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TAR FARMS DIGEST

It's time for another reminder on...

WATER USE!

Boarders,
We need to be aware of our water usage and conservation. During hot times, please think about ways you can save water. Can you sponge down the saddle area without doing a full body rinse? Can you decrease the time you spend rinsing your



horse? Can you turn the water off while shampooing them? There are plenty of ways that we can all do our part to conserve water. It doesn't stop with the wash racks though. If you see a water leak around the barn please say something to management so it can be repaired as quickly as possible. That could be anything from a hose to a sprinkler to a main line or the biggest culprit, a horses waterer. Make sure you turn off hoses all the way so there is not a dribble flowing out. And lastly, please only water arenas if they are to be in use and watering is needed to control dust! Thank you!

Be water wise. Be water aware.



Say it Ain't
Whoa!



Happy Valentine's Day





NEWS FROM TAR FARMS MANAGEMENT

Boarders:

This is a reminder to please make sure that your personal items are secured at all times, whether it be your vehicle, locker, shed or tack trunk. Please keep your vehicles locked at all times and ensure that your valuable items are secured. If you are out riding, please lock up your personal items within your locker, trunk, shed, or so forth. If you choose to keep your items in your car, make sure they are out of sight.

Also, this is another reminder that you must pick up after your horse if they are out of their stall. This is required for all cross ties, turn outs, arenas and walking paths on the property. There are pitch forks and manure buckets located throughout the property.

Thank you!



JUST STARTED CLICKING
AT A TOTAL STRANGER TO
MAKE THEM WALK FASTER

IT'S AN EQUESTRIAN
THING



A special shout out to Fortune, a Swedish Warmblood flown over when 8 yrs old. A Jumper in Europe then became a Hunter/Jumper at Ivy Gate Farm. He will be 27 in April and teaches our Riding School. A very good boy!

A Message from Management:

This is a reminder to please not feed the wildlife around the barn. Do not feed the coyotes, squirrels, bunnies (although sometimes thats impossible since they eat hay), any type of bird, or any other wild life I may have missed. The wildlife wrecks havoc on the property as well as personal items and neither of which we want to happen. We do not want the wildlife being encouraged to make Tar Farms home. There are no exceptions to this rule.



Black Diamond Performance Horses

Trainer: Becky Holman

"Round-up"

BlackDiamondPerformanceHorses returned to the show pen in January for their first show of the year at California Ranch Company in Temecula. The weather was cooperative, and we had beautiful days to show our cow horses. The Black Diamond team consisting of Fran Sands, Vicki Shook, Ruth Noring, Sue Carter, Pam and Jim Fallon, Jan Pickett, and Becky Holman had some consistent and great patterns with their horses. A few of us took home checks in our classes and prizes in the Spectacular event. We look forward to our next show outing in March at the same venue!



Becky Holman aboard Jan Pickett's Merada In Style



Becky Holman aboard Cattyholic owned by Vicki Shook



Pam Fallon on her horse Rowdy Lil One Time

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Ashlee Averill Performance Horses

Trainer: Ashlee Averill



Ashlee Averill Performance Horses has had a great time competing in the Show Me The Money Horse Show Series. We have had a great group turn out and have been loving all the experience from it. We have been competing in Western Pleasure, Country Pleasure and Horsemanship. It's nice to get dressed up and go put all of our hard work to use! As you can see in the pictures, they all look great in their show attire. We have Blake and Rocki looking adorable, along with Sam, Suzanne and Cinthia all duded up for the next series. And of course we have Eloise and Paige on Layla and Abby smiling from ear to ear!



A birthday surprise done right! This is Marlene on my horse Stanley she came down and we surprised her with a ride for her 90th birthday . It had been many years but she got on with grace, grabbed the reins and said "come on let's go!" It doesn't get any better than this!





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Horse Facts



Horses, zebras and donkeys belong to the same genus, and hence can breed with one another.



A horse's head weighs **11.84** pounds on an average

Fee, a horse who lives in Ontario, Canada, is reported to be the tallest horse, measuring 20.2h at the withers! He stands almost 10 feet tall when he's holding his head high.

A horse's heart weighs **10** pounds on an average

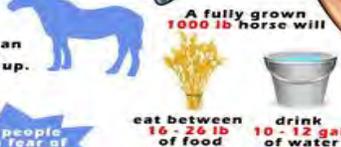
A **year** is added to a horse's birthday on January 1st (Northern Hemisphere) and on August 1st (southern hemisphere) irrespective of their actual birth date. Their actual birth date is considered only when they are going to be used for endurance riding.



- A horse has 4 gaits:
- Walk**
4 - 5 miles per hour
 - Trot**
8 - 12 miles per hour
 - Lope**
12 - 16 miles per hour
 - Gallop**
26 - 32 miles per hour

- Foal**
Male or female horse less than 1 year old.
- Yearling**
Male or female horse between 1 and 2 years old.
- Colt**
Male horse between 2 and 4 years old.
- Filly**
Female horse between 2 and 4 years old.
- Stallion**
A non-castrated male horse older than 4 years.
- Mare**
A female horse older than 4 years.
- Gelding**
A castrated male horse older than 4 years.

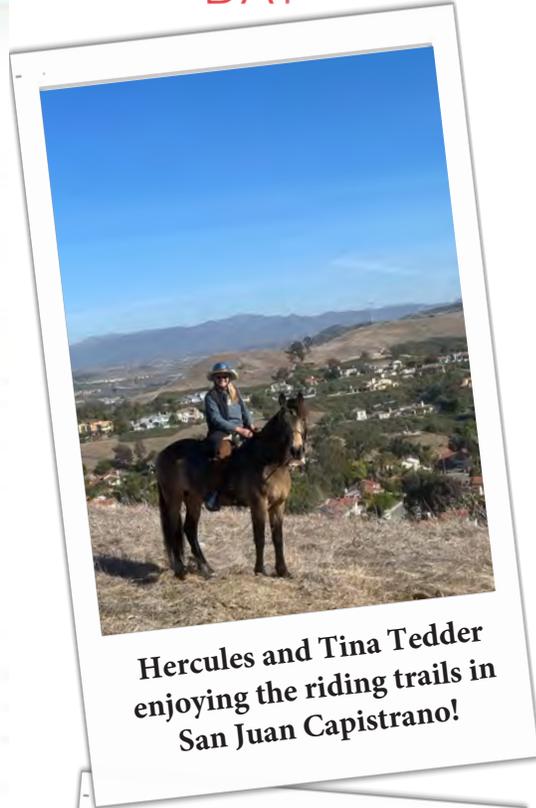
Horses can sleep standing up.



Some people have a fear of horses. It is called **Equinophobia**.

- Little Pumpkin** is the smallest pony in history - it stood high at **14** inches and weighed 20 lbs.
- Falabella** of Argentina, is the smallest breed of horses. They do not grow more than **30** inches in height.
- Old Billy** was the oldest recorded horse who lived to the ripe old age of **62**

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REMINDER

This is just a friendly reminder to make sure you are continuing to pick up after your horse! We appreciate everyone who has done their part to keep things clean!





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Gatepost Notes

Ivy Gate Farm made the most of the wet January weather. Mary hosted a horsemanship clinic for all the kids and clients on one of the weekends we couldn't ride. She taught them grooming, hoof care, first aid, wrapping, colic signs and temperature taking. It was very informative and everyone had fun!

We are preparing to leave for Thermal in February for 2 weeks. We have a great group going and we are excited to start our show season. We have a bigger group at home anxiously awaiting the shows up at Rancho Mission Viejo Riding Park to start in the Spring. It's looking like it will be a fun show year.



We would also like to congratulate the Raphael Family on their new horse Johnny. Johnny is a wonderful western addition to their family and ours.





Tar Farms Dressage

Tar Farms Dressage had an overall quiet month with horses enjoying some of their days off post rainy days where they do what they do best, looking adorable! Audrey certainly loves her mid morning naps!

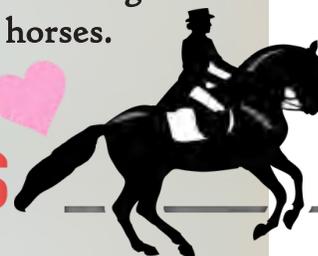


We have Avery and Jeanie staying hydrating during one of our hottest days this month.

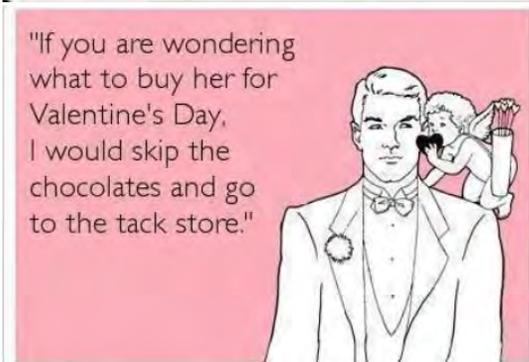


Tar Farms Dressage wants to thank Ashley and Erin for their continued effort in providing us with the best footing and arena. We truly appreciate all the hard work they put in, in addition to training and caring for our horses.

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Just For Fun



"Um, there's a 9 year old girl loose in the ring,
so you should probably shut the gate."

Equestrians Have Valentines...

"Hello, Favorite Human!
What glorious Valentine
offering have you brought me?
We all know you love ME most!"



Me: I am an intelligent,
strong, college educated
woman.

Also me:
Th-or-ough-bred





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