

# ELDORADO POLO CLUB

NEWSLETTER

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## A LOOK AT OUR SOCIAL SCHEDULE FOR 2009

Welcome to Eldorado Polo Club's 2009 Polo Season! There is excitement in the air as the season kicks off with an Opening Night Party at the Clubhouse on Saturday, January 10th. The evening's dinner will be catered by Le St. Germain, well known for their fusion of French and Californian cuisine; live music will be provided by Bill Ferguson. Bill has been playing professionally throughout the desert for over 30 years. The second league dinner, on the 7th of February, will be catered by Rattlesnake. Rattlesnake's James Beard Award winning chef Jimmy Schmidt is known for his seasonal, fresh menus. The third league dinner will be held on March 14th, catered by The Butler Did It, honored by Town & Country as one of the nation's "choicest" caterers.

If you haven't checked out the Cantina yet, please stop by and see the changes we've made. There is new décor in the bar area and a great new menu provided by Amoré Ristorante Italiano. Amoré will be catering all of our Sunday Brunches throughout the season, in addition to preparing BBQs at the Cantina every other Sunday night. Karaoke will be offered in the Cantina Thursday through Sunday, so stop in and join the fun.

The Club would like to thank America Lugo and Lynn Bremner for helping decorate the Cantina. We would also like to thank all the teams who donated jerseys to hang on the wall and players who brought in old tack and equipment.

The Club has several finals parties planned this season - mark these dates on your calendar!

**Sunday, February 1st - Boots and Bits Western Party** – Bring an old bit or old pair of boots to hang in the Cantina and get a FREE beer. Western or White Trash attire recommended. Live band and BBQ.

**Sunday, March 1st - Austin Powers 70's Party.** Let's get groovy and dress up in costume for this disco extravaganza. DJ and BBQ.

**Sunday, March 29th - Post Skins Party & BBQ** with live rock



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*The Cantina Restaurant Staff: Lorena Fabela, America Lugo and Rick Lattanzio, Owner of Amore' Ristorante Italiano*

band "Dude Jones," reputed to be the best cover band in southern California.

**Sunday, April 5th - "Through the Bridle" Grand Finale Party.** Let's go to the whip and celebrate the end of the season. DJ and BBQ.

## ELDORADO ONLINE

Eldorado has set up profiles on a number of online social network Web sites including Facebook, MySpace, MyDesert.com, Twitter and PoloZONE.com. If you have a profile on one or more of these sites add Eldorado Polo Club as your "friend" and receive news and updates about our tournaments and parties. Or visit our main Web site [www.eldoradopolo.com](http://www.eldoradopolo.com).

## WHAT'S NEW THIS SEASON?

The weekend of the Governor's Cup Finals, we have arranged for the arrival of antique biplanes at the Club. The pilots will land on the polo fields and park their colorful antique planes overnight, departing on Sunday. Join the excitement as we watch the planes land on the fields and welcome the pilots on Saturday afternoon, April 4th, '09. Check the Eldorado Polo Club Web site for more information about this event [www.eldoradopolo.com](http://www.eldoradopolo.com).

We will continue to provide more details on these events and other parties as the season progresses. If you have any questions please contact Tony Schieffer at 342-2223 ext 223 or email: [Anthony@eldoradopolo.com](mailto:Anthony@eldoradopolo.com).

## THE FIELD REPORT

By Andrew Perkins,  
Director of Agronomy

The fields here at the Club are doing well so far this year. Fields five through eight have been put to good use in the early tournaments and with practice games. The fields have held up well with all the play thus far. Fields five through eight will be the primary practice fields for this season. We will be open-

ing fields one through four, the International Field and the Holden Field in January for tournament play. These fields are untouched and have a great mix of bermuda base and rye grass overseed.

The track has been leveled flat and we are working it over twice a day, six days a week. Our Field Maintenance Department is also in the process of renovating the area behind Rancho Eldorado to provide more options and areas to work your horses. We will continue to make improvements to the Club's facilities throughout the season. We look forward to the season ahead.



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*The Eldorado Polo Club after a heavy rain on Dec. 17th '08. The fields are looking very good and the snow-capped mountains surrounding the Club are breathtaking.*

## LEAGUE UPDATE

Eldorado's 2009 Polo Season is looking good in terms of the number of teams and the condition of the fields. We have nine teams signed up for the 4-Goal League. The 8-Goal has seven teams and the 12-Goal has six teams. This year La Quinta Polo Club and Eldorado Polo Club have joined forces to create a more competitive 12-Goal League, mark-

ing the first time the two Clubs have played together.

### NO MORE FLAGGING DUTY!

There has been a change in our League Fees. Monthly league fees will be \$1000 per player. The revised League Fee will

include flagging, ambulance fee, trophy fee, umpire fee and league dinners.

### REMINDER. . .

All players need to pay their entire bill prior to playing. Please check in with the Polo Office if you have any questions about your account, Tel 760-342-2223.

# TOURNAMENT NEWS

## PARK LANE PARKED AT THE TOP

By Tony Gregg

*Go Honey Tournament Finals Park Lane defeated Empire 11-7.*

With a second tournament victory in as many tries, Bill Garlock's Park Lane polo team is securely parked on top after winning the Eldorado Polo Club's Go Honey tournament on Dec. 7th, '08. However, this victory, over Empire, was not nearly as easy as the triumph in the Road Runner two weeks ago.

Empire, given no chance to even make the final, defeated Deep Water Grill on Saturday and found themselves in a three-way tie for second spot behind the undefeated Garlock crew. With all three teams, including Aspen Oaks, having identical net goals, Empire squeaked in with the highest gross goal total.

Coming in as huge underdogs, Empire jumped at the start as Lolo Payan ran from the initial throw-in and easily scored. With a pair from Antonio Juarez in the opening frame and one on handicap, the 'dogs' led by two. Park Lane came back in the second and trailed by just one (5 - 4) at the half.

As competitive as the first two chukkers were, the third was not and was all Park Lane. The combination of Manny Rodriguez and Rolando Obregon - and Garlock scoring on a super near side tail shot - was simply too much for Empire and the lead belonged to Park Lane 8 - 5. In the fourth, Empire came to within one at 8 - 7 but that was to be it and the Garlock Gang pre-



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vailed 11 - 7. It was by far the best game of either tournament.

For the winners Garlock led with four goals (two fouls), Rodriguez had three, with Obregon and Daniel Galindo, playing his strongest offensive game, scoring twice each.

Payan had four (one foul) for Empire as Juarez contributed two. The award at the start completed the total.

**Park Lane (3)** - Bill Garlock, Rolando Obregon 2, Manny Rodriguez 2, Daniel Galindo -1.

**Empire (2)** - Vicky Owens, Lolo Payan 2, Antonio Juarez 1, Joe/Diane Hensley -1, Serina Mohanty -1.

## PARK LANE CRUISES TO ROADRUNNER VICTORY

By Tony Gregg

*Roadrunner Tournament Finals Park Lane defeated Empire 7-2*

By overpowering the opposition by a combined score of 13 - 3 in two games, Bill Garlock's Park Lane polo team was victorious in the return of the 3-goal Roadrunner

Tournament to the Eldorado Polo Club on Nov. 23rd, '08. Advancing to the finals with an easy win over Deep Water Grill on Saturday, Garlock's foursome continued the pressure and defeated Empire by a score of 7 - 2 in the Sunday final. Empire advanced to Sunday's game by virtue of their 7 - 4 win over Aspen Oaks.

Rolando Obregon scored three times from the field, Garlock was perfect on three penalty tries, and Manny Rodriguez added one to earn the victory. Adding to a one-goal handicap award at the start, Antonio Juarez had one for Empire.

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## SAVE THE DATE 2009

**Saturday January 10th**

Opening Night Dinner –  
catered by Le St. Germain

**Saturday February 7th**

League Dinner –  
catered by Rattlesnake

**Thursday February 19th**

PTF Foundation Benefit

**Sunday February 22nd**

Hat Day-Christopher's  
Clubhouse

**Sunday March 8th**

Senior Finals and Brunch

**Saturday March 14th**

League Dinner –  
catered by The Butler Did It

**Friday March 27th**

Governor's Cup Bash

**Sunday, March 29th**

Skins Game Final

**Saturday & Sunday April 4th - 5th**

Planes and Polo

**Sunday April 5th**

Governor's Cup Finals

**Sunday April 12th**

Easter Brunch

*For more information or to RSVP to any of the Eldorado Polo Club Events  
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