

ON THE CALENDAR:

Wednesday 8/11	Hahamongna Advisory Committee Site Visit/
	Tour of the Property 5:30PM
Tuesday 8/17	Hahamongna Advisory
	Committee Site Visit/
	Tour of the Property
	9AM
Saturday 8/28	New Member
	Orientation
	9AM
Sunday 8/29	New Member
	Orientation
	IIAM
Tuesday 9/14	Board of Directors
	Meeting
	6:30PM at RBR picnic
	tables
Saturday 9/18	RBR Member Breakfast
	8am-11am at RBR
	clubhouse and picnic
	tables
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello there, RBR friends!



For years, my daughter has had a burlap bag hanging on her wall with this stenciled message, "WE CAN DO HARD THINGS".

For the past 18 months this declaration has been true for my daughter, for all of us, our children, friends and

extended families as we have been required to take on some very hard things related to the pandemic. And yet, these same hard things don't have to break us or ruin us but if we choose, they can move us to become stronger in spirit, more passionate of heart, clearer in mind and more intentional in relationships with one another. Of course, hard things can push us to anger, frustration, exasperation and weariness. While these are natural reactions, it is how we choose to let the hard things shape us that define and change us.

Learning to ride a horse is hard work! Choosing to spend time on top of an 1,100 pound animal can be terrifying to some but calming and centering to many others. Riding takes physical exertion, balance,

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organization and mental acuity. So many in this community are new to Rose Bowl Riders this year, and they have come to be introduced to horsemanship and the remarkable ways these grand and beautiful animals ground us, teach us, and trust us with their love. It is a very unique relationship. In that, we all share the same blessing.

"The barn" as it is referred to in my household, is a refuge for learning new disciplines, getting dirty, meeting new friends, and spending time outside at our beautiful facility. Each and every day the mission of Rose Bowl Riders rings true as we faithfully "connect people to horses and the outdoors and to provide leadership in responsible, sustainable, and affordable horse keeping, excellence in horsemanship and instruction, and inclusiveness through community outreach. All while forming lasting relationships with people who share a common interest in horses."

Connecting to new people has been more challenging than ever this year, but we have been thrilled to host many work days, safely outside. We had a blast at our Fun Day in June. (see more about this below) and we have been hosting campers and horses from Tom Sawyer Camp most of the summer. Myrtle Hill Farm had two weeks of Horse Camp that brought kids and horses together for learning and fun at RBR. We are hopeful to provide more opportunities to connect and be together this Fall.

The Board of directors at RBR manages many financial decisions, requests and information. We are working on securing a long term lease with The City of Pasadena, who is our landlord. We hope it will be in place before the end of this year. We have been upgrading some of the stalls and have been making repairs to keep our horses safe. The piles of "dirt" on site are actually decomposed granite that have been delivered for repairing the roads and upper barn aisle. *Woohoo!*

A huge thanks to all who have come to beautify and clean up our equestrian center these past few months.What a difference you have made!

RBR sends thoughts and condolences to Mark and Walter, who had to say goodbye to their beautiful and gentle horse, Sully. We are deeply saddened by this great loss to them and to our horse-loving community.

Stay well and safe, friends,

Nancy Norris - RBR Board President



Member Breakfast

Our Member Breakfast will be held on Saturday, September 18 from 8 am-11 am at the RBR Clubhouse.

Please join us to meet and mingle with your fellow members and enjoy a delicious breakfast. This is a Rose Bowl Rider tradition and we are excited to be holding this as an in person gathering. There will be lots of room to be outside and enjoy each other safely by the picnic tables.





Barn Fun Day (formerly "Horses in the Arroyo Play Day) was lead by Nancy Rose and Ann Regan, held on June 5,2021. We had participation from 33 volunteers that made this first post pandemic RBR event a huge success. AND, thank you Nancy Rose for the fantastic first prize duffle bag! They were a huge hit.

How wonderful it was to be together enjoying friendly competition with our equine friends as well as with members of the RBR community.





THANK YOU TO ALL OF **OUR 2021 VOLUNTEERS**

(SO FAR)

MINI WORK DAY (MWD)VOLUNTEERS

MWD-I Volunteers

- Judy Ng
- Alisa Bowen
- Sadie Ross
- Miaogi Zhu
- Eric Ganz
- Alec Fredericks
- Kathleen Brennan de Jesus
- Amy Tatum
- Emily Gersema
- Michael Davis
- Sandra Betts
- Shirley Nakamura
- Asuka Morikami Wessing
- Gari Merendino
- Nilde Rivosecchi
- Anna Armstrong
- Julie
- Ann & Mike Regan
- Tania Cahill
- Heidi Babcock
- Eric Ganz

MWD-2 Volunteers

- Ann Donahue
- Shirley Nakamura
- Emme Wiederhold
- lulie •
- Heidi Babcock •
- John Smith
- Shivani Joshi
- Anna Armstrong
- Samantha Schmitt
- Ann & Mike Regan •
- Timithie Norman •
- Anna Andrews

MWD-3 Volunteers

- Shivani Joshi
- Katherine Wells
- Anna Armstrong
- Gari Merendino
- lulie
 - Liana Reid
 - Kathleen Brennan de Jesus
- Alec Fredericks
- Monica Gordon
- Anna Andrews
- Ian Burch
- Stephanie Law
- Kerry Lambert

MWD-4 Volunteers

- Heidi Babcock
- Samantha Schmitt
- Nancy Norris
- Katy Niles
- Oscar Hernandez
- Paradise Kafri
- Andrea Stegner
- Therese Reignier
- Shirley Nakamura Harper and her mom, lessica Lawson

Barn Fun Day Volunteers

- Kathleen Brennan de Jesus
- Vanina Harel
- Machrie Carroll
- Sue Stenzel
- Shivani Joshi •
- Brandy Lusvardi
- Stacey Dusing •
- Rick Kidd
- lill Werden
- Miaogi Zhu •
- Lisa Schenk
- Nadine Douke
- Nancy Rose
- Phyllis Ginter
- Nancy Reed
- Laurel Lange •
- Katie Wilks •
- Amanda Montoya
- **Phyllis Ginter** •
- Mira Conyers •
- Alec Fredericks
- Nancy Reed
- **Babette Sparr** ٠
- Birthe
- Heather & Caleb Kodama

L KIDER

- Tatiana Owen
- Mary Timmer
- Katy Niles



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

JUNE NEW MEMBERS:

Tricia Mulgrew - Individual Esquive - Family Kaveh - Family Licita - Family

Thomas - Family

JULY NEW MEMBERS:

Calix Family Gambardella Family Garcia Family Habel-Wright Family Jacobi Family Lawson Family Quan Family Whitcomb-Robbins Family Claudia Bolt- Individual Albina Kamara- Individual Jane Marks- Individual



IN LOVING MEMORY....

In loving memory of Sully - a most kind, sweet and gentle giant. Our thoughts are with Walter and Mark and all those who were lucky enough to spend time with him. He will be so missed.

"THANKS" FOR A DAY WITH JANGO



RBR Board member Ann Regan received these delightful thank you cards from her young friends Zoe and Bailey. These young ladies were visiting from Northern California and enjoyed a day at the barn with Ann's horse Jango. The ladies cleaned Jango's stall groomed and tacked Jango and rode him in the

lower arena. The day was finished with a quick rinse and plenty of carrots for Jango and his neighbors Mati, Jamey and Andy. Ann Regan said "it is such a joy to see people interact with my horse."

Calling All Gardeners

Call out to join the volunteer **Gardening Committee** to work on some Rose Bowl Riders beautification projects! Tour with Hahamonga Nursery, help keep our garden beds up, Fall planting projects, and more upcoming projects to keep our Rose Bowl Riders beautiful! Please contact Samantha, if interested: { 626 } 497-5726 <u>sammysisk@gmail.com</u> •





Rose Bowl Riders Charitable Organization *Connecting hearts and hooves* <u>DUFFLE BAGS FOR SALE \$30 each</u>

Big thank you!! to Nancy Rose, Brian Johnson and RBR for allowing Rose Bowl Riders Charitable Org to offer the remaining duffle bags from FunDay for sale for \$30 each. These are large and roomy: 24"x12" with two zippered end pockets, one side pocket, and huge interior. There are 7 red and 2 royal blue.



The entire \$30 benefits the RBRCO outreach programs: Art of the Horse, Horsemanship 101 and A Day at the Barn

Email <u>rbrcharitableorg@gmail.com</u> if you'd like to purchase one of these awesome duffle bags.