

# Bridle Path News

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## **ONLY 25 mph Our Streets**

### **Neighbors complain about high level of disregard for speed limits and stop signs**

The Board encourages homeowners to call the Simi Valley police if they observe violations of the speed limit and/or disregard for traffic control signage. SVPD non-emergency # is **583-6950**.

## **Adjust Sprinkler Timers for Summer**

### **Lawns and landscaping need more water in the hot and dry summer months.**

Please adjust your sprinkler timers so that your trees, bushes, lawn, and forage have enough water to survive the arid months ahead.

## **Front Yard Landscaping Changes**

Changes and renovations to front yard landscaping require BPHOA Architectural Committee approval. Before commencing work, you must submit plans to the Architecture Committee and obtain the committee's approval. You may obtain a copy of the Plan Submission Process directions and form from the BPHOA website.

<http://www.bp-hoa.org/information/information.htm>

## **Vehicles and Trailer Parking at 1<sup>st</sup> Street Arena Complex**

While the sign on the gate at the 1st Street Arena Complex states this clearly, homeowners and visitors may not park their vehicles and trailers within the gates of the 1<sup>st</sup> Street Arena Complex without prior approval from the BPHOA Board.

## **New Trail between Challenger Park and Long Canyon**

Rancho Simi Park District cut a new trail connecting Challenger Park and Long Canyon East. This is in the location where the old ranch equipment used to be. The property is now under the he-

gemony of the Rancho Simi Park District. To find the new trail, go south of the Scout Campground that has the tables. Continue south from there and follow the Royal High School cross-country track. When you find the new trail, continue a few hundred yards west to Montgomery Canyon. Go left, then continue through the canyon, and up the hill. From the top of the hill, look west. You can see where Long Canyon Trail heads west. You can also reach Albertson Motorway from Long Canyon Trail. The Park District's web site has a map of this area, <http://www.rsrpd.org>.

## **Board Meeting Agenda for Monday, June 16, 2008**

### **Next Board Meetings is at Coco's Bakery Restaurant on LA Ave at 7:00 pm.**





1. Call to order / Open General Session Mtg / & Introductions
2. Review/approve minutes of 4/21/08 & 5/19/08
3. Homeowners open floor (allot 15 minutes total)
4. Treasurer's report, check review and signing
  - i. Status/actions for past due accounts
  - ii. Reserve study update/homeowner input
5. Landscape/Bridle Path report
  - i. Discuss estimates on Bridle Path work
  - ii. Status: 1st Street block wall repair
6. CC&R report/issues
7. Architectural report/issues
8. Mountain Park/Arena/Trails report
  - i. Discuss alternative monthly quotes for arena dragging
  - ii. Status: trail clearing; Park district gate repairs
  - iii. Improvements at First St. Arena Area.
9. Events report
10. Newsletter/Website: Items to include
11. Possible items requiring immediate attention unforeseen at time of this printing
12. Adjournment of General Session Mtg

## Events News

**Poker Ride Another GREAT Success!** -- Thanks to the efforts of Penny Wilson, the Annual BP Poker Ride was a GREAT success again this year. About 32 residents participated in the ride this year, which ran the course from 1st St. through the neighborhoods. Congratulations goes to Gita Glad (with a full house), Kathy McCurty (with a straight), and Vicki Russo (with 2 pair) who were the big winners this year. The Events Committee gives thanks our card distributors: Nancy Reeves, Staci and Kayla O'Connell, Eric and Janice Allen, and Jim Pantaleo (better known as "the nice guy with the cooler full of cold drinks"! Thanks also go to Penny's trusty assistant Cindy Simms, to loyal helper Jerry Koenig, and to our honorable BBQ-ers Frank de la Torre and Norm Trevena.

**The Bridle Path Cattle Clinic** on May 2<sup>nd</sup> was an absolute BLAST. The BP residents in attendance had a great time and learned a lot about good horsemanship and cowmanship. The BBQ was yummy, and the horses and riders made FANTASTIC progress throughout the day. Thanks to Trainer Bill Manning for his gracious hospitality and to Frank de la Torre for his usual expertise on the grill (and camera). Hope to see y'all next time!


**Bees! Wayne Harris (the "Bee Guy")** is once again hosting a kid-friendly seminar on bees. This will take place on **Saturday, June 14<sup>th</sup>** at the **1<sup>st</sup> St. Arena Complex** between 10:30 am and 12:30 pm. This year's topics include


-  How to build a bee-friendly garden
-  How bees communicate
-  What a hive looks like inside
-  How bees know where to go, and how they find their way back home


There will be honey for sale. If anyone is allergic to bees, be sure to bring your bee-sting medication.

**Chumash Summer Solstice Celebration with Mati Waya** – Join your Events Committee for an evening with Mati on **Friday, June 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm** at the **1<sup>st</sup> St. Arena Complex**. Mati will show us how to welcome summer with traditional Chumash songs and celebration. Admission is **\$10** for adults and **\$4** for children.

### Other Events Committee Endeavors:

-  We are in the process of gathering estimates for the neighborhood entrance signs.

 We are also working on a plan to renovate the "gathering area" at our 1st St. Arena complex. We are hoping to extend the cement pad and paint the Con-X box prior to this year's Annual BBQ in September. However, in order to complete this endeavor WE WILL NEED HELP! Please contact Jennifer at 805-217-0850 if you would be able to help with framing, pouring concrete, or building a patio cover. Are there any contractors out there willing to pitch in? If you are having concrete work done in the near future please let us know. We would GLADLY take your leftovers from the truck!

 Events Committee members Colette Lovo and Katie Doody have painted 12 NEW jump poles for the jump arena. Thanks so much Colette and Katie! We kindly ask those who ride in the jump arena to use the new poles on the jumps and not as ground poles. (This will help extend the life of the new poles.) **NOTE:** If you do happen to break a pole, please notify Nancy Reeves at 522-6466 so that we may replace it. THANKS!

### Useful BPHOA Phone Numbers

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| <b>Jim Pantaleo - President;</b> Landscaping & Bridle Paths                                       | <b>522-0613</b> |
| <b>Eric Allen - Vice President;</b> Newsletter, Website, assists with Arena & Trails and Mtn Park | <b>582-2152</b> |
| <b>David Morley - Treasurer;</b> Architectural Committee Chair                                    | <b>522-7465</b> |
| <b>Juli Weltsch - Secretary;</b> Mtn Park Chair, Arena & Trails Chair                             | <b>823-3099</b> |
| <b>Russ Pungrchar - CC&amp;R Committee Chair</b>  | <b>583-2954</b> |
| <b>ABM Property Management,</b> Bookkeeping   | <b>522-0292</b> |
| <b>Simi Valley Code Enforcement</b>   | <b>583-6753</b> |
| <b>Simi Valley Police (non Emergency)</b>   | <b>583-6950</b> |
| <b>Simi Valley Graffiti Hotline</b>   | <b>583-6444</b> |
| <b>Ventura County Animal Control</b>  | <b>388-4341</b> |

*"To err is human, but to blame the horse is even more human."*