Life on a Citrus Ranch is FUN Seven Days a Week

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To Sally, Jason & Carol. Thank you.

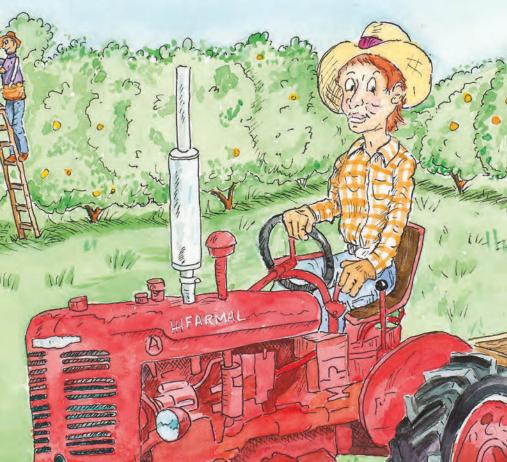


Pablo & Pippin are the very best of friends. They live on Uncle Ned's citrus ranch. There is always lots to do on a citrus ranch.

There are seven days in a week:

SUNDAY, MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY,

On the citrus ranch, every day is an adventure. What will the boys do this week? Let's go see!



WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY AND SATURDAY!

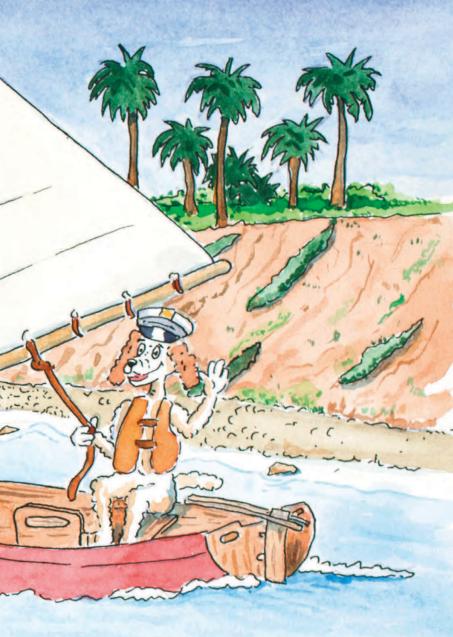
MONDAY is the first day of the work week on a citrus ranch. The dogs like to go out in the citrus groves with Uncle Ned and help the workers pick lemons and oranges.

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WEDNESDAY the dogs enjoy surfing and sailing while visiting Aunt Nancy's beach house. Aunt Nancy is Uncle Ned's sister and the boys look forward to visiting her every Wednesday.

Pippin loves to surf and ride the waves with his surfboard. Pablo sails past Pippin in his sail boat. Behind him is a light house that shines a bright light, so sailors at sea know where they are during the night.





LAUNDRY DAY

Today is **FRIDAY.** Esperanza is the housekeeper at Uncle Ned's ranch house. Every Friday she does the laundry. It is quite windy today and the clothes are having a difficult time staying on the clothesline. Uh-oh, the wind has blown the clothes off the clothesline! Esperanza tries to catch all of the clothes, but Pablo and Pippin have decided to make a parade! With their bellies full of tacos, Pablo and Pippin relax by Uncle Ned's pool, discussing their exciting week and the adventures they had each day:

picking fruit on **MONDAY;**

driving the fire truck on **TUESDAY**;

surfing and sailing on WEDNESDAY;

playing tennis on **THURSDAY**;

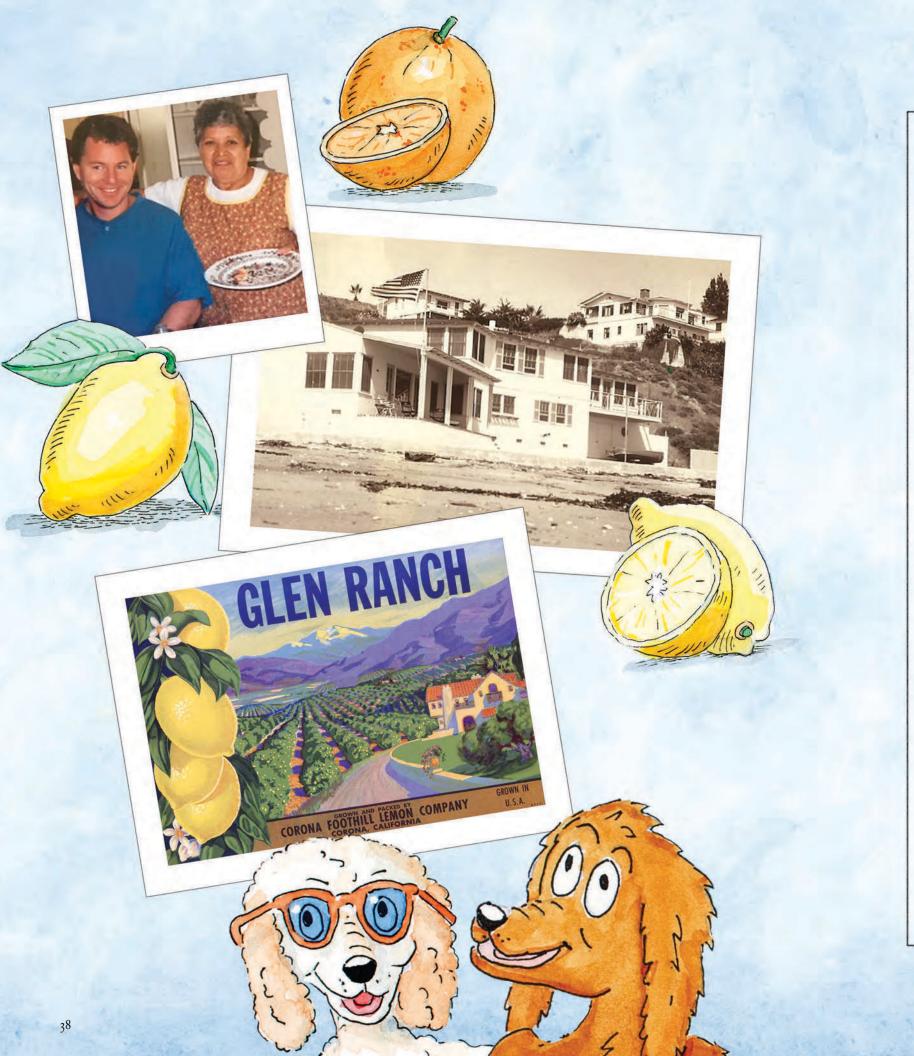
helping with laundry on FRIDAY;

working the fruit stand on **SATURDAY**;

eating tacos today, SUNDAY.

All of this sure can make a dog sleepy!





The story of Pablo and Pippin is an almost, not quite, factual account of my love of these two dogs. Pablo was my Uncle Ned's poodle and Pippin was my red setter. Our family's citrus ranch was very real, located in Corona, California. The beach house and ranch house as shown are where I grew up while working on the ranch and living at the beach. The fruit stand was real, and I seem to remember a firehouse as well. My uncle and I would often play tennis together with the dogs chasing the tennis balls, then joining us in the pool to cool off. Esperanza was a beloved family member, and the laundry episodes between her, Pablo and Pippin were non-stop!



I hope you enjoyed this glimpse of life on a citrus ranch.

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