



# San Joaquin Sierra *Hoof Prints*



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

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well the year is off to a great start. We have had some outstanding events in the first 2 months. We had two **Breakfast Rides** held at the San Joaquin River Gorge sponsored by Ted Fischer and Randy Witt. **Dave Stamey** performed to a sold out event sponsored by our unit. Dave said he will come back next year, so keep your eyes open for the date.



Ted Fischer held an **Officers/Directors Training** at Yosemite Falls Restaurant in which we had participants from several BCHC Units. Our new members Jim and Doug Labor opened up their family site out of Tehachapi for our first **Desert Ride**. It looks like it will become an annual event. John and Jan Mikkelsen put on their annual **Shoot Your Heart Out** event at the Range. It was a great event enjoyed by all.

Our first general meeting of the year we had a great presentation from Greg Waters on the use of Ham/ Amateur Radio during equine events. We hope to keep having presenters at our general meetings. I want to thank everyone that has been involved in all of these activities. We are looking forward to many more great events coming up and hope to see all of you on the trails.

Communications is vital. I would like to make sure that all of you are aware of the activities of the unit. So, if we don't have your email it would be greatly appreciated if you would send it to us so we can keep you in the loop.

As you know we are in charge of Big Meadow Horse camp and we supply the camp host. If you would like to be a camp host please contact Jim Knabke, [jjknabke@comcast.net](mailto:jjknabke@comcast.net). There has been some changes made at the camp and we will make you aware of them at a later date.

Please check out the web site [bchcsjsu.org](http://bchcsjsu.org) for all updates on the unit and activities. Hope to see you on the trail.

Remember, He who procrastinates is a murder of time-SADDLE UP!

William Duane Peverill  
President, BCHCSJSU

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## 2018 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](http://www.bchcsjsu.org)*

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

**April 7**                    **Desensitizing Clinic**, John and Jan Mikkelson, 559-289-4911, [jessecowboy@comcast.net](mailto:jessecowboy@comcast.net)

**April 13-15**            **Redezvous in Paso Robles, Los Padres Unit**, Shirley Rasmussen    [shirleyjras@gmail.com](mailto:shirleyjras@gmail.com)

**2018 BCHC RENDEZVOUS** **April 13-15, 2018** A big thanks to the **Los Padres Unit** for stepping up! Event will be at **Paso Robles Event Center Hearst Equestrian Center Paso Robles**, California Volunteers will be needed. Please contact Shirley Rasmussen [shirleyjras@gmail.com](mailto:shirleyjras@gmail.com) MARK YOUR CALENDARS AND PLAN TO ATTEND!

**April 14-15**            **Cross Cut Saw Class (State Class) Porterville**

**April 21-22**            **Chain Saw Class (State Class) Porterville**

**April 28**                    **Clovis Parade**, John and Jan Mikkelson, 559-289-1911, [jsscscowboy@comcast.net](mailto:jsscscowboy@comcast.net)

**April 27-30**            **Clovis Rodeo**

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

**May 4-6**                    **Jose Basin Camp out**, Joe and Carol Kaminski, 559-733-9170 [kaminskiclan@gmail.com](mailto:kaminskiclan@gmail.com)

**May 22-24**            **Big Meadows Horse Camp Work Party**, Joe and Carol Kaminski. 559-733-9170 [kaminskiclan@gmail.com](mailto:kaminskiclan@gmail.com)

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

**June 15-22**            **Edison Work Party**, Joe Kaminski 559-733-9170 [kaminskiclan@gmail.com](mailto:kaminskiclan@gmail.com)

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

**July 6-8**                    **Montana De Oro Ride**, Peter Parkin, 559-871-4500. [Ktzpaw@yahoo.com](mailto:Ktzpaw@yahoo.com)

**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

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

**October 6**                    **Eagle Point Ride Shaver Lake**, Cara Peterson

## Calendar 2018 continued

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



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](mailto:wpeverill@sebastiancorp.net). You may call 559-908-3138 and I will get back to you.

### William Duane Peverill President

Remember to check for any Unit updates at our Web Site:  
[www.bchcsjsu.org](http://www.bchcsjsu.org) for the San Joaquin/Sierra Unit,  
[www.bchcalifornia.org](http://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.

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### BACKCOUNTRY COOKS

#### Trail Pancakes



1 Cup Biscuit mix  
1T dry milk  
1T sugar  
2/3 cup water  
T Squeeze margarine

Note: Instead of squeeze margarine, you may substitute vegetable oil. If you do, keep 1 T of oil in a separate container and pour onto pan before cooking pancakes.

At home: add mix, milk and sugar into a quart size zip lock bag. Seal and shake well.

On the trail: Add water and margarine to bag, seal and squish bag with hands to mix and remove air and lumps. Cut hole in the corner of the bag and squeeze onto a hot pan. Cook until bubbles form, flip, and cook till they are golden brown!

Makes approx.. 6 pancakes

Source <http://www.wildbackpacker.com>

## **Attention 18-25 year olds BCHC Packing Intern Scholarship**

AMAZING Internship Opportunity within the Forest Service! Work with Michael Morse and Lee Roeser at the Inyo National Forest Pack Stock Center of Excellence.

**Timeframe: June - August 2018 (flexible)**

Duties will include assisting Forest Service packers while packing in supplies & equipment for trail crews throughout the Sierras. May lead to possible employment with Forest Service.

**Contact Dennis Serpa for an application: [dmserpa@velociter.net](mailto:dmserpa@velociter.net) 209-531-5175  
Hurry, applications are due April 29, 2018**





## BCHCFS Intern Goal

The various units of the Backcountry Horsemen of California have contributed financially to support this Internship with the Forest Service. Forest Service Packers from the PackStockCenter of Excellence, Michael Morse and Lee Roeser, will be mentoring this Intern in stockmanagement, packing, trail work, equipment, and Leave No Trace principles. In addition to the goals theyhave set for the Intern to achieve through this program, BCHC has also developed goals we expect the Intern to accomplish.

Goals of the FSBCHC Internship Program:

- ☐ That the Intern will develop the skills and knowledge to help perpetuate the common sense use of horses in America's backcountry and wilderness.
- ☐ That the Intern will develop the skills and knowledge to help work to ensure that public lands remain open to recreational stock use; whether as an employee of the agencies, or as a private citizen.
- ☐ That the Intern will learn the proper use of a crosscut saw, aswell as othertrail maintenance tools.
- ☐ That the Intern will learn/develop the skill of packing; beingable to pack various items, using the most efficient hitch for the job.
- ☐ That the Intern will develop the skills and knowledge in order to educate and encourage the wise use of backcountry resources by all visitors of public lands.
- ☐ That the Intern develop an understanding of the historical aspect of pack stock use in the back country and wilderness areas as a means for transportation, trail development, and other functions.
- ☐ That the Intern will develop a thorough understanding and appreciation of the principles of LNT, and will be able to lead by example on how to pack stock into the backcountry with minimal impact to the resource.
- ☐ The program will help to continue our relationship-building efforts with the Forest Service



## Valentine's Day Shoot Your Heart Out

February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018, we had the annual **Valentine's Day Shoot Your Heart Out**. Lots of 'shooters' showed up and were able to practice with their weapon, and/or try one of the Pistol Club and Range guns. They heard about the latest updates in laws and Concealed Weapon Permit requirements. Unit member **John Mikkelson** led the discussion, and there were stimulating debates regarding all topics. Gun safety requirements were stressed and everyone practiced with great skills and appropriate protective gear.



As usual there was good food to eat and fun people to visit with when not in the shooting range. **Katie Horst, Debbie Davis, Bill Chilson, JC and Peter Parkin, Kristi Parkin and her crew, Dustin and Jocelyn, Carol and Joe Kaminski, Jim and Debbie Dixon, Greg and Wanda Caradonna, Alan Fry and Dianne Williamson**, and myself were present. Everyone enjoyed honing their skills, and even had the opportunity to shoot an AR15.

Thanks to those who made this a successful and fun event and for helping out as well.

Jan Mikkelson





**CLOVIS RODEO PRACTICE AND  
DESENSITIZATION CLINIC**  
**April 7, 2018 10:00 am**

Hi Members!

It is time to think about the Clovis Rodeo Parade and the Desensitization Clinic coming up in April!

April 7<sup>th</sup> will be the Annual San Joaquin-Sierra Desensitization Clinic at the awesome Silver Rose Ranch. It will begin at 10:00 with lunch served by the Fresno County Sheriff's Posse Search and Rescue Team. **They will be serving Hot Dogs, chili and our unit will provide the chips. Please bring your own drinks.**

Members who plan on riding in this year's parade may want to participate in the practice and get ready for the noise and excitement. Non-parade participants please come and enjoy the 'mayhem' and 'fun and expose your horses to 'interesting' obstacles. Members from ANY Backcountry Horsemen unit may ride in the parade and attend the clinic. All those under 18 must wear a helmet.

As a reminder to those of you planning on riding in the parade, April 28<sup>th</sup> is parade day. We always wear our 'working cowboy' attire with matching burgundy or light blue denim-type shirts, blue jeans, light colored cowboy hats, or helmets if preferred, and a BCHC scarf that features our logo. We provide our matching horse blankets to wear under your saddle. PLEASE let me know if anyone may need a shirt or scarf as soon as possible, since ordering deadlines apply. I would also like to get a head count as to approximately how many riders will be in the parade and at the practice. Our unit always looks awesome and we place either first or second in the 'working cowboy' parade category every year! Not that this is a competition, it's just fun to know we look great!

**DIRECTIONS:**

*Silver Rose Ranch 11233 N. Newmark Avenue Clovis*

Directions From Shaver, Prather, Auberry area:

Head on down 168 and when you get near the "blink of an eye" town of Academy, look for Newmark Rd. Turn right and the address is 11233 N. Newmark, Clovis. Go to parking area on left.

From Clovis, Fresno: take HWY 168 a couple of miles past Academy Avenue and turn left on Newmark. Go to parking area on left.

**Please R.S.V. P. to:**  
**Jan Mikkelsen 559-289-4911**  
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## Peter Parkin's Pipeline

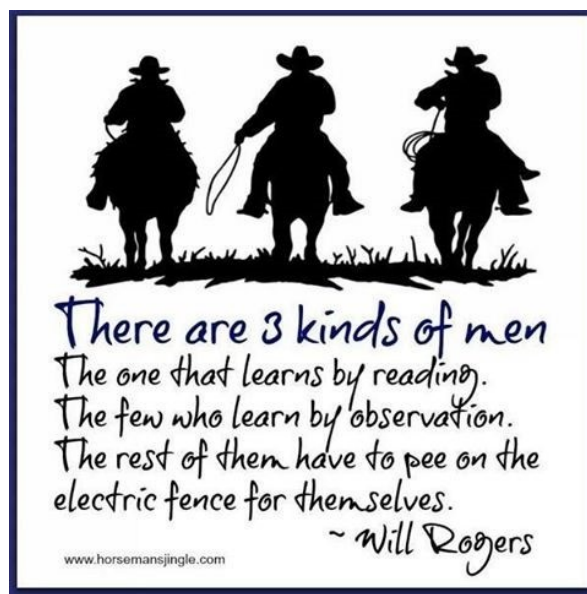
### What is the difference between GVW, GVWR, GCVWR, and GW?

**GVW (Gross Vehicle Weight) and GW (Gross Weight)** are interchangeable terms meaning the actual weight of the vehicle trailer and its complete load. This weight can be determined by loading the horses, tack, feed, and hay etc. into the fully equipped trailer (mats, spare tire, etc.) and taking it to a truck scale to have it weighed. Most gravel yards or truck stops have truck scales.

**GVWR (Gross Vehicle Weight Rating)** is the value specified by the manufacturer as the recommended maximum loaded weight of a single vehicle. For a trailer this value is determined by the axle capacity and the coupler capacity. For example, a trailer will be rated at 5000 lbs. GVWR by the manufacturer if it has two 2500 lb. Axles and a 2 inch ball coupler that is rated 5000 lbs. Loading the trailer to excess of the GVWR is not only unsafe, but is illegal.

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Tom and Neva Scheve





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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.



## Jose Basin Camp and Ride May 4-6, 2018

**Jose Basin Camp Corral/  
Camp Site Area**



**Come join us for a weekend of camping and riding at Jose Basin Corral and Campsite Area. This is the perfect time and place to come and get you and your animals in condition for the season.**

**Located about 12 miles from Auberry.**

**Friday     Come and set up and enjoy a leisurely ride around the area.**

**Saturday   10:00 am - Ride out**

**Sunday     Morning Ride**

**This is a great area to begin to get your riding and pack stock into shape for the summer season. It is not too difficult and there is a wide variety of trails you can pick that meets your individual needs. If you can make it just for one day be sure and come, as it is a great place to ride.**

**The campfire time has been great fun in the past so please plan to join us. All of the meals will be on your own.**

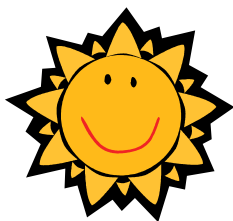
**Be sure to bring WATER and feed for your horses. With the drought conditions there may not be water available in the nearby creek that we have used in previous years. We will have the toilets available.**

**We sure hope all of you that enjoy this area will come up and join us this year.**

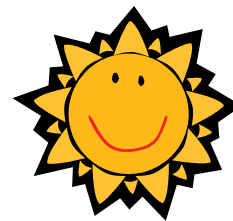
**Please RSVP by May 1 to Joe or Carol at 559- 909-0505**

### **Directions:**

**Hwy 168 to Auberry Turn Off. Go thru Auberry-take the right Y at the grammar school to top of grade. Take first left turn (follow Mono Wind signs), go past Mono Wind and continue on old railroad grade road about 9 miles. Stay right at intersections or Y's. At T intersection after crossing bridge turn right and continue on with a right turn which goes around where you can see the corrals where we will be parked. Small signs with BCHC will be placed on the roads where you should turn. See you there.**



## SUNSHINE CORNER



**Get Well** to Greg Caradonna for his ankle.

### **Big Meadow Donations**

Ranchito Colereto

Bradlely and Emily Miles

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### **The Lighter Side of the Barn**

Religious Cowboy: The devout cowboy lost his favorite Bible while he was mending fences out on the range. Three weeks later, a horse walked up to him carrying the Bible in its mouth. The cowboy couldn't believe his eyes. He took the precious book out of the horse's mouth, raised his eyes heavenward and exclaimed, "It's a miracle?"

"Not really," said the horse." Your name is written inside the cover."

Q: What do race hores eat?

A: Fast Food.

Q: why did the horse cross the road?

A: Because somebody shouted hay?

Q: What do you call a scary female horse?

A: A night-mare



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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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### **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



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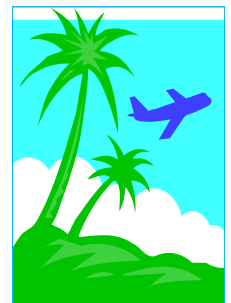
Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions about the travel site, how it works or what BCHC earns by participating in this great opportunity. Thank you for supporting and promoting BCHC Getaway!!

C.J. Hargreaves

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Elks Lodge, Clovis, SJSU Board Meeting Jan. 3, 2018

Call to order: 6:30

Roll Taken: President: William Duane Peverill, Vice President: Ted Fischer, Secretary: Carol Kaminski, Treasurer: Gary Van Sickle  
Directors: Sue Van Sickle, Jim Knabke, Pete Parkin, Pat Peverill, Steve Naylor, Debbie McFarren, Jim Laber, Joe Kaminski-Past President, Advisor: Rick Perren

**Minutes review and approved:** 1st Jim Laber, 2nd Gary V S.

**Correspondence:** Big Meadows donation and thank you note. Pete will continue with mail box pick-up and correspondence.

**Treasurer Report:** See Treasurer

Committee reports

**Education:** 1. a. Emergency contact info to be required for work parties and rides. Ted to get copy of Dusty Trail Unit by-laws for emergency contact info. Will bring to next meeting. Need to be attached to Web for upcoming events.

b. SNF meeting in Prather on Monday, Jan. 8 for info on saw cert.

**Membership:** 2 new members.

**Newsletter:** Jan. 20 due date. Christmas Party: Jim Knabke, Gorge: Jim K. Mendota FFA: Joe

**Public lands:** a. Bicycles in wilderness made it out of committee. Needs to be addressed. Both BCHA and BCHC are against. CORT being pressured to push for bikes in wilderness. Need to tout the monetary and value horses bring to the economy. E-bikes becoming an issue.

b. Big Meadows ammendment: can now collect money for horse camp usage. Need to show use of \$. Need cash box or iron maiden. Jim Knabke new host for Big Meadows.

**Sunshine:** Card of incouragement for Fredi on her mom's fall and surgery

**Shaver Lake:** closed

**RAC:** RAC is national forest. Alan Fry needs letter of recommendation for BLM RAC. Too late for 2018 grants due to lack of communication. 2019 possibilities.

**OLD BUSINESS.** 1. Christmas Party. Positive feed back. Use of kitchen not to include bussing or dishwasher. Need to start looking into 2019 donations. \$1,650 dinner, \$107 on raffle, Silent auction, \$1061, \$100 live auction. Total income \$2918. Expenses \$1,900.

2. Officers training Jan.13 Yosemite Falls Cafe.

3. General meeting Jan. 17. Greg on ham radio usage in back-country. Info on repeaters. Joe to send Duane bio for web page.

4. Dave Stamey: see Ted.

5. Rendezvous 2018 Apr. 13-15 in Paso Robles. Debbie McFarren for table decorations. Little interest in club booth. Discuss next meeting.

6. By-laws: Need to comply with state by-laws. Randy, Carolyn and Ted to review club by-laws.

**New Business:** 1. Bank signature: who authorized to sign club checks. Board agrees to remove Greg Caradonna (past president), Cindy Muller (past secretary), Pete Parkin (past treasurer), Joe Kaminski (past vice president). Authorize new board William Duane

Adjourn: 8:10 Ted 1st, Pat 2nd



Board Meeting Feb. 7, 2018  
Elks Lodge, Clovis, Ca.

Call to order: 6:30

Roll Taken: President: William Duane Peverill, Vice President: Ted Fischer, Secretary: Carol Kaminski, Treasurer: Gary Van Sickie

Directors: Sue Van Sickie, Jim Knabke, Pete Parkin, Pat Peverill, Steve Naylon, Debbie McFarren, Jim Laber, Joe Kaminski-  
Past President, Advisor: Rick Perren Guest: Wanda Caradonna

**Minutes review and approved:** 1st Pat Peverill, 2nd Sue V S.

**Correspondence:** Big Meadows donation .

Committee reports

**Education:**

**Membership:** 1 new member.

**Newsletter:** Mar. 20 due date. Ted: 2 rides, officers training, Dave Stamey

**Public lands.** a. Bicycles in wilderness say for handicapped use. Not valid. ADA trumps Wilderness Act. Dinky Coll.-Sierra NF.  
EPA to allowed more controlled burns

**Sunshine:** Big Meadows donation Thank you.

**Shaver Lake:** closed

**RAC:** (Ted) no money this year. Wants a committee to form a letter for future. Positive response. Ted to provide info. for paper-work. Volunteers (Gary, Pete, Ted, Steve N.) Work Party grant committee proposal Carolyn to put info in newsletter for those interested. Ted to write for newsletter.

**OLD BUSINESS.** 1. Officer training: 6-7 units attended. Positive feedback. Need new location. Possibly at Elks (maybe catered).  
2. General meeting: positive feedback. Discussed new radios, new antennas. Need to acquire new frequencies from Sequoia, need to reprogram current radios. Cost analysis for 2 radios and antenna at next monthly meeting.  
3. Dave Stamey: Annual event? \$3,200 income, \$800 Expenses, \$815 net. Sold Out. Ted proposal-Feb. 2019. Date voted on Feb.8,  
7. Shoot your Heart out-23 signed up. Desensitizing Apr. for Clovis Parade.  
8. Desert ride: 6 confirmed. Duane to send blast. Jim for pictures and article.

**New Business:** 1. Poker ride Mar.17- No overnight camping. Joe and Carol to cook. Need raffle items, no user permit fee, pay for parking. No breakfast, only coffee, hot choc., pastries. Open ride. Non-members to pay higher fee. Pete to check on parking passes.

2. Guest speaker for next general meeting-John Cunningham, confirmed.

3. E-mail address policy- not public. Blind copy to become policy.

4. Top Hand Award: Presidential choice. Duane wants everyone involved. Past Top Hand winners to consider nominees.


5. Pack team for Mule Days tabled till next month.

6. Date for Montana de Oro July 6-8.

Adjourn: 8:40 Pat 1st, Pete 2nd

Saddle fitting clinic next month's agenda

You can go to [BCHCalifornia.org](http://BCHCalifornia.org) to become a member or fill out this form and send it in.

<p><b>Backcountry Horsemen of California</b></p> <p><b>MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal or <input type="checkbox"/> Change (Indicate change)</p>		<p><b>MAIL TO:</b> BCHC Membership 1280 State Rt 208 Yerington NV 89447</p>																									
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**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.

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**KEEP FOR YOUR RECORDS**

I submitted an Application Form for a new –

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

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.



## San Joaquin Sierra Unit

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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.