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

## **Presidents Message**



Hello to all. We have had some great events the last few weeks. Articles will go into detail about the Rendezvous in Norco and clinic at Steve Naylons.

We sure enjoyed the Rendezvous in Norco. With so much going on it was hard to decide which event to attend. However we did watch the youth box hitch competition and were very proud to see our granddaughter Jaedyn take home the 1st place belt buckle. A BIG THANKS goes to Steve for hosting a great clinic with some awesome obstacles. Sorry for the short notice as due to weather we have rescheduled a couple of times. Check out our calendar to see the tentative dates for rides and work parties. Some may have to change due to snow closures.

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

*Remember to stay in the saddle, the ground is hard,* 

Joe Kaminski President

# CLINIC AT STEVE NAYLON'S

What a wonderful clinic Steve Naylon put on. How fortunate we as a unit are to have a member willing to share such a great venue. Currently it is a work in progress, but is already challenging. Steve has made the effort to include both realistic and artificial obstacles. Some of the more natural obstacles are a bridge, water crossing, gate, logs and more. Other challenges for the day where comprised of good ol st nick, a car wash and scarry animals such as the ram which liked to smash anything in his pen, thus the name Bam Bam.

How he pulled of the next thing I have no idea, but he managed to have a new filly born during the event.

Lunch under the shade of the trees made for a perfect day.









San Joaquin Sierra Unit

Board Meeting March. 6, 2019

Call to order: 6:30

Flag salute

Roll Taken: President: Joe Kaminski, Secretary: Carol Kaminski, Treasurer: Gary VanSickle Directors: Muriel Holland, Sue Van Sickle, Debbie McDougald, Paige Stambach, Jim Laber, Jim Knabke, Duane Peverill -Past President

Minutes review and approved: 1st Gary, 2nd. Debbie McDougald

Correspondence: Horsepacking info., Thank you from BCHA

#### Committee reports:

Education: State meeting was attended. BCHA has funds for education. Chainsaw class available Mar 30. Contact Joe. Membership: 2 new members.

Newsletter: Articles due Mar. 20. Article for getting ready for spring rides and horse conditioning. Public lands.

Sunshine: Get well sent to Katie Horst. Welcome to new members. Sympathy to Fredi on the passing of her mother. Shaver Lake: Agreement signed for Apr. 1- Oct. 31.

OLD BUSINESS. 1. Big Meadows- Jim Knabke and Trish Pendergraff to sign up summer hosts. July and September time still available. Water is an issue. Stoney Creek is possibility for water buffalo.

2. Dave Stamey concert is nailed down.

3. 2019 Events- Do we want to add proof of membership on flyers? More desert rides to come. No August general meeting scheduled. April 20 is a maybe for Steve Naylon ranch ride. Clovis parade is a go.

4. Rendezvous- Money needed for auction donation. Beer donation requested. \$165 needed to pay Dave Mosier for saw sharpening. 2020 rendezvous to be held in Red Bluff hosted by Shasta-Trinity, 2021 hosted by High Sierra Unit with help from our unit and others.

5. Christmas dinner all set. Need to work on donations.

6. Grants- RAC, Wilderness Stewardship USFS- Debbie McDougald working on and Gary working on BCHA grant.

**NEW BUSINESS:** 1. State meeting report- BCHA wants new age groups: Young adults ages 18-24. BCHC - youth age 12-17. 1st reading. Second reading to be Oct. meeting.

2. Internship is wide open.

Calendar review: Next meeting April 3, 2019 Adjorn: 7:35 Jim K. 1st , Sue 2nd

# 2019-20 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

# 2019

April 27	Clovis rodeo parade
May 1	Board meeting
May 3-5	Jose Basin Ride
, May 10-12	Horse Expo in Sac area (non bchc event)
May 15	General meeting
May 19-21	Big Meadow work party
June 5	Board meeting
June 17-23	Edison work party
July 5	Work party out of Rancheria trail head Wishon area
July 18-21	Coast Ride at Montana de Oro
Aug 2-4	Diana Sorenson memorial ride at Tamarack
Aug 7	Board meeting
Aug 13-18	Chamberlain Camp work party and beginning pack trip
Sept 4	Board meeting
Oct 2	Board meeting
Oct 10-14	CMA ride Montana de Oro (non bchc event)
Oct 16	Election meeting
Nov 6	Board meeting

# 2019-20 Calendar (continued)

Dec 4Board meetingDec 14Christmas dinner with John PemertonWork PartiesTBA

## 2020

Feb 8, 2020 Ted Fischer Memorial Dave Stamey Dessert Concert.

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.

Joe Kaminski President

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

The purpose of this publication is to keep its members in- formed 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.

## **CAMPING CHILAQUILES**

This camping breakfast chilaquiles recipe is so simple and comes together in a snap. Everyone we know who has tried this sensational recipe is hooked for life.

#### **INGREDIENTS:**

- 1 16 oz can of enchilada sauce
- 1 tsp Olive oil
- 20 corn tortillas cut into eighths
- 1 cup roasted corn or whatever filling you have on hand
- <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> cup crumbled cotija cheese
- 5-6 eggs
- ½ cup cilantro
- Juice of 1 lime

**INSTRUCTIONS:** 

• Salt and freshly ground black pepper

### **TOPPINGS:**

- Chopped fresh cilantro leaves for garnish
- Lime slices for garnish
- Quick pickled red onions slice onions and let rest in rice wine vinegar for 15 mins
- Hot sauce
- Mexican crema sauce



- 1. Greased Dutch Oven. 2. Open enchilada sauce.
- 3. Cover bottom of Dutch Oven with olive oil. Layer corn tortillas in with the sauce, cheese and any toppings desired. (It is best to cover all tortillas so they don't dry out). Top with cracked eggs if desired.
- 4. Place in a campfire for 30 minutes. Until top is browned and cooked through and egg whites are set with runny yolks.
- 5. Top with cilantro, lime slices, and pickled red onions. Serve with hot sauce and crema if desired. Enjoy!



A Big THANK YOU to Bob Morris for beer donation for the BCHC Rendezvous at Norco.

Condolences to John & Veronica Lewis on loss of their father.





## **The Lighter Side**

A guy walks into a bar in Texas and orders a white wine. Everyone sitting around the bar looks up, expecting to see some pitiful Yankee queer. The bartender looks up and says, "You ain't from around here, are Ya?? Where Ya from' boy?" The guy says' "I'm from Iowa." The bartender ask, "What the heck you do in Iowa?" The guy responds, I'm a taxidermist?" The bartender asks, " A taxidermist? Now just what the heck is a taxidermist?" The guy says nervously, " I mount animals." The bartender grins and shouts out to the whole bar, " It's okay boys, he's one of us!"

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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



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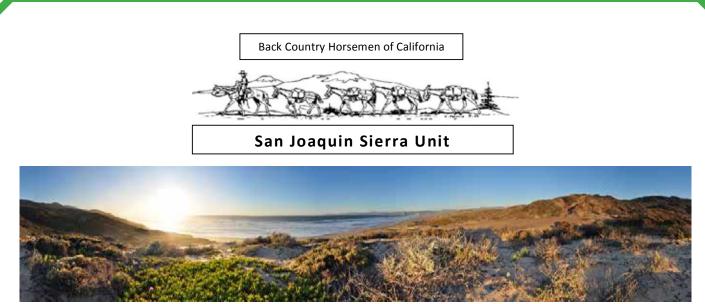
Dear BCHC Members

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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 BCHC Editor/Travel Site Coordinator cjohargreaves@verizon.net



Come and enjoy Horse Camping at the Oak 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 18, 19, 20, 21, 2019

Camp is available from 2:00pm Thursday 7/18/19 until noon Sunday 7/21/19.

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 4 days is \$ 45.00; Additional individuals \$ 3.00

Oak Group Camp has 16 corrals, pit toilets, water for horses only, no showers, and no hook-ups.

Contact Information: Gary Van Sickle (559) 288-0301 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.

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**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.

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

# **2019 RENDEZVOUS**

The 2019 Rendezvous was held at the George Ingalls Equestrian Event Center in Norco on March 29-31. There were 7 of us from our unit that attended the Rendezvous. There were great clinicians including: Jerry Tindell, who spoke of "Going Beyond the Green"; Ray Spence, who demonstrated "Trailer Loading for Animals", "Working a Gate" and "Moving your Animal with your Leg"; Matt Sheridan, who explained "5 Steps to a Balanced Ride" and "Rope Training Stock for Packing and Trail Safety."

There was a very challenging Obstacle Challenge spanning all 3 days for the "Jack Pot Gates" "Open", "Novice", and "Packers". Our own member Debbie McDougald helped with a US Forest Service Packing Safety Demonstration. Great job Debbie! Another of our members, Kristianne Morrison, gave a talk on her experience as a Forest Service Intern. On Saturday was the packing competition. Joe and Carol Kaminski's granddaughter Jaedyn Traeger won the junior division "Box and Diamond Hitch" contest by over a minute. Congratulations Jaedyn! She was presented with a beautiful buckle.

Between the Dutch oven cooking, crosscut saw demos and so many other informative talks and demos, it was very hard to decide where to go next. Didn't want to miss anything. Not to mention all the booths for shopping. There was also great entertainment on Friday night. Western music hall of famer Dave Stamey wowed the crowd with his yodeling and unique singing style. Many of the songs performed were from his soon to be released new album. On Saturday evening the group enjoyed a scrumptious barbeque dinner with tri-tip, chicken and all the fixins. And you could go back for seconds! While eating dinner almost all of the tables had awesome table decorations – ours prepared by Paige Stambach.

After dinner there was the live auction, raffles and the silent auction. The State's raffle prizes included a queen size equine quilt, designed and created by Lynn Crawford- San Ana River Unit, a \$500 Bass Pro Shops gift card, and a pack saddle and panniers, built by Dan Horn, Dan Horn Pack and Saddlery. Unfortunately, none in our unit won any of these raffles. There were also many ticket drop-in raffle items along with silent auction items. Per the protocol, our unit donated silent auction items, including a beautiful set of equine decorated bowls, natural stone necklace, earrings, and bracelet, and a horse shoe welcome cross. All in all, it was a great evening.

Sunday started off with Cowboy Church led by Bill Moser and June Scales. The rest of the day was filled with more talks, clinics and challenges, concluding at 2 pm. Those that attended had a fantastic time, probably the best Rendezvous in years. Wish more of our unit could have joined those attending. Until next year. Happy Trails.



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# **SHAVER LAKE HORSE CAMP OPENS**

## **Camp Will Open for Memorial Day Weekend**

BCHC San Joaquin Sierra Unit again makes the Shaver Lake Horse Camp available for use by members and associate members wishing to enjoy camping and riding at Shaver Lake.

Shaver Lake is situated at elev. 5,300 ft. within the Sierra National Forest on scenic recreational land. There are ample riding destinations, as the camp itself is adjacent to the 12.5 mile Perimeter Trail that surrounds the lake. Also in the vicinity are the Ely Mountain and Balsam Forebay Trails.

The camp is located behind a locked gate, 1 mile East of Highway 168 on Dinkey Creek Road. It is a dry camp, with portable sanitary facilities. There are two tables, a fire pit and 3 stalls. Fire regulations apply; cookstoves can be used on the table top. And, of course, campers must Leave No Trace.

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The camp will be open May 24 through October 31, 2019, for SJSU members only. Cost is per membership—\$10/day for camping, \$5/day for picnic use. Other units are welcome to use the camp after joining as Associate Members (\$15 additional).

> To make reservations, contact: Ruth Cramer racramer@outlook.com 559-417-3878

*Volunteer opportunity!* Sign up for the opening work party on Friday May 17.



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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 legis-lation 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 back-country 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.