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

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hi all and I hope you are ready for another great riding season. The weather is warming and the snow is melting. After changing the date a couple of times, we were excited for the great turn out at the Hensley Poker ride. Thanks to **Duane, Pat, Pete, J.C., Randy, Carolyn, and Fredi.** What a great day and ride.

Thanks to **John and Jan** for taking the reins and another great clinic and setting up the **Clovis Rodeo Parade**. Thanks also to **Barnyard Feed** for hosting our tack sale and general meeting.

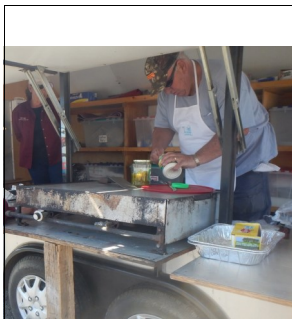
Dates are tentative due to weather for our work parties, but we hope to do **Big Meadows June 4-9th** and **Edison June 23-30th**. Get your reservations in soon for **Montana de Oro** in July as you will want to escape the heat. Also, mark your calendars for the **Tamarack Poker Ride August 5**, with camping and a great time.

CONGRATULATIONS to **Carolyn Witt** for first place at the rendezvous as editor of our newsletter. This was a first for our unit since I have been here. Thank you for your hard work.

Stay posted for upcoming speakers at our general meetings. Our unit continues to grow thanks to you. I would like to thank all members for whatever role you play. Whether you serve on the board, host a ride, come to events or do not ride any more, but continue to support what we do **THANK YOU!** Please, if you are considering hosting a ride please let me or another board member know and we would be glad to walk you through the process and help you to make the ride a success.

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).

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*

June 4-10 Work Party Camp and Ride Big Meadows, Joe Kaminski, 559-733-9170

June 23-30 Work Party at Edison, Joe Kaminski, 559-733-9170

July 7-9 Montana De Oro, Pete Parkins, 559-871-4500

August 4-6 Tamarack Camp-Poker Ride

August 16 General Meeting, Elks Lodge 535 Woodworth, Clovis 6:30 pm

October TBA General Meeting and Election

December 9 Christmas Party

The new year is here and the Officers/Directors will be reviewing and creating the year's activities. Please review this year's calendar at www.bchcsjsu.org, and let us know if there are any other activities that you would like added to the calendar. Also, 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.

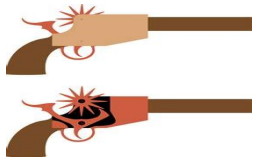
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Remember to check for any Unit updates at our Web Site:

www.bchcsjsu.org for the San Joaquin/Sierra Unit,
www.bchcalifornia.org for the State Web Site

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.

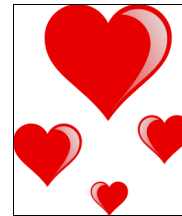


Shoot Your Heart Out February 11, 2017 Jan Mikkelson



Thanks to The **Range Pistol Club** instructor **John Mikkelson** for putting on "**Shoot Your Heart Out**" again this year! As usual, his expertise and wealth of knowledge in gun laws, handling and safety was interesting and helpful "Shooters" were **Jim Harvey, Rhonda Beebe, Joe Kaminski, Carol Kaminski, Peter and J.C. Parkin, Randy Witt, Greg and Wanda Caradonna, Char and Al Meier, Kristi Parkin, Debbie Davis, Bill Chilson, Dianne Williamson and niece Kelly Williamson, Alan Fry and Fredi Chrisman.** Unfortunately, participants were too busy to take photos! Everyone enjoyed "shooting the bull" and eating SJSU provided sandwiches, mandarin orange, chips and of course.....**CHOCOLATE KISSES!!**

Thanks to everyone who came to make this another successful event.



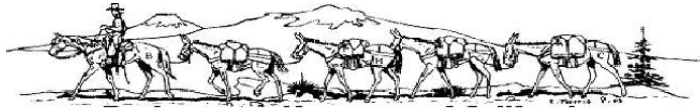


TACK SALE AND GENERAL MEETING AT BARNYARD FEED AND SUPPLY

It was a beautiful day. We were hosted by **John and Veronica Lewis** of **Barnyard Feed and Supply**. They have a great feed store and great customer service. Even though we had a poor turn out on participants selling tack and customers, we all had a great time socializing. **Kevin** smoked some great Tri Tip for our dinner meeting and demo. Again we had some great food. Smoked Tri Tip, Pats Chili Beans, Carols Potato salad by **Fredi**, Cole Slaw by **Carol** and Rice Crispy Treats. If you weren't there you missed out on a great dinner. Because of the lack of participants John and Veronica didn't do their demo. It was kind of disappointing because they do a fantastic job. We were hoping for a better turn out. But, maybe next time. All in all it was a nice day to sit around and talk with good friends. Thanks to all that participated.



BACK COUNTRY HORSEMAN OF CALIFORNIA



SAN JOAQUIN SIERRA UNIT



Come and enjoy Horse Camping at the Madrone Group Horse Camp at

Montana De Oro State Park

The park's name, "Mountain of Gold," comes from the golden wildflowers that bloom in spring. The Park features over 8,000 acres of rugged cliffs, secluded sandy beaches, coastal plains, streams, canyons, and hills, including 1,347-foot Valencia Peak. No dogs are allowed on trails.

July 7, 8, 9, 2017

Camp is available from 2:00pm Friday 7/7/17 until noon Monday 7/10/17.
There are miles of horse trails along the beach and in the foothills for all levels of riding.

Potluck: Join us for a potluck dinner Saturday night. Bring an item to be shared and your own meat item for our grill.

Cost: Horse and rider for 3 days is \$ 45.00; Additional individuals \$ 3.00
Madrone Group Camp has 15 corrals, pit toilets, water for horses only, no showers, and no hook-ups.

Contact Information: Peter Parkin (559) 871-4500

This is a BCHC-SJSU sponsored event and you must be a member of BCHC to attend.
Reservations are limited and will only be taken upon receipt of signed check with reservation form below.

Please make check payable to **BCHC-SJSU** and mail with completed reservation form to:
Peter Parkin
17794 Rodeo Dr
Madera, CA 93638

DESENSITIZING CLINIC AND PARADE PRACTICE

2017 BCHC-SJSU DESENSITIZATION CLINIC



April 1, 2017 was our annual **Desensitization Clinic at the Silver Rose Ranch**. It was even more beautiful this year as the rains had replenished the trees and grass and everything was so green. **Carol Patterson and Glen Richardson** had the place looking groomed and welcoming.

Considering there were many various equine activities in the Central Valley April 1, we had a great showing of participants. They were: **John and myself, Peter Parkin, Randy Witt, Cara Peterson, Ruth Cramer, Richard and Tammi Telles, Joe and Carol Kaminski, Jaedyn Traeger, Debra McFarren, Jim Knapke, Jim Dixon, Jim Laber, Doug Laber, Richard Hall, Nancy Kanta, Lee and Priscilla Herrick, Bob Herrick, Debbie Davis, Lois Blough, Carla Hawks, Ted Kimbler and John Wagoner** from Sierra FreePackers. **Fredi Chrisman and Katie Horst** dropped by to visit and ranch owner **Carol Patterson** came for lunch and conversation. Thanks so very much Carol, for again, providing your lovely ranch to us for this perfect day.

For a second year, the **Fresno County Sheriff's Posse** participated with us as well. **Commander Steve Schultz** brought a few posse members including **Loren Austin** (wife **Denise** came along) **Ted Kimbler**, and **Ben Sanchez**. They whipped up some hot dogs, excellent chili Steve's wife **Michelle** made, grilled onions, and chips. Thanks guys for providing us a delicious lunch and riding in the clinic.

John Mikkelson built some new obstacles and we had a couple of additions to our random blow up 'ornaments'. We had a feather flag, human size rabbit, Santa, the pink rabbit, and other standards such as the fireplace set up, flares, tarps, whirlies, slickers, and authentic sound effects.

John, with Peter's help, set up a terrific course the day before, which made clinic day less hectic and more time for fun!

Thanks to all who attended and for another successful year. We received lots of very positive feedback and requests for another clinic for 2018. It is a beneficial exposure for horses to prepare for the parade and/or the unit's great rides and events for the rest of the year.

Jan Mikkelson



What are those things waving at us?





Clovis Rodeo Parade 2017

By Jan Mikkelsen



Wow!!! Another great day at the parade this year! Everyone had to rise and shine before the chickens to get to Clovis and saddle up for the parade. **Jesse James and Cowboy** were still asleep as we arrived before sunrise. We were number 228, so starting early was a must! **Peter Parkin** worked tirelessly to ensure all shirt and scarf orders were filled and ready for riders before hand. Thanks so much Pete for getting all those orders in ahead of time! Everyone looked so great in their matching attire, and evidently the Parade judges thought so, too. We came in second place this year, which I think is terrific with so many first time parade riders in our group. (**Brett Hedrick** told me first place went to **Heart of the Horse Therapy** riding group. Congratulations to them!)

Abigail LaSpada joined mom **Sandy** and myself as flag bearers, so the American, California and SJSU unit flags were all represented. Abigail did a great job!!

Riders were **John Mikkelson**, President **Joe Kaminski**, **Carol Kaminski**, granddaughter **Jaedyn Traeger**, **Peter Parkin** and daughter **Kristi**, **Barbara Calkins-Faggert** with niece and new member **Claire McGuire**, **Ruth Cramer**, **Richard Hall**, **Nancy Kanta**, **Doug Laber**, new members **Matt Pope** and daughter **Rhyan** and Sierra FreePacker **John Wagoner**. **Bob Herrick**, son **Lee** and his wife **Priscilla**, pulled their mule string behind our procession. **Lisa Blough**, who had broken her wrist the week before and was unable to ride, but was so helpful in getting everyone signed up as they arrived in the morning and was sure all saddle blankets were distributed. She then accompanied our group in the parade on foot with her dog. There were 23 of us total! Thanks so much to **Debbie MacDougald** for taking photos of the unit! Thanks to all who came to create a great representation of the **BackCountry Horsemen of California San Joquin Sierra Unit**!! Woo-Hoo!!! You all did a wonderful job. 'Til next year...



Hensley Poker Ride

After two cancellations due to bad weather on the third try we were successful. Like they say, “The Third time is the Charm.”

The Poker Ride was one of our best events. It was a beautiful day at the lake and riding conditions were excellent. The lake was wasn't full but it is getting closer everyday. The ride was about 2 to 3 hours and little over 4 miles on mild terrain. Everyone found all the bags and no one got lost this year. We had over 31 participants and 9 helpers. The food was out of this world! **Joe and Carol** BBQ'd hamburgers, they also made macaroni salad and homemade cookies, **Pat** made her killer chili beans, **Fredi** made Carol's potato salad. If you went away hungry it was your own fault!

We had outstanding raffle prizes ranging from Clovis Rodeo tickets to sacks of feed. **Al Gould** donated a head stall, **Ted Fischer** a day fishing trip and **Cara Peterson** a wooden framed photo of your choice. **Thank You** to all that participated to make this a great event. Having a committee is what makes this type of event come together and run smoothly. Thanks to the helpers: **Joe and Carol Kaminiski, Fredi Chrisman, Randy and Caroline Witt, Pete and JC Parkin and Pat and Duane Peverill**. Thanks to the Committee: **Pete Parkin, Ted Fischer, Pat Peverill and Duane Peverill**.

Hope to see you all next year at this ride. But for those of you that can't wait a year, we have a **Poker Ride/Camp out at Tamarack on Aug 4,5,6**. You won't want to miss this event in **Honor of Diana Sorenson**. Watch the web page bchcsjsu.org for updates. Hope to see you there.



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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

Hats \$15.00

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

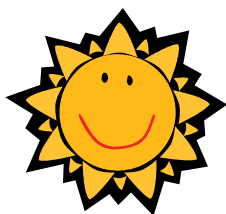
Scarf \$13.00

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.

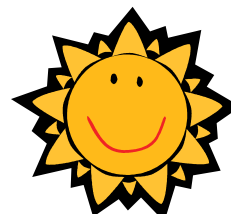
Horse First Aid.....great, informative quick reference \$25.00

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



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:

Claire Mc Guire Lisa Curry Pete Wilson Glenda Jacobsen
Dudley Robertson Bob Fallert

Sympathy and Condolences to the family of:

Cathy Miller and Family for the loss of their son.
Dick Young loss of his wife.
Sue Van Sickle for loss of her mother.
Cara Peterson for the loss of her horse Snip.

Speedy Recovery and Get Well to:

Cara Peterson for Broken Wrist
Lois Blough for Broken Wrist

Thank you and Appreciations to:

7 Donations in the Name of Diana Sorensen
1 Big Meadow Horse Camp Donation
Al Gould headstall donation
Doug and James Labor for Cook Trailer Decal

CALLING ALL MEMBERS

We are in need of **MORE HELP** from our membership to volunteer for different positions. Our unit will not be successful without our members joining in to share the load. Sign-up to help out for any number of things. This way you can meet other members, contribute to the betterment of your unit, not depend on a small group of the members to carry the weight and have a positive voice in the direction you would like to see the unit going.

There are soooo many things you can volunteer to help with just to name a few:

Historian (keeping track of what our unit does)
Christmas table decoration committee
Take Reservations for Christmas
Send in recipes to newsletter
Help on work parties
Be a Director for the unit

Send in Articles for Newsletter
Help with Poker Rides
Organize rides
Purchase 2017 calendars
Volunteer to help out at Big Meadows
Need a new Newsletter Editor



Backcountry Cooks



FROM PAT PEVERILL

Beer Bread

3 cups Self Rising Flour
2 Tablespoons of Sugar
1 Can of Beer at Room Temperature
1/2 Cup melted butter

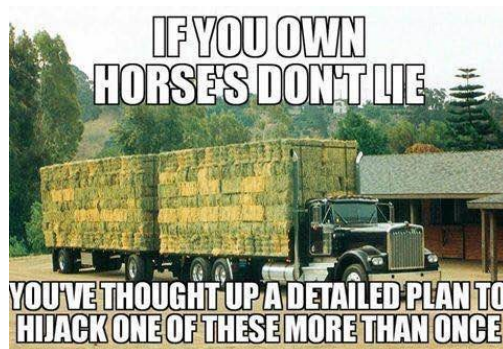
Stir in 1/3 of the beer to the dry mix, then the next third and then finally the final third of beer with a wooden spatula. Place the mix in a bread loaf pan or one third of the mix in a the smaller aluminum pans you can purchase at the store. Melt the butter and pour over the top of the bread mix. (I usually cut way down on the butter and use about 1/2 of what recipe calls for.) Place the mix in the oven and bake at 350 for 45 minutes. The bread can be removed when hot or left to cool. It is easier cut when turned over as the top surface will be crunchy. Makes great toast in the morning and good with dinner.



The Lighter Side of the Barn

Murphy's Horse Laws

There is no such thing as a sterile barn cat.
No one ever notices how you ride until you fall off.
The least useful horse in you barn will eat the most, require shoes every four weeks and need the vet at least once a month.
A horse's misbehavior will be in direct proportion to the number of people who are watching.
Your favorite tack always gets chewed on, and your new blanket gets torn.
Tack you hate will never wear out and blankets you hate cannot be destroyed.
Horses you hate cannot be sold and will out live you.
Clipper blades will become dull when your horse is half clipped.
If you approach within fifty feet of your barn in clean clothes, you will get dirty.
The number of horses you own will increase to the number of stalls in your barn.
Your barn will fall down without baling twine.
Hoof picks always run a way from home.
If you fall off, you will land on the site of your most recent injury.
If you are winning, then quit, because there is only one way to go. Down!



Peter Parkin Pipeline

They are Here



No, I am not talking about Poltergeist. I am talking about Rattlesnakes. They can be almost anywhere. We should learn about these snakes and how to avoid being bitten when having fun in the outdoors. Below is some information that I got off the internet.

When in Snake Country. What to Do and NOT to DO.

Rattlesnakes are not confined to rural areas. They have been found in urban areas, on riverbanks and lakeside parks and at golf courses. The following safety precautions can be taken to reduce the likelihood of an encounter with a rattlesnake.

Be alert. Like all reptiles, rattlesnakes are sensitive to the ambient temperature and will adjust their behavior accordingly. After a cold or cool night, they will attempt to raise their body temperature by basking in the sun mid-morning. To prevent overheating during hot days of spring and summer, they will become more active at dawn, dusk or night.

Wear sturdy boots and loose-fitting long pants. Never go barefoot or wear sandals when walking through brush, wild areas.

Children or adults should not wear flip-flops while playing outdoors in snake country.

When hiking, stick to well-used trails. Avoid tall grass, weeds and heavy underbrush where snakes may hide during the day.

Do not step or put your hands where you cannot see. Step ON logs and rocks, never over them, and be especially careful when climbing rocks or gathering firewood. Check out stumps or logs before sitting down, and shake out sleeping bags before use.

Never grab "sticks" or "branches" while swimming in lakes and rivers. Rattlesnakes can swim.

Be careful when stepping over doorsteps as well. Snakes like to crawl along the edge of buildings where they are protected on one side.

Never hike alone. Always have someone with you who can assist in an emergency.

Do not handle a freshly killed snake, as it can still inject venom.

Teach children early to respect snakes and to leave them alone.

Leash your dog when hiking in snake country. Dogs are at increased risk of being bitten due to holding their nose to the ground while investigating the outdoors. Ask your veterinarian about canine rattlesnake vaccines and what to do if your pet is bitten.

What to do in the event of a snake bite

Though uncommon, rattlesnake bites do occur, so have a plan in place for responding to any situation. Carry a cell phone, hike with a companion who can assist in an emergency and make sure that family or friends know where you are going and when you will be checking in. In the event of a bite:

Stay calm but act quickly.

Remove watches, rings, etc., which may constrict swelling.

Transport the victim to the nearest medical facility.

For more first aid information, please call the  [California Poison Control System](https://www.poisoncontrol.org/) at (800) 222-1222.

What you should NOT do after a rattlesnake bite

DON'T apply a tourniquet.

DON'T pack the bite area in ice.

DON'T cut the wound.

DON'T use your mouth to suck out the venom.

DON'T let the victim drink alcohol.

It would be advisable for you to check out different websites and to do some research on Rattlesnakes. Let's all have a great riding season and BE SAFE. Until next time. HAPPY TRAILS.

2017 BCHC CALENDARS

We still have a number of **2017 BCHC Calendars** for sale from our state BCHC to sell. If every member buys just **ONE** calendar, we will be able to fulfill our obligation to the state.

Please call **Peter Parkin** or email him if you can help.

559-871-4500 or ktzpaw@yahoo.com

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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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Display Ad Rate per issue

Business Card Size, \$8.00,

1/4 page, \$20.00,

1/2 page, \$35.00,

Full Page, \$50.00

Prices are subject to change without notice. **All prices are for one month, due the 10th of the month.** Editor reserves the right to refuse inappropriate ads.

All paid Ads include an E-mail Blast to all members with current emails

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

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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 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!!

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**San Joaquin Sierra Unit Board Meeting
Minutes March 1, 2017
Clovis Elks Lodge, 535 Woodworth Ave. Clovis, CA**

Call to order: 6:30

Roll Taken: President: Joe Kaminski, Vice President: Duane Peverill, Secretary: Carol Kaminski, Treasurer: absent
Directors: Jim Knabke, Randy Witt, Gary VanSickle, Sue VanSickle, Carolyn Witt, Ted Fischer, Cathie Walker
Guest: Alan Fry Absent: Fredi Chrisman, Pete Parkin

Minutes review and approved: Duane P. 1st, Ted Fischer 2nd

Correspondence: none

Treasurer report & Budget: YTD Income: CD's and Savings:
Expenses: YTD Profit: General Checking: Petty Cash:
Big Meadow:

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Education: State meeting- SJSU first in state in new members. New state web page. Rendezvous lost money in 2016
No calendars in 2018. Rose Parade video on Facebook. 1st aide/CPR available with Gorge. By laws review
headed by Ted.

Membership: no new members

Newsletter: Articles by Mar. 20. Jan- Shoot your heart out, Ted- Gorge, Desensitizing - Jan, General meeting-CHP
Duane and Randy.

Public lands: Meeting needs to be set up with Carol Hallesy

Sunshine corner: none

Shaver Lake: Closed

OLD BUSINESS:

2016 events and Christmas party: 2017 Christmas Party Dec. 9 Look into Elvis for entertainment. Randy 1st, Jim 2nd
Passed. Duane to make deposit. Ted to check on Cowboy poetry- Grant ? Randy 1st, Jim 2nd. Passed Big Meadow - meeting at
Toledo's with Pendergrafts, Jim K. and Duane. To be discussed--camp rules, white boards, sign makers, possible round table for
hosts. Cook trailer wrap-colored wrap, Ted 1st, Randy 2nd. Passed
Discussed business cards with ICE on back for all riders. Hensley Poker ride is a go. \$30 members, \$35 non members.
Burger, potato salad, beans, mac. salad to be served. General meeting-CHP Officer Tuttle to speak on trailer safety.
May 13-tack sale at Barnyard Feed. General meeting to follow with John and Veronica Lewis to speak. Parade practice-
\$250 budget for supplies, Duane 1st, Jim 2nd, passed-one opposed. \$200 food budget and supplies. Rendezvous- \$250 donation
Ted 1st, Randy 2nd, passed. table decorations?????

NEW BUSINESS

DUNN's number obtained. Insurance- Old policy inadequate, different category for clubs with work parties, pa-
rades, playdays, or allowing minors to participate. Notify Joe of function for insurance category. Duane to check on med-evac
availability insurance for individuals. Share info at general meeting in May. Storage shed inadequate. Randy to check on mini
storage. Fresno State pack team at Bishop- Alan Fry is contact. We will cover cost of trailer for week-\$500 maximum. Ted 1st.,
Duane 2nd., passed. Education donation required to obtain grant for education and maybe Big Meadows \$100. Randy 1st, Sue
2nd., passed. Gary and Pete to follow up.

Meeting adjourned: 8:30. Duane 1st., Randy 2nd.



Board Meeting April 5, 2017 Elks Lodge, Clovis, Ca.

Call to order: 6:30

Roll Taken: President: Joe Kaminski, Vice President: Duane Peverill, Secretary: Carol Kaminski, Treasurer: Pete Parkin
Directors: Jim Knabke, Randy Witt, Gary VanSickle, Sue VanSickle, Carolyn Witt, Ted Fischer, Cathie Walker,
Fred Chrisman

Minutes review and approved: Duane P. 1st, Ted Fischer 2nd

Correspondence: Central Valley Regional Water Control, Big Meadows donations

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Education: Free 1st aide class to be planned with CCORK, Gorge and Hensley trails all clear. Saw class 1st weekend in June in Nevada. Cathie W. offered Riddle Ranch for class site for saw training.

Membership: no new members. New membership form on state website.

Newsletter: Articles by May. 20. Jan- Shoot your heart out, Desensitizing and parade, Jan. April 6-8, 2018 Rendezvous

Public lands:

Sunshine corner: Sympathy sent to Paul Sorenson, Cathie Miller(Freepackers), and Dick Young.

Shaver Lake: Letter to Central State Sanitation to re-up Shaver toilet contract

OLD BUSINESS:

2016 events: Big Meadows-Meeting to be scheduled with Kyle and Carol. BCHA grant filed Mar.20. Wrap for cook trailer-Jim Laber

By-laws Ted, Randy and Carolyn. Cindy to look for old records.

Events: Clinic, Parade, Poker Ride (move to 4-23), Pete to check on Kings Productions for entertainment for Christmas-deposit to be made, Ted to check on cowboy poet. Duane mentioned dinner concert,

Ted to check on Dave Stamey. Joe to check on guitarist. 2017 packtrips to be announced. 2018 Rendezvous April 6-8. Business cards-not yet


Randy checked on storage units....Lowes \$1,100 for storage sheds. Tabled.

NEW BUSINESS

Pack boxes donated by Dudley. Randy asked for family membership for thank you. Randy 1st, Fredi 2nd (passed)

Meeting adjourned: 7:50. Carolyn 1st., Joe 2nd.

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

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| <p>Email Address: _____ (please print legibly)</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <p>Donation to BCHC Education Fund (tax deductible) \$ _____</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| <p>Parent Unit Membership Types: (CIRCLE ONE)</p> <p>Individual \$50 Family \$60 - 2 Year Individual \$90 - 2 Year Family \$110 - 3 Year Individual \$125 - 3 Year Family \$150 Young Adult (18-25 years old) \$15 - Benefactor \$100 - Patron \$250 - Mt Whitney \$500</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Associate Membership for: _____ \$15.00/unit Unit Name (from above list) _____</p> <p>Associate Membership for: _____ \$15.00/unit Unit Name (from above list) _____</p> <p>Please write additional choices on back.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Please clip form along dashed lines and keep the below portion for your records</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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 who share 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 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 pages at BCHCalifornia.org
or call (775) 463-3634

KEEP FOR YOUR RECORDS

I submitted an Application Form for a new –

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Individual Membership | \$ 50.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family (Shared) Membership | \$ 60.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Young Adult (18-25 years old) | \$ 15.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Year Individual | \$ 90.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Year Family | \$ 110.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Year Individual | \$ 125.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Year Family | \$ 150.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Benefactor Membership | \$ 100.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Patron Membership | \$ 250.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mt Whitney Membership | \$ 500.00 |

On that form, I also requested –
_____ Associate Memberships \$ _____

My Total Remittance: \$ _____

My Check Number: _____

Date Mailed: _____

Verification of BCHC membership is available via (1) BCHC unit president's reports (2) BCHC membership chair reports (3) a self addressed stamped envelope submitted with this form or (4) a valid email address.



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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.