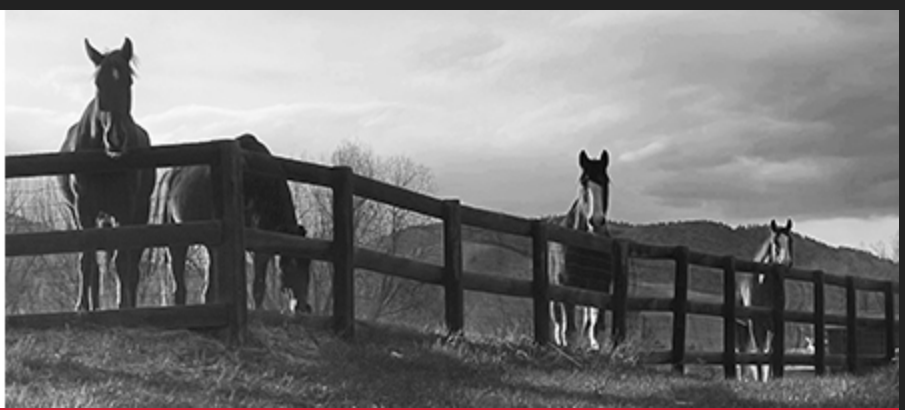




**KEN-CARYL RANCH**  
EQUESTRIAN CENTER



**July 5, 2024**

## **Straight From the Horse's Mouth**

*Ken-Caryl Ranch's Equestrian Center Newsletter*

*Straight From the Horse's Mouth will be emailed to subscribers on a monthly basis on the first Thursday of the month. (The following business day if Thursday is a holiday.)*

# **Hay Neigh-bors: News & Updates**



## **Equestrian Center Updates**

We're halfway through 2024 and at a full gallop! As we experienced earlier cold and heavy snows this year, it would make sense that we also had record-breaking and earlier heat, courtesy of the "heat dome," that parked over the high western states. It changed the daily tasks to prioritize water, then food, then mucking, over any other projects or activities.

Along with heat comes dust as we negotiate with the Ken-Caryl Water District to propose a solution for running our sprinklers. The original solution we've had for years was rescinded by the Water and Sanitation District and so far, their engineering suggestion doesn't fit the budget. However, we are resourceful and have developed a solution similar to the indoor irrigation. As that gets implemented, we will be able to groom the three outside arenas again if we experience long time gaps before water falls from the skies again. We have been incredibly lucky with high precipitation, almost weekly, and

we jump on grooming after every measurable storm. For the jumping arena, the black dots you see between grooming are not the base layers, as some have rumored, but the rubber pellets we amended into the sand in 2022. Let's keep looking up and wish for moderate rain at regular intervals to soak the sands, keep things green and lower our fire risks.

Stay safe, hydrated and heels down!

Questions? Contact Equestrian Center Manager Carl Brackpool at [carlb@kcranch.org](mailto:carlb@kcranch.org).

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## Horse Health & Quarantine Update



Each year, we experience a quarantine or presumed case of an illness at the Equestrian Center that forces a lockdown to the public and restrictions on our horses coming and going. As the boarders know, we recently had a horse with high fevers and persistent cough develop. The eventual lab results were inconclusive, but we still placed a quarantine on the entire property, which slowed (but not completely) the outside visitors from our community who enjoy time with horses. We were polite and all of the stroller-pushing moms and dads were headed off with signs on pipe pens instructing them not to touch any horse to prevent the possibility of transmission. I'm happy to say the quarantine is over and the horse and her trailer-buddy are back in their assigned location!

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*Photo for illustrative purposes only.*

## Pipe Pen Refurbishment Update

The pipe pen refurbishment encountered a pause as we use the open pens for the temporary holding of horses during the moving of equipment. The good news is that we've restarted that project, along with adding new boards and replacing corroded-out feed troughs. We didn't sit back in the saddle as our ranch hands, led by Axel and newbie, Juan, took on significant landscaping projects. We cut dead and dying limbs, mowed interfaces around the pastures and string-trimmed some of the more prominent grassy areas inside the perimeters. Stay tuned for additional updates!

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# Classes, Camps & CHorses

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## Horsin' Around: 2024 Summer Camps are in Full Gallop!

Summer Camps are in full swing with riders enjoying time in the saddle! Many thanks to our residents, riders, campers, instructors and staff for helping to make this camp season such a success for our youngest horse enthusiasts!



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## Mane Events

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### Summer Barn Clean-Up and Barbecue!

We are rounding up volunteers for a Summer Clean-Up Day and Barbecue at the end of this month. This event will be open to the entire Ken-Caryl community! Stay tuned for more details to come! Look forward to having you out there with us sprucing things up!



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# Equestrian Center Committee

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## Equestrian Center Committee Update

The Equestrian Center Committee met for its monthly meeting on June 20 at the Ranch House. The next committee meeting is scheduled on July 17 at 7:30 a.m. at the Ranch House. Equestrian Center Committee meetings are open to the public. To access committee agendas and meeting minutes, please click on the button below.

[Equestrian Center Committee Info](#)

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## Pony Tales

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### Happy Trails for Local Couple!

Howdy, partners in life and love! Happy Anniversary to Vicky and Dan Bossie, who tied the knot two years ago at the Equestrian Center! The couple celebrated their second anniversary in the same place they got married - on the lawn in front of the upper ranch hand house! The EQC community wishes Dan and Vicky many more happy trails!



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## Git Along to Greener Pastures

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# Farwell to Former Boarders and Friends

We wanted to spotlight two boarders, their families and their horses who recently moved on in search of greener pastures and new adventures! They will be greatly missed! We hope your horses are enjoying some amazing new locations and trails!

Codi Schneider and Sarge (bottom left photo) moved to Bend, Oregon and we're thrilled at the completion of a safe journey, ending with an amazing new view their family!

We also wanted to wish all the best forever and ever to Ashlee and Jake Cummins and their girls (bottom right photo) who are starting anew at their property in Pagosa Springs. We said goodbye to Coco, and they adopted both Pepsi (the little horse with a big heart and even bigger appetite for Alfalfa), and incredibly long-time member of the horse population, Artemis!

Goodbyes are sad, but wishing new journeys and adventures for all that we will miss!



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## Financials

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## Equestrian Center Financial Update

Please see below to view the latest Equestrian Center financial information. If you have questions, please feel

## 2024 YTD

- Revenues from Operations: \$309,471
- Revenues from School: \$58,476
- Combined Revenues: \$367,947
- Operating Expenses: \$321,124
- School Expenses: \$53,754
- Total Expenses: \$374,879
- E/L: (\$6,932.48)
- Footnote(s):
  - 1/GL 5712 Insurance Annual Premium \$16K, budgeted \$25K



**Riding School**

[2024 Summer Camps](#)

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## Forms & Waivers

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## Upcoming Meetings and Events

Equestrian Center Committee Meeting - July 18 @ 7:30 a.m. / Ranch House  
Summer Clean-Up Day & BBQ - TBD

\*Information regarding virtual meetings will be communicated as information becomes available.  
Please see the Online Calendar for the most current information.

[Full Calendar](#)

## Helpful Links

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