

# Vista Palomar Riders January/February 2022 Newsletter

## Clubhouse

Your clubhouse committee is keeping busy with sprucing up a few things around the clubhouse. A fresh coat of paint was added to the front doors, a new shelf was painted and installed outside the kitchen window.... bye bye to the final piece of yellow laminate, and the large buffet table got a beautiful cleaning and makeover.



## IMPORTANT DATES

### Board Meeting

April 5 6:30 pm

### Potluck

March 16 TBD

April 20 TBD

## EVENTS

### Cattle Weekend

canceled

### Cowboy Tack Sale

March 12 8am-2pm

### Ranch Riding Clinic

May 15

### SCHC Horse Show

March 19-20

April 23-24

April 30-May1

## New California Law

*AB974 just took effect in January. Any minor under 18 is required to wear a helmet while riding on a public street. However, this doesn't apply if just going from an unpaved road crossing a paved road, so it shouldn't be applicable to the road crossings to the river trails from VPR. (Section 8 of the vehicle code 21300 for equestrians.)*

### **AB974 – Equestrian Safety Gear –**

#### **Article 8. Horseback Riding 21300.**

(a) A person under 18 years of age shall not ride an equestrian animal upon a paved highway unless that person is wearing a properly fitted and fastened helmet that meets the standards of either the American Society for Testing and Materials or the United States Consumer Product Safety Commission, or standards subsequently established by those entities.

(b) A person riding an equestrian animal upon a paved highway during hours of darkness, as defined in Section 280, shall do one of the following:

(1) Wear reflective gear or have reflective gear on the equestrian animal that shall be visible from a distance of 500 feet on the rear and the sides when directly in front of the lawful upper beams of headlamps on a motor vehicle.

(2) Have a lamp emitting a white light attached to either the person or the equestrian animal that is visible from a distance of 300 feet in front of and from the sides of the equestrian animal.

(c) Notwithstanding subdivisions (a) and (b), a person is not required to wear a helmet or reflective gear while riding an equestrian animal when participating in a parade or festival, or while crossing a paved highway from an unpaved highway.

(d) In a civil action, a violation of subdivision (a) or (b) does not establish negligence as a matter of law or negligence per se for comparative fault purposes, but negligence may be proven as a fact without regard to the violation.

(e) A charge under this section shall be dismissed when the person charged alleges in court, under oath, that the charge against the person is the first charge against that person under this section, unless it is otherwise established in court that the charge is not the first charge against the person.

(f)

(1) Except as provided in subdivision (e), a violation of this section is an infraction punishable by a fine of not more than twenty-five dollars (\$25).

(2) The parent or legal guardian having control or custody of an unemancipated minor whose conduct violates this section shall be jointly and severally liable with the minor for the amount of the fine imposed pursuant to this subdivision.

## VISTA PALOMAR RIDERS 2022 DUES RENEWAL NOTICE

It's that time of year to renew your VPR Membership  
Your VPR Annual Membership Dues are due January 1, 2022

If you pay after January 31st - **add a \$10.00 Late Fee**

Failure to pay dues within 2 months of dues date (March 1st) shall result in termination of your membership. Ex-members (dues paid after March 1st) must reapply for membership by submitting a new member application which is subject to Board approval. Dues will not be prorated, and you will owe for the full year. There is no access to the club or facility while a non-member except for Public Events.

Eligibility for Director/Officer Position: Members shall have been a member in good standing for the previous 12 full months in order to run for a board position. (By-Laws pg.5) Please don't let this happen.

If you want to pay your dues by Credit Card through Pay Pal, you can go to our web site Vista PalomarRiders.com and then sign in under the Member's Only section.

This will be available starting 1/1/2022.

If you want to pay by check mail your dues to:

Vista Palomar Riders  
PO Box 1145  
Bonsall, CA 92003

### **Add \$10.00 Late Fee to amounts below:**

	<b>Check</b>	<b>PayPal</b>
<b>Family</b>	\$ 205.00	\$ 213.00
<b>Individual</b>	\$ 135.00	\$ 140.00
<b>Social</b>	\$ 75.00	\$ 78.00

Extended Family (adding a child) \$50.00 by check only. If you would like to add a grandchild, niece or nephew you may do so by adding \$50.00 to your annual dues.

## Kathy Cooksey

May 9, 1937 - October 3, 2021

January 15<sup>th</sup> was a Day of Celebration of Life for Kathy Cooksey. It began with the dedication of "Kathy's Trail," started by Toni Costello and marker organized by Joy Halliburton and attended by family and close friends who toasted with champagne and sang Happy Trails to Kathy. Leon spread some of her ashes and read a passage from "Where the Crawdads Sing," much in Kathy's spirit. A beautiful Plaque funded by "Friends of Kathy" was placed along the beginning of the San Luis Rey River trail.

A Luncheon organized by Teri Ardito and funded by "Kathy's Angels," (Jessie, Laurie L, Lee K, Teri, and Leon) followed at the clubhouse with almost 50 gathered to share beautiful and fun stories about the fantastic woman Kathy was to so many. She knew no stranger and had an aura of friendliness about her, always a smile for everyone. A one-hour ride with Kathy was always 2 hours as she stopped on



trail to chat with all she knew and those she didn't, always extolling the virtues of VPR and why everyone should be a member. VPR Membership was her passion. She loved recruiting new members. She truly was an ambassador for VPR, volunteering on every committee, from Wagon Wheel to kitchen duties. She could wield a mean machete on those weeds.

Kathy loved her horses and didn't start riding until her early sixties when she got Mitze, a Morab mare, who despite much training was difficult to ride. Next came the love of her life, Danza, a Paso Fino, (sorry Leon) followed by other gaited horses, Tango, Nepa and Dakota. Kathy was fearless and loved speed. Her motto was "In the shade you walk, In the sun you run." And it is that sunshine we all will remember about her. Written by:LKG

**Junior Riders**



**Vista Palomar Junior Riders** enjoyed a 4-day campout with lots of riding, crafts, roping practice, movies, arena games and Gymkhana.

Junior Riders hosted their first visitor, Dr. Tad Bender, from Creekside Veterinary. He answered lots of questions regarding lameness in horses and demonstrated a lameness exam on Heidi's horse Zara.

The young ladies spent several hours pricing and tagging all the donations for their booth at the upcoming Cowboy Tack Sale/Swap Meet.

The Junior Riders held their monthly meeting and planned a few more fun events, beginning with a Spaghetti Dinner at the May 19th potluck and choosing a design for their upcoming shirts/hats.

The Junior Riders purchased/donated a new 55" TV and rolling stand for the club to use for movies, karaoke, meetings, memorials etc...

If you have children that would be interested in joining our fun, please contact Cindy Rota at 760-518-8536 or [csrota@gmail.com](mailto:csrota@gmail.com)







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Dear Members,

**YOU ARE THE CLUB!** - Did you know that any member can bring in an event to the club? The last two years have been a bit crazy with getting items placed on our calendar due to Covid regulations and waiting to see what was around the corner! It is not really the Board's position to put events on the calendar, but we only had two non-board members step up to do events last year, so we did fill in the others. There is an Event Chair Packet that is fairly easy to follow, and it is a guide to help you plan and know what to do. You do need to think ahead a bit, because it does need to be presented at a Board Meeting for approval. We need to have events that you are interested in. It would be really great to have some volunteers come forward with fresh ideas and energy. Ranch riding patterns? Obstacles? Gymkhana? Trail course? Clinics? Please inquire to a Board Member for help or send an email to VPR. Thanks. Gail

## Tack Sale

We have less than two weeks before our Cowboy Tack Sale/Swap Meet. We currently have 30+ vendors signed up that day, with some of them being small businesses selling their crafts/merchandise. If you would like to sell your wares, please contact Cindy Rota at 760-518-8536 or [csrota@gmail.com](mailto:csrota@gmail.com) to get a registration form. If you would like to donate items for the Junior Riders to sell, drop off donations will be Wed 3/9 from 4pm - 7pm. Hope to see you on Saturday at the Tack Sale!!

# COWBOY TACK SALE

BENEFITING VISTA PALOMAR JUNIOR RIDERS

**SAT. MARCH 12, 2022.**  
**8AM - 2PM**

Swap  
Meet &  
MORE

15 X 15 SPACE RESERVATION

EARLY BIRD	\$20
WEEK OF EVENT.	\$25
DAY OF EVENT (CASH ONLY).	\$30

Free to Shop!  
Food for Sale!

GATES OPEN AT 6:30AM FOR VENDORS  
GATES OPEN AT 8:00AM FOR SHOPPERS

JUNIOR RIDERS WILL BE ACCEPTING DONATIONS TO SELL IN THEIR BOOTH ON WED 3/9 FROM 4-7 PM AT THE CLUBHOUSE. PROCEEDS FROM THEIR SALE TABLE WILL BENEFIT THE CLUB.

VISTA PALOMAR RIDERS 973 LITTLE GOPHER CANYON ROAD  
RSVP CINDY ROTA 760-518-8536. [VPRJUNIORRIDERS21@GMAIL.COM](mailto:VPRJUNIORRIDERS21@GMAIL.COM)



## Tindell Clinic by Gail Cantrell

Twelve Riders attended the Jerry Tindell Clinic in January. It was a very successful weekend. Everyone took away a lot of "tools" for building upon their horsemanship. There was a lot of focus on horse safety, foundational groundwork, awareness of the horses' mental connection, and overcoming resistance and fears. We hope to host Jerry & Jana again later in the year.





## Welcome New Members

1/4/2022 JUNIPER AND ANN HOLSTON

2/1/2022 LUCIA RUTH

2/1/2022 CHRISTINE MORSHEDI

2/1/2022 MARTHA STOTT

2/1/2022 MCKENNA BRETON

2/1/2022 MARGARET ROY

2/1/2022 REBECCA SMITH

2/1/2022 SUZANNE DIXON

2/1/2022 CRAIG SCHMAD



## 2022 Board of Directors

### Officers

Jessie Keenan, President

Jini Moeller, Vice President

Gail Cantrell, Secretary

Susan Miranda, Treasurer

### Board Members

Kim Barrier

Diana Buchanan

Jesse Lora

Marcia Roberts

Rob Selig

## Bulletin Board:

Horse to good home. 21-year-old Quarter horse, gentle, great hauler, lots of cattle and trail experience. The horse is at BARLOW RANCH in Carlsbad just off El Camino Real next to the Rancho Carlsbad mobile homes golf course.

Contact Robert @ 760 822 9512 for further information.





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