



NEWSLETTER

FROM THE PRESIDENT

There's good news about our efforts to keep Lake San Antonio open for equestrians. It was proposed to be closed starting in July, but many of our members and members of Monterey Bay Equestrians successfully prevailed upon the Monterey Board of Supervisors to allow horse camping and riding trails around the lake to stay available on weekends. This means the lake will stay closed to the public for at least the next fiscal year, but park staff will do some caretaking and volunteers will keep the horse facilities open on Fridays through Mondays. Good advocacy work – thank you, thank you.



Julie Suhr is an incredibly accomplished and beloved endurance rider, and she is also a very generous SCCHA member. She recently donated several boxes of books for our library, which I immediately sorted through, and grabbed "Horse People" by Michael Korda.

Korda's riding scene – New York Central Park, fox hunting, etc., is very different from the horse scene I know. But he *gets it* about horses. I love what he had to say: "Well, and for myself, I've had a good ride, and as Winston Churchill said, that's never a waste of an hour. Did I learn anything from *Star*? Did he communicate anything to me? Not consciously, no, and certainly no messages directly from Mother Earth, but some things, yes, absolutely: To live in the moment, to enjoy what the day offers, to notice the all-important pattern of little things, to feel yourself a part of all creatures, great and small, to live on the earth, not imagining yourself to be lord and master of it, but just a small part of its endless changes, to slow down enough to appreciate nature and speed up enough to feel the well-being that comes from using one's own body."

Ditto. Happy Trails ~ *Robin*

Membership Meeting

Tuesday Evening, July 19th
6:30 ~ Clubhouse

Ice Cream Social

Time to cool off and gather around a variety of *only the best* ice-cream flavors, toppings & cones. Come on over to the clubhouse to meet up with friends and talk about our summer horse adventures - those that have happened, and those still to come!



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Email file to address above.
DEADLINE is last Tuesday of
month for next month's issue.

TRADING POST ADS

must be horse related & non-
commercial. Free to members,
\$5 for non-members. Include
item, price, name, phone.

RENEW by email
each month ad is to be run.

STORIES & ARTICLES

from members are welcome.
Share your horse interest and
experience with us.

BUSINESS ADS

Email to editor at address
above. Ads must be paid in
advance, payable to SCCHA
and mailed to address above.

COMMERCIAL AD FEES

<i>Business Card</i>	\$20/mo. \$50/3 mos.
<i>1/4 page</i>	\$40/mo. \$400/yr.
<i>1/2 page</i>	\$80/mo. \$800/yr.
<i>Full page</i>	\$140/mo. \$1400/yr.

SANTA CRUZ HORSEMEN DONATE BIG!

The Santa Cruz County Horsemen's Association (SCCHA) recently donated \$3,200 to local charity, Lichen Oaks Adaptive Riding Center. SCCHA hosted a 2-day obstacle competition at the showgrounds on Graham Hill Road, inviting riders from throughout California to participate in support the designated charity. Over 70 riders responded, navigating obstacles in the arena as well as a few scattered along the trail in Henry Cowell State Park. After the competition riders enjoyed a BBQ and Raffle along with an awards ceremony. Raffle prizes were donated by many SCCHA members, plus local businesses such as Scotts Valley Feed and General Feed & Seed in Santa Cruz.

Lichen Oaks Adaptive Riding Center (LOARC) is a non-profit organization, located in Felton. The center offers equine-assisted activities and therapies for ages four through adult. Programs include individual sessions; groups for children, youth and adult; after school programs; and corporate events. LOARC founders Jean and Floyd Kvamme, along with dozens of SCCHA volunteers, helped at the event. Following a short presentation ceremony at SCCHA, Jean thanked the club for the event and donation:

"SCCHA did an amazing job. Thank you for your thoughtfulness in benefiting our work at LOARC."

SCCHA club president, Robin Musitelli went on to say that "SCCHA's donation will fund scholarships at LOARC, enabling many deserving people to benefit from the wonderful gifts horses have to offer."

TO ALL MEMBERS: NOTICE CONCERNING TRAINERS

SCCHA's Insurance Company and Santa Cruz County Parks requires any trainer who trains at Graham Hill Showgrounds to carry equine liability insurance. Members may only work with trainers at the showgrounds if they have this required insurance. A trainer is: Anyone who accepts monetary or other compensation (includes trading items or services) for giving instruction to riders & handlers.

SCCHA MAKES NO ENDORSEMENTS of any trainer, even those with the required Certificate of Liability Insurance. Trainers must follow the same rules set forth for all members and have no additional privileges. Members with trainer questions may contact any board member. Members are welcome to contact Mary Sullivan-White (see back page) to find out if a trainer has recently filed their Certificate of Liability Insurance, and exactly what is required to satisfy insurance obligations.

Trainers who meet requirements &
their insurance exp. date:

Rebekah Crill 7/2016

Kelly Eynon

Dori Fontaine 8/2016

Patty Kiersted

Wendy Killingsworth 6/7/16

Kristin Praly 8/2016

Bonnie Stoehn 5/2016

Joan Williams 8/2016

DO YOU LOVE A GOOD DEAL?

I have decided to clean out my tack room. For very reasonable prices, I will sell my Syd Hill Australian saddle, Stubben Imperator, Orthoflex, a western saddle, Stonewall saddle and an assortment of hackamores, bits, headstalls, blankets, cantle and pommel bags, saddle pads, bale bags, soft cushiony saddle covers, and Easy Boots. I also have a silver mounted Hamley western saddle and two sets of tooled tapaderos.

Remember, it is much nicer to buy a used saddle that is all broken in than a new stiff one. You can borrow one of mine and see if it works nicely for your horse or you can bring your horse here and try it up and down my driveway.

Contact Julie Suhr (Scotts Valley) 831-335-5933... feel free to call anytime, or email marinera@aol.com

Free copy of ...but it wasn't the horse's fault with every purchase.

All proceeds donated to:
the Center for Equine Health at UC Davis, CA



PREPARING FOR **FIRES** - THE EQUINE EVAC TEAM JULY 10th 11:30 - 2 Graham Hill Showgrounds

The EE leadership will be having a training for their members at the Showgrounds on July 10, from 11:30-2 in the picnic area (under the trees).

Mike Streck, Fire Captain at the Cal Fire Academy, will speak about what things look like from the Santa Clara side of the fire line. Matt will be speaking to us about how ICS really works, what it is like to work a hot issue in terms of communications, tactics, resources, what is needed to shelter in place and evacuations – with an eye towards helping Equine Evac understand their world and how to best work with their organization. SCCHA members are welcome to sit in for the talk.

► Team members: bring anything for a picnic for yourselves and to share (bread, cheese, spreads, cold cuts, spreads, drinks, etc...). Others: bring the same to contribute to the potluck lunch. You can mix, match and build your own.

*Hoping for a slow season, but getting ready for a busy one.
Kenneth and Susan Coale*

ROSS JACOBS

Keeping the horse inside the horse

Coming to Ben Lomond from Australia
Horsemanship Clinic

August 19-22, Ben Lomond, CA

www.goodhorsemanship.com.au

\$390, 3-day clinic (3-60 minute sessions)

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30 & 90 minute sessions available upon request - contact clinic host to arrange

Payment due in full by July 30, 2016

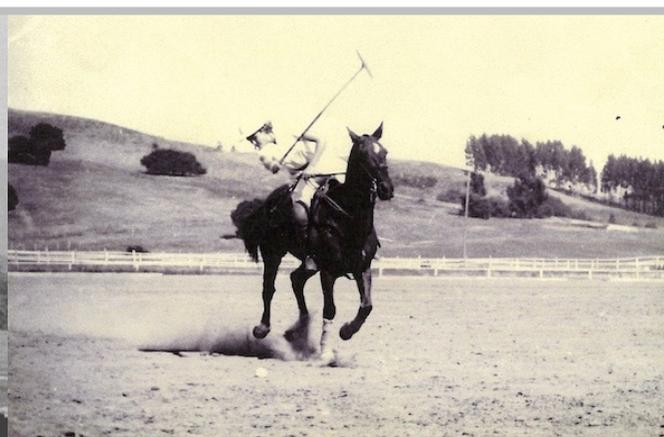
Clinic Host contact: Sheri Rath (831)359-0917 sheri@whitecrane.com



My clinics are for people with all levels of experience and different interests of pursuit. You might be working on flying changes or picking up your horse's feet. You may want to compete in dressage or reining or you may want to start a horse under saddle or perhaps just get along better with your horse. Each clinic addresses the needs of each rider.

—Ross Jacobs

Author of "The Essence of Good Horsemanship"



Three iconic images of Graham Hill Showgrounds from the past. On the left, a pre-showgrounds photo of Sims Road with the grounds in the backdrop, from a time when the land was used for trotting ponies. Upper right, the land was the Pasatiempo Polo field, hosting the first national women's polo team, developed by Marion Hollins. Lower right, a rider in the original arena at the new Graham Hill Showgrounds.

2016 SCCHA Scholarship Recipients

Congratulations to Serena Dudas and Katelyn Praly! The two are recipients of SCCHA's new scholarship program. Each girl will receive \$500 to be applied toward college expenses.

Serena Dudas, 18, is a member of Summit Riders, SCCHA and is a volunteer with Neigh Savers, which rescues and rehabilitates off-the-track thoroughbreds. She is a familiar face at SCCHA horse shows and play days, and is a good hand with her family's horses, including mustangs. Serena is a sophomore at the University of Redlands majoring in Environmental Science and minoring in Geographic Information Systems – with a GPA of 3.65. This year she hopes to take a horse back to college with her!

Katelyn Praly, 18, is a recent graduate of Coast Redwood Charter School, and is the Scotts Valley 4-H Club president. She will attend a 4-H Leadership Program in Washington D.C. this summer and then will travel to Brazil for a year where she will attend school on a Rotary exchange program. The scholarship will help fund her Leadership training program.

Katelyn participates in gymkhana, and helps her mother, Kristin, teach at their Horse Sense Education and Advocacy in Felton.

- Robin Musitelli

SCCHA SCHOLARSHIPS

SCCHA will offer up to 3 scholarships per year, each for \$500. Scholarship requirements and process are subject to these criteria:

- Recipient must be an active SCCHA member for at least two years.
- Scholarship should be for academic purposes, i.e. trade school.
- Two-year or four-year college or graduate school
- Recipient must be at least a senior and under 23 years of age to apply
- Application process: fill out application, including an essay
- Must make a presentation at an SCCHA membership meeting
- Three letters of recommendation, from:
 1. a current SCCHA member
 2. professional trainer, teacher or coach
 3. a personal contact, not a parent or guardian
- Funds may be used for tuition, books & academic fees
- Applications must be received by May for the following school year

TRAILER MUCH? CONSIDERING INSURANCE TO COVER THE UNEXPECTED?

For those of you who trailer your horses short or long distances, there can be great peace of mind being insured with USRider Equestrian Motor Plan. If you have a trailer or truck malfunction on the journey, they will come and get you, and make sure your horses have a safe place to stay until repairs have been made. With USRider Equestrian Motor Plan, you are also covered for towing you when you are not trailering!

USRider will provide two FREE months membership when any SCCHA member joins USRider. Each applicant must use the **Promo Code SCC516**. **This promotion expires on 9/30/16**. If you are interested in finding out more about this service, go to <http://www.usrider.org>.

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Santa Cruz County PONY CLUB 60th Anniversary **REUNION!!**



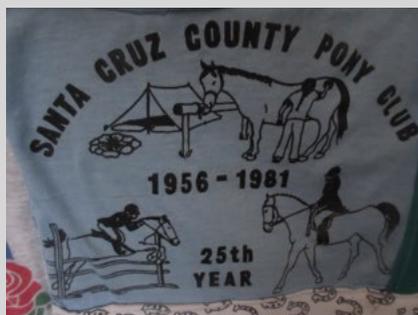
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***Past & Present SCCPC Members
and Families Invited!***

**Saturday, July 16, 2016 2-7 pm
Graham Hill Showgrounds**

*Come early to watch the D Rally and reminisce!
Dinner provided by Pony Club at 5 pm!*

**We Are Collecting Old Photos & Stories To Share
Email to: sccpreunion@peoplepc.com**



**Facebook Event Page:
SCCPC 60th
Anniversary**

Plans are in the works for SCCHA's **FIRST ANNUAL All Weekend Event:**

Camp Cut Loose!

Plan on joining us for some Romping, Stomping Revelry to be held September 16 - 18.

We are planning many activities -including games in the big arena, an obstacle course with a prize, scavenger hunt on horseback, dinner under the stars, music, and line dancing. **WHEW!**

Stay posted for more details and hold those dates!





Graham Hill Showgrounds Events Calendar

All Showgrounds Events are Scheduled through the Calendar Secretary

Events listed in CAPS are SCCHA sponsored

1 st & 3 rd Sat. 9am-noon	Pony Club Mounted Meeting - Large Arena Contacts: Betsy Cameron oatcakecameron@gmail.com / Nichole Fisher: nm84@aol.com
7/10 noon-2	EQUINE EVAC meeting in the picnic area
7/15-17	Pony Club D Camp entire showgrounds reserved. Contact Nichole nm84@aol.com ➤ Includes SCCPC 60th Reunion on July 16th - see page 6 for details!
7/19 6:30pm	MEMBERSHIP MEETING see page 1 for details
7/29-31	Krista Koenig Clinic large arena & 15 paddocks reserved. fromstarttofoundation.com
8/5-7	Bay Area Savvy Players large arena & 25 paddocks all 3 days
8/19-22	Tri-City Horsemen
9/10	CLUB WORKDAY second and final work this year
9/16-18	SCCHA 1ST ANNUAL CAMP CUT LOOSE entire Showgrounds reserved. See more on pg. 6!
9/22-25	BUSTER MCLAURY CLINIC one arena reserved. Large arena from 8-11 for cattle class and then small arena from 12:00-6:30 for the Horsemanship Classes. Contact Bonnie 831-457-2224/ bonnies@cruzio.com www.thinkinghorsemanship.com
11/4-6	Krista Koenig Clinic large arena reserved & 15 paddocks reserved. fromstarttofoundation.com
12/4	SCCHA HOLIDAY PARTY

Area Events

8/19-22 Ross Jacobs Horsemanship Clinic - Ben Lomond, CA Ross' clinics are for people with all levels of experience and different interests of pursuit. You might be working on flying changes or picking up your horse's feet. You may want to compete in dressage or reining or you may want to start a horse under saddle or perhaps just get along better with your horse. Each clinic addresses the needs of each rider. Auditors welcome. See ad in this issue. Info about Ross at www.goodhorsemanship.com.au. Contact: Sheri Rath 831-359-0917 / sheri@whitecrane.com

10/14-16 Ricky Quinn Clinic El Gabilan Ranch, Salinas This family owned ranch is located just outside of Salinas off Hwy 101. The ranch has plenty of stalls & paddocks available; dry camping available on site. Ride with us or audit for the weekend. Ricky will be traveling with the "Legacy Horse" he started this year and it will be a great opportunity to watch him work with this colt as he progresses. More about the Legacy Horse at www.rickyquinnclinics.com/legacyhorses/ Class offerings include Horsemanship 1 & 2 with Cattle. \$400/class, plus cattle fee for Cattle Working. If you sign up for both classes, cost is \$750. Contact Lisa at bayareahorsemanship@gmail.com / 831-359-3796

Trading Post

Morgan Mare for Sale - Very sweet, gentle and sensitive 14 yr bay, 14.3H, big build. *Bellissima* is very good in a busy arena, with kids, and on quiet or busy trails with others. She's had tons of trail exposure to bicycles, skate boards, dogs, cars, big trucks, construction. Easy keeper, barefoot. Light & responsive. Has had lots of Natural Horsemanship work, very sensitive to cues. She *loves* people & attention; will be best friends with her new owner. If you're fond of Morgans, you're sure to really like this mare. Will sell to good home only. Karen, (650) 642-8989 / karenclarinet@yahoo.com.

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