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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

First off I would like to say thanks to some new faces that have stepped up to help out this year. **Cara Peterson** has taken the **Tamarack ride August 8th**. **Jim and Debbie Dixon** along with many others are coming to help out with the **Poker Ride** in September and its not too late for you to help out or sponsor a ride.

Work parties this year have had a new twist as there have been no grant monies to reimburse participants. The dedication of those who have signed up to work has been very much appreciated. Not only have members had the normal expenses of stock, tack, vehicle upkeep... but in addition this year they also paid their own way as far as food and fuel in order to be on the work parties and work to keep trails open and accessible. We once again were able to stay at **Cunningham's pack station near Edison Lake** to clear trails and do some repairs and clean up at the Forest Service facility. We also did some improvements to Chamberlain camp. Thanks go out to **Randy, Alan, and Ted** for taking on the **Beginning Pack Trip**. Be sure to check out our website or Facebook for photos of our activities.

With summer still in full swing I hope to see you at one of the upcoming events. So dust off your saddle and join us at **Tamarack, Big Meadows**, or the **Poker Ride**. Come and join us early for the work party at **Big Meadows**. It is too hot to sit around here in the valley. Once again we will have our **General Meeting and Pot Luck Saturday night at Big Meadows**.

Again I want to emphasize how valuable each member is to this unit. Whether you still ride or not, front country or back country, run cattle or work a ranch, **THANKS** for your support to this unit and having a voice to keep public lands open to all of us.

Please keep in mind elections are coming soon. So if you or someone you know would be interested in a position, please contact a board member to be placed on the ballot.

As always stay in the saddle, the ground is hard,

Joe Kaminski, President



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2015 Calendar

Board Meetings are on the **1st Wednesday** of the month. All members are welcome to attend. Board meetings start at 6:30 pm at the Clovis Elks Lodge, 535 Woodworth Ave. (Bullard & Woodworth).

Calendar & Ride schedule is on-going, and new events and rides will be published when confirmed. *Note: dates and events are subject to change or cancellation; calling the contact person is recommended or checking www.bchcsjsu.org*

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| August 7-8 | Tamarack Ride | Host: Cara Peterson 559-901-5364 call and messaging. Email: carasblueprint@sbcglobal.net |
| August 23-26 | Big Meadows Work Party | Joe Kaminski 559-733-9170 |
| August 27-30 | Big Meadows Ride | Joe Kaminski 559-733-9170 |
| August 29 | General Meeting and Pot Luck | See article next page for information |
| September 12 | Shaver Lake Poker Ride | Duane Peverill 559-908-3138 or wpeverill@sebastiancorp.net . |
| October 17 | General Meeting Riddle Ranch Ride and Elections | Cathy Walker 559-283-1164 |
| November 14 | Trail Trials | Cathy Walker and Peggy Riddle 559-283-1164 walker1486@comacast.net |
| December 12 | Christmas Party | Any Board Member |

Please contact any Board Member or Ted Fischer (559-855-8599), if you would like to host a ride or activity.

BCHC 2016 CALENDARS ARE ON SALE NOW

Now is a great time to get yourself a BCHC 2016, very lucky CALENDAR! If you would like to obtain or help sell these calendars, contact any Board Member or Officer listed in this newsletter.



Our Shaver Lake Day Use & Campground Will be available June– October 2015

The following procedures have been established for the continuity of the facility. When planning a day/camping outing it is necessary to contact the member listed below for the gate combination. For security reasons the combination will be changed throughout the season. The camp is available to our Unit members for day use and/or camping with your stock. The camp is set up with three large stock pens and three camp sites offered on a 1st come 1st served basis. The three picnic tables and fire pit are located in a shared area. It is necessary for you to furnish water for personal use and stock use. **The pens must be cleaned of hay/manure after each use or a fee will be assessed for clean up**; remember our “Leave No Trace” policy. There is no potable water on site; however a port-a-potty is on site for our human needs.



Fee schedule per membership:
Day Fee \$5 **or** Camping Fee \$10 per night

For reservations contact:

Wanda Caradonna 559 392-3534 cell

BIG MEADOWS WORK PARTY AND RIDE August 23 through 30th

Big Meadows is just around the corner. We will have a work party until the 26th then be riding until the 30th. General meeting will be Saturday night after the pot luck. If interested, breakfast will be available Saturday morning and Sunday morning for \$5.00 each meal. Thanks to Pat Peverill who will be heading this up. Saturday will be breakfast burritos and Sunday will be biscuits and gravy. For the pot luck Saturday night bring your own meat, table service, drink, and a dish to share.

Thanks,
Joe Kaminski
Public Lands Chair



BCHC
Tamarack Camp
And
Ride
Friday Aug. 7th and Saturday Aug. 8th, 2015

All members are invited to camp and ride the beautiful Tamarack ridge trails. Non members can join upon arrival, so bring somebody.
Saddle up by 9:30am Saturday morning. We'll be taking an hour lunch so bring a sack lunch.

Dinner will be provided Saturday night!

Pack it up List for Dry Camping:

Water for you and horse

Food and feed

Buckets

Highline Gear (ladder provided)

Tent

Rain gear

Sun block and sun glasses

Hat and helmet

Bug spray and fly spray

Flashlight and TP

Plates, silverware, and cups

Soda Pop

(wood provided)

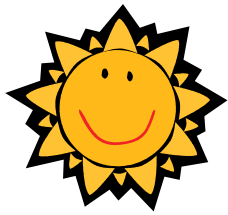
Directions:

Hwy 168 east above Shaver Lake. Turn right at Tamarack Snow Park. Stay on Rock Creek dirt rd to the right (heading south). Camp Site 9S45 is 2.1 miles in. Turn right.

RSVP Camp Hostess Cara Peterson 559) 901-5364 call and messaging.

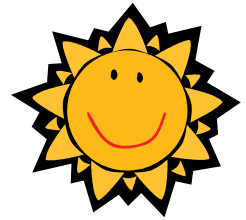
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Sunshine Corral

By
Patricia Peverill



Welcome and Happy Trails to our new members!!!

Trish Selsor, Fresno

Justine Butts, Sanger

Diana and Paul Sorenson, Paso Robles

Our Synpathy goes out to **Rick and Patty Peeren** on the loss of Rick's mother.

Our hearts and condolences go out to **Wanda Caradonna** for the loss of her beloved horse **Whisper**.

Get well wishes and speedy recover to **Ed Fitzpatrick** on his eye surgery.

Get well wishes to **Arlene Simone**.

Debbie McDougal a great relief that her property was spared in the latest fire.



Thank You to **Ron Jefferson** for singing around the campfire at the Edison Work Party.

A **Big Thank You** to **Peggy Jefferson** for sending two outstanding desserts for the Edison Work Party to enjoy.

The *purpose of this publication* is to keep its members informed on important issues that affect all horsemen and to inform the membership on up-coming events within the unit. The views and opinions expressed in this newsletter are those of the editor & authors and not necessarily shared by BCHC.

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| January 20 | February/March | March 20 | April/May |
| May 20 | June/July | July 20 | August/September |
| September 20 | October/November | November 20 | December/January |

SJS Unit Fund Raisers For Sale

"There's a Mule Under My Saddle Cookbook" by Jean Brown of Idaho \$10.00

Hats \$15.00

Khaki with a maroon or forest green bill are embroidered with one horse, two mules and says Backcountry Horsemen of California.

Scarf \$13.00

Scarves are a dark blue and are embroidered with one horse, two mules and says Backcountry Horsemen of California

Maroon Shirts \$37.00 (Extra Tall \$40.00). The shirts must be prepaid before the order. The logo on the left is BCHC with San Joaquin Sierra Unit under the BCHC. Names added for \$5.00 in a group.

Horse First Aid.....great, informative quick reference \$25.00

Contact: Pete Parkin 559-871-4500 ktzpaw@yahoo.com &/or look for items at our rides and meetings.

Edison Work Party 2015

By Sandra LaSpada

I love our work parties. We get exercise, ride to our heart's content, help clear the trails, build improvements, develop friendships, and EAT. It's a great way to spend a week away from the valley heat, and this year's Edison work party was no exception.

We began in our usual fashion caravanning up the Kaiser Pass. Our party consisted of **Joe and Carol Kaminski, Pete Parkin, Duane Peverill, Gene Simone, Muriel Holland, Ruth Cramer, Fredi Chrisman, Cara Peterson, Jim Dixon, and Dylan, Jim Dixon's grandson.** Fredi's granddaughter pitched in as our lead car driver. She did a great job alerting oncoming cars that a line of horse trailers were coming down the bumpy one lane road. Upon arrival, we settled in at **John and Jenise Cunningham's** pack station.



Since our party was smaller than in past years, John and Jenise invited us ladies to sleep in the tent cabin so we wouldn't have to trouble ourselves with tents. Our whole party was also encouraged to use the pack station's shower when needed. Their hospitality was very appreciated after a day of working the dusty trails. We felt like we were staying in a hotel instead of camping.

Joe and Carol Kaminski really outdid themselves this year. Not only did they (along with Fredi's help) do their usual stellar job of cooking for all of us, but Joe also did all of the chainsaw work on the trails that were near the pack station. We started working on Saturday and cleared different parts of the trail through Tuesday. Joe cleared many fallen and leaning dead trees that were posing hazards on the trails. Special attention and discussion went into trees that were pinning 'spring trees' since other units have suffered injuries while cutting similar hazards. The rest of us pitched in with smaller handsaws to clear smaller hazard trees and branches. We also used handheld pruners to trim back low branches along trails as we rode.

On Tuesday, Duane and I split off with **Vic from the forestry service** to do a trash pickup at the Mono Creek inlet at the backside of the lake. The trail was very challenging in places with granite steps and slopes, but all of the horses and mules did well and kept their footing. We picked up some old lumber and a bit of rebar, packed it onto Vic's mules, and brought it back to the trailhead.

On Wednesday, we went to the nearby Forestry Service stockyard and helped Vic remove a few dead trees and reinforce his fences. Then we went to the Vermillion resort and enjoyed some well deserved ice cream.

Thursday was our day for free time. Muriel and I rode up past Graveyard Meadows and fished in Cold Creek. I lost count of how many brook trout I caught. I brought three back for a before dinner snack for myself and Muriel. Pete, Duane, Jim, Dillon, Carol, and Ruth rode up toward Devil's Bathtub and took the cutoff trail toward Graveyard Meadow. They also rode up the Onion Springs road to an area with beautiful panoramic views.

We finished by caravanning out on Friday morning with many thanks and goodbyes to our coworkers and hosts. It was a smooth drive out with Ruth driving the lead car. We emerged at the Rancheria area at Huntington Lake perhaps a bit tired, but surely a few pounds heavier thanks to Joe and Carol. Until next year !



Chamberlain Work Party

By Patricia Peverill

Being my first work party and packing in to a remote location I was very excited but also a little apprehensive of what the next five days would encounter. So my husband and I headed off to the trailhead on Thursday morning knowing that the rest of the party would not arrive until later that evening. We stopped in Prather for lunch and then proceeded on up towards Courtright Reservoir. After turning on the road out of Dinkey to Courtright the weather began to change. Yes it was raining. Rain never hurt anyone. We made it to the Courtright Reservoir turn off and it stopped raining and we proceeded on up the hill. We got to the top of the climb and were heading toward the dam when we came upon a long stretch of snow about a foot deep. I was beginning to wonder if I should have my husband turn around but he said he would proceed to the dam where he could safely turn around.

Low and behold after 2 miles the snow completely disappeared and it was smooth cruising to **Maxson Trailhead**. We took a short ride while waiting for others to arrive but had to return to the trailer and hide inside to get out of the down pour. Two hikers on the trail were trying to out run the storm and they actually walked faster than our mules. So far, the work party experience was not gaining a lot of points in my book.

Finally everyone showed up and we had to wait for daylight to get the pack animals ready and head off to **Chamberlain Camp**. Since our main project was to get four **Bear Boxes** into Chamberlain **Bob Schwoerer** with his jeep and trailer offered to deliver the boxes to Voyager Campground where **Bob Herrick** and his pack team would pick them up the following day to pack into Chamberlain. This trail was a little more accessible to pack animals than the one from Maxson Trail Head. After loading the jeep trailer and weighing all the packs for the pack animals, off we headed to Chamberlain. **Fredi Chrisman and Gene Simone** caught a ride in the jeep while **Joe and Carol Kaminski, Jim Dixon, Pete Parkin, Pat and Duane Peverill** rode off down the trail. It took several trips to get all the supplies into the camp.

First day in camp everyone was busy setting up their living quarters for the next few nights. Yes, all the creature comforts of a tent. The next morning we had to meet **Bob Herrick** at the **Voyager Campground** to help pack in the boxes. Joe and Carol lead Bob in from Maxson Trail Head via the jeep road, while **Pete, Pat and Duane** rode off down the trail to Voyager Campground to rendezvous with the group. Gene, not having a horse spent time in camp helping and also walking the trails. **Gene** is quite the hiker. After spending most of the day getting the boxes into camp we called it a day. **Fredi** did the cooking along with the help of **Joe and Carol**. The food was out of this world. All the meals that were prepared were far above my expectations. This definitely was not backpacking food or as my husband would say MRE's. No one went hungry on this trip. Personal water was a little scarce and it all had to be filtered. The animals had plenty to eat and drink during their turn in the meadow in the morning and evening. All animals had to be high lined during the night.

After spending days installing the bear boxes, clearing some trails to make them safer and adding snow supports to the outhouse, it was time to think about packing up, heading out and back to the heat of the valley. I was kind of sad to see it come to an end, but was looking forward to a hot shower and the comfort of my bed. This was a very interesting experience and I am looking forward to returning to Chamberlain Camp next year. Thanks to everyone who made this trip possible and all the volunteers who did the work to establish and improve this beautiful camp.



If There Is A Need-Then There Is A Way

By William Duane Peverill

The **Chamberlain Work Party** was tasked with a mission of getting four Bear Boxes into Chamberlain Camp from the trail head a little over three miles away. It was either carry them on a wagon or get them in on mules. Our **President Joe Kaminski** presented the problem to **Bob Herrick**, an affiliate member and very experienced packer. Bob is a very creative person and always appreciates a challenge. After a month or so of trial and error and encountering problems he came up with the idea of using 4 X 4's approximately 12 feet long attached to two mules. He also had to create metal brackets to attach to the Saw Buck Pack Saddles to carry the 4 X 4's. Not just any mule could handle this situation, so Bob had to test it on several of his mules to see which ones would perform the best.

Bob used PVC pipe at first to ensure that no harm would come to his mules as he tested his creation. As with any project the safety of the animals and wranglers are at the fore front. The day finally came that we had to put it all together and pack the boxes into camp. Several outriders rode out of camp and met Bob and his pack mules at Voyager Camp Trail Head. The first box was loaded, and off down the trail we proceeded. Along the hour long trail we encountered several downed trees and some very tight turns between trees but all went well. During the four trips in and out we did have to do some minor adjustments to the load. We used a guide rider and two drag riders to watch the load and be available to assist. The pace going in was very slow. But as Bob says "**Slower is Always Better**".

Now there are four Bear Boxes to store food in at Chamberlain Camp. This is a great camp and this just makes it a bit safer. We cannot thank Bob enough for volunteering his time, expertise and animals to making this project successful! Happy Trails.



MONTANA DE ORO

By Ted Fischer, Education Chairman

Hi there everyone from beautiful **Montana de Oro**. July 2nd through July 5th was a great time to be on the coast, my wife Sharon said it was HOT the entire weekend here in the valley. Most of us arrived at the campgrounds some time Thursday, and immediately put on a coat or sweater to protect ourselves from the cold. Some took a ride to the beach, some sat down for a cup of coffee and relaxed.

By Saturday there were 13 of us enjoying the cool weather. Those of us that made the trip were **Paul and Diana Sorensen, Dustin McMury, Hanah Rousey, Peter and JC Parkin, Joe and Carol Kaminski, Bill Chilson, Debbie Davis, Steve and Kayde Naylor, and myself Ted Fischer**. Most of us did a morning ride and then would do another ride in the afternoon. Some of the trails we rode were; **The Bloody Nose Trail...The CanopyTrail.... The Dune Trail... The East Boundry Trail...the Barranca Trail.... and The Hazzard Peak Trail**.

Montana de Oro is one of our State Parks. It is comprised of over 8,000 acres on the coast, just East of San Louis Obispo. The Park has over seven miles of shoreline and spectacular views from the inland foothill trails. The fresh ocean breezes, and the sound of the pounding surf add a thrill to being at the coast. There are three equestrian camp grounds at the Park. Two are group camps and are reservation only, and the third is a first come first serve area. All have **CLEAN** concrete block toilets and water for the horses, with a few picnic tables. We all had a marvelous time riding and enjoying the cool weather. It is special to be among friends, to eat, drink, talk and sit around the campfire and relax and tell stories and lies. See you next time around the campfire.



Shaver Lake Poker Ride

September 12, 2015



September 12, 2015 ***Back Country Horseman of California, San Joaquin Sierra Unit*** is holding our annual **Poker Ride at Shaver Lake, California**. If you attended the Winter Poker at Hensley Lake and liked it...**YOU WILL LOVE THIS RIDE!!!** Staging area will be at the **Fishing Club** on Dinkey Road. This ride is **Open to the Public**.

All riders out on ride no later than 10:00 a.m. No Dogs. No Stallions. **Under 18 years must wear a helmet** but cannot participate in Poker Hands. Must be 21 to purchase Poker Hand. No ponying allowed on this ride. Coffee and Pastries will be served prior to ride. Lunch served after ride. \$35.00 includes Continental Breakfast and lunch that you will not believe. Bring your appetite, one poker hand and one raffle ticket.

Early Registration by September 1, 2015 entrants will receive an extra poker hand. Additional Poker hands may be purchased for \$5.00 each Just Poker Ride \$25.00. You do not have to ride to purchase poker hands.

We will also have a **Raffle** with great items. Two of the raffle items will be: **3 Days 2 nights Packing Trip to Chamberlain Camp 2016 for four people**. We will furnish the packing animals, food and do the cooking. Winner will need their own riding animals or walk into camp. More details to follow. **Two Days One Night at Fredi's Cabin in Tamarack for four people**. Will include Lunch and Dinner Saturday. Breakfast Sunday morning. Participants of both of these great raffle items must be over 18 or with adult and **NO DOGS**. More detailed information on these two items will be published on the web page www.bchcsjsu.org at a future date.

Many other raffle items will be available. Raffle tickets \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. Get all information at www.bchcsjsu.org and click on Flier Link on Calendar Page. Do it early and do not miss out on this fantastic Poker Ride. Confirm your attendance with **Duane Peverill, 559-908-3138 or wpeverill@sebastiancorp.net**.

Space is limited. Mark your calendar. Bring your chairs so you can sit, eat and socialize. Hope to see you there!

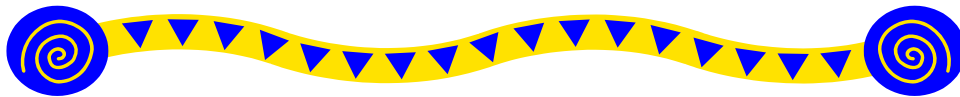
KIDS CORNER

(This is from Kaminski's granddaughter who rides with them when she can.)

Smores bars

3 cups of Graham cracker crumbs
3/4 cup of butter or margarine melted
1/3 cup of sugar
3 cups of miniature marshmallows
2 (12ounces) of semi sweet choc chips

Combine crumbs butter and sugar; press half into a greased 9 by 13 pan. Sprinkle with marshmallows and chocolate chips. Top with remaining crumb mixture; press firmly. Bake @ 375° for ten minutes. Remove from oven and immediately press top firmly with spatula. Cool completely. Cut into bars. Yield 3dozen
YUM!!!



Elections



ELECTIONS IN OCTOBER FOR OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS

We need **YOU!** Elections are just around the corner. We are looking high and low for those interested in serving in any capacity.

We are even standing on our heads in order to find new officers and board members.



If you or someone you know is interested, please notify a board member. We are looking for new people and new ideas. Help your club be what you want it to be.

Attention

Your SJS Unit Board of Directors would like to invite any of our members to attend the monthly Board meetings or General meetings. It is important all directors have the same opportunity to hear the information, concerns or suggestions you wish to share. We are volunteers doing our best to keep our Unit informed and working smoothly. Refer to the newsletter for the information regarding times and location of upcoming meetings.

Respectfully,

John Mikkelson and Greg Caradonna

Past Presidents



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Make sure you check out our website for updates on the Home page, Calendar page, and Newsletters. We also have a Photos page of our latest activities.

If you have any photos send them to Duane at wpeverill@sebastioncorp.net.

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SJSU HISTORIAN WANTED

We are looking for someone interested in taking a position of HISTORIAN. We have a lot of awards and pictures that we would like to share with our members. We need someone to gather these and place them in some kind of order for us. Please contact Randy Witt, Vice President at 559-325-7876 if you can help us out.

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BACKCOUNTRY HORSEMEN OF CALIFORNIA



SAN JOAQUIN SIERRA UNIT

Board Meeting Wednesday May 6, 2015 Location: Elks Lodge, Clovis, California

Meeting called to order at 6:30 PM

Roll taken:

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Vice President: Randy Witt

Treasurer: Peter Parkin

Director: Carolyn Witt

Director: Carol Kaminski

Director Jim Knapke

Director: Jan Mikkelsen

Director: Fredi Chrisman

Director: Debra McFarren

Education: Ted Fischer

Additions to Agenda: None

Opening Comments: None

Minutes Review and Approve. The April 1, 2015 minutes were reviewed and approved. Motion by Carolyn W Second by Debbie M.

Correspondence: Grazing USFS. Central State Sanitation bill

Treasurer Report & Budget. Calendar Sales, Parade Clothes. Ted F bought Christmas rifle for \$250.00

Committee Reports:

Education:

Ted to get CHP for general meeting. Let Joe know by Monday. Debra to check also.

Unit attended LNY, San Joaquin River Gorge, Big Foot

Ca Greenwaste -Tenya Lodge, Ted participated. Received book on trails (building and maintenance)

Sierra Conservancy-Bob? May be willing to help with grant writing.

SJSU will be represented at schools for Pioneer Day

Membership: 1 Individual and 1 Family member.

Newsletter. May 20th deadline

Public Land. Big Meadows to concessioner as of 2016. No more free...RSVP only. Where do we go to find out our rights.

Sunshine Corner: No Report

Shaver Lake. Duane, Pat, Wanda, Greg, John and Jan worked on opening camp.

Old Business 1: Calendars

2: Rides and Events

Parade Awards: Jan. Need Historian for Awards.

Carolyn Patterson 1 year membership and 2 dinners for Parade Practice at Silver Rose Ranch.

New Business:

Board Meetings need to be posted on Calendar

Meeting was adjourned at 8:22 PM. Motioned? Second?

BACKCOUNTRY HORSEMEN OF CALIFORNIA



SAN JOAQUIN SIERRA UNIT

Board Meeting Wednesday June 3, 2015 Location: Elks Lodge, Clovis, California

Meeting called to order at 6:32 PM

Roll taken:

President: Joe Kaminski Vice President: Randy Witt Secretary: Patricia Peverill Treasurer: Peter Parkin
Directors: Duane Peverill, Carol Kaminski, Jim Knabke, Fredi Chrisman, Debra McFarren, Ted Fischer
Guest: Alan Fry

Additions to Agenda: None

Opening Comments: None

Minutes Review and Approve. The May 1, 2015 minutes were reviewed and approved . Motion by Debra M Second by Jim K.

Correspondence: None

Treasurer Report & Budget:

YTD Income:

YTD Expense

YTD Profit(loss);

General Checking: 14,465.65

CD's & Savings:

Working on Audit

Committee Reports:

Education: CHP Officer Reyes will come to meeting with advance notice. Month notice. Sept for 2016.

Sierra Nevada Conservancy -help and find us grants 2016. Dinkey Collaborative. Joe Member. Joe knows someone to write grants. Grants must fit our work.

Rick Fleming Needs gear packed in next Thursday. June 11, 2015 . Carolyn will send email blast. Alan told SJ River Trail that we need more advance notice. Bob Herrick will be helping out. Contact Alan Fry

Newsletter. Please send stuff to Carolyn email. Not Facebook. recca33085@hotmail.com Not BCH.

Incorrect dates in newsletter Calendar of Events. Carolyn will send email blast with correct dates. Duane will be back-up email blast when Carolyn not available.

Public Land. Big Meadows to concessioner as of 2016. No more free...RSVP only. Will be taking over all the campgrounds.

Sunshine Corner: 2 New Members Tricia Selsor(West Fork Stables)-Fresno Justine Butts-Sanger

Shaver Lake. Functioning but no campfires. Camp in good shape. Need to have guidelines for new members information . Setup email guidelines or sub page for webpage. Need lock on Porta Potty. Wanda will take care of guidelines.

Old Business

1: Calendars :Joe sister won \$50.00 Fredi has calendars. Ted says we need to brainstorm on how we can sell more calendars. Come up with ideas and contact other units that are selling. Fredi....BE PASSIONATE!!!!!!!!!! Use brochure from BCHC Webpage on our Mission. Jim wanted to know when is good time to sell?

2: Rides and Events Joe sent list to sign up for work party and pack trips. Edison work party is buy food and divide by participants. On own for lunch. Trash Pickup. Clearing trails around Cunningham s Pack Station Camping at trailhead. Bring own lunch tip snacks Chamberlain the same thing. Chamberlain..one work party Bear boxes , new tables. Leaving tents in. Ed Fitzpatrick will create tables. One is beginning pack trip. Spanish is all hand work. Allen worked on Grant for Pack Trip. Clovis make field trip and cover insurance. Need horses to ride. All students have to be members of BCHC

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Unit to purchase trays up to \$500.00 Motioned by Randy W. And Second by Duane P Approved.

Fredi said we need to look into getting a Red Box for showers while we are in wilderness. Fredi motion to look into Red Boxes and buy at cap of \$250.00. Randy W Second. Approved.

Steve Naylor offered his place for a Playday Pete.... Looking at Oct and doing a river ride and BBQ. Arenas not ready

Montana De Oro has 9 horses and looking good. Expense have been covered.

September Poker Ride. Looking for date to make final decision. Due to cost of events at Shaver Lake due to situations at the lake. Looking for another venue to hold Poker Ride. Maybe check with Steve to do Poker ride at the River. We all love the Shaver Poker Ride...but looking at all possibilities. Tamarack a possibility...but not good. Ted said we should cancel Shaver. Go with river.

Deadline July 1, 2015 to make decision. Motion by Pat P second Debra M Approved.

Flags and Signs. Go to webpage and get address to get shirts made. All items can be purchased from Kori. Parade Flag two sided. Motioned by Randy W and Second by Pat P to have Parade Flag made. \$175.00 We have banners for use at events. Members can use to represent our unit.

Joe ask if we wanted to have business cards made. Print 500 cards. Duane will check with Kori.

New Business:

Big Meadows. Sign says it will be in effect on Aug 2015. Reservations only. Joe doesn't think it can happen. Still debate about who bought the pipe for the Corrals. Joe has spent many hours on the phone dealing with this issue. We want to still have our free week in return for maintenance. Board and Directors have approved to have Joe write a letter to the concerned parties stating our wishes and our concerns about the change in this venue. We will be asking to get the week each year for free if we do the maintenance. We do have the week this year. We will do some Fact Finding and get the information out to our members. Taking over all the campsites including overflow. Joe is very concerned on this issue and how it has been handled and the future of Big Meadows Horse Camp.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM . Motioned Duane P Second Debra M



☐ **NEW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

Backcountry Horsemen of California

☐ **RENEWAL APPLICATION**



☐ **CHANGE - () PARENT UNIT () ADDRESS/PHONE/EMAIL () MEMBERSHIP TYPE**

DCTR (YOUR MEMBERSHIP NUMBER) _____

****NEW MEMBERS WILL BE ASSIGNED NUMBER BY MEMBERSHIP COORDINATOR**

PARENT Unit Affiliation: (Select and **CIRCLE ONE** Unit as your Primary Unit Affiliation)

Antelope Valley
Eastern Sierra
High Country
High Sierra
Kern River Valley
Kern Sierra
Lake-Mendo
Los Padres

Mid Valley
Mother Lode
North Bay
Oklone Riders
Redhawk Riders
Redwood
San Diego
San Geronimo Pass

San Joaquin Sierra
Santa Ana River
Sequoia
Shasta Trinity
Sierra Freepackers
Sutter Buttes
Top of the State

MAIL TO:
BACKCOUNTRY HORSEMEN
OF CALIFORNIA
1280 State Rte 208
Yerington NV 89447
<http://www.bchcalifornia.org>

Donate to BCHC
Education Fund?
Tax Deductible

Packer \$10.00
Mule Skinner \$25.00
Other (Write in) \$_____

MEMBER'S NAME -No Business Names; Please Print Clearly

SPOUSE/MEMBER'S NAME -MUST SHARE SAME ADDRESS

ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP

PHONE

EMAIL ADDRESS

Make Checks Payable to: BCHC

CHECK # _____

DATE SUBMITTED: _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$ _____

BUSINESS NAME - DONATIONS ONLY:

PARENT UNIT MEMBERSHIP TYPES: (CIRCLE ONE)

Individual \$50.00* Family \$60.00* Benefactor \$100.00 Patron \$250.00 Mt Whitney \$500.00

**=BCHC shares portion of dues with Backcountry Horsemen of America*

ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIPS: AN ADDITIONAL \$15.00 PER UNIT IS ADDED TO YOUR PARENT UNIT DUES.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP UNIT AFFILIATIONS MAY NOT BE FOR THE SAME UNIT AS YOUR PARENT UNIT.

Associate Membership for: _____ \$15.00/unit (Unit Name (from above list))

Associate Membership for: _____ \$15.00/unit (Unit Name (from above list))

Please write additional choices on back

Please clip form along dashed line - **KEEP BELOW INFORMATION FOR YOUR RECORDS**

PARENT BCHC MEMBERSHIP TYPES

Individual, Family (Shared*), Benefactor, Patron, and Mt Whitney. A Parent Membership is affiliated with a single Local Unit. BCHC members may NOT hold more than one active Parent Membership.

A SHARED Membership is for two adults with differing last names, each sharing a common address.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIPS

These special Memberships are only available to persons already holding Parent BCHC Membership. No one may sign up for an Associate Membership without 1) having registered one of the Parent Membership types, and 2) having selected Parent Unit affiliation.

- You may sign-up for as many Associate Memberships as you like.
- Associate Memberships may also be initiated at any time during the term of your Parent Membership.
- Associate Memberships must expire concurrently with the Parent Membership, and are renewable only at the time of renewal of the Parent Membership.

Complete information regarding BCHC Membership is available on the **MEMBERSHIP** page at: <http://www.bchcalifornia.org>

KEEP FOR YOUR RECORDS

I SUBMITTED AN Application Form for:

☐ Individual Membership \$ 50.00
☐ Family (Shared) Membership \$ 60.00
☐ Benefactor Membership \$100.00
☐ Patron Membership \$250.00
☐ Mt Whitney Membership \$500.00
☐ Donation - Packer \$10.00
☐ Mule Skinner \$25.00
☐ Other (Write in) \$ _____
☐ Associate Membership \$ _____
Total Remittance \$ _____
Check Number _____
Date Mailed _____

Questions: Contact membership@bchcalifornia.org



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Objectives & Purpose of the Backcountry Horseman of California

From the BCHC Bylaws

- To improve and promote the use, care and development of California backcountry trails, campsites, streams and meadows; to advocate good trail manners.
- To promote the conservation and utilization of our backcountry resources in concert with livestock transportation.
- To keep the backcountry trails and forage areas open to horseman on all public lands.
- To keep current information before the Corporation membership and its local Units regarding new legislation or management plans related to government regulations of the backcountry.
- To support or oppose new proposals, plans and restrictions as related to the interest of horsemen and those persons interested in recreational stock use and enjoying the backcountry.
- To promote the interest of people who, due to health or physical factors, need transportation other than by foot on backcountry trails.
- To promote public awareness and interest in the historical aspect of horsemen and stock in the backcountry and to help educate backcountry users on the ways to use the trail and foraged in a manner that conserves the backcountry resources.
- To assist in keeping the public informed of the vital need for a clean backcountry.
- To promote a working relationship with and keep the work and interests of the Corporation before our local, state and federal officials.
- To assist in the formation and continuation of local Units to carry out these purposes.