

# SERRANO CREEK RANCH EQUESTRIAN CENTER

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e want to take this time to give a huge shout out and thank you to all the workers that have worked above and beyond to complete year two of trenching. We are halfway from having all pipe stalls trenched, in order to fulfill the Water Quality Best Management Practices and keep SCR operating. In just this year, the workers trenched more than 1/3 of a mile and used 1/4 million pounds of gravel.

Reminder! For those boarders that have the trench installed already, please make sure to pour any water collected from the waterer or water bucket into the infiltration trench of your stall. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the office. Remember, that eventually, no water (rain or from waterer) will be allowed to leave the boundaries of any stall.

## JULY 2022 NEWSLETTER

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# Thank You!















#### **SCR Feed Store**

Back in the day, SCR had a full -size tack and feed store that was successful for many years, serving the boarders and other nearby equestrian communities. Unfortunately, in 2007 it went out of business due to the rise of ecommerce. Since the feed store left a handful of the boarders seeking weekly or monthly automatic feed deliveries for their horse(s), we thought it would be a great idea to open a small size feed store that would be convenient for the boarders. Particularly for those boarders who had their horses on special feed, such as pellets.

When the store initially began, it carried a wide range of pellets, grains, and supplements, but overtime we have had to condense the number of items because they were not selling. Today, we have a small-scale feed store that sells pellets (Timothy, Alfalfa, ATB, and AB), electrolytes, salt and mineral bricks/blocks, MSM, Integrity Senior (with and without molasses), and fly spray. As our purchasing power has declined over the time and the cost of items have increased, we have made the decision to discontinue select items from the store. Once the following items are sold out, we will not be restocking them:

- ⇒ ATB Pellets
- ⇒ Integrity Senior With Molasses
- ⇒ Integrity Senior Without Molasses
- $\Rightarrow$  MSM
- ⇒ Fiberpsyll

# SERRANO CREEK REMINDERS



#### Dogs on the Property

SCR does not allow dogs on the property. Dogs are a known safety hazard to horses and riders, and their owners rarely clean up after them. If you must bring your dog to the stables, it must always stay in your car. We also ask that you let your



farrier, vet, and other guest know that SCR has a no dog policy on the property.



### Do Not Feed Another Board's Horse

Please do not feed another person's horse anything without the owner's permission. Always remember that some horses may be on special or restricted diets, and may have a tendency of biting.

#### **Cleaning Stall Waterer**

Please remember that it is the responsibility of the owner to clean the waterer as they see fit. Any water collected from the waterer must be poured into the infiltration trench of your stall.

#### How to Clean your Horse's Waterer

- 1. Remove any pieces of hay with a net.
- 2. Turn off the water valve.
- Unplug from the bottom and drain the water into a bucket or just let it drain in your stall.
   Please make sure to pour water collected in the bucket into the trench. (Do not lose the plug)
- 4. Scrub it clean.
- 5. Rinse it with clean water.
- 6. Refill the waterer. (Do not forget to turn water on)



#### When on Trail

In the past couple of months, we have seen an increase of boarders taking advantage of our beautiful trails surrounding SCR. We want to take this time to review some of the SCR rules and trail riding etiquette.

We strongly recommend the "buddy system" for all boarders that are going out on trail. In the case that a misfortune occurs on trail, you have someone that can give

you aid. When on the trail, keep two horse lengths between horses. In a large group, always ride single-file line or two by two if you have enough space. Do not forget that you are not the only ones on the trail. Therefore, it is important to always be aware of your surroundings as we share the trail with the community, so stay alert of other activities going on and always be courteous, regardless of their demeaner.

Please make sure to leave enough space for runners and bikers to pass you and be considerate when passing walkers as well. For example, if you are in a large group, pass in a steady, single-file line. Do not forget to announce yourself to the people you are about to pass before you do so. Please remember that there is no riding in the housing tracts. No trotting, cantering, or galloping behind the residences. Walking only! This could be extremely dangerous as people, such as kids on bikes or dogs can come out unexpectedly from a back yard. It also raises dust, which prompts complaints from the neighbors. When riding in the park, please stay out of the children's play area and stay on the dirt trail. It is important that when on trail you always stay on the dirt trail and avoid using the sidewalk, this prevents horse manure from ending up on the sidewalk! We ask that you please alert the office staff if you see an excess amount of horse manure out there, so the workers can clean it up and maintain our neighbors' happiness. Always remember to follow the rules, if you fail to, that might risk our good relationship with the City and our surrounding neighborhoods.

# Professional Services Directory



#### **Leslie Thomson**

Western Lessons & Training (949) 295-4807

**Silver Stirrup Riding Academy** Beginning English, Western, and Camps (949) 354-3603

#### **MKO Performance Horses**

Western & Barrel Training/ Lessons (949) 351-4706

#### Silver Iris Farms

All-Around English & 3-Day Eventing (949) 395-0932

#### **Tom Betts-Aranda**

Dressage Lessons (949)291-8262

#### **Brave Grace**

Equine Inspired Growth and Healing (949) 371-6240

#### **New Flight Counseling**

Equine Assisted EMDR (949)793-9264

#### Simple Horses Sense

Equine Assisted Counseling (714)468-2512

#### **Serrano Creek Ranch's Long History**

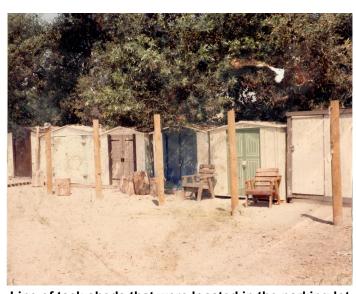
As most of you already know SCR has been operating for decades. The facility was first established in the late 70's, and since then SCR has gone through several changes. As part of the monthly newsletter, we will be adding old pictures of the facility.



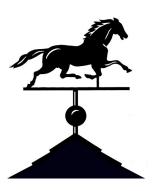
Front Arena (before the self storage was built)

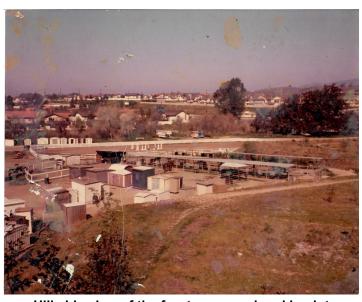
"What I like about photographs is that they capture a moment that's gone forever, impossible to reproduce."

-Karl Lagerfeld



Line of tack sheds that were located in the parking lot





Hill side view of the front arena and parking lot



### **LESLIE THOMSON TRAINING**



Congrats to all the riders and their horses for a wonderful and triumphant 2021 LSAC shows. A big shout out to the following individuals that qualified to win a buckle, and Leslie for taking home the Sportsmanship award.

#### Los Serranos Awards Presentations Class Awards

Class	Champion	Reserve
Ranch Trail—Green		Allison Maletta Emma Ikerd
Ranch Riding - Youth		Emma Ikerd
Ranch Riding - Green	Emma Ikerd	Allison Maletta
Ranch Riding - Basic	Emma Ikerd	
Trail -Youth/Amateur		Christi Kugler
Trail - Preliminary -		Kendra O'Connell
Youth/Amateur		
Trail - Basic	Kendra O'Connell	
Trail - Walk/Jog		Sara Spoolstra















