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APACHE RAIDERS YEAR-END AWARDS & B-B-Q SHOW

We Provide Tri-Tip Sandwiches, B-B-Q Beans, Punch; You Provide Fixin's

The California Gymkhana Association's Simi Valley District 24 Apache Raiders has enjoyed two great seasons. And, at the end of our second year as a club, we want to thank all the riders and their families who have supported us in our increasing success! So, to show our appreciation, at our November show, we are going to have a big barbecue lunch and potluck, and we are providing delicious barbecued tri-tip sandwiches, wonderful barbecued beans, and a great western punch! All you have to bring is your own plates, plasticware, and cups. We hope you will also bring side-dishes, salads, desserts, and any other fixin's that you can share. Please call Sue La Valle at (805) 581-0281 to make any arrangements or to see what is needed.

Now we know you're really wanting to know how you can help in other ways, too. So here's your chance to participate in our elections to the District 24 Board of Directors at our general meeting under the trees. We'll also have an open discussion about our next year's show agenda. We'll be looking for your new and creative ideas, so jot down a few before you come to the show. Incidentally, if you want setups at the November show, please call Ted Bowler Sr, (805) 270-0306, at least 48 hours before the show. ☺

APACHE RAIDERS DIST. 24 — FINAL SHOW FOR 1992!

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Saturday, November 14
HI-POINT AWARDS SHOW
AND BARBECUE

<u>MORNING</u>	<u>AFTERNOON</u>
Quadrangle	BBQ Lunch
Figure 8 Stake	Awards
Figure 8 Flag	General Mtg
Poles II	
Single Stake Race	
Speed Barrels	



NEW JUDGING STAND FOR ARROYO SIMI EQUESTRIAN CENTER

Its a little over 8 feet wide and 20 feet long, has a wide staircase up one side to an open second story with shallow peaked roof, and stands on a concrete slab. What is it? The new all-purpose judging stand at the Arroyo Simi Equestrian Center!

This long-awaited wood and paint structure was finally built for the city for around \$18,000 (only \$6,000 over budget!). Of course, the equestrian clubs who use the facility were not consulted, so the stairs are on the side *toward* the arena, the roof does not extend beyond the standard clearance to allow shade for the people who have to see the arena, the railing is too high to see all of the arena, and there is no electricity for the P.A.

systems or timers. Other than these few shortcomings, the stand is just great, thank you! ☺

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APACHE RAIDERS SALUTES 1992 CGA YEAR-END AWARD WINNERS

The Apache Raiders District 24 wants to congratulate all of the riders at our shows who are this year's CGA Award Winners and who will be honored at the 1992 Convention in Southern California:

Suzie Allard (Top Rating Award), Katherine Barrett, Joni Bates-Martin, Christi Blodgett, Rachel Bush, JC "Jamie" Cleveland, Bridget Crouch, Kim Crouch, Kate Crowe, Autumn Eck, Jackie Edwards, Jenny Edwards, Katherine Ferrell, Sarah Gauthier, Kristy Koch, Amanda Konzelman, Amanda La Valle (Top Rating Award), Brandie Martin, Kitty McClanahan (Top Rating Award), Jamie McColgan, Kelley Murray, Susan Quigley, Tyler Quigley, Danielle Sahagian, Kirsten Sahagian, Pam Shaw, Bryan Snodgrass, Jay Snodgrass, Darleen Travali, and Elysia Van Houten.

Our best wishes to you all! ☺

For Sale

MacPherson Basket-Weave Roper Saddle with full double rigging complete with matching breast collar in natural tan color. Excellent condition; ridden less than 25 times. \$1,100 new. Will sell for \$750. Please call:

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(805) 581-0281**

IS THAT A FACT?

Why Whiffletree?

A "whiffletree" is a term for "the pivoted swinging bar to which the traces of a harness are fastened and by which a vehicle or implement is drawn." But, why the funny name? The bar in question was originally called a "whippletree," according to Webster, but by 1828 had taken on its new spelling.

"Whiffle," on the other hand, probably came from the word "whiff," which was in use in 1568 to denote something being "of the wind," such as blowing unsteadily. By 1591 "whiff" was used as "a quick puff or slight gust." Horses, when harnessed to a lead wagon, could be said to "whiffle" (blow unsteadily, or in gusts) as they breathed hard.

As of 1539, people were using the term "whiffler" to mean "one that clears the way for a procession," and by 1607 to mean "one that frequently changes his opinion or course. A natural secondary meaning came to be "one that uses shifts and evasions in argument." Anything that moves in this fashion, might be said to "vacillate" (from the Latin *vacillatus*, to sway or waver).

The way in which the whipplebar swayed and wavered on its pivot must have caused it to pick up the different pronunciation and spelling as "whifflebar."

Ah, but you ask, where did the word "whipple" originate in the first place. Well, because of the reins, traces and harness, and the way the bar moved around, it must have reminded people of a "whip roll," which, in a loom, is a "bar which supports the warp at a point between the beam and the harness." And that's a fact. ☺

OCTOBER SHOW RIDER TIMES

Here are the times that riders logged at the October Apache Raiders show in numeric order by Event, and by Horse or Pony--a little departure from our regular reporting. Riders posting no time for a particular ride are not shown.

HORSE - Quadrangle

19.564 Tony Acosta
19.678 Christi Blodgett
21.125 Darleen Travali
21.265 Pam Shaw
21.851 Amanda La Valle
21.993 Ted Bowler
23.607 Alexis Trevino
23.883 Brandie Garvin (A)
25.598 Suzie Allard
28.927 Brandie Garvin (W)
34.010 Glenda Hill

PONY - Quadrangle

21.469 Kelly Murray
26.914 Kate Crowe
68.223 Grant Allard

HORSE - Figure 8 Stake

11.077 Toni Acosta
11.234 Christi Blodgett
11.644 Debbie Burns
11.893 Ted Bowler
11.894 Pam Shaw
12.883 Brandie Garvin (A)
12.948 Dina Leafdale
13.215 Alexis Trevino
16.364 Suzie Allard
17.177 Glenda Hill
20.869 Brandie Garvin (W)
23.251 Darleen Travali
23.462 Tabetha Parrish
42.118 Amanda La Valle

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PONY - Figure 8 Stake Race

12.382 Kelly Murray
 15.814 Kate Crowe
 38.915 Grant Allard

HORSE - Figure 8 Flag

12.426 Ted Bowler
 12.595 Debbie Burns
 19.024 Darleen Travali
 29.977 Suzie Allard
 38.276 Pam Shaw
 55.805 Amanda La Valle

PONY - Figure 8 Flag

22.340 Kate Crowe
 27.234 Kelly Murray

HORSE - Poles II

23.870 Christi Blodgett
 24.194 Debbie Burns
 24.365 Ted Bowler
 24.555 Darleen Travali
 26.354 Pam Shaw
 26.420 Sue La Valle
 29.076 Alexis Trevino
 31.876 Suzie Allard
 32.704 Amanda La Valle
 32.833 Glenda Hill
 39.627 Brandie Garvin (W)
 42.290 Brandie Garvin (A)
 52.688 Toni Acosta

PONY - Poles II

27.898 Kelly Murray
 30.683 Kate Crowe
 53.521 Kim Crouch

HORSE - Single Stake

09.576 Christi Blodgett
 09.612 Ted Bowler
 09.936 Debbie Burns
 10.006 Amanda La Valle
 10.113 Suzie Allard
 10.203 Pam Shaw
 10.397 Bridgett Crouch
 10.455 Brandie Garvin (A)
 10.535 Dina Leafdale
 10.556 Spider Crouch
 10.609 Darleen Travali
 11.016 Alexis Trevino
 11.241 Sue La Valle
 12.817 Kitty McClanahan
 12.910 Glenda Hill
 17.452 Brandie Garvin (W)
 19.107 Tabetha Parrish
 20.263 Christi Blodgett

PONY - Single Stake

10.855 Kelly Murray
 14.738 Kate Crowe
 21.295 Kim Crouch

HORSE - Speed Barrels

09.954 Christi Blodgett
 10.300 Amanda La Valle
 10.455 Brandie Garvin (A)
 10.609 Darleen Travali
 10.734 Bridgett Crouch
 11.146 Dina Leafdale
 11.154 Debbie Burns
 11.215 Alexis Trevino
 12.447 Sue La Valle
 12.653 Suzie Allard
 12.778 Kitty McClanahan
 12.926 Spider Crouch
 13.617 Brandie Garvin (W)
 16.368 Pam Shaw
 17.292 Glenda Hill
 20.263 Christi Blodgett
 30.546 Tabetha Parrish

PONY - Speed Barrels

11.353 Kelly Murray
 13.925 Kate Crowe
 27.633 Kim Crouch

HORSE - Birangle

14.038 Christi Blodgett
 14.839 Pam Shaw
 15.141 Amanda La Valle
 15.241 Debbie Burns
 15.244 Bridgett Crouch
 16.123 Alexis Trevino
 16.295 Spider Crouch
 17.089 Dina Leafdale
 17.598 Brandie Garvin (A)
 18.222 Suzie Allard
 18.959 Glenda Hill
 19.889 Brandie Garvin (W)
 29.741 Tabetha Parrish
 31.553 Christi Blodgett

PONY - Birangle

15.424 Kelly Murray
 19.164 Kate Crowe
 29.865 Kim Crouch

HORSE - Speed Ball

07.979 Amanda La Valle
 08.126 Debbie Burns
 08.183 Bridgett Crouch
 11.364 Glenda Hill
 12.278 Suzie Allard
 12.464 Alexis Trevino
 16.109 Brandie Garvin (W)

PONY - Speed Ball

10.863 Kate Crowe
 35.670 Kim Crouch

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TIMES (from Pg. 3)

HORSE - Poles I

- 11.199 Debbie Burns
- 11.502 Sue La Valle
- 12.276 Christi Blodgett
- 12.804 Amanda La Valle
- 13.770 Pam Shaw
- 15.774 Spider Crouch
- 16.468 Glenda Hill
- 17.774 Suzie Allard
- 19.139 Alexis Trevino
- 19.226 Brandie Garvin (W)
- 20.381 Bridgett Crouch
- 23.843 Tabetha Parrish

PONY - Poles I

- 14.269 Kelly Murray
- 14.744 Kate Crowe
- 32.559 Kim Crouch

HORSE - Barrels

- 18.695 Christi Blodgett
- 19.103 Amanda La Valle
- 19.288 Pam Shaw
- 20.502 Kitty McClanahan
- 20.620 Suzie Allard
- 20.686 Dina Leafdale
- 20.803 Spider Crouch
- 20.812 Kim Mikos
- 21.043 Bridgett Crouch
- 21.243 Sue La Valle
- 30.400 Glenda Hill
- 35.424 Brandie Garvin (W)
- 43.320 Tabetha Parrish

PONY - Barrels

- 20.638 Kelly Murray
- 26.646 Kate Crowe
- 35.269 Kim Crouch

HORSE - Keyhole

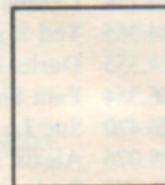
- 10.223 Suzie Allard
- 13.475 Amanda La Valle
- 25.876 Glenda Hill
- 27.115 Brandie Garvin (W)

PONY - Keyhole

- 09.516 Kelly Murray
- 13.641 Kate Crowe
- 15.139 Kim Crouch

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