



LOS PADRES TRAIL RIDERS NEWSLETTER

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President's Message

Terri Jo Ortega

We live in an amazing community. The outpouring of support after the devastation of the fires and the mudslides has helped our community to begin the healing process. I want to again thank all of the LPTR members that have given their time, energy and support, not only to the animals, but also to the members of our community. **THANK YOU.**

Tick season has arrived. I have been fortunate to be able ride on many local private ranches lately and have been reminded on several occasions that **ticks are prevalent this year.** We should routinely

check our horses and ourselves for ticks. But forget all the rumors you may have heard about tick removal methods. Do NOT crush or twist the tick, apply baby oil or petroleum, or "scare" the tick out with a lit match. These methods can cause the tick to regurgitate blood back into your horse, which increases the chance of infection or disease transmission. Worse, these methods can cause the head to detach from the body, where it will remain beneath the skin.

Ticks can be difficult to kill. Their flat bodies prevent them from being easily crushed. Some have even been known to survive a fire. But once you have removed a tick from your

horse's body, do not release it back into the wild. Doing so almost ensures the tick will return to your horse or another barn visitor. Instead, place the tick in a sealed glass jar that has been filled with rubbing alcohol.

Ticks are often divided into four basic categories: wood, dog, deer, and spinose ear ticks. However, there are many specific tick species within each category. Some ticks are found across the U.S. while others are limited to specific regions.

I look forward to seeing everyone on a ride or at a general meeting. Happy Trails!

~TJ

Tick Removal Method

Use fine point or needle nose tweezers to remove the tick:

1. Grab the tick firmly by the head, where it enters the skin.
2. Pull - do not yank - firmly and steadily straight away from the skin.
3. Dispose of the tick properly in a small jar of rubbing alcohol.
4. Wash the attachment site with a mild antiseptic.
5. Wash your hands.





LPTR Tack & Tog Sale **POSTPONED!**

Terri Jo Ortega

The LPTR Tack & Tog Sale scheduled for Saturday, February 24, 2018 at Earl Warren Showgrounds has been **postponed**.

Our community is still reeling from the tragic events over the past two months. We have all been affected in some way and many of us are busy picking up the pieces or helping others.



The LPTR board is in contact with Earl Warren Showgrounds to find an alternate date for the sale, possibly in the

Spring. The annual Tack & Tog Sale is our group's major fundraiser for the year. Profits from the event fund grant programs. We want to hear your ideas and suggestions to make this event worthwhile for our group AND our community.

The LPTR Board is soliciting your input on this annual event—we would love to hear from you!

⇒ The Tack & Tog Sale has historically been held on a Saturday, but is another day of the week a better day?

⇒ What month of the year is the best for the Tack & Tog Sale?

⇒ What ideas or suggestions do you have to help make this annual event worthwhile for our community?

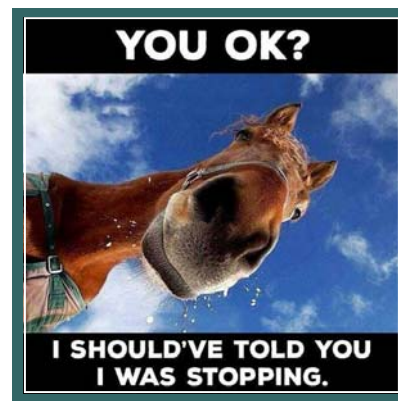
Please send your comments directly to me, Terri Ortega, at tjortega2@gmail.com. If you prefer to call me, I can be reached at (805) 455-7109.

I look forward to hearing from you, and to announcing a new date for the LPTR Tack & Tog Sale soon.

~TJ

Upcoming LPTR Events & Meetings

- ⇒ LPTR Board Meeting, February 7, 2018, 6PM, 365 Arboleda Road, SB CA 93110.
- ⇒ LPTR Tack & Tog Sale, **[POSTPONED—DATE TBD]** ~~February 24, 2018, 9:30AM—2:30PM,~~ , Earl Warren Showgrounds.
- ⇒ LPTR General Meeting, March 15, 2018, 7PM, Santa Barbara Humane Society.



General LPTR Meetings

LPTR meets at 7:00PM 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.) Guests are always welcome. LPTR provides dessert and drinks.

Mark your calendars!



Share this Newsletter

SHARE this Newsletter with your "horsey" friends! Invite them to an LPTR meeting or activity (must be a member to participate in LPTR trail rides and/or parades.)

Got news? Email newsletter submissions to Meredith Klassen at girlinsilver@gmail.com.

805 Trailer Riders Meet Up

Pat Fish

Announcing the start of a new meet up group for trail riders in the local area. Free to join, the group's website lists activities and announcements for its meet ups as well as the upcoming rides for the other local trail riding groups, including Los Padres Trail Riders, ETI & SYVR.

The group's mission statement reads: "Riding in good company can be a safer and friendly way to explore the beauties of the front-country and back-country trails of the 805 area. Join this meetup and participate in group rides, and find new like-minded riders who will share the trail with you. Anyone who owns and rides a horse or mule or donkey is welcome to be a part of

this meetup. If you know good trails, meet new friends and show them the way. If you are new to the area, come along and follow someone who knows the trails. We are united by our love for the grace and power of the animals that make our explorations so very special. Exploring Happy Trails!!!"

For more information check out the group's [website](#) or contact Pat Fish at patfish@luckyfish.com.



Membership Renewal

Terri Jo Ortega

It is time to renew your LPTR membership. Thank you if you have already sent in your 2018 membership fees.

If you have not yet renewed, please send it in soon. 2018 will be a good year of rides, speakers and events and we don't want you to miss any of them.



New Membership Coordinator

Terri Jo Ortega

I am happy to introduce a new LPTR Board Member and membership coordinator, Sarah Pereveziev. Sarah has galloped right in to her new responsibilities and is already making progress on organizing the group's membership. She has some great ideas and you will be hearing about those in the near future. Sarah is an accom-

plished horse woman. She rides for a variety of local people, so I am sure you will see her out on the trail. Sarah brings a bounty of energy and a great sense of humor to the Los Padres Trail Riders group.

Welcome Sarah and thank you for stepping up to help LPTR.

LPTR Parade Update

Barbara Wolf

As the LPTR Parade Chair I am looking forward to great 2018. Stay safe and look for more information on upcoming parades in the March LPTR newsletter!



LPTR PARADE OUTFIT

- * 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
- * CLEAN TACK AND WASH AND GROOM YOUR HORSE

Animal Non-Profits & Emergency Services



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. 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 9-11 a.m. and Saturdays 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. www.HeartsRiding.org.

Santa Barbara Equine Assistance and Evacuation Team. Helps 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.

The Santa Barbara Humane Society. Sponsors a Technical Animal Rescue and Emergency Response Team comprised of trained volunteers and professionals that respond to incidents requiring special equipment and techniques to rescue animals in emergency scenarios. Activated during natural disasters via the County Animal Services Hotline at 564-6862 to evacuate large animals. Contact Tim Collins at 964-4777 ext. 18. www.sbhumanesociety.org. Emergency Animal Rescue Team Hotline number is (805) 330-3330.

Emergency Animal Hotline: (805) 681-4332. Channels calls to the right agency. It is active only during an emergency.

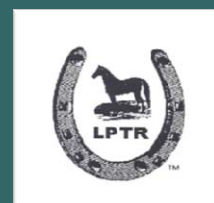
Wildlife Care Network: (805) 681-1080. For emergencies involving small animals and birds in distress.

Would you like to see your non-profit equine-related organization listed here? Send the name, phone number, website and a brief description to the LPTR Newsletter Editor.



LPTR MISSION STATEMENT

1. To advance recreational trails and trail use and to encourage horseback riding, trail riding, and other horse-related activities in Santa Barbara County.
2. To foster good horsemanship and fellowship.
3. To promote mutual helpfulness between horse owners and property owners near trails and riding areas.
4. 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.
5. To provide educational events to the equestrian community.



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 also 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: _____

Number and Types/Breeds of Horses/Mules owned: _____

TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP (circle one): NEW RENEWAL

\$25.00 Adult Membership (Individual 18 & over) \$20.00 Junior Membership (17 & under if joining alone)

\$35.00 Family Membership (Spouse and/or children) If Family Membership, please list name(s) of children under 17 years of age: 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

How would you like to receive reminders of LPTR and community events: (circle one): PHONE E-MAIL NONE

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 61845, Santa Barbara, CA 93160