave, Katie was there to help load Mati into the trailer. Our 1st drive on the freeway was focused and calm. I was so amazed at the courtesy from other drivers! After arriving safely I finally was able to relax.

Our 1st clinic was great. Mati did very well. We participated in Horsemanship 1, which covered groundwork designed mostly to help create more suppleness in the horse. The last two days of the clinic included riding, with the same emphasis, and practicing a lot of one rein stops. With Greg's help, I used my mecate reins for the 1st time.

Tracy Sullivan participated in Horsemanship 2 and Cow Working. The exercises practiced in H2 are applied in the cow working class. From my seat outside the arena, I would say that cow working is very challenging and a bucket of fun. Tracy and her horse, Corazon, did very well and looked great!

Finally, when it was time to leave I could feel my anxiety coming back. I still had to get Mati into the trailer! Thankfully, Greg gave me a lesson in trailer loading with Mati, and I was able to lead him in and bring him safely home.

-Phyllis Ginter



Happy Holidays to All!

RBrians at the 2018 Holiday Party!



HORSE PLAY

RBrians at the 1945 Holiday Party!

