

Whitehorse Ranch & TPR

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Current Donors to the effort:

- "Anonymous" from TPR Veteran
- John "JB" Bentley
- Dennis "Mad Dog" Antenucci
- Erik Belter

[Whitehorse Ranch](#) is an old west movie set and gathering spot for old west afficianados. The property boasts many props, buildings and set material to enact just about any old wild west event you may have in mind. It's also owned by Team Pantera Racing veteran Peter "The German" Menyhart.

Peter has owned a couple Pantera's and raced both of them in open road race events in Nevada. Originally from Germany, He came to America in the late 60's at the height of rock and roll. He had been a builder in Germany, had a degree in civil engineering, had a F1 race license in Germany but had always wanted to be a Hollywood stunt man. So Peter moved out to Hollywood, joined the Stuntman Association, broke a bunch of bones in movies and TV, and then after a fairly serious accident, decided to open a huge Mercedes repair shop in Palm Springs where he was recovering. He also purchased a "Ranch House" near Joshua Tree.

When Dennis "Mad Dog" Antenucci visited him in the Mercedes Repair Shop, he found 5-6 stalls and a paint booth. Peter had been running the business for nearly 20 years. He also found Peter loved old Western cowboy history and he had a huge collection of vintage Colt six shooters and Winchester repeater rifles. Mad Dog called Peter "a helluva great guy."

Sometime later, Peter fell on hard times. He lost his wife a few years after his son. Peter also became a personal cancer survivor. After all this, he decided to sell the Mercedes Repair shop and moved out to the ranch permanently.

Peter was a great supporter of Team Pantera Racing for many years. He drove his Panteras in the Nevada Open Road Challenge and the Silver State Classic Challenge. He provided great stories and camaraderie for his fellow racers. Some time ago due to his failing health, Peter

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gave up racing to run the ranch full time as a hobby. His only income is from donations coming from visitors to the ranch or the rental of the movie set.

As you might expect, this doesn't raise a lot of money. Peter loves the ranch even though it isn't a great money making opportunity. As time goes on, Peter encounters more physical limitations and is no longer able to perform his own stunts, falls, embellished acting or even in some cases just get work done around the ranch. Ever the optimist, Peter continues to improve the sets and other buildings as he can.

Team Pantera Racing would like give a little back to Peter. As he generously gave his time and efforts to the TPR community, we would like to return the favor. This coming November 15, Peter is hosting a memorial service for his son who died in a motorcycle accident 10 years ago.

Many Team Pantera Racing members have been invited to come to the ranch for this memorial. As part of that trip, TPR is purchasing building materials (lumber, plywood, drywall, etc.) and taking donations in the name of Peter's son. If you can help please donate and Team Pantera Racing will make sure you get recognition and that the money goes to Peter Menyhart and his Whitehorse Ranch.

This Donation button will only be available till November 15 2009.

And don't forget to visit the website for [Whitehorse Ranch](#) .