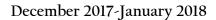


San Joaquin Sierra

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Concerned Men and Women Dedicated to Gentle Use of California Trails and Backcountry

PRESIDENT'S LAST MESSAGE

Thanks to all in the unit for a fantastic 4 years. What great support for all you have accomplished. We as a unit have completed many tasks, had some great rides, spent cool nights around campfires telling stories or listening to music, Our unit now has 3 horse camps we are responsible for, and a wonderful poker ride in the spring. Thanks again for all your support both in time invested and finances.



A special thanks to **Carol,** my wife, for putting up with so much and at times short changed. She is the best!

Hope to see you at the Christmas dinner for a great time and great fellowship.

We are still looking for a historian for our unit. Also if you have a favorite place to ride and would like to host a ride, we would be glad to

help with the particulars.

Remember to stay in the saddle, the ground is hard, Joe Kaminski President



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2017 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).

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

December 16	Christmas Party, Clovis Elks Club, Jim or Debbie Dixon, 559-779-3507 jddix-
on@netptc.net	

January 1 San Joaquin River Gorge Ride, Ted Fischer

January 3 Board Meeting, Clovis Elks Lodge 6:30 p.m.

January 16 General Meeting, Clovis Elks Lodge 6:30 p.m.

February 2 Dave Stamey Concert, Elks Lodge Clovis, contact Ted Fischer 559-855-8599

tjfischer3@gmail.com

February 7 Board Meeting, Clovis Elks Lodge 6:30 p.m.

February 10 Shoot Your Heart Out, Jon and Jan Mikkelson, 559-289-4911, jessecowboy@comcast.net

March 7 Board Meeting, Clovis Elks Lodge 6:30 p.m.

March 14 General Meeting, Clovis Elks Lodge 6:30 p.m.

March TBA Hensley Lake Poker Ride

April 4 Board Meeting, Clovis Elks Lodge 6:30 p.m.

April 13-15 Redezvous in Paso Robles, Los Padres Unit



April 14-15	Cross Cut Saw Cla	ass (State Class)	Porterville
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April 21-22 Chain Saw Class (State Class) Porterville

April TBA Desentizing Clinic, Jan and John Mikkelson, 559-289-4911, jessecowboy@comcast.net

April 28 Clovis Parade

April 27-30 Clovis Rodeo

May 2 Board Meeting, Clovis Elks Lodge 6:30 p.m.

May TBA Jose Basin Camp out

May 16 General Meeting, Clovis Elks Lodge 6:30 p.m.

June 6 Board Meeting, Clovis Elks Lodge 6:30 p.m.

July 11 Board Meeting, Clovis Elks Lodge 6:30 p.m.

Calendar 2018 continued

August 1 Board Meeting, Clovis Elks Lodge 6:30 p.m.

August TBA Tamarack Campout/Ride

August 15 General Meeting, TBA

September 5 Board Meeting, Clovis Elks Lodge 6:30 p.m.

September TBA Tamarack Poker Ride

October 1 Board Meeting, Clovis Elks Lodge 6:30 p.m.

October 4-8 CCMA Poker Ride/Campout at Montana De Oro, non-unit activity

October 6 Eagle Point Ride Shaver Lake, Cara Peterson

October TBA Elections/General Meeting TBA

November 7 Board Meeting, Clovis Elks Lodge 6:30 p.m.

November TBA Playday

December 5 Board Meeting, Clovis Elks Lodge 6:30 p.m.

December 8 Christmas Party, Clovis Elks Lodge

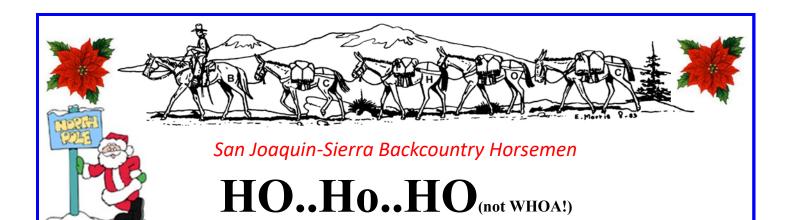
WORK PARTIES TBA

Is there any activity that you would like to **sponsor?** We are always looking to improve the club and making it fun for all members. Please submit your ideas, wpeverill@sebastiancorp.net. You may call 559-908-3138 and I will get back to you.

William Duane Peverill President

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.

Remember to check for any Unit updates at our Web Site: www.bchcsjsu.org for the San Joaquin/Sierra Unit, www.bchcalifornia.org for the State Web Site



It's that **Time of Year** to gather for our annual **Christmas** Holiday party. You DON'T need to be a member to come and join in the festivities.

Saturday December 16, 2018

Cost: \$25.00

Time: 5:00 p.m. Social Hour

Dinner: 6:30 p.m.

Location: Clovis Elks Lodge 535 Woodworth Avenue, Clovis

Please R.S.V.P. by December 8, 2017 to: Jim or Debbie Dixon 559-779-3507

or email to: jddixon@netptc.net



We will have "ELVIS"
Entertaining us.
YEE HAW!!!
No host bar
Silent Auction



And as always **yummy food!** Tri-tip or Chicken

Auction Donations? Bring any new item to the party and we'll put 'em on the table!

Prepay and get it out of the way! Tear off and mail BELOW!



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Backcountry Horsemen Christmas Dinner December 10, 2016	

Name______ Number of Attendees_____

Chicken Dinners#____ Tri Tip Dinners #____ Paid amt. _____

Maid: Viscon Dinners#____ Paid amt. _____

Mail to: Jim & Debbie Dixon P.O. Box 319 Shaver Lake, CA 93664



BIG MEADOW SET FOR 2018

While camp host at Big Meadows, Carol and I asked the contractor putting in the underground on the road if they might be able to spare any DG. He asked the reason and said sure. A load was dumped in camp for dispersal. On Oct 19, Steve Naylon, Pete Parkin, Jim Knabke, Richard Hall, Carol Kaminski, Joe Kaminski and Randy Witt with the all important TRACTOR dumped DG. Randy moved buckets of DG

into each pen as the rest of us leveled it around. What short work was made of this job with the help of Randy's tractor. We enjoyed a lunch of tri tip sandwiches,

chips and brownies and lot of stories. What a great time! Did I mention all the pens were renewed? Also, Carol, Pete and Jim cleaned the fire pits and made them ready for next year. Thanks for the many hands that made the work go fast.

Here are the results from our elections. Below are the Officers, Board of Directors and Coordinators for the 2018 year. If you have any questions or concerns please contact any of the people below. We are here to promote our Mission Statement and to help any new



OFFICERS 2018

horse person in our area with questions.

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5th Annual Shoot Your Heart Out!



It's that time... Again!! February 10, 2018 is BCHC San Joaquin Sierra's "Shoot Your Heart Out day." Bring your favorite **Valentine**, handgun, ammo, and/or 22 Rifle or 12-gauge shotgun. (No steel rounds please). Guns are also available to shoot from The Range Pistol Club. Ammunition will **not** be provided but is available for purchase at the Range. Basic handgun safety and cleaning of the weapons will be reviewed and questions will be answered.

CCW renewal will be available for no charge!!

All weapons **MUST** be unloaded and locked in a box or have a trigger lock when brought into The Range.

The charge will be \$10.00 per person, paid to BCHC-SJSU.

You must be a BCHC member to shoot. You may become a member the day of the 'shoot' as applications will be available.

Light sandwiches and drinks will be provided.

Range Master will be John Mikkelson, Past President SJSU BCHC.

Location:

The Range Pistol Club 5152 North Gates Avenue Fresno, CA. (The Range is behind the west Costco Store near Hwy. 99. north of Shaw.)

R.S.V. P. by Wednesday, Feb. 6, to Jan by emailing jessecowboy@comcast.net or by calling 289-4911.

See ya thar pardner!

































Valentine Surprise

Dave Stamey Concert

February 2, 2018

Clovis Elks Lodge

535 Woodworth, Clovis



We wanted to let you in on a little **Valentine Secret** early so you can plan to take your sweetheart to a delightful evening concert. So mark your calendar and buy your tickets early.

Music Lover's Delight, San Joaquin Sierra Unit will sponsor a **Dave Stamey Concert** on the **2nd of February 2018**. Come one come all to the Clovis Elks Lodge to be entertained by Dave Stamey, a nationally known and recognized singer and songwriter. We are thrilled to have Dave sing and play for us that evening. Dessert and coffee will be served during intermission.

If you haven't bought your tickets it's time to purchase your tickets early as we plan to sell out. For details contact Ted Fischer SJSU Vice President. 559-855-8599 tjfischer3@gmail.com

P.S. Hey guys this is a way to stay out of trouble at least once next year. Hint.....hint.....



SHAVER LAKE FALL RIDE OCTOBER 7. 2017 By Ruth Cramer

It was a sparkling fall day as we trailered up to **Shaver Lake** to meet our ride hostess, **Cara Peterson** at the Sierra Marina on the north side of Shaver Lake. While our group usually rides on the South side of the lake, near the Shaver Horse Camp, today Cara had selected the more remote perimeter trail – which turned out to be an excellent choice. Ultimately, nine riders met- up at the assembly area – **Richard and Tami Telles**, **Jim Dixon**, **Bill Chilson**, **Debbie Davis** and **Ruth Cramer**. To our pleasure, we were also joined by the **Fallerts** from the Raymond area: **Bob** and **Billie Jo** with their grand-daughter **MacKenzee**. At 11:00 am, we gathered up with Cara for our instructions; after a prayer for safe travels for both riders and horses, we set off on the first leg of our ride.

Seeing the horses together as we set off on the road was beautiful; they were so varied and each one seemed to be enjoying being on the trail as they moved out. I was in the lead on Annie, a paint mare, and following behind were Debbie on her thoroughbred Noah; Bill on a fine mule, George; Cara on Eli, her buckskin quarter horse; and Richard and Tami on Geronimo, a mustang-paint and Stellio, a speckled grey Passofino. (Richard and Geronimo make an amazing pair. It's hard to detect that he rides without being able to see, so Geronimo is his Seeing Eye horse. This ride was nothing less than adventurous - hat off to both of you!) Grandpa Bob Fallert stayed behind at the assembly area, while Billie Joe rode Chrissie and MacKenzee rode Missy, both well-trained for performance by B.J. Riding behind to keep an eye on everyone, Jim followed on Lagzi, his sturdy Icelandic. Beside us, the lake sparkled invitingly, promising a good day in the saddle.



Our ride itinerary was very simple: we would ride to Eagle Point Camp Ground, have lunch, ride on almost to Tunnel Creek, then turn around and make our way back to the trailers. Cara had scouted the area the previous weekend, placing signs and flags at all the way-points. There were challenges for the horses, as we would encounter obstacles, vehicles, water courses and varying surfaces to ride on.

On the first leg, approximately a mile along the only paved road on the North side of the lake, the horses spread out behind Annie, finding their pace and getting used to the herd. On his first trail ride, Debbie's horse Noah, a thoroughbred in training for 3-Day Events, showed us that he liked to stretch his legs and set a fast pace. The rest of the horses settled in behind him and Annie, and we rode along easily, horseshoes ringing on the pavement.

As we left the road at the trailhead that began the next leg of our ride, the tall pines drew closer and the horse's hooves became muffled in the quiet of the trees. Alone on the trail, we had ample time to relax and enjoy the views of Shaver Lake and the scenic overlooks as we rode up on them. The horses did encounter some challenges along this section: springs in the trail, steep inclines and declines, and strange obstacles to ride by and around. It amazes me how riding can make everyone's mood lighten more and more. Soon, we were all enjoying ourselves; there were plenty of jokes and laughter as we made our way beneath the trees.

After lunch, sun-soaked and rested, we mounted up for the next leg of our ride. The path wound beside Doris Cove and under the trees by the lake shore almost all the way to Tunnel Creek. When we reached the turn-around point, we were startled to find ourselves back on the same road we started on—only here, there was a road sign that pointed one way to the Marina, 4 ½ miles; and the opposite direction to Dinkey Creek Road, 6 ½ miles. The only thing to do was to turn around and make our way back the way we came—and do we did.

There was much more talk and laughter as we made our way back. At the trailers, the horses were happy to have a drink and a good rubdown after their workout. As we loaded up, there were god-byes all around, and promises to ride together again next year. October is the perfect time to ride at Shaver Lake. I hope you will plan to join us.







Peter Parkin Pipeline

As we start a new year it is time to review BCHC San Joaquin Sierra Unit Rules on the Trail.

- 1. Trail discipline is essential to insure the safety of all riders and mounts. The Trail Boss has absolute authority. All riders should position behind the Trail Boss and remain there during the ride unless he/she gives permission to do otherwise. If there are several groups, each group must have a designated leader and abide by the rules decided upon for that group.
- 2. The "Drag" and other ride assistants named by the Trail Boss, also have authority over the riders. All riders must remain in front of the Drag rider.
- 3. Always keep at least one horse length but not much more between horses.
- 4. When the group has stopped, observe the horse length rule with regard to all horses about you.
- 5. When traveling on a road, all riders must ride on the same side of the road, especially when vehicles are passing.
- 6. Riding side by side is permissible, if the trail is wide enough, and all trail rules are observed.
- 7. If you must pass, ask the rider in front of you, come up slowly, and allow plenty of room.
- 8. When mounting to ride, keep your horse still until everyone is mounted.
- 9. Never tie up your horse with the reins.
- 10. Smoke in designated areas.
- 11. Watering holes: space your horses out for safety. After watering in a stream, wait on the other side, as some horses will not drink if the group is moving ahead.
- 12. Check your horse shoes and all tack within a week of going to a ride.
- 13. No person shall ride in a manner that might endanger any other person or mount.
- 14. Horses known to kick must wear a **Red Ribbon** on their tail-but remember- any horse can kick.
- 15. When riding beside a paved road, ride the dirt shoulder with the traffic.
- 16. Haul your trash out from lunch stops and campsites.
- 17. "Take only pictures, Leave only hoof prints."
- 18. Never run your horses on trails.
- 19. Dogs are prohibited on trails, for the safety of riders.
- 20. No alcohol on trail.

Until we meet again. Happy Trails and lets make this a banner year!



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SJS Unit Fund Raisers For Sale

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

\$15.00

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

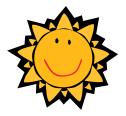
\$13.00

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

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



Sunshine Corral

Greetings from the Sunshine Corral. Hoping your rides are plentiful and safe!



We would like to welcome our newest members to our Unit:

Dustin McMurry, Madera Abel and Esmeralda Lopez, Madera Chris and Andrea Casteneda, Madera Stan and Ruth Ellen Fischer, Ivanhoe John and Ellie Flores, Clovis



The Lighter Side of the Barn

The eastern lady who was all ready to take a horseback ride said to the cowboy, "Can you get me a nice gentle pony?"

"Shore," said the cowboy. "What kind of a saddle do you want, English or western?"

"What's the difference?" asked the lady.

"The western saddle has a horn on it," said the cowboy.

"If the traffic is so thick here in the mountains that I need a horn on my saddle, I don't believe I want to ride."

Three cowboys of the world are sitting around camp talking about how tough they were and the tales kept

getting bigger and bigger. The cowboy from Australia says, "I wrestled a 200 pound crocodile and made it cry like a baby."

The Cowboy from Brazil shakes his head and says, "I killed a 400 pound steer with my bare hands."

The Cowboy from Texas just smiled and kept stirring the campfire with his leg.





Backcountry Cooks



Campfire Hash

Cooktime: 45 minutes Makes 6 servings

- 1 onion chopped
- 2 Tablespoons canola oil
- 2 Cloves garlic
- 4 large potatoes, peeled and cubed
- 1 pound smoked kielbasa, halved and sliced
- 4 ounces chopped green chili
- 1 can (15 oz) corn drained

Directions:

In a large ovenproof skillet over medium heat, cook and stire onion in oil until tender. Add garlic, cook 1 minute longer. Add potatoes cook uncovered for 20 minutes, stirring occasionally. Add kielbasa, cook and stir until meat and potatoes are tender and browned, about 10-15 minutes. Stir in chilies and corn, heat through.

Originally published as Camppfire Hash in Country Extra July 1993, p. 47

In our area we are able to camp almost all year-round. This hearty meal tastes so good after a full day of outdoor activities.



Kids Corner Puzzle

Horse 5x5 Boggle Word Game

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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.

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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,

Joe Kaminski

Past President

"Travel Advantage"

Dear BCHC Members

Check out the latest edition of "Travel Advantage", @

www.ytbtravel.com/bchc a travel newsletter full of terrific deals from YTB, our BCHC travel partner. The newsletter is chock full of great ideas for anyone's next getaway! You can download an icon to your computer desktop for instant connection to the BCHC Getaway website.

Please forward "Travel Advantage" newsletter to your friends

Please forward "Travel Advantage" newsletter to your friends and family and other BCHC supporters. The more we get the word out, the more people will use the BCHC Getaway travel site to take advantage of great rates on hotels, flights, rental cars and other travel-related items, the more BCHC will earn for our Treasury!!

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions about the travel site, how it works or what BCHC earns by participating in this great opportunity. Thank you for supporting and promoting BCHC Getaway!!

C.J. Hargreaves BCHC Editor/Travel Site Coordinator cjohargreaves@verizon.net



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Board Meeting September 6, 2017 Elks Lodge Clovis, CA.

Call to order: 6:33 p.m.

Roll Taken: President: Joe Kaminski-absent, Vice President: Duane Peverill, Secretary: Carol Kaminski-absent, Treasurer: Pete

Parkin

Directors: Gary VanSickle, Sue VanSickle, Randy Witt, Ted Fischer, Jim Knabke, Carolyn Witt

Minutes review and approved: 1st jim K. 2nd Sue V

Correspondence: Checks for Big Meadows \$320.00. Cook Trailer

Registration due: \$10.00. \$1800 Pumping bill

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Education: Oct. 18 election, dinner-\$15. Still working on menu from Yosemite Falls café. Christmas Party Dec. 9at 5:00 pm Saw certificates needed. Ted to set up training. Also working on CPR and first adie course. State meeting-Oct. 14

Membership: No new Members. 19 expred memberships and 15 in grace Newsletter: Sept. 20 due date. Tamarack—Ted. Randy-Beginning pack trip.

General meeting- Ted. Buckle- Joe or Duane winner.

Public Lands: Sunshine:

Shaver Lake: Ted wants to know usage.

NEW BUSINESS:

Big Meadows-donations down. \$2,390 to date. Will try and get e-mail addresses next year. May send request to those who donated last year with this years update. Camp hosts comments for this year. Kyle spoke with Joe and Carol. About concerns: number of people, portable corrals, water pumped from creek by hose.

Election meeting-Oct. 18 6-8 pm Yosemite Falls Café. 20-30 people. Unit will pick up \$15 per person. Ted-unit will pick-up Mike and guest dinner. Passed.

Christmas dinner Dec. 9 at pm. Alan will cook. Grant Kennington-cowboy poet. Ted –unit will cover their dinner. Elvis impersonator also. Some would like dancing. Alan to take care of contract and cost with Elks. Ted wants committee. Flyer needed to promote. \$25 per person.

Dave Stamey concert—Feb 2, 2018. \$30 per ticket. Check on insurance with Alan. Two tickets to be given to Ron Jefferson. Ted first Sue Second passed. Ted-Pat knows company for dessert. Approximately \$300-350. Duane will look into it.

Ted-Madera/Fresno RAC missing opportunity. Gave out \$280,000. Funds through USFS. For work in 2017-2018 up to 2019. July-Aug when next RFP is issued. Can report be included in agenda.

Nominations: Gary to run for treasurer. Carol willing to do secretary. Ted nominates Jan? Duane nominates Ted as VP. Ted wants ride coordinator Oct. meeting..

Date changed to Oct 2nd, Pete 1st Randy 2nd, passed

OLD BUSINESS:

Adjourn at 8:20 Pete 1st and Sued 2nd, passed.



Board Meeting October 2, 2017 Elks Lodge, Clovis, Ca.

Call to order: 6:30

Roll Taken: President: Joe Kaminski, Vice President: Duane Peverill- absent, Secretary: Carol Kaminski,

Treasurer: Pete Parkin

Directors: Gary VanSickle, Sue VanSickle, Randy Witt, Ted Fischer, Jim Knapke, Carolyn Witt, Cathie Walker, Steve Naylon,

Fredi Chrisman

Minutes review and approved: Gary VS. 1st, Duane. 2nd

Corresponsence:

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Education: Members need to be in good standing to serve on board. Parks to rise entry fee \$10.00. Yosemite update: change in fire management. Burn more slash piles. Release of liability forms-state wants paperwork to release liability for events. Need ICE cards. State to put forms together. May combine with hours forms. Check at state meeting. Need insurance for any event. Early notice BLM-emergency contact.

Membership: 3 new member. John, Chris and Abel

Newsletter Nov. 20 due date for articles.

Public lands: Inyo, Sierra, Sequoia – 5 year plan (go ahea). More burning in Sequoia Pak. Kyle to contact Ron Goode for meadow

restoration info.

Sunshine: Thank yous to Clovis Independent 4 Wheeled Drive for road work, Jim and Doug Laber for outhouse plaque, Dog House for gif certificate donation.

Shaver Lake: To close Oct. Stalls to be taken down. Work party needed for next year.

OLD BUSINESS: Big Meadows-Checks came from High Sierra BCHC. New pump company hired to pump vault. Cost to be \$650 (was \$1800) Membership requested for pump company. DG was dumped at camp. Randy volunteered tractor. Work party schdules Oct. 19 (Thursday) to spread DG. Club to provide lunch.

2017 events up-to-date. See calendar

Dave Stamey – Feb 2 need cost estimates for Elks, Dessert, Insurance for alcohol. Ted 1st for catering, Randy 2nd passed. Club to pay for 2 tickents for Ron Jefferson

General meeting-Club to pay\$15 per member for dinner. Stabbie DVM to speak (dinner paid for)

Elections Ted VP, Duane President, Gary Treasurer, Carol Secretary

Directors Debbie M, Steve Naylon, Pete Parkin, Jim Laber

Christmas Dinner—Dec 16 (new date) set-up 9:00, need non-camping donations, art work, travel, corn popper. Table decorations for event??? Fredi has gold fabric, Cathie has saddles for decorations. Jim and Debbie Dixon for RSVP. \$25 for dinner. Chaffing dishes needed. Call Jan for silent auction set-up. Maybe gun safe, CCW purse, ride with Eye-in the Sky (Randy)

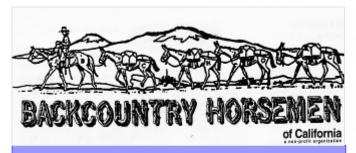
NEW BUSINESS:

Jan. 17 meeting—Joe to contact Greg for short wave radio speaker. No cost for class for those interested. Forrest Service wants personal information for paperwork (we choose not to). Mark Nelson has BCHC branding iron. We will buy for \$50. Duane 1st, Fredi 2nd (passed)

Adjorn at 8:10

You can go to BCHCalifornia.org to become a member or fill out this form and send it in.

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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.