



# LOS PADRES TRAIL RIDERS NEWSLETTER

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## GENERAL MEETINGS

LPTR meets on the third Thursday of every odd-numbered month at the Santa Barbara Humane Society's Education Center on Overpass Road (enter at the rear, around the curve from the main entrance). If you'd like to join us for the potluck at 6:30 p.m., bring something to share, place setting and drink for yourself. The meeting at 7:00 p.m. and guests always welcome.

## Annual Meeting & Election of Officers Presentation of 2014 Grant Awards

The Annual Meeting of the Los Padres Trail Riders was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by President Anita Klinger after verifying a quorum was present.

Anita gave a Treasurer's Report summary and told those attending that a copy of the Profit & Loss Statement was posted on the wall by the exit and extra copies were available to those interested. Anita also said we would see what our financial situation is after Tack & Tog Sale to see what we would be able to donate next year. [The final financial reports will not be available until after January 1<sup>st</sup>, but at the time of the meeting we had \$5,921.69 in our checking account, with several thousand dollars yet to be needed for Tack & Tog expenses.]

The date of the Christmas Party at Pam Webber's home is Thursday, December 11<sup>th</sup>. Social at 5:30 p.m., eat at 6:30 p.m.

Anita then proceeded with the election, asking for any nominations from the floor. There were no nominations, so she presented the officers and directors on the slate who were present: President Anita Klinger; Vice President Pam Webber; and Directors at large Otis Calef, Lou Dartanner, Maureen Peatross, and Barbara Wolf. Not present were Board Secretary Karen Wheeler, Treasurer Barbara Underwood, and Director at large Barbara Hinman. A motion was made by Tim Collins to accept the slate as presented by the Nominating Committee and the motion was seconded by Diane Hogan. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote of members present.

Grant awards were then given out. Tim Collins and Tucker Eurman accepted for the Humane Society, Otis Calef accepted for the Santa Barbara County Trails Council, and Celeste Carlisle and Lupita Valle accepted for Midland School. There were also donations for the Montecito Trails Foundation and the Los Padres Forest Association, which will be mailed to them.

(Minutes continued on page 2).

**TACK & TOG SALE**  
**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28<sup>TH</sup>, 2015**  
**See Registration Form/Flyer enclosed.**

## Annual Meeting Minutes (continued)

Maureen said renewal envelopes were mailed out to the members in the hopes of a faster return of our membership renewals.

Barbara Wolf said we could use help with the Tack & Tog on February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2015, and hope to have members try and get donations for our Silent Auction and bring baked goods in for us to sell. Equine Evac will barbecue for us once again. We have gotten some advertising out already. Putting on her Parade Hat, Barbara said LPTR is doing the Solvang Christmas Parade on Saturday, December 6<sup>th</sup>, at 11:00 a.m., decorating our horses in Christmas attire. We will not be doing the Milpas Christmas Parade, as they have gone back to nights and since the Carpinteria Parade is at 5:00 p.m. we will not do that parade either. Our next parade will be the July 4<sup>th</sup> in Santa Barbara.

Barbara Wolf made a motion to adjourn the Annual Meeting of the Los Padres Trail Riders. Lou Dartanner seconded the motion. It passed by unanimous voice vote and the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.



Tucker Eurman and Tim Collins accept the \$835 check from President Anita Klinger to purchase an Arizona rigging pod and leg for large animal rescues.



Lupita Valle and Celeste Carlisle accept a \$600 check from President Anita Klinger. It will be used toward building EQ-Wine Covers in pastures at Midland School.



Otis Calef accepts a \$750 check from President Anita Klinger for the Santa Barbara Trail Council. It will be used for repairs to their outdoor work and storage facility and for maintenance at Gaviota State Park to improve existing trails and opening the Yucca Trail, currently overgrown and unusable.

Remember, profits from the annual Tack & Tog Sale are used to fund the Grant Program. From 1999 through 2014, the Los Padres Trail Riders has donated \$29,825 to local equestrian- and trail-related non-profit organizations. That is something we can all be proud of and the past and present Boards of Directors thank all of you who have participated in our fund-raising events over the years, particularly the Tack & Tog Sale, to make this a successful program.

This year, the admission to the Tack & Tog Sale will be by donation, so please remember how your generosity will be used.

A Tack & Tog flyer is enclosed in with Newsletter.

## 2015 TACK & TOG SALE

It is not too soon to be thinking about the Sale, as it is on February 28<sup>th</sup> this year.

It's also not too soon to start thinking about donations for silent auction, raffle, door prizes and tack for the Sale. We have included donation receipt with the Newsletter and will also have some available at the meeting. Tack can be taken to La Cumbre Feed for us to pick up.

The Board has decided to keep the size and layout and prices of the spaces the same as last year. Each space will be \$35 if you pre-register and \$40 at the door. Admission fee has been changed from \$5 to a donation. Please remember, your donation is used for the LPTR grant program to support local equine- and trail-related non-profit organizations, as described on page 2, so your generosity will be appreciated.

New in 2015: Plans are being formulated to invite local equine- and trail-related non-profit organizations to set up informational displays at no charge. Details will be coming soon.

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

A wonderful Holiday Party was had by all and there is certainly an array of excellent chefs amongst our membership. Thank you to everyone who was part of our gathering.....it was good to see old friends and new. And especially thank you to Pam Webber for providing her lovely home for our Holiday Party.

Now as we move on toward Tack & Tog (February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2015) be sure to keep spreading the word to all your horse friends. Sellers can download reservation forms on [www.lptr.org](http://www.lptr.org). For buyers, admission will be by donation. Keep in mind that this is our fundraiser for our ability to provide grants to worthy non-profit organizations in our equestrian community.

I hope you have good holidays and a Happy Horsey New Year!

## JANUARY 15<sup>TH</sup> LPTR MEETING

**Dr. Bob Saunders**

Dr. Saunders present a program on wet-weather problems: sole abscesses, rain rot, body clip vs not to clip, barefoot vs shod, weather-related colics, cold-weather feeding, and exercise.

Bring your questions! Potluck at 6:30 p.m., program at 7:00 p.m.

## MARCH 19<sup>TH</sup> LPTR MEETING

**John McDonald "3 Mules"**

Mr. McDonald will give a presentation on his documentary about a man and his mules in suburban sprawl. The mules have traveled for nearly three decades through 16 states. He will show film clips from his production at our March 19<sup>th</sup> meeting.

## MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

You should have received a index-card sized renewal form that lists your name, address, phone numbers, email address, and emergency contact information. All you have to do is make sure any information that is incorrect is noted with the change. Then take the form and place it and your check in an envelope provided, put a stamp on it and mail it to us in the envelope provided. If you have lost your form, you can complete the long form (included in the Newsletter and on our website, [www.lptr.org](http://www.lptr.org)).

So far, more than half of you have renewed! Thank you!



**LPTR Parades  
Barbara Wolf**

On December 6<sup>th</sup> we did the Solvang Julefest Parade. There were 11 LPTR members riding!

Great group! Sherry Baker, Barbara Wolf, Kim Taylor, Lisa Walter, Sally Suchman, Shayna Rockwell, Jamie Buse, KC Kemp, Debbie Oquist, Jane Lodas, and David Ralston, who also brought their mule and ponyed it in the parade. Solvang Christmas Parade is always a very fun time for all and we also got a trophy for the Best Equestrian Entry.

So thanks to all who showed up. Have a very merry Christmas and a safe holiday.

Photos by Weneki Roseman.



Riders saddled up and ready to ride out for the Solvang Julefest Parade.



Nice group of horses and riders entertain the spectators.



**Pertinent Observations for the  
Equestrian Neophyte**

- Tying your horse's reins to a post does no good if you then remove the bridle.
- When throwing your saddle over your horse's back, do not let go of the saddle.
- See Law of Inertia: A body in motion tends to remain in motion.
- Forgetting to tighten the girth before swinging into the saddle gives you a whole new perspective of your horse.
- Before using a crop to encourage your horse to move, be sure it is facing in the direction you wish to go.
- On a five mile long road with a single mud puddle in it, your horse will shy when you are most likely to fall in the puddle. Same for a single cactus in the desert.
- It is a mistake to believe horses have no sense of humor. They think we are funny.
- A neophyte rider need waste no time being concerned for his horse's welfare. Your horse knows all about being a horse. Concentrate on your own well being.
- Horses smell FEAR. Deodorant won't help.



### LPTR PARADE OUTFIT LIST

- **BOOTS**
- **DARK BLUE JEANS**
- **DARK BLUE DENIM VEST**
- **WHITE LONG-SLEEVE SHIRT WITH CLUB PATCH ON LEFT SLEEVE**
- **RED BANDANA TIED AROUND NECK**
- **NEUTRAL COLORED FELT OR STRAW HAT OR HELMET**
- **RED, BLUE, OR WHITE FELT MATERIAL TO COVER SADDLE BLANKET**
- **SADDLE, BRIDLE (BRING A SPARE)**
- **FLOWERS OR DECORATIONS BASED ON EACH PARADE**

### LPTR MISSION STATEMENT

To advance recreational trails and trail use and to encourage horseback riding, trail riding, and other horse-related activities in Santa Barbara County.

To foster good horsemanship and fellowship.

To promote mutual helpfulness between horse owners and property owners near trails and riding areas.

To initiate, sponsor, promote, and carry out plans, policies, and activities that will tend to further the use, acquisition, preservation, development, and maintenance of riding and hiking trails, especially in the County of Santa Barbara.

To provide educational events to the equestrian community.

### EQUINE-RELATED NON-PROFITS NEWS

**Hearts Therapeutic Equestrian Center.** Equine-assisted therapy. Call 964-1519 for information on lessons, volunteering, or to make donations or visit their website at [www.heartsriding.org](http://www.heartsriding.org). Volunteers Orientation held monthly (see web site). Open house monthly; see web site for dates. The Tack Shack sells gently used tack and togs and is open Tuesdays 2 – 4 p.m. and Saturdays 12 – 4 p.m. [www.HeartsRiding.org](http://www.HeartsRiding.org).

**Santa Barbara Equine Assistance and Evacuation Team.** Help keep Equine Evac going! Members and volunteers greatly needed to keep EVAC going. For information, contact Equine EVAC at 892-4484. In emergency, Call 9-1-1 to activate.

**The Santa Barbara Emergency Response Team** works through the Santa Barbara County Animal Services during a disaster. See [www.sbcphd.org/as](http://www.sbcphd.org/as). **The Santa Barbara Humane Society** offers site assessments for disaster planning. Call Tim Collins at 964-4777 ext. 18.

**Emergency Animal Hotline: 681-4332** channels calls to the right agency. It is active only during an emergency.

If you would like your non-profit equine-related organization listed here, send information to the Newsletter Editor.

### Hearts Therapeutic Riding Center looking for horses

Hearts Therapeutic Equestrian Center has paired horses with riders and veterans suffering from various disabilities and trauma, both emotional and physical, for the past 30 years. To achieve success in their program, they require a solid foundation of great horses.

This past year their ridership has grown significantly. They currently have a waiting list as they seek additional horses to fill out their program. To that end, they are hoping you might be able to help spread the word in the community that they are seeking to lease, purchase, or accept donation of horses that meet the following criteria:

Between 8 and 18 years old; 14 to 16 hands; gentle, easy-going temperament with low flight response; sound at the walk, trot, and canter; currently vaccinated/wormed and properly trimmed/shod.

If you believe you have, or know of someone who has, a horse that meet these parameters and would be interested in contributing to Hearts, please contact Devon Sachey at [devon@heartsriding.org](mailto:devon@heartsriding.org) or call her at 805-967-4859.



## DONATION RECEIPT

*Los Padres Trail Riders  
PO Box 323  
Santa Barbara, CA 93102-0323*

Thank you for your donation to the Los Padres Trail Riders. Your contribution will be used to advance the goals of the LPTR.

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- To provide educational events to the equestrian community.

Profits generated by our annual Tack & Tog sale are earmarked for donations to local non-profit organizations that are involved in equine- and trail-related activities in Santa Barbara County through a grant program.

It should be noted that no goods or services were provided in exchange for this contribution. The LPTR is a non-profit corporation registered with the California Franchise Tax Board and is tax-exempt by the Internal Revenue Service. Our tax ID number is 77-0168403.

Donation Received by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Items Donated (value to be declared by donor):

**LOS PADRES TRAIL RIDERS  
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

***PLEASE BE SURE TO SIGN THE GENERAL RELEASE AT THE BOTTOM.***

The purpose of the Los Padres Trail Riders (LPTR) is to promote individual and family trail riding, to preserve and maintain County trails, to hold social events for the local horse community, and to present educational meetings and seminars, and to conduct fundraisers for local equine-related non-profits. You do not have to be a trail rider or even to be a horse owner to be a member of LPTR. **This form must be used for new members or those joining after an absence. It may be used for renewals.**

**PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY**

Name (last) \_\_\_\_\_ (first) \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse (family membership) \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTIFY IN EMERGENCY:** Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP (circle one):    NEW                      RENEWAL  
\$25.00 Adult Membership (Individual 18 & over)      \$35.00 Family Membership (Spouse and/or children)  
\$20.00 Junior Membership (17 & under if joining alone)      \$300.00 Lifetime Membership

If Family Membership, please list name(s) of children under 17 years of age:  
1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_

We may contact our membership as a reminder of our and community events. Would you like to be contacted by (circle one):

PHONE                      E-MAIL                      NO CONTACT

**GENERAL RELEASE**

I, the undersigned member of Los Padres Trail Riders (the "Club"), acknowledges that horseback riding and related activities, including being a spectator at horse events, involves certain risks of injury to me personally, to my minor child(ren), damage to my personal property, and injury or death to my horse caused by my own negligence or the negligence of others. Knowing these facts, I nevertheless waive, release, and discharge the Club, its Board of Directors collectively and individually, officers, employees, and all individual members of the Club, their representatives, heirs, executors, administrators and assigns from any kind or nature that might occur as a result of or arising from my participation, including as a spectator, as a member of the Club, including but not limited to, participation at a Club meeting, Club horse show, Club trail ride, Club equine demonstration lecture, or any other event sponsored or managed by the Club or a member thereof on behalf of the Club. This General Release is being given in consideration of the Club enrolling me and /or members of my family as a member of the Club. I further agree that I will defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Club, its Board of Directors, both collectively and individually, its officers and employees and all individual members of the Club, their representatives, heirs, executors, administrators and assigns from any and all claims, demands, causes of action or other proceedings brought by, or prosecuted for my benefit, alleging arising out of the negligence of the Club, its Board of Directors, collectively and individually, its officers and employees and all individual members of the Club. I expressly waive any benefits I may have under Section 1542 of the California Civil Code relating to the release of unknown claims. That section provides as follows: CERTAIN CLAIMS NOT AFFECTED BY GENERAL RELEASE – A general release does not extend to claims which the creditor does not know or suspect to exist in his favor at the time of executing the release, which if known by him must have materially affected his settlement with the debtor," are hereby expressly waived.

Executed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_, California.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature on behalf of themselves and minor child(ren)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Spouse (if applicable)

Please make checks payable to LPTR and send to  
LPTR Membership, PO Box 323, Santa Barbara, CA 93102  
If you have questions, call Maureen Peatross, 692-0724

LOS PADRES TRAIL RIDERS  
P.O. BOX 323  
SANTA BARBARA, CA 93102

Pass this Newsletter along to your "horsey" friends; invite them to a meeting or activity (must be a member to go on LPTR trail rides or ride in parades) or post the Newsletter at your barn.

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### LPTR COMING EVENTS

**January 5:** LPTR Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m., 5546 Cathedral Oaks Rd.

**January 9:** Deadline for the January issue of the LPTR Newsletter

**January 15:** LPTR General Meeting, 6:30 p.m. potluck, 7:00 meeting, Humane Society Classroom

**Dr. Bob Saunders will speak on wet weather problems.** (See page 3)

**February 2:** LPTR Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m., 5546 Cathedral Oaks Rd

**February 9:** Deadline for the February issue of the LPTR Newsletter

**February 28: 2015 Tack & Tog Sale**

**March 2:** LPTR Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m., 5546 Cathedral Oaks Rd.

**March 9:** Deadline for the March issue of the LPTR Newsletter

**March 19:** LPTR General Meeting, 6:30 p.m. potluck, 7:00 meeting, Humane Society Classroom

**John McDonald, "Three Mules."** (See page 3)

**April 6:** LPTR Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m., 5546 Cathedral Oaks Rd.

**April 13:** Deadline for the April issue of the LPTR Newsletter

### COMMUNITY COMING EVENTS

If you would like your equine-related activity listed here, contact the Newsletter Editor at [boomerlou56@verizon.net](mailto:boomerlou56@verizon.net).

