

VISTA PALOMAR RIDERS NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER 2021



November 7th



IMPORTANT DATES

Board Meeting @ VPR

December 7 6:30 pm

Potluck

November 17 6:30-8:00pm

Elections

November 17 6:30-7pm

Look for flyers on the following events: ↓

November 28

Poker Trail Ride & BBQ

Lunch

January 22-23, 2022

Desensitizing Clinic

by Jerry Tindell

SCHC Horse show @ VPR

(arenas will be closed)

November 20-21



When is the Election – Elections will be on 11/17/2021

1. Ballots can be mailed to PO Box 1145 Bonsall 92003 (must be received by 11/17/2021)
2. People can drop off ballots in person at clubhouse between 6:30pm and 7pm.
3. Ballots can be dropped off by other club members between 6:30pm and 7pm.

For 1 - Ballot needs to be completed. Ballot should be folded and put in an envelope. Seal the envelope. **Print and Sign** your name on the outside of the envelope. One Ballot per envelope if we have a family membership (two votes) each vote needs to be in a separate envelope. It is up to the voting member to timely mail the ballot. If the ballot is not received in the mail by Wednesday 11/17/2021 we cannot count your vote.

For 3 - Ballot needs to be completed. Ballot should be folded and put in an envelope. Seal the envelope. **Print and Sign** your name on the outside of the envelope. One Ballot per envelope if we have a family membership (two votes) each vote needs to be in a separate envelope.

If you want to volunteer to count ballots and check in members on election night of 11/17/21 contact Ron Halliburton hallibur@flash.net

Ballots were sent by email so be sure the club has your correct email address. If you need a hard copy ballot contact Ron Halliburton (760-945-7830).

2022 Candidate Biographies

President

Jessamyn (Jessie) Keenan



Hello, my name is Jessie Keenan and I've been a VPR member for about 6 years. I've enjoyed serving the VPR Board for the past 3 years. I live and board my horse, Maverick, in Oceanside. We enjoy trail riding, camping, and chasing cows with our horse family and fellow VPR members. Slowly but surely we are getting back to our monthly potluck gatherings and a more robust calendar of events at VPR. I look forward to working with our VPR board team in 2022 to bring exciting events and equine educators to our members and help generate funds for and maintain our fantastic club.

Hope to meet you at the next VPR event!

Vice President

Jini Moeller

I have been a member of Vista Palomar Riders Club for about 5 years and believe it to be a rare and unique equestrian treasure. I'm currently having fun with some ranch riding events. My riding horse is a quarter horse gelding named Romeo that I have had for about a year and a half. I have a retired 19-year-old mare that I've loved for 18 years, at my home and her one-eyed rescue hackney pony friend Banjo.



I have been on the VPR Board now for the past year. It has been an interesting year to serve as it has been a difficult one with Covid-19 restrictions. I'm proud of my team members who have pulled off holding some really fun and successful events while adhering to the Covid-19 guidelines. It is with great hope that the coming year will have us back in the saddle with some fresh events at VPR. I am eagerly looking forward to working with and alongside you, the members, to assist in developing the activities and benefits of membership that you are looking for. Let's Rock 2022!

Secretary

Gail Cantrell

I have enjoyed being on the Board this last year and would be happy to serve another year in the capacity of Secretary. In that role, I will get timely information to members, send updates to our webmaster, and perform administrative duties for the Board. I



have years of work experience to perform these tasks.

Treasurer

SUSAN MIRANDA, CPA

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 serve as Treasurer for VPR. It's a great chance for me to get to know people and become part of VPR, as I am a newer member.

I am active in another riding group, Las Vaqueras out of San Juan Capistrano, and have served on their Board for over 3 years as Treasurer as well as Activities Director. Currently, I am not on the Board for Las Vaqueras.

In my role as Treasurer for Las Vaqueras I was responsible for banking, accounting, tax and other filings, and event budgeting. I personally set up the club on QuickBooks Online and implemented procedures that further protect club assets, accountability, as well as the ability to provide financial information for the Board.

My career as a CPA serving companies of all sizes and stages of development, in assurance services, operations consulting, and compliance matters lends itself to this role.

Thank you and Happy Trails



Board Member

My name is **Diana Buchanan**.

I am very grateful to be part of our amazing horse club and community. I became a member of Vista Palomar Riders Club a little over 10 years ago. I had accepted an invitation from Stephanie Terrell to attend a VPR hosted Camping trip to Cuyamaca.

From that very first trip I was welcomed and accepted by so many wonderful members. Because of that very positive and rewarding experience I knew I had found "my people".

I have two quarter horses, Rocky and Rye. We enjoy trail riding, obstacle challenges and camping. We spend a great deal of time at the Club, enjoying much of what it has to offer, and I have come to realize that the Club's greatest asset are its members. VPR is truly a treasure, it's like a family. I cherish the many close friendships that have developed since I have joined.

I have had the privilege and opportunity to serve on many of the committees for our wonderful Club. My favorite of these is assisting on the various annual Cuyamaca trips. I participated in these committees with meal planning, shopping, cooking and decorating. I have also been on various decorating committees for our annual Christmas dinner party as well as other special events.

I am very creative and resourceful. I am a hard worker and enjoy making our events fun for our membership.

I wish to serve on the Vista Palomar Riders Board, and I hope you will support me as a candidate.

Thank you and I look forward to seeing you at the Club.



Board Member

Jesse Lora

Thank you to all Vista Palomar Riders members for allowing me to run for the 2021 Board of Directors.

I have been an active VPR member since 2011 and have held positions on previous Boards of Directors. If elected to this year's board, I bring 10 years of experience as a VPR member, my experience gained from volunteering and being involved with VPR activities, as well as knowledge and experience gained from being a previous board member.

If re-elected, I will continue my passion to serve as a valued member of VPR and work hard as your elected VPR board member for 2022 and beyond. In the last 10 years I have watched VPR grow and change for the better and am excited for what the future brings for our wonderful club.

COVID-19 has greatly changed with how we do business. As your 2021 VPR Board Member, I was able to improve VPR's communication assets and open up avenues that can better serve our current and future VPR members.

To be a Vista Palomar Riders board member is an honor, which is earned. I hope VPR members put their trust in me for 2022.

I look forward to our 2022 VPR journey together.



Board Member

Marcia Roberts

From an early age, I learned what hard work was and learned a strong work ethic. At the age of 12, I worked at my grandfather's laundromat during the summers. It was also during this time that I got my first horse and learned responsibility and dedication. I went on to work at a movie theatre as head cashier saving money for my first car. My first professional job was with Farmers Insurance working at the Regional Office in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Here I learned about teamwork, professionalism and the basics of business. I joined Raytheon Aerospace in April of 1987 within the Special Programs Security department. While holding down this full-time position, I obtained a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration from the University of Phoenix in 1988. Over my 34-year career at Raytheon, I progressed successfully through ever-more challenging positions and retired August 1, 2021 as a Senior Manager of Special Programs. While at Raytheon, I learned how to be successful in management and leadership. If elected as a board member of VPR, I will apply my management and leadership skills to uphold the mission of VPR and bring forward new ideas for furthering the education, knowledge, and enjoyment of horses and horse activities.



Board Member

Rob Selig

I spent my childhood summers working on my uncle's dairy farm outside of Columbus, Ohio. I learned the ins and outs of business during my high school years by working part-time, mentored by my father, at a family owned distributorship of a national bakery corporation. After high school, I decided to join the military to see the world! After three tours of duty in a war zone with the 101st airborne division while quickly attaining the rank of Staff Sergeant, and being awarded two bronze stars, purple heart, army commendation, good conduct, unit and presidential citation medals, I decided I had seen too much of the world and it was time to find a safer occupation!



In order to help finance my college education, I took a welding certification course and worked at Wymore Machine & Welding as a gas welder and was fortunate to help design and work on one of the first automated lettuce picking machines in the farming industry. I then went to work for General Electric Credit Corporation as a credit analyst. After earning a BS in business and information systems from San Diego State University and an MBA in executive financial management from MIT Sloan School of Management, I worked and consulted with such companies as Beckman Microbics Division, Beckman Scientific Instruments Division, Budget-tel Corp, Southwest Aerospace, Platinum/Epicor Software, Northrop Grumman Information Systems. My final career adventure was being one of thirteen founders of Ad Force Inc. Starting in a garage, we developed the backend technology for centralized ad serving and grew the company to over 400 employees with offices in Costa Mesa, Cupertino, New York, and Munich. I retired after the company was purchased. At 49 (seems young now but not back then!) I bought an RV and traveled the back roads of the US for 8 years taking in wondrous sights and making super friends along the way.

If elected as a board member of VPR, I will bring new and fresh ideas along with my extensive hands-on management experience and love of horses and community in order to continue the successful VPR mission that we as a team will build upon for another 75 years in the future. I envision the smiles, camaraderie, exciting and challenging events, and great equine partnerships 75 years in the future. New members, and all of our future family members can be proud of what we pass forward to them. Hmmm, time capsule from us to them?

Hello friends,

One of our long-time members Kathy Cooksey died 10/03/21. I am organizing a memorial project to have a ceramic photo of Kathy on her horse placed on San Luis Rey River trail across from the club house. Kathy was officially the Ambassador for VPR promoting membership and all our events with everyone she encountered riding the trails. She also was both a board member and chairman of membership committee for many years. She was always willing to help with a friendly smile.

Here is an update. I decided to choose a 5 X 7 size picture, which will be incorporated in the sign that is currently on the trail. Leon & Kathy's son chose a picture they want to use. Toni Costello made the current sign, which is very nice. We will make the sign sturdier and taller, plus add a little cement for a foundation. This land is owned by San Diego County Parks so sometime in the future it may be removed. I did not ask permission and feel it will be years before the county will make changes.

Currently I have collected \$135. Color ceramic photo costs \$200 plus sales tax and material for a total of \$250. This is not a VPR project, but friends of Kathy Cooksey. The plan is to install the sign in January 2022 which was discussed with Leon. Kathy's family did not want to do this project during the holiday season (Thanksgiving, Christmas).

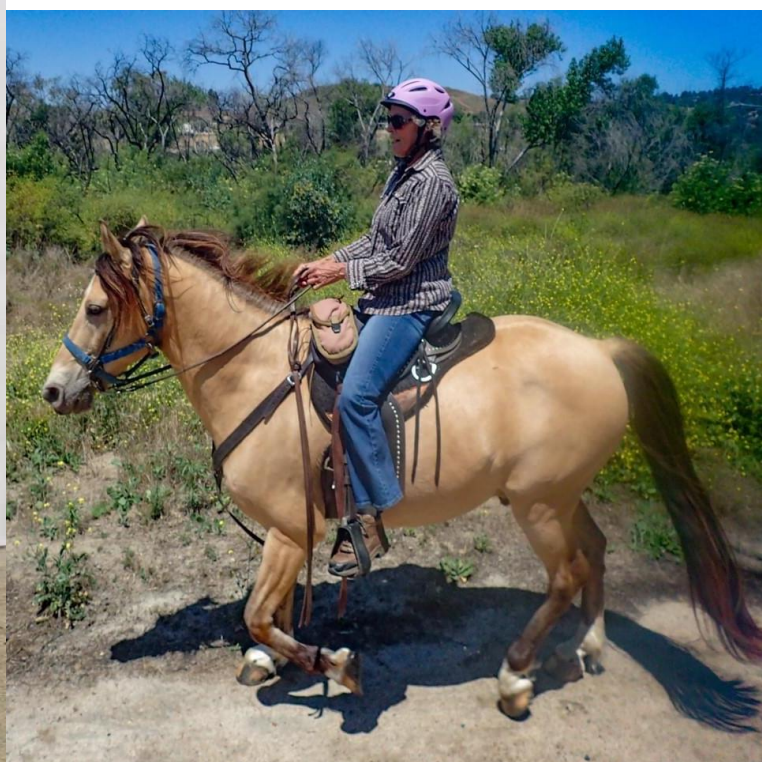
Need the following:

1. Need a couple individuals that want to assist Ron with making & installing the sign.
2. Donations send to me, Joyce Halliburton 2397 Marquez Ct. Vista, Ca.92084

PhotosforHeadstones.com memorialpics.com

Thank you to all for your donations and help. Feel free to forward this to anyone that is interested.

Joyce (Joy) & Ron 760 945-7830



Wagon Wheel celebrated our 75th year as Vista Palomar Riders! Thanks to those of you who bought clothing for the event. Items are still available with our logo.

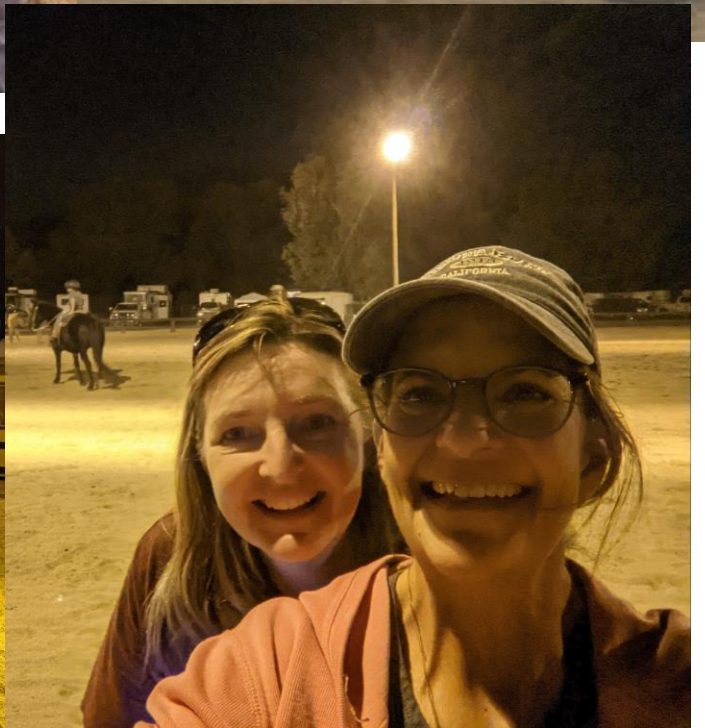
We had a toasty Wagon Wheel this year, but that didn't stop the fun. We had one evening and two days of cattle sorting with jackpots; another evening of arena games, a Gambler's choice obstacle challenge, a couple of nice trail rides, a photo booth, and some poker hand fun!

Thanks to Julie Brown and the kitchen crews for delicious breakfasts, and super tasty catered dinners! Everyone was very generous with donations to the raffle, so it was a great success. We had a lot of members show up to help, even if they didn't camp, so that really contributed to a smooth running and successful weekend of fun for all. Thanks so much!!



VPR Board





Letter from Janet Meyer, wife of a founding member of VPR.

Dear Vista Palomar Riders,

My name is Janet Meyer and I have discovered your website, which is extremely interesting to me.

My husband was Bill Meyer and he was one of the founders of The Vista Riders. It was later, when the Palomar Riders of Escondido joined with the Vista Riders, that we became The Vista Palomar Riders.

Bill served as a very early president of the club.

He was also one of the leaders to make the first Palomar Mountain Ride possible. Do you still have those rides - excepting in the 2020 pandemic?

We knew Art Pannier very well and posed for a couple of Art's murals. I don't know if the mural you have is one of them or not.

Bill is now deceased, but horseback riding and the club were a very large part of our lives for many years.

I anticipate looking at your website from time to time to learn what is happening with the club.

Very best wishes.

Sincerely,

Janet Meyer
(Mrs. Bill Meyer)
Rancho Bernardo

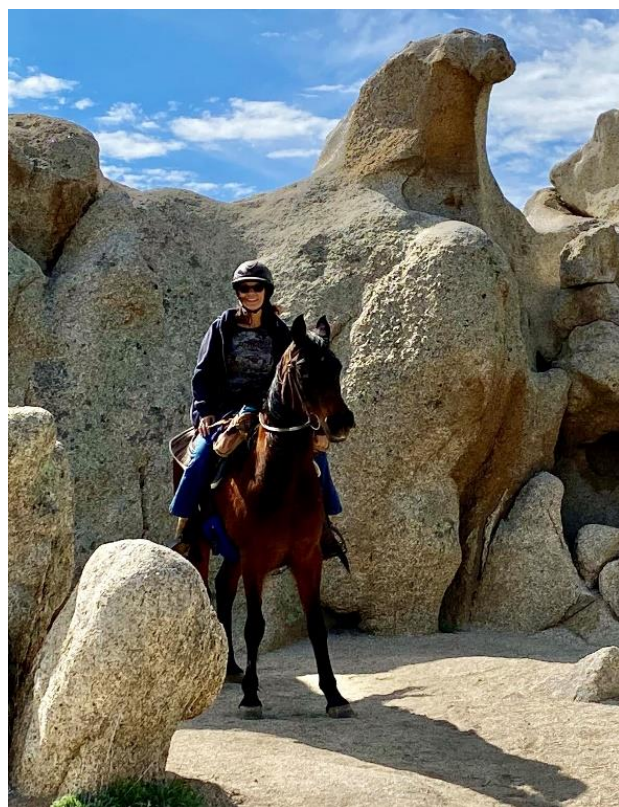
Bulletin Board:

Epona has been in our family for 20 years. This is difficult for me to do, but my circumstances have changed/are changing and I need to rehome her. Epona is in excellent health, no problems other than short-term reactions to bug bites. She does love barrel racing. I feel terrible about not being able to ride her very often now.

As anyone knows who has ridden with us, she is an excellent trail horse, willing to try anything, and good natured. Epona would love to get out at least once a week. I am looking for the right home, so am not in any particular hurry. I bought her for my daughter as a beginner horse when she was a teenager. Epona is 13.5 hands. (Short so not far to fall, lol).

Since she is 30, she has some particular needs. Epona needs room to walk around, so she can't be in a stall. She walks a lot. Also, since her teeth have stopped growing, she eats soaked food twice a day. I feed her a mix of alfalfa, timothy, and orchard pellets with Purina senior feed, and supplements daily. I give her CBD pellets to relieve stiffness in her joints, and a flake of orchard to make sure she has enough to eat between meals. Also, she uses a hackamore, as bits hurt her gums now.

Diane Rachels 714-308-3090 drachels@msn.com





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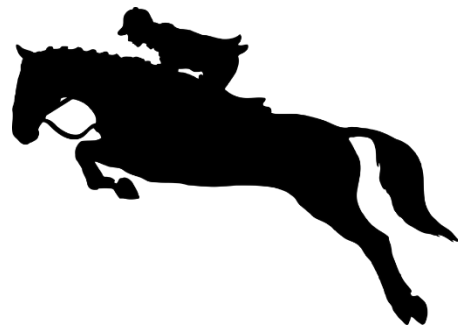
The Escondido Mounted Posse will be riding to honor first responders during regional rodeo opening ceremonies.

Easy formations to learn and helmets will be worn by riders representing responders.

Contact Desirée Krummenacher or Gail Cantrell with questions or to let us know you're interested in riding with us!



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