

The Riviera Homeowners Association
presents the

5th Annual Free

Concert in the Park

Sunday, September 22nd

3 - 6:00 p.m.

El Retiro Park

Vista del Parque

featuring

**Gregg Young's
2nd Street Band**

(jazz, blues, R&B)

and opening by

Pure Steel

(carribean sounds)

*Bring a picnic...
Bring the family...
Bring the neighbors!*

With thanks for the cooperation of the
Torrance Parks & Recreation Department



MORE WHAT'S UP IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD:

Many of you may have noticed the addition of stop signs at the triangular intersections on Calle Miramar up the hill from Calle Mayor. These

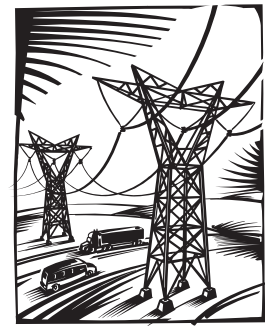


improvements no doubt provide an extra measure of safety to those using the road to access the Riviera Elementary School. If you see a much needed improvement, please notify either the RHA or the city. For example, the city received a request for a 4th stop sign at the intersection of Via La Soledad/Calle Mayor to make it a 4-way stop. If you have an interest in this particular intersection, please contact the city in writing with your views.

Also, the concerns regarding Via Collado have been addressed to the principal of Riviera Elementary School and the city. The principal has agreed to sensitize the parents

about being neighborly (not blocking driveways, keeping car radios to a minimum, etc) and reporting inappropriate activity (breaking neighborhood fences, swinging on residential trees, etc while picking up their kids). The neighbors on this street have teamed-up to apprise the City about their concerns. This is the most effective method to resolve our neighborhood traffic problems.

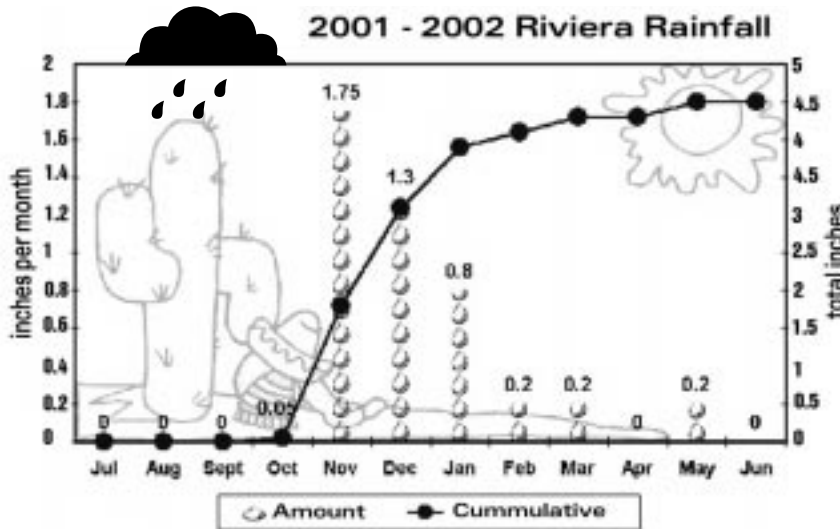
Johnny Tai



UNDERGROUND UTILITIES COMMITTEE (UUC)

The Riviera Utilities Undergrounding Committee is still very active. We have three areas out of five in the process of circulating petitions. Area 4, consisting of 224 parcels had a meeting at Richardson Middle School on May 2nd with representatives of the City of Torrance Engineering Department, Southern California Edison and the Citizens Undergrounding Committee. Issues such as cost, logistics and timing were discussed.

We will have an update in our next newsletter. For further information, contact Allen Riggs at 310-373-7513 or Dick Rector at 310-378-5615.



The rainfall for the July 1, 2001 to June 30, 2002 was a record...**the lowest rainfall ever recorded**, a record that dates back to 1870! Hollywood Riviera (measured at my home on Via Los Miradores) had a total rainfall amount of only 4.25 inches, more than ten inches below the average rainfall of 15.08 inches for Los Angeles County. Since it rained 20 inches in the last rain year (July 2000 to June 2001), the California water reserves are not as low as they might have been. Additionally, Northern California has had a normal rainfall this year and the Sierra snow pack was only slightly below its average. Without additional rain, however, if we don't have a normal rain year next year, look for the employment of water rationing.

The rain in our local area was spread out over seven months beginning with just a trace (.05") in October. November turned out to be the wettest month with 1.75 inches. But the expected rainfall never materialized. We received 1.3 inches in December, an additional 0.8 inches in January, but, February, usually the wettest month of the year (3.32 inch average), we received only 0.2"! Neither March nor May showed any improvement, contributing only 0.2 inches of rain each. Finally, no rain in April and we have not had any appreciable rain since May 20th.

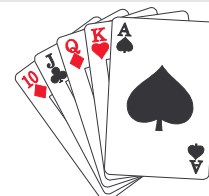
The Riviera only had 20 days of rain last year, which is only 5% of the time. What's in store for this year? Most forecasting models indicate that a weak El Niño condition appears to be in effect, leaving open the possibility for above average rainfall. While this forecast sounds optimistic, we must remind ourselves that this is the same forecast as last year. In short, we'll just have to wait and see.

Doug Holker

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BRIDGE ANYONE?

The Hollywood Riviera Bridge Club would like

to invite all couples who are interested to join them in fun and games.

The club recesses in the summer and resumes playing in September through May, with a party in June. It's a great way to meet your neighbors and enjoy an evening a month in other members' homes. There is no membership fee, only \$4.00/month/couple/session. Please contact Ann and Al Jicha at (310) 375-1332 to sign up right away.

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