

# SAN JOAQUIN SIERRA Hoof Prints

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## Presidents Message



It goes without me stating the obvious our beloved mountains are being redesigned. With all the landscape that has been consumed, we are also fortunate that many areas appear to be untouched. If you are unaware we have many heroes within our unit. There are many who have helped with evacuations of both people and animals. Members have housed both people and animals during the evacuations and given of themselves. Others continue to work tirelessly seeing that needs are met. Our unit early on donated \$500. to help with feed for displaced

animals. Thank you to all who have unselfishly given of themselves.

We had to cancel the Diana Sorensen Memorial ride for this year and the Oct. Shaver ride.

We will have the election ride with a playday at Steve Naylons in Nov.

If you haven't seen it yet, we have a new outhouse thanks to a lead from Jim Laber. Our club also received a new cook stove thanks to Doug Laber.

In this months newsletter the report that goes to the state has also been included. Even with the unforeseen events of this year

our unit once again accomplished much while having a great time.

Also in this newsletter we have included a list of those running for office. At this time we are short two directors. If interested in a director, or any position or if you know of someone who would be willing to run please let me or any board member know.

Thanks to all who continue to participate and those of you who continue to be part of our unit.

Don't forget if you would like to sponsor a ride we would be glad to have your input.

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

Joe Kaminski  
President

## CONTEST TIME

*Find the Hidden Hoof Print!* 

First person to find the hidden hoof print in this newsletter and email Jim Laber @ [jim@visaliaidea.com](mailto:jim@visaliaidea.com)

**Will Get A Free**  
BCHCSJSU Long Sleeve Color T-Shirt

**GOOD LUCK!**

**Backcountry Horsemen of California**  
**San Joaquin Sierra Unit**  
**Year End Report**  
**Sept. 20, 2020**

What a year 2020 has turned into. One word can sum up this year CANCELED. Yes, due to covid and unpresidented fires. Creative is another word to describe this year. With all that went on, our unit still managed to salvage a year that looked as if it would be disasterous.

In Jan. we sponsered a Dave Stamey concert with a sell out crowd.

Feb. we enjoyed our annual desert ride.

March we were able to salvage a ride and playday at a members ranch. March also saw the start of events being canceled. Clinics, general meetings, parades, and of course Rendevous.

Undetered in May, we had a work party at both Shaver lake and Big Meadows to open 2 of the 3 horse camps we sponser.

Also in May we had a ride and pack clinic at Jose Basin for 3 days.

June we were once again welcomed to the High Sierra pack station at Edison lake to work and clear trails for a week. We now have 8 certified sawyers, which is the most we have had since I have been with the unit.

In July we had a work party for a week in the Wishon lake area clearing many miles of trails of down trees. Also during this week a group of about 16 teens and their sponserers were camping by us and asked if we could do a buck saw demo. We were surprised to see the interest and enthusiasim as we explained and demonstrated the saws. A few even had horses and were very interested in BCHC.

In Aug. we were fortunate to squeeze in a very successful poker ride due to the untireing work of 2 members Marcie Hansen and Ruth Cramer. Not only was a good time had by all, but it also brought in new members and some renewals. This just prior to the start of the Creek fire.

Now due to fires more cancellations have come upon us.

However, our members have stepped up to the plate. Our unit has been involved with evacuations of both people and equine with members housing some of the evacuees and animals. We donated \$500. to a local hay company to help feed evacuated animals.

We hope to finish up the year with another playday and election ride in Nov. and our annual Christmas dinner in Dec.

Respectfully,  
Joe Kaminski  
President BCHC-SJSU



## *San Joaquin Sierra Unit*

Board Meeting Aug. 4, 2020

Call to order: 6:30

Flag salute

Roll Taken: President: Joe Kaminski, Vice President: Ruth Cramer, Secretary: Carol Kaminski, Treasurer: Gary Van Sickle

Directors: Jim Laber, Sue Van Sickle, Doug Laber, Duane Peverill

**Minutes review and approved:** 1st Jim Laber, 2nd Ruth Cramer

**Correspondence:** Big Meadows donation

**Committee reports:**

**Education:**

**Membership:**

**Newsletter:** Articles due Aug. 20.

**Public lands:** Wilderness fires okay. No fires in dispersed camping. No fires in forest. Grazing is open.

Still working on e-bike issue.

**Sunshine:** Card to be sent to Jan Mikkelson on the loss of her dog.

**Shaver Lake:** Ryan is the new contact. Shaver camp- new parking was discussed. No resolution on Char Meir's request.

**OLD BUSINESS.** 1. Big Meadows - Sponsors to be added to Web page. Sponsor plaques received. Need to be installed.

Horse camping website- need to add sponsored by BCHC. All special interest groups need to work together.

2. Christmas dinner- entertainment to be provided by the Gilly Girls. \$400.00 for booking. Motion by Jim, 2nd by Sue.

Passed.

3. 2020 events- Coming up- Diana Sorenson Memorial ride, Cara's ride canceled, Oct 21- elections.

4. Poker Ride 4.3 miles. Take 168 to fishing access road. Received a \$90 bill for public insurance day. Ruth working with Jamie to resolve. Minors will be on ride. So far 10 volunteers and 10 riders. Setup on Friday. Workers can stay until Sunday. Marcee to work on trail on Thursday. Raffle items needed. Club authorized \$50 for raffle. Aug. 7 is drop dead date. Jim to print cost list. Club will provide coffee, donuts, water, tea, lunch.

5. Shaver Lake- tabled.

**NEW BUSINESS:** 1. Horse camps sponsored by BCHC-SJSU - Duane to create a web page. Also a page to be created for Chamberlain camp. Joe to provide info. Jim to provide map.

**Adjourn:** 7:25 Jim 1st, Doug 2nd

# 2019-20 Calendar

Board Meetings are on the 1st Tuesday 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)

## 2020

- |              |  |
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| Aug 15       | Poker Ride Shaver Lake Fishing Camp access road.         |
| Sept 11-13   | Diana Sorensen Memorial Ride                             |
| Oct          | Shaver Ride TBD  |
| October 8-12 | Coastal Mounted Unit MDO (non BCHC event)                |
| October 21   | General Meeting  |
| November 6-8 | Desert Ride/Starlight Ride                               |
| November 14  | Trail Trials Fun Day & Officers Elections/Steve Naylor's |
| December 12  | Christmas Dinner   |

## 2021

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| Jan 9 | 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, [kaminskiclan@gmail.com](mailto:kaminskiclan@gmail.com). You may call 559.909 0505 and I will get back to you.

Joe Kaminski  
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.*

## **Dutch Oven Cheesy Bacon & Eggs**

*For campouts, make this Dutch oven breakfast casserole the first morning, then love the leftovers for the rest of the trip.*

### **INGREDIENTS:**

- 1 pound bacon strips, chopped
- 1 package (20 ounces) refrigerated O'Brien hash brown potatoes
- 8 large eggs
- 1/2 cup half-and-half cream
- 1/2 to 1 teaspoon hot pepper sauce, optional
- 2 cups shredded cheddar-Monterey Jack cheese

### **INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. Prepare campfire or grill for medium-high heat, using 32-36 charcoal briquettes or large wood chips.
2. In a 10-in. Dutch oven, cook bacon over campfire until crisp, stirring occasionally. Remove with a slotted spoon; drain on paper towels. Discard drippings, reserving 2 tablespoons in pan.
3. Carefully press potatoes onto bottom and 1 in. up sides of Dutch oven. In a small bowl, whisk eggs, cream and, if desired, pepper sauce until blended. Pour over potatoes; sprinkle with cooked bacon and cheese.
4. Cover Dutch oven. When briquettes or wood chips are covered with white ash, place Dutch oven directly on top of 16-18 briquettes. Using long-handled tongs, place 16-18 briquettes on pan cover.
5. Cook 20-25 minutes or until eggs are completely set and cheese is melted. To check for doneness, use tongs to carefully lift cover. If necessary, cook 5 minutes longer.



## HEADED SOUTH



September 26-27 two of our members ( Patricia & Duane Peverill) along with 15 other members from California State Horseman Association Trail Trial Division volunteered to go to Riverside California to put on a Trail Trial Clinic. It was a long hot ride to the Riverside Rancheros Equestrian Facility. It was worth every mile of travel. The trail trials in that area have been non existent for many years. A group from the facility was wanting to get the program up and running again and contacted CSHA Trail Trial Chair Victor Pedroza to see if it could be done. Jumping at the opportunity Victor called trail trial members to see if they would volunteer their time and travel to Riverside. There was no problem getting the needed clinicians. We were extremely happy to see the amount of people interested in doing a two day clinic. We had to cap it at fifty participants and turned away 20 more that wanted to do the clinic. The participants ranged from 18 years of age to 60 plus. The excitement level of all participants was unbelievable. On Saturday each clinician would teach groups of five on their obstacle demonstrating how to correctly do the obstacle and explain the CSHA rules for that obstacle. So each clinician had 10 groups pass through their obstacle. Duane/Annabelle had opening and closing a gate while Pat/Georgette had side passing a log. Duane spent 6 hours on Annabelle opening and closing a gate while Pat did the same while side passing a log. It was actually a lot of fun. Participants rode many different breeds of equines and from many different disciplines. It was interesting to see the reaction of the horse/rider to the obstacles. So often we just assume our four legged friend will do anything. It is always good to get your equine out of the arena and let them see a different world. Sunday we had an 10 obstacle course set up and had all the participants go through the course. On this day the clinicians became judges and we could only read the instructions for the obstacle and grade the horse and rider. It was an eye opener for the participants. Everyone had a great time and all of them were asking us if we would come back in the future for another clinic. If any of you BCHC-SJSU members are interested in learning about trail trials and if you would like to know more about CSHA Trail Trials please contact Patricia or Duane. If we get enough interest we can possible arrange a clinic here in our area. We would be more than happy. Contact Duane: [wpeverill@sebastiancorp.net](mailto:wpeverill@sebastiancorp.net) or Pat: [ppeverill@sebastiancorp.net](mailto:ppeverill@sebastiancorp.net)



**Backcountry Horsemen  
of California  
San Joaquin Sierra Unit  
Nov. 14, 2020**

**ELECTION 2020**

**~ Vote for one ~**

**President**

\_\_\_\_\_ Joe Kaminski

\_\_\_\_\_ Write in

**Vice President**

\_\_\_\_\_ Ruth Cramer

\_\_\_\_\_ Write in

**Treasurer**

\_\_\_\_\_ Gary Van Sickle

\_\_\_\_\_ Write in

**Secretary**

\_\_\_\_\_ Carol Kaminski

\_\_\_\_\_ Write in

**~ Vote for four ~**

\_\_\_\_\_ Marcee Hansen

\_\_\_\_\_ Write in

\_\_\_\_\_ Sue Van Sickle

\_\_\_\_\_ Write in



**The Lighter Side**

Some racehorses are staying in a stable. One of them starts to boast about his track record. "In the last 15 races, I've won eight of them!"

Another horse breaks in: "Well in the last 27 races, I've won 19!"

"Oh that's good, but in the last 36 races, I've won 28!" says another.

At this point, the horses notice a greyhound, who has been sitting there listening. "I don't mean to boast," says the greyhound, "but in my last 90 races, I've won 88 of them!"

The horses are clearly amazed. "Wow!" says one, after a hushed silence. "A talking dog!"

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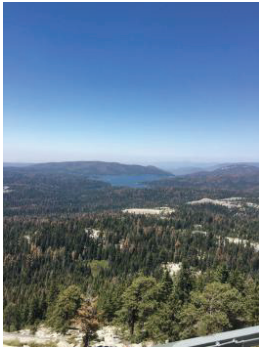
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## RIDE AGAIN



I know we are all anxious to get out and ride. Some of you are anxious to go ride in areas that we all have ridden and now have been burned. Please keep in mind that this can be extremely dangerous. Be sure to check with local authorities to make sure the area is open for riding. In a burned area there are many unseen hazards just waiting for you and your equine friend to enter. The burned trees can break off in the wind and fall on you. Don't ride through areas of burned trees on windy/stormy days and stay on the trail. After a fire passes through an area, it can continue to smolder in the roots of trees. The roots will eventually burn out underground leaving a vacant spot that can fall in when you cross over it. Everything looks great above the ground until your horse steps in a burned-out root system. Burned-out roots sometimes run under trails. Just because it was a trail doesn't make it safe. But there is even bigger risk if you ride off-trail. Always use extreme care if you ride off the trail to get around a fallen tree or other object. Even when an entire tree has burned it can leave a large pocket for you to fall in. This can exist for years. It is better to wait for a rain and snow season before entering these areas. Rain and snow can help expose these areas. The ground is not safe in a burned area. Always proceed with caution. **It might even be better to stay out of the area.**

The land may become destabilized after a fire. Rains and snow can cause washouts and hazardous trail conditions. You may find that the signs, bridges and landmarks that you relied on are now gone. When you ride through an area that was burned in a forest fire, use caution and don't take chances. Please remember to ride with other people and also let someone know where you will be riding. Our area has been devastated with the recent fires and never will be the same. When all has settled we can work together with the Mountain Bike Rider Community, Off Road Vehicle Community, Jeep Clubs, and Back Pack Hikers to get our trails back into shape. Lets work together and most important of all----Be Safe.

William Duane Peverill,  
Past President BCHC-SJSU





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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@sebastiancorp.net](mailto:wpeverill@sebastiancorp.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

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## "Travel Advantage"

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!!

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# PRE-EVACUATION PREPARATION STEPS

When an evacuation is anticipated, follow these checklists (if time allows) to give your home the best chance of surviving a wildfire:

## OUTSIDE

- 1 Gather up flammable items from the exterior of the house and bring them inside (patio furniture, children's toys, door mats, trash cans, etc.) or place them in your pool.
- 2 Turn off propane tanks.
- 3 Move propane BBQ appliances away from structures.
- 4 Connect garden hoses to outside water valves or spigots for use by firefighters. Fill water buckets and place them around the house.
- 5 Don't leave sprinklers on or water running; they can affect critical water pressure.
- 6 Leave exterior lights on so your home is visible to firefighters in the smoke or darkness of night.
- 7 Put your Emergency Supply Kit in your vehicle.
- 8 Back your car into the driveway with vehicle loaded and all doors and windows closed. Carry your car keys with you.
- 9 Have a ladder available and place it at the corner of the house for firefighters to quickly access your roof.
- 10 Seal attic and ground vents with pre-cut plywood or commercial seals.
- 11 Monitor your property and the fire situation. Don't wait for an evacuation order if you feel threatened and need to leave.
- 12 Check on neighbors and make sure they are preparing to leave.

## INSIDE THE HOUSE

- 13 Shut all windows and doors, leaving them unlocked.
- 14 Remove flammable window shades and curtains. Close metal shutters.
- 15 Move flammable furniture to the center of the room, away from windows and doors.
- 16 Shut off gas at the meter. Turn off pilot lights.
- 17 Leave your lights on so firefighters can see your house under smoky conditions.
- 18 Shut off the air conditioning.

## ANIMALS

- 19 Locate your pets and keep them nearby.
- 20 Prepare farm animals for transport and think about moving them to a safe location early.

# WHAT TO DO IF YOU BECOME TRAPPED

## WHILE IN YOUR VEHICLE:

- ♦ Stay calm.
- ♦ Park your vehicle in an area clear of vegetation.
- ♦ Close all vehicle windows and vents.
- ♦ Cover yourself with a wool or cotton blanket or jacket.
- ♦ Lie on vehicle floor.
- ♦ Use your cell phone to advise officials—**Call 911.**



## WHILE ON FOOT:

- ♦ Stay calm.
- ♦ Go to an area clear of vegetation, a ditch or depression on level ground if possible.
- ♦ Lie face down and cover up your body.
- ♦ Use your cell phone to advise officials—**Call 911.**



## WHILE IN YOUR HOME:

- ♦ Stay calm and keep your family together.
- ♦ **Call 911** and inform authorities of your location.
- ♦ Fill sinks and tubs with cold water.
- ♦ Keep doors and windows closed, but unlocked.
- ♦ Stay inside your house.
- ♦ Stay away from outside walls and windows.



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On the trails we work and ride we share the trail with others, that at times have trouble seeing us because of shadows and various modes of transportation used, especially in non wilderness designated areas.

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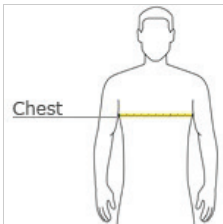
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**CHEST**  
 Measure under the arm and around the fullest part of the chest with arms down, keeping tape horizontal.

### SIZE CHART

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| Chest | 34-36 | 38-40 | 42-44 | 46-48 | 50-52 | 54-56 | 58-60 | 62-64 |

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**Associate Memberships Unit Affiliations MAY NOT BE FOR THE SAME UNIT AS YOUR PARENT UNIT**

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Unit Name (from above list)

Associate Membership for: \$15.00/Unit  
Unit Name (from above list)

Add additional choices here

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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.

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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.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Year Individual             | <b>\$ 90.00</b> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Year Family                 | <b>\$110.00</b> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Year Individual             | <b>\$125.00</b> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Year Family                 | <b>\$150.00</b> |
| <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



# Big Meadows Horse Camp Sponsors



Your unit pays the cost of maintaining and hosting the Big Meadows horse camp. We are seeking sponsors (8) in total that will be exclusive to the Business/Industry type. Sponsorships are \$500 each per calendar year. Sponsors will be advertised on our web page, our facebook page, at the camp, and in our monthly newsletter. Please show your support to these sponsors. If you or someone you know would like to be a sponsor please contact Joe Kaminski at (559) 909-0505. If interested in being a camp host for this season, contact Jim Knabke at (559) 779-4715.



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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.