



Pony Express

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Tijuana River Valley Equestrian Association

TRVEA continues to advocate and promote equestrian presence and activities in the Tijuana River Valley.

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2008 TRVEA Calendar is now AVAILABLE

TRVEA Members watch your email for the 2008 Calendar. Hard copies will be available at the TRVEA events and you may also go to www.trvea.org to find out what is going on.



Summer Camp for Juniors!

Mary Christensen is organizing exciting activities for the juniors and their horses for a week-long day camp 3:30 – 6pm June 23 – 27, 2008 at Wigginton Ranch. Check www.trvea.org for more information.



TRVEA Welcomes New Ranch

Our newest neighbors Lori Riis and Manuel Campos have opened Rancho Los Amigos at 2020 Hollister Street, San Diego, CA 92154. They are a professional reining training facility. TRVEA welcomes RLA. Many horse owners at RLA are already members of TRVEA

Rancho Los Amigos (RLA) Trail Challenge

RLA is hosting three Ranch Horse Trail Challenges on March 9, April 6 and May 25.



These are competitions based on horse and rider skills over natural trail obstacles. For example - opening and closing a gate, going over a bridge, dragging a log, etc. (cont'd on next page)

There are 3 non-pro buckle divisions: Youth, Novice, Over 50, with limited obstacles. There are also two buckle/jackpot divisions, non-pro and open, which feature more difficult obstacles. The Saturday before each show Lori Riis and Katie Shipley will be holding a Trail Clinic at 9 am for anyone interested in working on their ranch skills. Ranch Challenge information is on the www.manuelcampos.com website. The classes are limited to 15 people and they are getting great response already. To register, call Katie Shipley at (619) 227-5364 or email her at KTBME@aol.com. Prices: clinics \$25 ea.; Challenge Classes \$30-50. 2020 Hollister St. SD, 92154. **DISCOUNTS TO TRVEA MEMBERS ON THE TRAIL CHALLENGE!**

Vet Clinic Coming Soon.....

San Diego County is one of those hit by mosquito-spread West Nile Virus. Mosquitoes are coming out in force now with the warmer weather and lots of standing water from recent rains and lack of drainage in the river bed. If you haven't already done so, consider vaccinating your horse against West Nile. Dr. Gary Amaral is willing to vaccinate horses in a Sat. afternoon clinic April 26. We need a minimum of 10 horses. The WNV booster shot for horses already vaccinated last year are \$ 25; horses new to the WNV vaccine \$35. 4-Way shots will be available for \$20. Let Gale Moriarity know if you would like to sign up for this. 619-421-4548 or gmoria72@cox.net.

New Equestrian Facility Coming!

Larry Duke, Director of San Diego Parks and Recreation has invited John Gabaldon and Gale Moriarity to join him in the planning of a Community Recreation facility on the 66 acres currently being leased by Am-Sod on Hollister and Sunset. If you have some ideas about what equestrian facilities you would like to be considered, please contact John or Gale soon.
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Trail Maintenance

One of the most important services TRVEA provides is maintaining trails for public use in the Tijuana River Valley. These trails are used primarily by our equestrians. TRVEA is fortunate to have so many of our new members ready to volunteer for this important activity. It is an opportunity to get to know other horsemen in the TRV as well as provide safe trails for all of us. **School students can receive community service credit** for trail cleaning – just bring in the paper for the TRVEA trails person to sign!

Generally, Trail Cleaning is done on the second Saturday of each month from 9 to 11 in the morning. Everyone meets at the Hollister Street Ranger Station, 2310 Hollister Street, SD 92154 with hats, gloves, sunscreen, insect repellent, and non-motorized trimming tools (if you have them.)

A few of the most important trails have been impacted by sedimentation and trash brought down from Mexico. These trails will need work crews from the government agencies in order to become usable again.

Calendar next 3 months:

APRIL

- 5th RLA Trail Clinic 9a – 1? pm @ RLA
- 6th RLA Ranch Horse TRAIL CHALLENGE
5 Divisions 7 am Sign-up @ RLA
- 7th BOD Mtg 6:15 – 7:15pm @ TBA
- 13th **Trail Maintenance** 9 - 11 am @ HRS
- 19th Jr. **Playday** 10 am SIGN-UP @ WigR
ages 14 and under. Must have responsible adult to sign waiver
- 19th Girl Scouts of America Horse Badge Clinic @ SunCoast

MAY

- 3rd **Charity Event Cowboy Days** 3-7:30pm
@ WigR. Call Mary Christensen 858-549-3872
- 5th BOD Mtg 6:15 – 7:15pm @ TBA
- 17th **OPEN GYMKHANA** 10 am Sign-Up @ WigR
- 24th RLA Trail Clinic 9a – 1? pm @ RLS
- 25th RLA Ranch Horse TRAIL CHALLENGE –
5 Divisions 7 am Sign-up @ RLA

JUNE

- 7th **POKER RIDE** 10 am @ CSA
- 7th **TRVEA GEN'L MTG/BBQ – ELECTIONS**
1 pm @ CSA after the Poker Ride
- 9th BOD Mtg 6:15 – 7:15pm @ TBA
- 14th **Trail Maintenance** 9 - 11 am @ HRS
- 23-27 **TRVEA JUNIOR HORSE DAYCAMP** 3:30-6pm
@ WigR. Call Mary Christensen to REGISTER
- 28th Jr. **Playday** 10am Sign-Up @ WigR