

**Royal Riders
Pony Club**

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The Pony Club Goes to Medieval Times

The Royal Riders went to Medieval Times Dinner and Tournament on Saturday, August 30th and had a fantastic time! We took a behind the scenes tour and got to meet all the horses that perform in the show. Medieval Times owns about 29 horses! They are mostly Andalusians but they have two Friesians, one Arabian and a couple of Quarter Horses. They are all stallions. It was fun to watch the beautiful horses canter around together like they were in a dance. When they did groundwork, one horse walked from the entrance to the center of the arena on its hind legs! Wow! They also performed Austrian Lipizzaner moves such as the passage, piaffe, and capriole. The knights and their horses were magnificent in their costumes and we had to eat our dinner like people that lived in medieval times—no silverware. There was dragon soup, garlic bread, chicken, potatoes and an apple pastry for desert.



Fun Facts to Know and Tell:



- Did you know that the grooms at Medieval Times can change a horse's costume in 30 seconds? Wow!



Sleeping Ponies:
Starlight, Patches and Skydancer lie down in their stalls on a cloudy day.



Pic of the Month



Send in your cute or funny pictures of your horse or pony by e-mail to Kristen at: horseloverkristen@sbcglobal.net and maybe your picture will be nominated for **Pic of the Month!**

Upcoming Events



September:

- Every Wednesday is a 4:30 lesson
- Every Friday is a 4:30 lesson
- Playday on the 27th from 2:30-5:30 p.m. at the Phillip St. Paxton Equestrian Arena

October:

- Same for lessons
- Unmounted meeting: TBA
- Dressage show in costume is on the 19th. Registration due: September 29th

November:

- Lessons as usual, except no lessons on Wed. 11/26 or Friday

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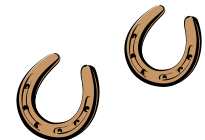
- Sunday, November 9th—parent meeting—4 p.m.—paperwork/national fees due for 2009 and planning of the 2009 calendar.
- Monday, November 10th: Veteran's day—unmounted meeting at 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.—tour of Chino Valley Equine Hospital and picnic at McCoy's Equestrian Center

December:

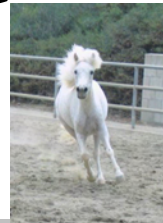
- Regular lessons: no lessons Dec. 24th, 26th and 31st
- Christmas Party/caroling/gift exchange: Saturday, December 13th 1:00-5:00 p.m.



New Members



Hannah J.



Sarah R. and Apollo



Welcome to Pony Club!

Classified Ads

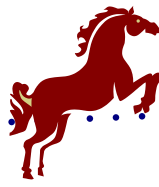
Horse for Sale:

Jas-Ali Seraphim (Sera)—This little beauty is in need of a good home. She is half Arabian and has been trained on the trails. With some training she could make an awesome children's horse. She is registered, 13.2h, 9 yrs. old. She clips, ties, trailers and has very good ground manners. She is also has a sweet, affectionate temperament. Make her a part of your home today. \$1200 obo (714) 606-7136—Sharon



Sera





Pony Stories: A Day in Life from Sky's Point of View

By Sky, the Pony

True story written by Teegan C.

Prologue:

This is Sky speaking. Teegan is seeing me today. We are going to the arena. And then there is THE END.

P.S.
Sincerely,
Sky

Hi, my name is Sky. How are you? I am fine. Do you have any treats? Too bad. I will just nibble on your arm instead. You don't want me to nibble your arm? Okay, I'll nibble your helmet instead. Ooooh. It smells funny; like plastic. Why are you getting my halter? We're going to that scary arena?! Yikes! Yum. Halters taste good. Uh-hh, Teegan! I like to chew on halters, not have them on my head! Darn. Too bad humans can't talk pony. Whew. You're only tying me up in my stall. Hooray! A crop to chew on! Hey! Why'd you take it away? Ohhhh... That curry comb feels good right *there*. Oh. You stopped. No fair! Ooooh! Ooooh! I can just barely reach this piece of hay! Yum! Don't brush my tail! **Stomp**. I don't like it! Not my forelock! That's even worse! You're doing my hooves? I will now pretend to fall on you. You don't like that? Party Pooper! Now we are going to the arena? Yikes! You can't make me go up those steps! "Don't go, Sky!" That's Starlight. She

lives in the stall next to me. And she is really awesome except that she and I fight sometimes. "I'll try not to leave!" That's me. **Whap!** Darn, why'd you whack me?! Oh all right. I'll go up the silly steps. It doesn't mean I'll behave, though. Off to the arena we go. Humph. Oh, look at that bird. It's sooo scary. Not. I am going to half rear now because I heard rustling. Up I go. You're still going to make me cross the street? No fair! Clip-clop, clip-clop. That's my feet. They're really noisy. Here's another street to cross. *Great*. Clip-clop, clip, clop. Now we just have to walk three yards and we'll be at the arena driveway. Here we are at the arena driveway. Clip-clop, clip-clop, clip-clop, clip-clop. Here we are at the small arena. I bet you're going to turn me out and make me run. I'm right. Clang. Whoosh, whoosh. That was the gate and the whip. *Splendid*. Oh, Teegan's running. I better follow her to see if she has any treats. Here's Katie (I live at her house). "Whoosh!" yikes! Gotta run! By the way, the "whoosh" sound was Katie. This is hard work, running! Yeah! You're going to catch me! Back home we go! Clip-clop, clip-clop. Here we are at the street-crossing place. Clip-clop, clip-clop, clip-clop. Here we are at the other street-crossing place. Clip-clop, clip-clop, clip-clop, clip-clop, clip-clop, clip-clop. Here we are at the corner. Clip-clop, clip-clop, clip-clop!

Here's home. Clip-clop, clip-clop, clip-clop. I'm in my stall again! Home, sweet home! Yeah, breakfast! Yum! And there's that annoying pug (she lives with us, too!). Teegan has carrots! Double yum! I've got to go eat my carrots, now. Bye!



Teegan is 10 yrs. old and has been a member of the Orange County Pony Club since the beginning. Her pony, Skydancer, is a 3 yr. old Pinto. Sky has a sweet personality, and is very smart and curious.



Horse



Cents



Easy Ways to Save Money on Horse Care Products

Horse Carrot Crispies:

- 3/4 cup oatmeal
- 1/3 cup molasses
- 1/2 cup water
- 3/4 cup flour
- 3/4 cup bran
- 1/2 cup brown sugar
- 1 apple, 2 carrots

Directions:

1. preheat oven to 400 degrees
2. grease muffin tin
3. shred apple and carrots
4. mix apple and carrots with molasses
5. add brown sugar, water, flour and Oatmeal

Scoop dough into muffin tin and sprinkle with brown sugar. Bake for 30-45 minutes.

Fly Spray Recipe:

- 2 cups white vinegar
- 1 cup Avon's Skin So Soft Bath Oil (original scent)
- 1 cup water
- 1 tbsp. eucalyptus oil (available at health food stores)

Mix ingredients together in a spray bottle. Apply to horse before riding or turning out. Reapply as necessary.

About Pony Club



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Pony Club Comes to Yorba Linda

North Orange County's very own Pony Club is here! Become a part of the Royal Riders Pony Club. Pony Club is an international club geared toward educating our youth and guiding them toward becoming better horse riders. Pony club will encourage our young horse lovers to become even better citizens in our already strong community of horse lovers.

This year promises to be full of new experiences. Each month we will have an unmounted lesson and two (or more if you want) mounted lessons. In the last year, we have already hosted Pony Play Days for our members, represented our club in our local parades, made our own homemade horse treats, and participated in a Pony Club Rally and Camp. In 2009 we are hoping to participate in even more rallies and clinics, as well as to experience some local field trips. We welcome you to join us! To learn more go to: www.ocponyclub.org



Funny! Ha! Ha! Ha!

Horse Jokes:

Q: What did the horse say when it fell?
A: I've fallen and I can't giddyup!

Q: What did the teacher say when the horse walked into the class?
A: Why the long face?

Q: What do you call a horse that lives next door?
A: A neigh-bor!

Q: When does a horse talk?
A: Whinney wants to!



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