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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I would like to thank all of the out going officer/board members for the work they have done for the club. Thanks go out to **Joe Kaminski, Pete Parkin, Cathie Walker, Randy Witt and Carolyn Witt**. A big welcome to **Steve Naylor, Jim Laber Debbie McFarren, Pete Parkin and Patricia Peverill**. **Rick Peeren** has been appointed as an Advisor. He is also the President of Cumorah Riders. Please check web page for a list of officers/board members. Web Address: bchcsjsu.org



As we start 2018 the board is hoping for more participation by the members of the San Joaquin Sierra Unit. We have over 155 members in our unit and we would love to see you at the events sponsored by the unit. We are always looking for ways to improve the activities of the unit. We need to hear from our members with suggestion on what the unit can do to increase the participation. Tell us what kind of events you would like to see. Volunteers are always welcome to host an equine event. We would like to see members submit articles to the newsletter on equine related adventures in which they have participated. Pat yourself on the back and let the members know of your accomplishments. Remember the unit is your organization and exist to benefit all its members. We only succeed when we have an active membership.

I know most of the board welcomes input from our members on what we are doing that is good and what is bad. Constructive criticism is always good. Remember the **General Meetings** are held at the Clovis Elks Club and will have guest speakers at the meetings. If you have any suggestions on who or what you would like to hear, please contact me or a board member. There will be refreshments.

Lets make 2018 an Equine event year that we all can appreciated. Contact any Board Member and get involved. Check out our web page for calendar of activities and other great information. Web address **bchcsjsu.org**. We are also on Facebook. Hope to see you at the upcoming events or help you in sponsoring an event. Remember, He who procrastinates is a murderer 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*



February 2 **Dave Stamey Concert, Elks Lodge Clovis,** contact Ted Fischer 559-855-8599 tjfischer3@gmail.com Must pre-purchase tickets.

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

February 10 **Shoot Your Heart Out,** John 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 17 **Hensley Lake Poker Ride (Rain date March 24)**

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

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

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

May 22-24 **Big Meadows Horse Camp Work Party,** Joe and Carol Kaminski. 559-733-9170 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

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

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



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

Xmas Party 2017

By Jim Knabke

The 2017 Christmas party was a well-attended, enjoyable event. We are sorry if you missed it, because it was a little different and had some notable highlights. We had two entertainers this year – “**Elvis**” and a “cowboy poet”. Our Elvis was an Elvis impersonator who was a real entertainer and talented singer who appeared in full Elvis regalia (thank ya, thank ya). It was a hip-swiveling performance. **Fredi C.** got in the mood and had some good dance moves herself. I think everyone enjoyed his performance.



The cowboy poet, **Grant Kennington**, delivered witty and real-life sagas. Both of these performers livened-up the night. Another highlight was the many donated gifts for our silent auction. There were some real gems this year and many attendees left with great food treats, new tools or camping gear, or even art items. **Jan Michelson** organized the sale and did a great job as always. Speaking of food, I thought it was a real highlight. Maybe I was hungry, but the tri-tip and chicken were wonderfully tasty (many thanks to **Alan Fry** and helpers for cooking the meat). Fredi’s bean dish was also wonderful. The decorations were bright and Christmasy and **Cathy Walker** provided her family’s vintage saddle and pack items to top off the look. This event was the swan song for **Joe Kaminski’s** term as president of the club (prodigious effort by Joe over the past four years, of course backed up by wife Carole). Thanks much Kaminskis. **Duane Perervill** came on as our new president and is in the saddle in his new job. **Jim Knabke** was awarded “**Top Hand**” for 2017 and got a beautiful BCHC jacket. He thanks the club greatly.



The club thanks all who helped organize, decorate, cook, serve, donate and made the event possible. All-in-all, the attendees had an entertaining and tasty evening. Best wishes for everyone in 2018.



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Champion Rider

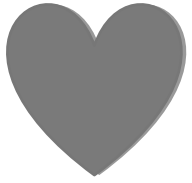
Congratulations to one of our members. **Patricia Peverill** and her trusty mule **Georgette** has been competing in the **California State Horseman Association Trail Trials** throughout California. CSHA Trail Trial Program is a sanctioned program where riders are judged on their skills and abilities to guide their horse/mule through a natural course. All obstacles are those that might naturally occur on a trail. Each Trail Trial is a individual day with 10 to 12 obstacles covering a 4 to 8 mile trail. Most of the trails are in mountain type terrain. None of the obstacles are designed to scare your animal. Each obstacle has a judge that is looking at your ability to maneuver the obstacle in a safe and correct manner. Not only is your ability being judged but also the ability of your mount. Everyone enters an obstacle with a zero and loses points for your or your mounts mistakes. A typical trail course the maximum points one can lose is between 240 to 250 points on a 10 obstacle course. You must participate in at least three trail trial events and work an event in order to be invited to the State Championship.

Patricia and Georgette participated in 10 trail trial events. In Region 4 the region that she belongs to she received the lowest points of any other members in Region 4 in her division. Patricia was awarded the Supreme Champion Horse /Mule Blanket and a First Place Buckle. Being invited to go to the State Championship which was held at the Santa Cruz Equestrian Center just outside of Henry Cowell State Park. This event was 2 days of riding trails and competing in 20 obstacles. The state judges are tough. The course was very stressful for both Patricia and Georgette but with the stick to it attitude, they as a great team were awarded the first place buckle in her divisions. It was a long ,stressful and a hard working year .

Now that they placed First in their division they have to move up to the next division. I know they are looking forward to another great year. If you have any questions about the trail trials and think you might be interested in competing please contact Patricia.

Again CONGRATULATIONS to Patricia and Georgette.

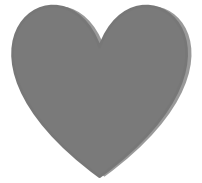




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5th Annual Shoot Your Heart Out!

**February 10, 2018
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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.

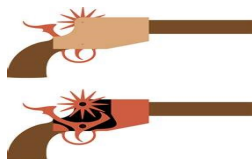
Range Master will be John Mikkelson, Past President SJSU BCHC.

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!



Yeehaai!!!!!!!!!!!!





Valentine Surprise
Dave Stamey Concert
February 2, 2018
Clovis Elks Lodge
535 Woodworth, Clovis



Photo by Colleen Andrus

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

New Year's Day Ride :San Joaquin River Gorge 2018

By Jim Knabke



Well, your BCHC group got off to a good start in 2018 with a ride at the San Joaquin River Gorge (used to be called Squaw Leap). **Ted Fisher and Randy Witt** whipped up a great breakfast and fed everyone that needed food. It was a beautiful day (somewhat dry, I will admit) and two groups rode out at about 11 am. Riders included **Ted Fisher, Jim and Doug Laber, Barbara Cawlkins-Faggerty** and her niece **Lisa Curry, Bob Hedrick** (on Molly the mule), **Pete Parkin and Jim Knabke**. Non-riders in attendance were President **Duane Peverill, Randy Witt, and Ted Faggerty, Barbara's husband**.

If you have never been to the gorge, it is just above where the San Joaquin River makes its way into Millerton Lake. There are trails along both sides of the river and you can choose the amount of climb you want to do depending on your trail choice. There can be hikers, bikers, and dogs on the trails - common challenges for a horse. There are a couple of bridges as well. It is an especially beautiful spot when spring flowers and grasses are present.



Having fun in the New Year.



Peter Parkin's Pipeline

Places to stay with your horse: Winter Time

Carrizo Plain National Monument, Santa Margarita California

Cost: Free

Dry Camping is allowed in the Carrizo Plain National Monument. However, for those who require corrals and other amenities, you can stay at KCL Campground or Selby Horse Camp. Both are free and have corrals. Both campsites have water spigots that are usually on. From the BLM Website: Dry Camping is permitted in the foothills and mountainous areas. It is NOT permitted on the valley floor area to protect sensitive biological resources and to prevent obstruction of scenic vistas, nor is it permitted at Soda Lake and adjacent areas. There are established dry camping areas around the monument, please look for these and do not make new ones. Remember to always practice Leave No Trace.

From the BLM Website: Equestrian use is permitted on the Carrizo Plain. Trailer parking is available, but limited to already impacted areas such as campgrounds and parking areas. Equestrians are prohibited on most walking trails, including but not limited to Painted Rock, Wallace Creek, Soda Lake Boardwalk, and Overlook Hill. Portions of some walking trails are used for equestrians as allowed and signed, such as the Caliente Ridge Trailhead and the Caliente Mountain Trail.

If you need more information: <https://www.blm.gov/programs/national-conservation-lands/california/carrizo-plain-national-monument>

Happy Trails. Hope to see you soon.



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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.



Mendota FFA Pack team

By Joe Kamiski

Over the past month **Carol, Jaedyn, Kylee,** and myself have been involved with the Mendota Pack team.

We were approached by the state to help out with a request for assistance furnishing animals to pack. We first met with their team a few weeks ago when my granddaughters, Jaedyn and Kylee joined me to take **Hi 5 and Dollie** to Mendota. The team was excited to use real animals that were quiet and easy to pack. This gave the team the opportunity to get proficient at tying their box hitch and improving the time to pack a load. The team was very appreciative to have live animals to practice with.

On Saturday, January 13th, Carol and I had opportunity to judge a competition hosted by Mendota FFA. Having never judged a competition was an eye opening experience. There were 7 teams and the scores were extremely close. I was amazed how some of the teams did never having a live animal to practice on. One team in particular had learned on U tube. The teams were great to work with and a real pleasure to get to know. We really enjoyed the experience and a chance to promote something very dear to us.



FREE Amateur Radio Class



**@ Police Science Institute
5151 N. Gates Ave. Fresno CA 93722**

Saturday, April 14th 8 AM to 4 PM

Saturday, April 21st 8 AM to 4 PM

Saturday, April 28th 8 AM to 4 PM *

***Amateur Radio Exam will be held on the last day
of class from 2 PM to 4 PM**

Sign up at:

fame.k6arp.org/

For more information:

Greg KJ6OUI at kj6oui@arri.net or 559.360.7396

Rob AE6GE at ae6ge@k6arp.org or 559.272.6791

General Meeting January 17, 2018

By Duane Peverill



Amateur/Ham Radio

At our General Meeting on January 17 we had the opportunity to listen to **Greg Waters** discuss the use of Amateur/Ham Radio. The presentation started with a video on how the Ham Radio Operators play a huge part in emergency service. When other communications fail, the operators are ready to assist. The main focus on the presentation was how to get the license and the use of the radio. Being a licensed amateur/ham radio operator can give you a feeling of security when riding in the back country. Usually when other forms of communications are unavailable the ham radio can get you in contact with the outside world. Since many of the operators are familiar with the local area they can assist in getting you quicker service when needed.

As shown above Greg offers free classes but there is a charge for taking the test. There are many links on the internet that can help you out in preparing for the test. Since the price of hand held radios have dropped it is fairly inexpensive to get started in this hobby. We really appreciate Greg's giving us his time to do this presentation. Here is some information about Greg. Greg Waters, KJ6OUI, has been an amateur extra class since 2014 and resides in Fresno, California. He is currently employed at BICC of California as a behavior analyst. Greg has been serving as a public information officer for San Joaquin Valley region since 2013 and he is also an active member of Fresno County Emcomm ARES/RACES since 2011. Prior to his lead instructor appointment, class sizes ranged from 3 to 5 students and after Greg was voted in as lead coordinator in August of 2015 his first class had over thirty students attend and pass the technician class license exam.

Greg is active participant in the off road community and belongs to Clovis Independent 4 Wheelers and 4x4Him and promotes the use of amateur radio use in the off road community and mutual aid between the two hobbies.

Hope to see all of you at our next general meeting **March 14, 2018** when we will hear from **John Cunningham**, High Sierra Pack Station on Trials and Tribulations of running a pack station. Hope to see you there.

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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

"Travel Advantage"

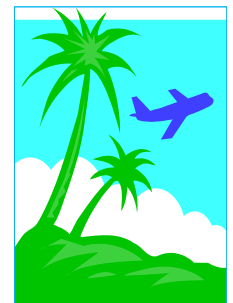
Dear BCHC Members

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 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
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Board Meeting Nov. 1, 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: Gary VanSickle, Sue VanSickle, Ted Fischer, Fredi Chrisman

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

Correspondence: Bank- new charges. \$5.00 per month. Look into new bank. Pete to look into having fees waived. Follow-up next month. Receipt for Dave Stamey concert tickets.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Education: Mon. Nov.6, Gorge-clear trails. 2. Apr. 15-16 Cross cut saw cert. class. (Recert. 1 day), 21-22 chain saw class. (Recert. 1 day). 3. National Parks to increase fees.

Membership: 3 new members.

Newsletter: Nov. 20 due date. Ted-election, Duane-Pat's trail trials, Big Meadows- Joe, Ted-chain saw and cross cut saw classes, Gorge-Ted.

Public lands: Dinky-unsettled. Thank you letter to Clovis Ind. for road work to Tamarak.

Sunshine: Thank yous have been mailed out for Clovis Ind. Jeep Club, Chamberlain plaque and Dog House.

Shaver Lake: closed

OLD BUSINESS: 1. Big Meadows- new contract signed. Board and Directors to authorize Joe Kaminski to enter into contracts for BCHC. Clean-up day costs (tractor and fuel) to be reimbursed to Randy. Ted 1st, Sue 2nd. passed
2. Events-need to send bank minutes from election results. Dinner successful? yes/no. Where can we improve. Fredi offered her place for future election meetings. Could be catered.

3. Jan. 17 Greg with ham radios on proper usage for FS radios. Joe is contact.

4. Dave Stamey- tickets available at Christmas Dinner. See Ted. Tickets available at board mtg. Ron Jefferson to receive 2 comp. tickets. Need to check on dessert, Elks, insurance, table tents(Duane), coffee pots.

5. Christmas dinner- Set-up 9:00. Ruth Cramer to help. Slow cookers available at Elks. Jan-silent auction, Danny B. for auction. Seed money- budget for silent auction, Fredi's niece-travel agent for trip, notice in newsletter for donations, new items only. \$300 to purchase raffle items. Fredi 1st, Duane 2nd. passed

New Business: 2018 Events- John and Jan Shoot your Heart Out, New Years Day ride(Gorge), Jan. 20 -Gorge Ride, Diana Sorenson

Memorial Ride-Aug. TBA, Hensley Poker Ride-Mar. TBA. Clovis Parade and Desensitizing Apr, Jose Basin-May TBA
SJSU responsible for officer training Jan 20 or 27.

Adjourn 7:45 Joe 1st, Fredi 2nd

Amendment from 12-6-17 board meeting Election results: President: William Duane Peverill, Vice President: Ted Fischer, Treasurer: Gary Van Sickle, Secretary: Carol Kaminski, Directors expiring 12-2018: Fredi Chrisman, Jim Knabke, Debra Mc Farren, Susan Van Sickle. Directors expiring 12-2019: Pete Parkin, Steve Naylor, Patricia Peverill, Jim Laber.



Board Meeting Dec. 6, 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: Gary VanSickle, Sue VanSickle, Ted Fischer, Fredi Chrisman, Randy Witt, Carolyn Witt, Jim Knabke, Cathie Walker

Minutes review and approved: with a change to include new board: 1st Sue, 2nd Fredi

Correspondence: Big Meadows donation, DMV trailer registration, Trish Pendegraft for Big Meadows reimbursement.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Education: Conflict with chainsaw training and 2018 Rendezvous. Sierra NF to work with BCHC to get Sierra National Forest to accept national saw policy. Online recerts for 1st aide okay. Only Carolyn and Duane to have e-mail addresses.

Membership: 1 new member.

Newsletter: Jan. 20 due date. Need Christmas Party, Gorge and General meeting.

Public lands. Bicycles want into wilderness. Politicians backed off monument- BCHA, more prescribed burning- good for meadow restoration.

Sunshine:

Shaver Lake: closed

OLD BUSINESS. 1. Big Meadows Closed. Sierra Sanitation given membership for rate reduction for toilet.

2. Christmas dinner: no donations from Susan Turner, no trip came thru from Fredi, go with silent auction, no live auction, blast to go out for auction donations from membership. 2 Clovis rodeo tickets to be auctioned, \$300 for purchase of auction items, Alan to be reimbursed for insurance expense for dinner. Cathie to provide room decorations. 50\50 raffle. Randy to bring coffee pot, raffle wheel and tickets.

3. Dave Stamey: Ted has tickets, \$30 dessert and concert. Dessert already ordered. Alan to check with Elks for price. Ted to follow up with Alan.

4. 2018 Events: Saw clinic Rendezvous conflict. Apr. 4 Desensitizing clinic, Rodeo Parade 4-28, 1-1 Gorge Ride, also 1-20, TBA- Mar Poker ride, Spring Jose Basin, Aug. Diana Sorenson Memorial Ride, Pack trip- Chamberlain, June Edison work party, May work party at Big Meadows, Shave work party in spring, Crown Valley summer, Oct 6. Eagle point ride-Cara Peterson, Oct. 4-8 CCMA coast ride, July Montana de Oro coast ride, maybe desert ride in fall.

5. Rendezvous - April 13-15 Paso Robles. Ted to look into club booth.

New Business:


1. Pack help needed for FFA Mendota (Dec. 14) box hitch competition practice. Maybe Dec. 15. Competition Jan. 13.

2. BCHC leadership training Jan. 13. Yosemite Falls noon.

3. RAC- letter needed for Alan Fry on BCHC SJSU letterhead. Ted 1st, Randy 2nd. passed

Adjourn 8:12 Fredi 1st, Carolyn 2nd.

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

Backcountry Horsemen of California MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION <input type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal or <input type="checkbox"/> Change <small>(indicate changes)</small>				MAIL TO: BCHC Membership 1280 State Rt 208 Yerington NV 89447	
PARENT Unit Affiliation: (Select and CHECK a Unit as your Affiliation)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Antelope Valley	<input type="checkbox"/> Kern Sierra	<input type="checkbox"/> North Bay	<input type="checkbox"/> San Geronimo Pass	<input type="checkbox"/> Sierra Freepackers	
<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Sierra	<input type="checkbox"/> Lake-Mendo	<input type="checkbox"/> Redbank Riders	<input type="checkbox"/> San Joaquin Sierra	<input type="checkbox"/> Sutter Buttes	
<input type="checkbox"/> High Country	<input type="checkbox"/> Los Padres	<input type="checkbox"/> Redwood	<input type="checkbox"/> Santa Ana River	<input type="checkbox"/> Top of the State	
<input type="checkbox"/> High Sierra	<input type="checkbox"/> Mid Valley	<input type="checkbox"/> San Diego	<input type="checkbox"/> Sequoia		
<input type="checkbox"/> Kern River Valley	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother Lode		<input type="checkbox"/> Shasta Trinity		
DCTR (your Membership Number): _____ (For new memberships, will be assigned by Membership Chair)					
MEMBER'S NAME—No Business Names; Print Clearly			SPOUSE / Co-MEMBER'S NAME—MUST SHARE SAME ADDRESS		
Street Address / PO Box _____					
City _____	State _____	Zip Code (full 9 digits, if known) _____	Area Code _____	Phone _____	
Email Address: _____ (please print legibly)					
Donation to BCHC Education Fund (tax deductible) \$ _____					
Total Enclosed: \$ _____ Check No. _____					
Parent Unit Membership Types: (CIRCLE ONE) 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 Associate Memberships: AN ADDITIONAL \$15.00 PER UNIT IS ADDED TO YOUR PARENT UNIT DUES. <small>ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP UNIT AFFILIATIONS MAY NOT BE FOR THE SAME UNIT AS YOUR PARENT UNIT.</small>					
Associate Membership for: _____			\$15.00/unit		
Unit Name (from above list)					
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Please write additional choices on back.					
Please clip form along dashed lines and keep the below portion 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 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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 I submitted an Application Form for a new –

<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

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 _____ Associate Memberships \$ _____

My Total Remittance: \$ _____

My Check Number: _____

Date Mailed: _____

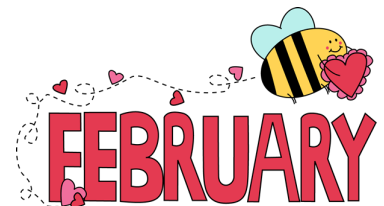
Verification of BCHC membership is available via (1) BCHC unit president's reports (2) BCHC membership chair reports (3) a self addressed stamped envelope submitted with this form or (4) a valid email address.



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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.