



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Portuguese Bend National Horse Show

SEPTEMBER 8-10
ERNIE HOWLETT PARK
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PVPHA Monthly Meeting

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 7 PM
EMPTY SADDLE CLUB

Rolling Hills Estates 66th Annual City Celebration

SEPTEMBER 23, 9 AM - 3 PM
EMPTY SADDLE CLUB
More information online at
rollinghillsestates.gov

Equestrian Committee Meeting

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 7 - 9 PM
CITY OF RHE COUNCIL CENTER

Cowboy Days

OCTOBER 13-15
EMPTY SADDLE CLUB

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PVPHA September Meeting: Learn about Mounted Posses and Patrols

By Jan Spak

Our meeting this month will give us all an in-depth look into the world of membership in a mounted Posse or Police Patrol. We'll have the honor of hearing from Debbie Lang, a member of the Lomita Sheriff's Posse since 2001 and Kathy Stowe, Vice President and Co-Captain of the Long Beach Mounted Police. They will both share their insight and experience with the requirements for you and your horse to become a member of either organization.

Mark your calendars for Thursday September 21 @ 7pm for a fun-filled, informative evening of how you & your horse can "be a team" to serve the community and grow your horsemanship skills... a win-win for you both!

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THE 65TH **PORTUGUESE BEND NATIONAL HORSE SHOW**

September 8–10, 2023

Ernie Howlett Park, Rolling Hills Estates

General Admission \$10 ▪ General Admission tickets sold at the event.
 Children 12 and Under FREE ▪ Comp Admission Friday
 Free Parking & Shuttle ▪ Delicious Food ▪ Specialty Boutiques
 Riding Events start at 7:30 a.m. daily

CHILDREN'S CIRCLE

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

10–4 Kids' Activities*

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

10–3 Petting Zoo, Pony Rides, Kids' Activities*

10:30–2:30 Skin Painters Face Painting

11:00 Alex Kazaam, Mstr Magician Show

12–2 Casanova Therapy Horse Visit

1–1:15 "Wellness, Warm-Ups" with Fusion Academy Palos Verdes

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

10–4 Petting Zoo, Pony Rides, Kid's Activities*

10–12 Festive Floaters, Balloon Artist

11–3 Skin Painters Face Painting

11:15 Stick Horse Class

1–2 Wildlife Safari: Live Animals from North America

2–3 Meet & Greet the Biologists & Animals from WS

* Games, Prizes, Hair Painting, Arts and Crafts



Benefiting



For additional information, VIP seating & parking: pcch.net

City of Rolling Hills Estates' 66th Annual City Celebration

Sept. 23, 2023
9am - 3pm
Empty Saddle Club



Horses ★ Family ★ Food ★ Fun

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www.rhe.city/citycelebration



**Saddle up for the
PVPHA's Raffle Ride!
Sat Sep 23
8-10 AM
Starts at Sean
Martin's barn,
2 Empty Saddle Rd**

**\$10 per ticket – if you don't ride,
you can still buy raffle tickets at the
PVPHA booth at Empty Saddle Club
until 11 AM**

**Prize Raffle takes place at 12:30 PM.
Must be present to select a prize.**



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As part of this year's City Celebration on September 23, instead of a Poker Ride, the PVPHA will be hosting a Raffle Ride. Rather than purchasing poker hands, riders may purchase raffle tickets (\$10 each) at the start of the ride (at 2 Empty Saddle Rd, start between 8 and 10am). Turn in your tickets by 11am at the PVPHA booth at Empty Saddle Club. Winners will be drawn from the barrel of tickets at 12:30pm. Must be in attendance to choose a prize if your ticket is drawn.

Horse photo by [Justus Menke](#) on Unsplash

Too Good to be True

By Jeanie Muller

Dr. Jeanie Muller is a cardiologist who rode for several years at Portugese Bend Riding Club on her beloved American Saddlebred mare, Samba. Samba died from colic complications in 2022 at 25 years of age. Jeanie sought another horse to continue her journey. Her search led her to Ruger, a cute AQHA bay gelding. Dr. Muller was offered another position in Cardiology outside of Sacramento, and a dilemma arose concerning full time work and the needs of her new horse. Enter Julie. Julie is an energetic, sincerely funny 61 yo woman who has been surrounded by horses since she was conceived. Her dad was a farrier in Lake County and helped develop the horse trails in Highland Springs. Over the years, Julie became a 'horse mom' to a lovely young person named Maddie. Their relationship was strong and horse-centered. On a summer day outside the barn, Maddie witnessed Julie have a cardiac arrest. They were alone. Maddie called 911, started CPR, and after 9 minutes of CPR, EMTs arrived to defibrillate Julie. Julie awoke and immediately began a verbal barrage of questions: "What happened? Why are you guys here? Why does my chest hurt so much?"

There are 300,000 sudden deaths per year in the USA. Less than 10% of cardiac arrests occurring outside the hospital meet with a successful outcome. Julie was one of the lucky ones. And Maddie's CPR made the difference.

Fast forward one year. As gratitude to Maddie, Julie wanted to purchase Maddie her very own horse—something Maddie had only dreamed of. What are the chances of a cardiologist selling a horse to a cardiac arrest survivor, to be given as a gift, to a beautiful young woman who saved a life by performing effective CPR? And by the way, Ruger has a new name: Doc.



Maddie, riding Doc. All photos provided by Jeanie Muller.



Julie riding her other horse, Elvis.

Long Beach Mounted Police Info:

By Kathy Stowe

For 87 years (since 1935), the Long Beach Mounted Police has been inspiring millions of people by riding in hundreds of parades, including two Presidential inaugurations, both locally and occasionally in other states, as well Canada.

LBMP was initially started by businessmen in 1935 to support the Long Beach Police Dept. We are a highly active parade and educational organization, who have enjoyed the privilege and honor of participating in the Pasadena Tournament of Roses Parade for the past 70 plus years, beginning in 1947.

We believe that our beautiful palomino horses, colorful costumes, sterling silver tack and saddles and our interaction with the audience at the Rose Parade. Plus many other parades and Color Guard

functions, brings a visual picture of joy, optimism, and patriotism to the people in attendance.

We do about 7 parades a year and also have some fun trail rides together. If you already have Drill Team experience, that's perfect for parade lineups and maneuvers. We are a 501c3 group and write offs of dues and some of your horse expenses is a real plus. If you are interested in joining this fabulous silver clad troop, come to the PVPHA meeting and get one of our beautiful brochures and conveniently pick up an application there. If you are already a Palomino owner, well, that's halfway in right there!

LBMP President Laurine McCaw and Vice President Kathy Stowe, invite you to come on out to the September 21 PVPHA Meeting, to find out more.

Lomita Sheriff's Posse Info:

By Debbie Long

Our local LA County Sheriff's Department Posse is run out of the Lomita Station, located on Narbonne Avenue.

The Sheriff's Posse is a county wide organization. We band together several times a year for training, patrols, trail rides, community outreach, and generally fun times. As a countywide department we also come together to do parades, search and rescue details, crowd control, patrol the LA river and other areas that are accessible only by foot or by horse, and so much more.

The training is unbelievable! I never thought I would be doing the things that the Posse training has afforded me.

Everyone needs a purpose to have a feeling of well being. Horses, as well as dogs, are no exception. They need a job, they need a purpose to be happy. The posse does that for you and your horse. My horse, Zena, knows when she is on duty, whether it is doing a patrol at the shopping center handing out treats to

the kids who flock to pet her, or standing her ground in line with her teammates holding a crowd at bay. She can be a warrior when we need to be and a gentle kind soul when the little civilians are around her.

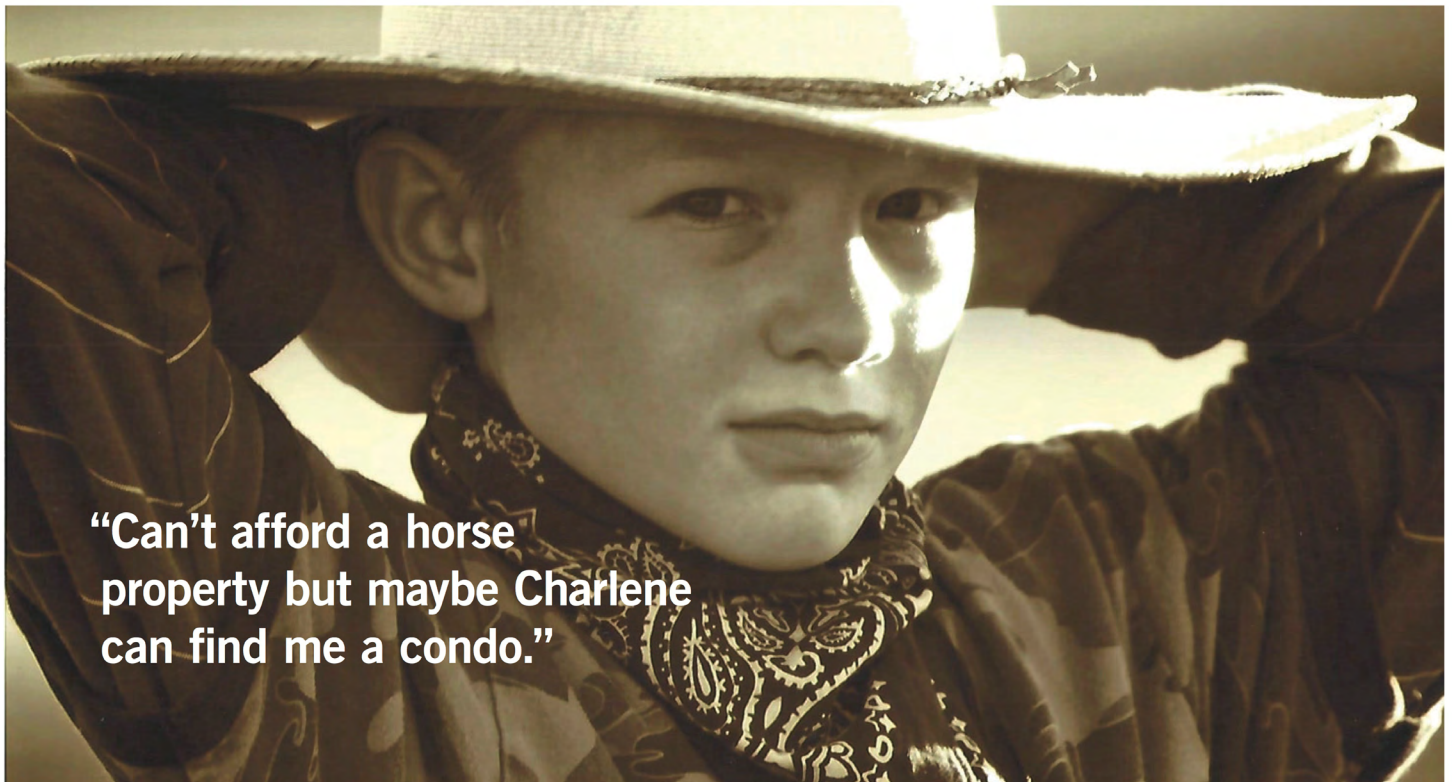
The Posse is heavily into community involvement and preserving the horse community as well. We do several trail patrols each month. During these patrols we are the eyes and ears of the Sheriff's Department. We are there to let the "would be" problem folks know to think twice before messing with our community.

One important aspect of the posse is to be a support team for the Sheriff's Deputies. We also do traffic control during community events. You may have seen us at one of the major details we do on Hawthorne Blvd. in front of Ernie Howlette Park. The Posse is a wonderful organization that has enriched my life by allowing me to use my law enforcement experience with my teammate, Zena, to be a part of the community, to make a difference in people's lives and to have a purpose. To learn more and start your journey, contact us at lomitapose@yahoo.com

August Meeting Recap

By Nancy Wildman

Our August meeting consisted of an ice cream social and sing-along around the campfire at the Empty Saddle Club. Attendees created delicious ice cream sundaes and banana splits from ingredients provided by the PVPHA. The event was well attended by members and friends who enjoyed singing a wide variety of western melodies with Claire Wagner of the Windy Ridge Bluegrass Band around the crackling campfire. Thank you, Claire, for helping to make this a fun and entertaining evening!



“Can’t afford a horse property but maybe Charlene can find me a condo.”



32ND ANNUAL COWBOY DAYS



AT THE EMPTY SADDLE CLUB

OCTOBER 13TH-15TH 2023

Join us for a fun filled weekend where riders of all ages will compete in Cutting, Gymkhana, Ranch Sorting, Roping, and Trail classes. Silver belt buckles and other prizes will be awarded. The "All Around" Open rider winner will receive a beautiful hand tooled Western trophy saddle. There will be fun activities to enjoy throughout the day and evening. A Taco Dinner will be served on Friday night. Country music provided by "DJ Goody" and our first ever Chili Cookoff. On Saturday our local youth "Drill Team" and the "Happy Hoofers" will be performing in the main arena. There will be a lovely dinner hosted by "The Rex Seaside Steakhouse" of Redondo Beach and live music by the "James Kelly" band. We will also have a "Silent Auction" with wonderful gifts to be purchased. Please visit our website for complete information and signups. We hope to see you there!

<https://www.emptysaddleclub.com/>



MONTHLY PHOTO!

Jeanie Muller sent in this adorable photo of Samba covered in petals from the mustard bloom. Gorgeous!

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