Horse Race!

■ Bacon and Scrambled Leggs event raises money for the LAPD **Mounted Platoon.**

By Arlene Herrero, Club Counselor Photos by Arlene Herrero and Sgt. Gerry Sola

 $S_{\text{the Greek}}^{\text{tarting}}$ Theater and snaking its way through Griffith Park, the fourth annual Bacon and Scrambled Leggs Race paired up two people for biking and running, all for a good cause: to support the LAPD Metropolitan Mounted Platoon.

The race took place Oct. 23.

The race consists of a team of two persons racing side by side. To receive a finishing time, both members of a team had to finish together.

This was the fourth annual event. Each team consisted of two competitors who were challenged by a course that incorporated trail running and mountain biking. The event began with a two-mile trail run, then a seven-mile mountain bike ride, and finished with a one-mile sprint to the finish.

The LAPD Mounted Unit would like to thank everyone who participated. Thanks also go to the generous support of Los Angeles Police Protective League, which, along with the Club, was the major sponsor.

Donations to the Mounted Platoon are welcome throughout the year. For any inquires, contact LAPD Mounted Platoon at (213) 485-5909.

The event develops the relationship between the citizens and police as well as promotes the spirit of friendly competition. Proceeds went directly to the Los Angeles Police Equestrian Fund, a nonprofit organization created to assist in the purchase of horses and related equipment for the Mounted Platoon.

Thirty-four teams participated. Everyone walked away with a prize.

The Club donated a lot of prizes for the raffles.

Congratulations on the successful event!



The Team Champion Trophy.

Winners included:

Open Men Category: 1st Place: Welsh/Flores 2nd Place: Koba/McCarthy 3rd Place: Helper/Breslin

Senior Men

1st Place: Stepan/Neff

Open Women

1st Place: Hoffman/Hamilton

Mixed Team

1st Place: Huerta/Raymond 2nd Place: Price/Stang 3rd Place: Santiago/Matsuda

1st Place: Lukaszewski/Subia 2nd Place: Terrazas/Rousell 3rd Place: Vasquez/Fernandez

1st Place: Shoates/Kreefft





Officer De Leon, Mounted Platoon Officer, 30 years, riding Rafael, which



Pauline Huffman, 7.5 years old, and William Brown cheer on Dara Hamilton from Newton Station and Leanne Hoffman at Harbor Station. This was the ladies' first year entering the event. They won the Open Women category.



From left: Jim Breslin, Wilshire Station, 9 years, and Gordon Helper, Wilshire Station, 6 years, the Third Place winners



Back, from left: Bob Mundy, guest, and Joe Willey, Metro Mounted Platoon, 14 years. Front: Claire Willey, 8 years old; Daniel Willey, 11 years old; and Robert Willey, 9 years old;



Arleen Flores, with her dogs Brutus and Rocko, came to cheer Edgar Hernandez and Tony Fitzsimmons



From left: Sgt. Gerry Sola, Metro Mounted Platoon, 27 years, Club Member, with Sgt. Gary Grubbs, Metro Mounted Platoon, 27 years.



From left: Officer Leanne Hoffman, Harbor Station, 2 years, with Officer Dara Hamilton, Newton Station, 2 years. They took first place for the Open Women









Athena First Place winners Officers Shoates and Kreefft with Captain Stephen Jacobs of Metro Division





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Senior Men Winners are pictured with Captain Stephen Jacobs of Metro Division.



6 years; Sgt. Steve Roussell, North East Bikes, 9 years; Officer Peter Paramo, North East Bikes, 7 years; Officer Art Contreras, North East Bikes, 9 years; and Officer Eric Hurd, North East Bikes, 5 years. Front: Officer Richard Priest. North East Bikes, 2 years.



Open Women Winners are pictured with Captain Stephen Jacobs of Metro Division.



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From left: Officer Josh Lukaszewski, West Valley Station, 6 years, and Officer Gabriel Subia, North Hollywood Station, 6 years. This was their third year participating in the event. They came in first place in the Clydesdale



From left: Officer Alex Howell, Hollywood Station, 4.5 years, with Officer Adrian Maxwell, Hollywood Station, 9 years.

Nancy Vasquez and Roberto Turcios,

mixed team participants.





Seven miles of mountain bike riding.



The two-mile trail run.



Metro Mounted Platoon, 10 years, Club Member, with Officer Paola Kreefft, Metro Mounted Platoon, 16 years. They took First Place in the Athena category, although they insisted it was the "Big Girl" category! Officer Shoates signed up for the Club at the event.



Event organizers, from left: Officer Ron Daniels, Metro Mounted Platoon, 16 years, and Officer Jimmy Barlow, Metro Mounted Platoon, 20 years.



Going for the seven-mile mountain



The Wilshire Bike Unit, from left: Officer Miguel Gomez, 9 years; Officer Andres Peters, 9 years; Sgt. JJ Rivera, 11 years; Officer De Leon and Rafael, Metro Mounted Platoon; Officer Gordon Helper, 6 years; and Officer Will Fernandez, 6 years. On knees: Officer Jim Breslin, 9 years; Officer Mark Hudson, 8 years; and Officer Phil Vasquez, 4 years.





From left: Auston Price, Metro Station, 20 years and Norma Stang, Metro Station, 8 years, both placed second in the mixed cate-



Seven miles of mountain bike riding



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From left: Steve Roussell, Sgt. North East Station, 9 years, with Officer Ron Terrazas, Metro Mounted, 22 years.



Maricela Huerta, Pacific Station, 5 years, with husband Kevin Raymond.



Men's Open at 45:05 minutes were, from left; Matt Welsh and Team Captain Officer John Flores of South West



The rush to the finish line: The first-to-finish mixed team.



From left: Cliff Chu, Metro Station, 8 years; and Frank Arredondo, Metro



Officer John Buckley, Mounted Platoon, 14 years, was the official



Officer Burt Strogatz, Mounted Platoon, 16.5 years, was the official race tab keeper.

Halloween for Downtown Kids

■ Central City Police **Boosters sponsors event for** downtown kids.

Story and photos by Arlene Herrero, Club Counselor

Downtown area kids were treated to a fun Halloween party Oct. 29, courtesy the Central City Police Boosters. It took place in the International Food Court near City Hall.

This was the first year for the event. Boosters Member Sino Cohen, who sponsored it, hopes to make it a yearly event and pledges to sponsor it again, too.

Children enjoyed games, prizes, face painting and trick-or-treating fun in a safe environment, with no admission charge.

The Club says good job to Sino Cohen, LAPD Officer Marie Kardiban and the Central City Police Boosters for

Welcome to the event. making Halloween a possibility for so many children to enjoy.



From left: Sgt. Campbell, LAPD, 22 years; Alex, 4 years old; Omar, 6 years old; and Sgt. Baker, LAPD, 17 years of service, Club



years old; and Officer Pratt, LAPD, 35 years of



Alex, a four-year-old ninja, with a temporary tattoo applied by Officer Foster.



Jose Anthony, 6 years old, at the face painting booth.



Back, from left: Volunteers Amanda, Diana, Andrea and Nery. Front: Allen, 6 years old; and Susana, 11 years old.



From left: Officer Nony, LAPD, 9 years of service; Jose Anthony, 6 ears old; and Officer Candelaria,



Sina Cohen, Central Booster Member and event sponsor, with Officer Marie Kardiban. LAPD, Club Member.



From left: Angel costume on Christina, 13 years old; Lizzet, 14 years old; and Randi, Volunteer, applying a temporary



Back, from left: Officer Foster; Sina Cohen, wearing construction hat; and Officer Marie Kardiban; with children who attended the free event.