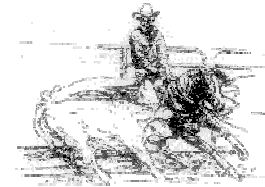




**Sports Park – Equestrian Division
Meeting Notes
6-7:15 pm on Wednesday, May 27, 2009
At River Valley Ranch, Monument Road**



Present:

John Gabaldon--facilitator
Martha Torkington--ranch owner / host
Gale Moriarity – equestrian sports
Rodel Reyes--community resident

Maryanne Taylor—equestrian, rodeo
Don Taylor—equestrian, rodeo
Lori Riis – ranch owner
Katie Shipley – equestrian trainer

The following items were discussed:

INTENT:

1. Provide equestrian facility for community novice up to professional level equestrian events: Dressage, Rodeo, Hunter/Jumper, Gymkhana, Team Penning, Sorting, Driving, Pulling, Indoor Polo, Horse Shows (these are all big money-makers).
 - a. Provide facility structure and amenities that will support revenue generating activity for continuing operation of the park.
2. Provide venue for community and county-wide horse clubs to hold events such as Horse Soccer Games, Clinics, Playdays, Professional Clinics, Horse Shows
 - a. Located in southwest San Diego to support year round all equestrian activity (only Lakeside, Ramona, and Poway can support all equestrian activity—but, impossible heat during summer and fall).
3. Provide facilities for informal practices such as lessons, arena work, soccer practice, parade practices (free use by appointment).
4. Provide community – based Nonprofit Association to manage facility calendar, financial, and facility operations and maintenance.

GROUNDS REQUIREMENTS:

- 1) 2 Oval Arenas – 140’ x 300’
 - a) Steel rails minimum 2” diameter pipe.
 - b) Footing – Level 8” deep decomposed granite over packed earth
- 2) Two story 8’ x 12’ announcer booth / sound system / capable of mounted scoreboard
- 3) (2) Stock pen (50’ x 50’) with runs/returns/loading (see plan)
- 4) Semi-trailer truck pull through for stock unloading next to stock pen
- 5) 12 Horse pens 12’ x 12’ with waterers
- 6) Wash rack with drain with room for 4 horses at a time (water access)
- 7) Hitching posts and tie rails (scattered throughout the entire area)
- 8) Warm Up area 100’ x 200’ – fenced with gate
- 9) Space for Portable Bleachers partially around both arenas
- 10) Drive through parking for 50 stock/horse trailers located within 200 yards of facility

- 11) Overnight DRY camping in trailers parking area for participants in multi-day shows
- 12) Area to park equipment brought in for event – jumps, gymkhana poles, etc) near the arenas
- 13) Manure disposal area
- 14) Fenced Horse trail adjacent road for equestrian access to park from neighboring areas and Staging Areas. Use same design as found on East side of Community Gardens on Hollister South of Sunset.
- 15) Fencing surrounding Horse Facility – can be bollards and rails like Community Gardens Fencing
 - a) Area design has features to allow set up of additional fencing for paid admission events
- 16) Surface of parking and arena area is minimum use of asphalt and concrete—decomposed granite surface is desirable.
- 17) Misc. – arena lighting (20’- 30’ height for no rider and horse distraction) , water for dust control, electricity distribution, area for additional toilets, trees to form ring around area.

ACTION PLANS: 1,2, and 3 to be completed by June 13:

- 1) Don Taylor – Contact PRCA (Professional Rodeo Cowboy Assn) regarding funding assistance
- 2) Maryanne Taylor – research and draw up plans for rodeo arena which will meet needs of PRCA including Stock pen system with runs/returns/loading
- 3) Lori Riis – design 4-horse wash rack with drain
- 4) John Gabaldon – design master plan using above information by June 30, 2009