

Communication from Public

Name: Jamie Sanders

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Comments for Public Posting: Thank you for passing this critical ordinance to ban the use of cruel and archaic weapons of rodeos and bull riding. I am pleased that the intelligence and evolution of the committee is apparent. These instruments of cruelty used to force artificial behavior out of docile and gentle animals needs to stop. Animals have no voice and we must make decisions that protect animals not harm animals. Can you imagine how much it hurts to be jolted with electricity, or poked with sharp metal (spurs). Thank you again for your wise and highly appreciated decision. Please enforce it.
Jamie Sanders Orange County Animal Liberation.

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Comments for Public Posting: The following comment is regarding City Council motion 20-1575, which I fully support (in addition to the unanimous vote by Los Angeles City Council). When large, powerful animals are induced by humans to be scared to death, they respond in unnatural manners which places them at grave risk for injuries, with fatalities not being uncommon. Horses are known to “buck blind” and run straight into walls, causing fatal head or neck trauma. 2,000 pound bulls come crashing down on their hind legs, causing dislocations, fractures, even broken backs. There are also numerous incidents of escaped bulls, desperate and terrified. They have run through crowds, injuring others. Over approximately a 30-year period there have been at least 20 such cases in the US. Ten of these bulls were killed, with 8 being shot to death by police. The violence and the cruelty do not end there. There are also roping events with steers and baby calves. Broken necks are very common, especially with the babies. Then we have steer wrestling, again resulting in injured horses and steers being trampled or experiencing massive neck trauma. Google and other internet searches yield countless examples of photos and videos of rodeo cruelty. In addition to “sanctioned” events, there is unfortunately a litany of other cruelties that are imposed upon innocent animals; included but not limited to: • Wild horse races and stampedes • Wild cow milking • Mutton busting • Animal scrambles • Wild donkey roping From the Humane Society Veterinary Medical Association: Rodeo-Related Injuries Evident at Slaughter Dr. Peggy Larson, former rodeo vet, bareback bronc rider turned lawyer and animal advocate, states: “As a pathologist and former meat inspector, I believe my colleagues when they report horrendous injuries to rodeo cattle.” Dr. C. G. Haber--a veterinarian with thirty years of experience as a USDA meat inspector--says, "The rodeo folks send their animals to the packing houses where...I have seen cattle so extensively bruised that the only areas in which the skin was attached was the head, neck, legs, and belly. I have seen animals with six to eight ribs broken from the spine and at times puncturing the lungs. I have seen as much as two and three gallons of free blood accumulated under the detached skin."1 A career USDA meat inspection veterinarian, Dr. Robert Fetzner, Director of Slaughter Operations for the USDA Food Safety and Inspection Service, stated in our

phone conversation on September 9, 1998, "Lots of rodeo animals went to slaughter. I found broken ribs, punctured lungs, hematomas, broken legs, severed tracheas and the ligamenta nuchae were torn loose." Torn nuchal ligaments are essentially broken necks and this is the sad fate of many roping calves. * * *

* * * * As a health care professional with decades in the ER, shock-trauma, and the Operating Room, I have seen most of these injuries in humans. To consider that we are inflicting this trauma deliberately onto others is unconscionable. Any member of the public can ask for the "Rodeo Reporting Forms" from the Veterinary Medical Board/ Department of Consumer Affairs, as part of CA Penal Code 596.7. These are reports of injured and killed rodeo animals. There are major loopholes (i.e. charreadas are exempt). However, notwithstanding, one can read these reports and still appreciate what these animals must endure. After seeing these reports, you will ask yourself, how can this be legal? The answer is, it does not have to be. There is a growing list of towns, cities, and municipalities in the United States and abroad that are restricting and even fully banning rodeos, due to their violence and animal abuse. Irvine and Pasadena are two cities that have already enacted full bans. Lastly, rodeo is NOT ranching. The rodeo arose from fictional contests that were performed by bored and poor ranch hands to make some extra money. This is well-described, even in the "pro-rodeo" literature. City Council Motion 20-1575 is simply taking a stand against completely unnecessary and outdated animal cruelty. Children (and adults) can learn about vaqueros, settling the west, ranching, saloon towns, and all things related to the old west at the Gene Autry Museum of Western Heritage in Griffith Park. Respectfully submitted. Heather Wilson



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**Veterinarian's Report for the Poway Rodeo (Sept. 27 & 28, 2019)
in compliance with California Penal Code 596.7 (2)**

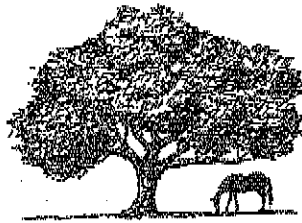
As the attending veterinarian for the above event, the following is a brief case description of the animal injuries that I observed/treated:

1. There were no injuries during the rodeo performance.
2. A bucking horse ("Trust Me", bay warmblood mare) exhibited signs of colic (down, light thrashing) on 9/27/19 at 9am. The stock provider's staff administered Banamine 10cc IV and xylazine 3cc IV. At 10:30am, I observed the patient to be in lateral recumbency but not thrashing. The patient was moved to an examination chute (she did so easily and without hesitation or signs of discomfort). She was Bright/Alert/Responsive, heart rate was 42 beats per minute, dorsal and ventral left side GI sounds were present but decreased. Due to her fractious nature, further examination was not possible. I administered dipyrone 20cc IV. The patient was returned to her regular holding pen and observed throughout the day. She did not exhibit any further signs of colic or discomfort for the remainder of the rodeo.

If you or anyone else has any questions about the injuries, please feel free to contact me at 858-547-9111 or panioloequine@gmail.com.

Sincerely,


Joe Rosenberg, DVM



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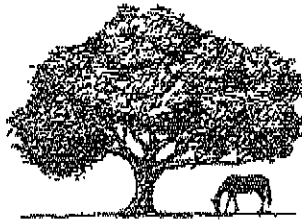
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RODEO REPORTING FORM

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DATE OF REPORT 04/30/2019
ATTENDING VETERINARIAN (AT EVENT) Troy S. Ford DVM, DACVS
TREATING VETERINARIAN Troy S. Ford, DVM, DACVS
TITLE OF EVENT Clovis Rodeo
LOCATION OF EVENT Clovis, CA
DATE OF EVENT 04/24/2019 - 04/28/2019
TYPE OF ANIMAL Tie Down Roping Calves
DESCRIPTION OF INJURY Calves 564, 646, and 596 were removed from competition due to sore necks characterized by mild-moderate swelling in the brisket region. In each case the calves did not require treatment other than a minimum of 30 days rest from competition.
Calves 615 and 576 were removed from competition due to a bilateral serous nasal discharge; in each case the calves were administered NSAID'S antimicrobials. Treatments to be continued by the contractor upon returning home. Each calf was BAR and eating well.



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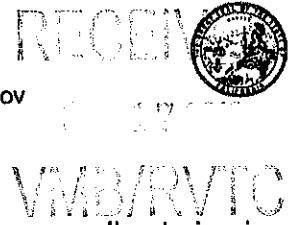
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DATE OF REPORT	4-23-2019
ATTENDING VETERINARIAN (AT EVENT)	Wayne C. Merhoff DVM
TREATING VETERINARIAN	Wayne C. Merhoff DVM
TITLE OF EVENT	Red Bluff Roundup
LOCATION OF EVENT	Fairgrounds Tehama County
DATE OF EVENT	4-19 Thru 4-21-2019
TYPE OF ANIMAL	Bovine / Equine
DESCRIPTION OF INJURY	Bovine: Fracture left fore metacarpus as the result of an abnormal fall during steer wrestling. Analgesic injected owner to splint Equine: Animal in the wild horse race died as the result of a broken neck/possible skull fracture. This animal got loose from team, and in running with other horses, trapped on the lead shank and in landing struck its poll and died immediately.



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DATE OF REPORT	Oct. 14, 2018
ATTENDING VETERINARIAN (AT EVENT)	Margo R. Machen, DVM
TREATING VETERINARIAN	Margo R. Machen, DVM
TITLE OF EVENT	San Dimas Rodeo
LOCATION OF EVENT	Oct. 14, 2018 San Dimas, CA
DATE OF EVENT	Oct. 14, 2018
TYPE OF ANIMAL	Steer (Bull Dogging) #22
DESCRIPTION OF INJURY	Steer hit his left hip on the rail going through the chute. On examination, there were no obvious fractures or swelling. Steer was lame but bearing full weight on the limb. Excluded him from competing today. Owner will treat.



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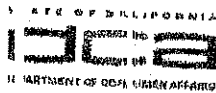
DATE OF REPORT 10/1/2018	RECEIVED OCT 03 2018 VMB/RVTC
ATTENDING VETERINARIAN (AT EVENT) Dr. Jacob Johnson	
TREATING VETERINARIAN Dr. Elizabeth Schillings	
TITLE OF EVENT San Bernardino County Sheriff's PRCA Rodeo	
LOCATION OF EVENT Devore, CA	
DATE OF EVENT 9/28-9/30, 2018	
TYPE OF ANIMAL Bucking Horse	
DESCRIPTION OF INJURY This about 5 year old gray bucking Mare injured her presumptive lower back during the first night of the event. She was a non draw horse used during the speciality act-Charro bucking horse, owned by the stock contractor. After bucking out she returned to the catch pens sore. The treating veterinarian, whom is the stock contractors veterinarian treated the horse with NSAIDS and rest, the following morning the horse was still sore through hindlimbs and back, she exhibited neurologic signs in the hindlimbs characteristic of a lower back injury. The treating veterinarian continued treatment and observation. Further description, treatment and/or prognosis would need to be obtained from treating vet., Dr. Schillings.	

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DATE OF REPORT	July 24, 2018
ATTENDING VETERINARIAN (AT EVENT)	Tim Eastman DVM, DACVS
TREATING VETERINARIAN	same
TITLE OF EVENT	California Rodeo
LOCATION OF EVENT	Salinas CA
DATE OF EVENT	July 19-22, 2018
TYPE OF ANIMAL	Tie-down roping calf; Steerwrestling steer
DESCRIPTION OF INJURY	1. On Friday July 20th during the slack a tie-down roping calf (ear tag# 85) sustained a tibia fracture of his right hindlimb. A splint cast combination was placed and the calf is doing well.
	2. On Friday July 20th during the slack for the steer wrestling (ear tag #84) a steer dislocated his neck and was euthanized due to a poor prognosis.
	3. On Sunday July 22 a contestant's horse in the team roping sustained what appeared to be a soft tissue injury of his right forelimb. The horse received 2 grams of phenylbutazone and was sent home for monitoring.

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DATE OF REPORT 7/5/2018
ATTENDING VETERINARIAN (AT EVENT) Dr. Lisa Gamsjaeger
TREATING VETERINARIAN Dr. Lisa Gamsjaeger UC Davis Large Animal Clinic (530-752-0290)
TITLE OF EVENT Folsom Pro Rodeo
LOCATION OF EVENT Folsom, CA
DATE OF EVENT 6/30/2018
TYPE OF ANIMAL brown quarter horse gelding (bucking horse with a 200 number)
DESCRIPTION OF INJURY brown quarter horse gelding fell on its left side, (bucking horse) could not move its hind legs, the cowboys tied all 4 feet together while I was running down there to get my drugs. The trailer was already in front of the horse when I went into the arena and the horse on a sled, so I gave 12mg Detomidine and 5mg Butorphanol IV. They then pulled the horse on the trailer and once it was outside of the arena I went in again to assess mucous membranes (pink) and HR (64, regular). Could not assess hind end as it was pushed into the corner of the trailer but no movement (however legs were still tied together). Sedated more with 10mg Detomidine IV and 5mg Butorphanol IV, and then 5mg Butorphanol IM. They then said they are going to take the horse to Marysville and call the vet on the way. I told them vet needs to be there for unloading and immediate assessment. Suspect hip fracture or spinal cord injury.

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FAX NUMBER	19169286852
FROM	Charlie or Nicole
DATE	2018-06-26 17:13:26 GMT
RE	Rodeo Reporting Form SBSH&R

COVER MESSAGE

Terry- Following is the report form for the injury occurring at the San Benito County Horse Show & Rodeo on Sunday June 24th. Any questions may be directed to our office. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Lisa Tobias
Charles W. Tobias, D.V.M.
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DATE OF REPORT	June 25 2018
ATTENDING VETERINARIAN AT EVENT	Charles W Tobias DVM <i>office 831-635-9632</i>
TREATING VETERINARIAN	Charles W Tobias DVM
TITLE OF EVENT	San Benito County Saddle Horse Show and Rodeo
LOCATION OF EVENT	San Benito County Bolado Park Event Center <i>9000 Airline Hwy Tres Pinos, CA 95075</i>
DATE OF EVENT	June 22-24 2018
TYPE OF ANIMAL	Saddle Bronc
DESCRIPTION OF INJURY	On June 24 2018 a mare used in the saddle bronc competition suffered a complete breakdown of the right hind fetlock joint. The tendons and suspensory ligaments were completely ruptured and complete dislocation of the fetlock joint occurred. The mare was humanely euthanized.

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DATE OF REPORT	May 20, 2018
ATTENDING VETERINARIAN (AT EVENT)	Dr. Tina Faulkner
TREATING VETERINARIAN	Dr. Tina Faulkner
TITLE OF EVENT	Rowell Ranch Pro Rodeo
LOCATION OF EVENT	Castro Valley, CA
DATE OF EVENT	May 19, 2018
TYPE OF ANIMAL	Saddle Bronc Horse 154 Savina
DESCRIPTION OF INJURY	The mare sustained an injury to the left front shoulder and back after the rider was already thrown off. Mare went down in the arena and was unable to stand. Arena personnel assisted in stabilizing mare so she did not sustain additional injuries. I gave sedation for immobilization after she was in the trailer prior to transportation from arena in a livestock care unit going off site. It was determined that a probable fracture to the humerus/shoulder/back injury was substantial and chances for recovery were low. Euthinized the horse after a consultation with the owner (Flying U Rodeo Co.).

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: To the Los Angeles City Council: I am writing in support of your unanimous passage of Motion 20-1575 which bans the use of flank straps, electric prods and spurs in the City of Los Angeles. Thank you so much for banning these instruments of torture used during rodeos. Modern rodeos have no purpose other than human entertainment and profit. Any possible educational benefit can be gained without the animal abuse. For example, the Gene Autry Museum of Western Heritage in Griffith Park offers educational exhibits regarding vaqueros, ranching, early settlers, and other aspects of western heritage. To learn about the animals abused in rodeos, people can visit farm sanctuaries around Los Angeles where the animals are well cared for and respected. In our current culture of violence, it is much more important for children to learn to treat others with compassion and respect instead of as objects to be used, commodified, and abused. Thank you again for ending this horrific abuse and for your service to the City of Los Angeles.
Kiersten Cluster