

For Immediate Release

Lockwood Stables' Cinderella Carriage Conveys Cal Expo Bridal Fair Guests + Fetes Saturday Open House

When Northern California brides step through the entry gate of Cal Expo's Bridal Showcase on Sunday, January 12, 2020, they get to feel what it is like to arrive as a bride in a horse-drawn carriage. Lockeford-based, Lockwood Stables (www.lockwoodstables.com) will have its elegant, white cinderella carriage drawn by two black Percheron horses waiting for attendees to take a brief ride to the exhibit areas. "Today, we commonly think of cars or limos as a means to arrive at a wedding," explains Alyce Peterson, co-owner Lockwood Stables. "A horse-drawn carriage may cost more than a car or limo. But the feeling is so special, memorable and like no other," continues Peterson. Using the cinderella carriage fits into a variety of wedding styles and locations. Wedding events set in country-settings, wineries, and ranches are particularly popular right now. The carriage also works in "horse-drawn carriage-friendly" urban communities, like Sacramento, Elk Grove and other surrounding communities.

Lockwood Stables Fetes Saturday Open House

Curious neighbors, horse people and trade professionals will see the horse boarding and training facilities at Lockwood Stables at its Open House slated for Saturday, January 11, 2020 between 12:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. The stable is a passion-project for its proprietors, Leonard and Alyce Peterson. The property is blessed by beautiful grand oak tree and pastoral views. The couple found the property in 2016 while Leonard looked at a nearby, riverfront property. Leonard still recalls Alyce's words, "Hon, go by this other property. It might be the one." Thinking that 22 acres was more than the couple needed, Leonard reluctantly conceded. As it turned out, the property had great bones and essentially what they needed. "We had 16 horses on our ranch in Southern California. So, going bigger was a matter of scale," explains Alyce with a laugh. The couple took a long road trip and horse vacation to Wyoming with daughter, Janna and granddaughter, Amanda. With lots of time atop a horse to think, the couple made an offer on the property when they returned.

Lockwood Stables' Rich History

Formally known as the Box Dot Ranch, the property marked its entry with a cutting horse sign noticed by passersby on Elliott Road. Locals tell the Petersons that the covered arena, built in the late 1960's, was one of the first. Started in 1960's, the Box Dot Ranch, owned by Don and Adele Nesbitt was known for their cutting horse showing and breeding programs. Their mare, Bar Gal, was a champion cutting horse and one of two founding mares to the breeding program. Don's rodeo career included the title of World Champion All-Around Cowboy of 1932 and riding Pro Rodeo Hall of Fame saddle bronc, "Five Minutes to Midnight". Adele Nesbitt met Don at the Western National Livestock Show in Denver, CO. An accomplished competitor in her own right, Adele showed Tennessee Walking horses.

Honoring its history and the land, the Petersons have lovingly restored and added to the property's beauty including a 14-foot high iron gate that marks the new entry, an obstacle trail course, two 60 foot round pens, two tack rooms, pastures with shade shelters, and new bathrooms.

About Lockwood Stables

Lockwood Stables is a horse boarding and training facility located in Lockeford, CA. For more information about Lockwood Stables, visit: <http://www.lockwoodstables.com>. Lockwood Stables is a DBA of L.A. Delta Investments, Inc. The carriage is available for rent in the Sacramento, Lodi, Stockton and Bay Area communities. For more information about the cinderella carriage visit: www.lockwoodcarriages.com