



## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- 1-25** ETI President's Luncheon  
*9am-3pm*
- 1-26** Winter Hunter Schooling Show  
*8am (rain date 2/2)*
- 1-29** Art of the Horse  
*10am-12pm*
- 2-8** New Member Orientation  
*9am-10am*
- 2-9** New Member Orientation  
*1pm-2pm*
- 2-11** RBR Board Meeting  
*6:30pm-8:30pm*
- 2-19,**  
**2-26,**  
**2-28** Art of the Horse  
*10am-12pm*



[www.rosebowlriders.org/events/](http://www.rosebowlriders.org/events/)

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



New beginnings are an opportunity to change, grow, and see things through a new lens. As I step in to the role of Board President, I thank you for your vote of confidence in my leadership here at RBR. I have been learning SO many new things about our organization. There are countless details that make our club run

smoothly. The dedication from many of you that keep our facility a great place to board our beloved horses, maintain long-time friendships, and engage our growing membership and volunteers.

Please know that your Board and Myrtle Hill Farm (KT and Greg's lesson program) have been diligently working on the footing of our large arena. The heavy rains last month caused erosion and disfigured our roads. Also there was created a small lake (not suitable for swimming or boating!) in the south end of our ring. We continue to work with the City of Pasadena, our Landlords, regarding our drainage issues and the general wear and tear of our property.

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As you can imagine, we are not the only organization on their list. Greg and John Hedrick, Gari Merendino, Osmond, and others have worked tirelessly leveling, raking and dragging the arena footing so it is safe for horses and riders. RBR leadership is maintaining communication with City of Pasadena administrative staff. We continue to be that “squeaky wheel” asking questions, attending meetings and sending emails. We remain realistic and optimistic as we press forward in this new year. Stay tuned!

As someone newer to this equestrian world, I have loved getting to know many of you; learning about your experiences, hearing about your love for horses, and understanding how this club has been evolving and serving hundreds in the greater Pasadena/San Gabriel Valley for many years. I encourage you to connect with someone new this year! Ask questions, hear their stories, (boy, are there so many good stories) and make those small yet significant connections. If there are issues, concerns, problems or (even!) great hopes, we always want to welcome your feedback and hear what you are passionate about. Email our gmail account [rosebowlriders@gmail.com](mailto:rosebowlriders@gmail.com), so our Board of Directors can assist. In February, we have a new and competent Stable Manager, Ashley Roberson, who can listen and brainstorm. You can email her at

[RRBStableManager@gmail.com](mailto:RRBStableManager@gmail.com). If you see or hear something concerning to you, please let us know. We want our overall morale and spirit at Rose Bowl Riders to be collaborative, kind and productive!

Our mission is “to connect people to horses and the outdoors through responsible horsemanship, sustainable horse keeping, education and public outreach”. We work hard at keeping this mission alive but can **always** use more volunteers to share the many jobs that need to be filled. We have a plethora of ways you can complete your volunteer hours. Please let us know how you would like to be involved. We often need some administrative tasks covered, which can be done remotely, in your PJ’s if you prefer!

Thanks for reading this and for making Rose Bowl Riders a fun, desirable, affordable club that is often described as “family”! In a world where we are barraged with noise, instability, and disconnected relationships, isn’t it **good** to be part of something that embraces the wholesome gift of horses, fresh air, exercise, learning, and friendship? We really are blessed!

Please introduce yourself to me. I would love to meet you.

See you at the barn, 

Nancy K Norris



## THANKS & KUDOS

**Ariel Wisch-Schute** for her 15 years of service to the Club as the volunteer Stable Manager.

**Gari Merendino** for working on the arena committee, and introducing a different dragging technique which greatly improved the footing.

**Ingrid McConnell, Nancy Norris & Ariel Wisch-Schute** for their work on the lease details and City meetings.

**Shivani Joshi, Luray Good and Heidi Babcock** for their work on the RBR holiday party.

**Carrie Dilley** for noticing a broken board in the historic barn. Thanks to her alerting the Club it was repaired right away.

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

### DECEMBER

- Claudia Bolt

### JANUARY

- Cherish Quinn
- The Krueger Family

**Whether it's a broken pipe, leaky faucet, a horse in distress or ... If you see something - SAY SOMETHING!**

## In Memory of Bye Bye Nikolai

April 3, 1987 - December 9, 2019



Ariel Wisch-Schute shared these reflections on her “most wonderful friend, of more than 20 years:” She said, “Nick loved to go fast (really fast!), loved to jump (game for anything!), and always (always!) had to be out in front. He loved to stand in and drink from streams, have his blanket put on, and eat roses, thorns and all. When turned out he would never let you catch him unless he was ready to be caught. Chasing would just tire you out, and egg him on. He loved to listen to music while being groomed and to have his face held in my arms and brushed. He preferred to be fed by hand and would take treats that were offered gently and politely, always with his ears forward and do his ‘smile’ for more. He was happy and forward on his rides and, as he got older, his walks through the park.”

Ariel would like to thank all those who have offered condolences and also to the group of boarders who made a substantial donation to the Standardbred Retirement Foundation in Nick’s honor.

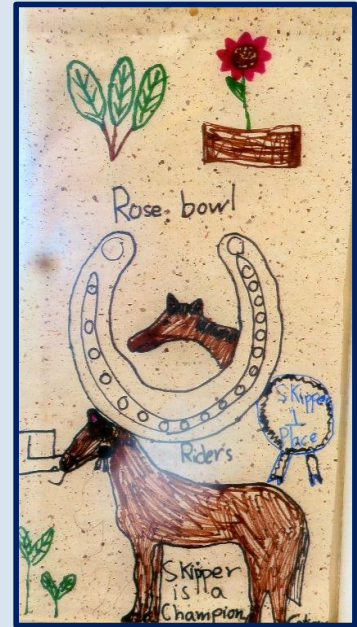
## *Rose Bowl Riders Charitable Organization, Inc.*

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### *“Art of the Horse” 2019 Tournament of Roses® Foundation Grant Recipient*



On June 11<sup>th</sup> at Tournament House, Rose Bowl Riders Charitable Organization was awarded a grant for the **Art of the Horse** field trip program for the 2019-2020 school year.



**Thank you to the Tournament of Roses® Foundation for recognizing the importance of art and the special connection between kids and horses. Connecting hearts and hooves spurs the imagination.**



Bonnie Hedrick with Laura Farber, 2020 President of the Tournament of Roses® Association, 6/11/19.

Special thanks to all involved with Art of the Horse this school year:

Patty Sue Jones, artist; Katrina Fernandez and Samantha Schmitt, horse handlers; KT Ginzton, trainer; Molly McGuire, demonstration rider; Debbie Yeh and Naoko Katayama, barn tour and art assistants; RBR Board for support of the program.

## NEW VOLUNTEER HOURS SCHEDULE BEGINNING JANUARY 2020

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Since RBR implemented tracking volunteer hours via the [TrackItForward](#) site a few years ago, the “volunteer year” has coincided with our RBR year, which begins and ends with the Annual General Meeting and Election in November. Last fall, the board of directors voted to move the volunteer year to an easier to remember **January to December** format. That means you will have an extra month in 2020 to get your hours in!

If you recorded hours between November 20<sup>th</sup> and the end of 2019 they will be counted for 2020.

We appreciate all of you who take time out of your busy lives to help at RBR, whether it’s serving on a committee or picking up manure, we can’t do this without you!

## SPIRIT OF THE WEST



On January 1, 2020, RBR member **Doug Larner** and his horse **Whiskey** celebrated their fifteenth year of riding in the Tournament of Roses Parade. As part of Spirit of the West Riders, Doug and Whiskey don the attire and tack of an 1840’s mountain man. The Spirit of the West Riders use authentic clothing, saddles and firearms to present a true representation of the ‘Wild West.’

## FROM THE STABLE MANAGER

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After 15 years (can't believe I started in 2004!) this will be my *last* month as RBR's volunteer Stable Manager. I have also resigned from my (extremely brief!) role as the Club's interim Executive Director. The recent loss of Nick, my partner of 20 years, and ongoing family health issues have signaled to me that now is the time to step away. Thank you to all who have offered kind words of condolence and support over the past month (and beyond).

I am pleased to announce that Ashley Roberson, who has been assisting me over the past year, will step in as the new (*and improved!*) Stable Manager come February. She is a knowledgeable, capable horsewoman who is always willing to lend help to others and is just right for this position.

The facility has come a long way over the years and I'm happy to have been able to play a part in improving standards and expanding capacity. I leave knowing this important job will be in Ashley's good hands and that the level and quality of care our horses receive will continue uninterrupted.

Onward!

**Ariel Wisch Schute**





# HORSE PLAY

## FROM THE RBR ARCHIVES

### Committees for 1947

#### Entertainment

Grant Malcomson SY 4-2534  
 Johnny Stormes  
 Bert Livendale  
 Geo Art  
 Jack Gardner  
 Slim Coffman  
 Sid Lawrence  
 Pete Pool  
 Edna Bulpin  
 Elisabeth Robertson  
 Jack Darling  
 Buddy Graham  
 Vera McCarthy  
 Anita Swartsbough  
 Evelyn Bull

#### Trails

Jack Gardner SY 7-7760  
 Harold Nuckles  
 Grant Malcomson

#### Finance

Fred Sieman PY 1-1648  
 Cal Tilton  
 Roy Darling

#### Photography

Geo Art AL 0221  
 Bernice Macy  
 Jack Gardner

#### Horse Show & Parade

Bob Albertson SY 3-8363  
 Harold Nuckles  
 Elisabeth Searle  
 Genevieve Priger  
 Dick Bull  
 Cliff Nelson  
 Fred Sieman  
 Della Ayars  
 Curly Barhite  
 Tommy Bulpin

#### Publicity

Bill Bushey AT 2-5750  
 Geo Art  
 Slim Coffman  
 Elsie Traylor  
 Dorothy Sandstrom  
 Ruth Brinsmead  
 Dorothy Orsund

#### Trail Rides

Roy Traylor CL 6-4828  
 Grant Malcomson  
 Harold Hanes  
 Frank Andres

#### Grievance

Geo Bulpin  
 Ivar Peterson

#### Reception & Hospitality

Cal Tilton AL 4173  
 Edna Bulpin  
 Russ Ayars  
 Julie Lawrence  
 Gurney Prince  
 Peggy Peterson

#### Membership

Edna Bulpin SY 7-0964  
 Sid Lawrence  
 Roy Traylor  
 Fred Sieman  
 Virginia Wilson  
 Chuck Williams

#### Constitution & By-Laws

H. B. Blakeley  
 Cal Tilton  
 Fred Sieman

#### Welfare

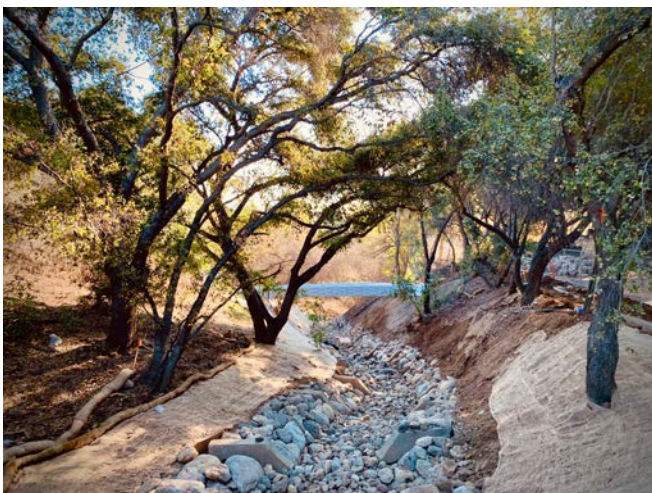
Edna Malcomson SY 9-2535  
 Elsie Traylor  
 Edna Bulpin

**WOW!** Check out the Club's robust committee list and volunteers way back in 1947!

We would love for YOU to join one of our **2020 committees:**

- Governance
- Finance
- Volunteer
- Garden & Site Plan
- Horse Show
- Arenas

## BERKSHIRE CREEK BRIDGE - UPDATE



The *new* Berkshire Creek bridge is taking shape and is expected to be completed by the beginning of February. We look forward to enjoying this beautiful improvement to our local trail!

For more information on the project please visit:

- [Arroyo Seco Foundation](#)
- [City of Pasadena](#)

# PASADENA EQUESTRIAN CENTER HORSES CELEBRATE NEW YEAR'S DAY 2020

by Patty Sue Jones



*"I took my dog for a walk." - Skipper*



*"I had a close encounter with a human." - Jango*



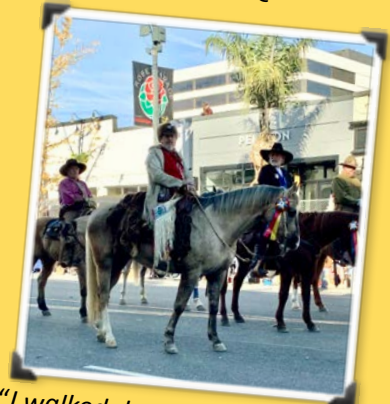
*"I ate all day." - Zoe*



*"I slept through it." Bijou*



*"We had a trail date." - Sierra & Maverick*



*"I walked down Colorado Blvd in The Rose Parade." - Whiskey*

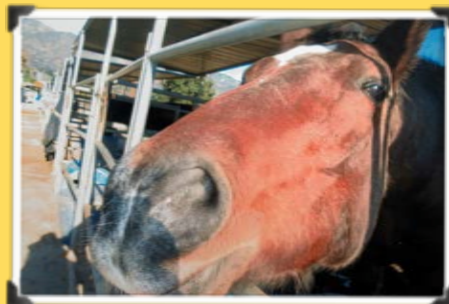


*"Is it 2020? Seems the same as 2019." - Santos*

ROSE BOWL RIDERS,  
MYRTLE HILL FARM,  
TOM SAWYER  
CAMP, MACH 1



*"I moved to Mach 1." - Tiger*



*"I ate carrots." - Biscuit*