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Presidents Message



Coming soon our holiday dinner Nov. 4th. This will be in place of our Christmas dinner. The board felt this would help to free up time for our members at this time of year. This year our dinner will be at Sal's in Fresno. We hope to

see you there. Please get in your reservation as we need a head count for meals.

We had a great election meeting thanks to all who came out. Thanks also to Cole for giving a talk on the Reedley Champion pack team at Bishop. Thanks Cole.

Our calendar is available both on our website and in our newsletter. Keep an eye on the calendar and hope to see you at one of the

events. 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

Will Get A Free
BCHCSJSU Long Sleeve Color T-Shirt

GOOD LUCK!

Congratulations to Kristine Kassahn
*for being the first one to find the
hoof print last issue!*

2023 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

2023

November 3 Board Meeting

November 4 BCHC-SJSU Unit Holiday/Awards Dinner
(Sal's Mexican Restaurant, 7476 N. Fresno St., Fresno, CA)

November 11 El Rio Reyes Conservation Trust - Bob Frisch Memorial Ride (and walk)
(Non SJSU Event)

December 5 Board Meeting

2024

Jan 11 - Jan 15 Montana De Oro Campout/Ride

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, kaminskiclub@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 for the San Joaquin/Sierra Unit,

www.bhcalifornia.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.

QUICKER CHICKEN AND DUMPLINGS

Ready in 30 minutes, this easy chicken and dumplings recipe takes advantage of convenience items and uses time-saving, drop-style dumplings.

INGREDIENTS:

- 1-1/2 cups 2% milk
- 1-1/2 cups frozen mixed vegetables, thawed
- 2-1/2 cups cubed cooked chicken
- 1 can (10-3/4 ounces) condensed cream of chicken soup, undiluted
- 1/2 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1/4 teaspoon poultry seasoning

DUMPLINGS:

- 1 cup biscuit/baking mix
- 1/3 cup french-fried onions, coarsely chopped
- 7 tablespoons 2% milk
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh parsley



INSTRUCTIONS:

1. In a Dutch oven, combine the first 6 ingredients; bring to a boil, stirring occasionally.
2. Meanwhile, in a small bowl, combine the biscuit mix, onions, milk and parsley just until moistened. Drop by heaping teaspoonfuls onto simmering stew. Cook, uncovered, for 10 minutes.
3. Cover and simmer 10-12 minutes longer or until a toothpick inserted in a dumpling comes out clean (do not lift the cover while simmering).



San Joaquin Sierra Unit

Board Meeting Sept. 6 , 2023

Call to order: 6:30

Flag salute

Roll Taken: President: Joe Kaminski, Vice President: Ruth Cramer Secretary: Carol Kaminski,

Treasurer: Gary Van Sickle

Directors: Richard Telles, Tami Telles, Doug Laber, Sue VanSickle, Jim Laber Past President: Duane Peverill

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

Correspondence:

Committee reports:

Education: Great articles in newsletter

Membership: 3 Jim to call expiring members.

Newsletter: Articles due Sept. 20. Big Meadows article needed.

Sunshine:

Public lands: 4 WD-Drive trails now open

Shaver Lake: Gate needs repair. Marcee has pipe.

Big Meadows: New sponsor. Discussed toilet pumping.

OLD BUSINESS. 1.EVENTS for 2023

Sept. 5 Board Meeting • Sept. 9 - Memorial Ride (Big Meadows)

Oct. 3 - Board Meeting • Oct. 5-9 CMA Coast Ride (Non club event) • Oct. 18 - Election Meeting 6:30 Elks Lodge, dessert and coffee

Nov. 4 - Holiday Dinner at Sal's Top Hand Award to be given. Dessert auction to be held. • Nov. 7 - Board Meeting

Nov. Jose' Basin

Dec. 5 - Board Meeting • December Christmas Dinner - to be held in November.

2.Holiday dinner - Flyer to be proofed by Debbie Dixon. \$30.00 for dinner. Dessert auction to be held. Info. to be blasted.

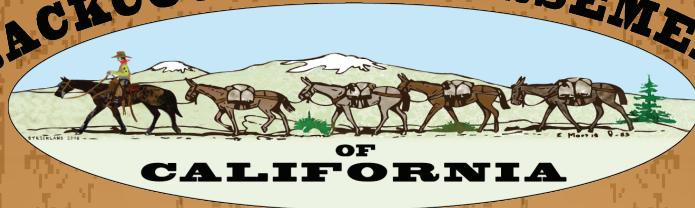
Save the date to go out. Possible gun raffle to be held. 50/50 raffle.

NEW BUSINESS: Chamberlain situation

Next meeting: Oct. 3, 2023

Adjourn: 8:30 1st Jim, 2nd Sue

BACKCOUNTRY HORSEMEN



San Joaquin Sierra Unit

Holiday Dinner

NOVEMBER 4TH

Save the Date!

Contact Debby Dixon to reserve your spot by Nov. 1st
559-906-9334 (call or text) • jddixon06@gmail.com
Cost: \$25 per person

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!

Unit Awards • Rifle Raffle
50/50 Raffle • Dessert Auction
(Share wth table or take home)

Sal's Mexican Restaurant
7476 N. Fresno St., Fresno, CA
No host bar • Dinner at 6:00pm

THANK YOU NOTES FROM OUR 2023 MEMORIAL RIDE BIG MEADOWS



Thank you for saving
us - From one group of
"Horsman's" to another
Jason, Lacey, Colby &
Tanner Horsman

FOR YOU!

We want to sincerely thank
all of the amazing and kind-
hearted horsemen that saved
our Teda from being stuck
in the dirt near the Big
Meadow Horse Camp on Sat
9/9/23. What an amazing and
supportive team you all are -
you are AWESOME and a great
reminder that there are still
giving & generous people in this world!

Mrs. Candy Graham

8-26-23

Dear BCHC,

We spent the
day at Big Meadows
Horse Camp.
Hopefully, we can
return for an
overnight, as in
years past, before
the weather turns.

The camp host is
so friendly and
we enjoyed talking
with him.

Please know how
much
your

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Dedication is
appreciated. I
am a member of
the Mid Valley Unit
and friends of
Doug and Cathy
Dollarhide.

Sincerely,

Candy Graham
559 630-9676

ELECTION MEETING

By Jim Laber

Photos: Joe & Carol Kaminski/Reedley Mule Club

This year we met at the American Legion Hall for our election meeting. Joe called the meeting to order, and we stood for the pledge. No new nominations for director or executive were proposed so ballots were distributed with Jim Laber nominated for President, Carol Kaminski for Secretary, Doug Laber, Karen Daugherty, Loni Langdon, and Steve Naylon as nominees for Directors. Joe then recognized Kent Kinney who updated us on fundraiser/ride for El Rio Reyes Conservation Trust "Bob Frisch Memorial Ride". You can see the flyer in this edition of our newsletter for more info. Loni Langdon Unit member and first year head coach of the Reedley college Mule packing team, was recognized to introduce our speaker, Cole Hansen. Cole a student of Loni at Reedley College spoke on "Bringing Home a Championship" from Bishop Mule Days where the Reedley College pack team won the championship in the collegiate competition. It was great to hear his presentation and the enthusiasm for continuing to refine his newfound skills. It was refreshing to see young people we support not just win but now have a desire to continue in this vocation, sport, and hobby for a lifetime. These links will take you to the college's web site and the Mule Clubs Facebook Page for more information and photos. <https://www.reedleycollege.edu/news/2023/packing-up-a-title.html>

<https://www.facebook.com/reedleymuleclub/>

Our election totals were tallied for the 2024 slate, and we elected Jim Laber President, Carol Kaminski Secretary, Karen Daugherty, Doug Laber, Loni Langdon, and Steve Naylon as directors.



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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

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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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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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El Rio Reyes Conservation Trust Bob Frisch Memorial Ride (and walk)

You are invited to enjoy a day of riding, sharing a BBQ meal, entertainment and friendship as you honor Bob Frisch and support his legacy to conserve ag and riparian habitat land. We look forward to spending this day with you!

Tickets are now available for this event, and you can purchase them by following [this secure link](https://www.elrioreyestrust.org/donations/bob-frisch-tickets/). www.elrioreyestrust.org/donations/bob-frisch-tickets/ or scan the code at the bottom of this page. PLEASE PURCHASE TICKETS IN ADVANCE SO WE MAY HAVE FOOD FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS.

Since some people have asked to share the day but not ride we will welcome all people, and will have a guided hike for those who prefer to enjoy the river scenery on foot. All will enjoy the group ranch lunch and entertainment. We do ask that all participants purchase tickets as a donation to support El Rio Reyes Conservation Trust.

This ride and walk will be led by experienced trail guides on Saturday, Nov. 11 **from 10 am - 2pm**. All guests will enjoy a wonderful BBQ lunch, silent auction fun, and entertainment! **Safety** for people and animals will be a priority. At multiple stops our guides will explain the history of the area including native people, farming and ranching, river diversions, and native plant and animal habitat. Information about current management and the need for conservation will be discussed.

Guests should bring their own gentle, well-trained horses or mules (please no dogs), and tack. Water for guests and animals will be provided at the venue.

Walkers should have appropriate shoes and long pants. We hope you enjoy taking pictures, as it is encouraged. Trailer parking will be in pastures on the Kinney Ranch.

Lunch will be served after the ride and guests will enjoy musical entertainment and a silent auction. Guests will learn more about the beneficial work of El Rio Reyes Conservation Trust of which Bob) Frisch was a founding member, equine show judge, and Reedley College instructor.

Location: Kinney Ranch, 769 N. Piedra Road, Sanger, CA

Each ticket (Ride or Walk) is **\$50**, and includes BBQ Ranch Lunch and entertainment! Watch your email for more information as the event approaches! Phone Kent Kinney for more information (559)355-7983

As the event approaches, we will be sharing more details, driving directions, and our silent auction items! Please make sure you are [subscribed to our e-newsletter](#) so you always have the most up-to-date information.

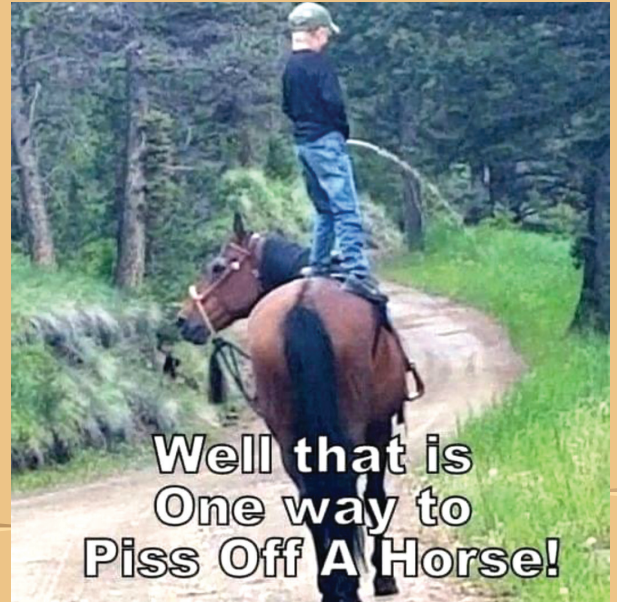


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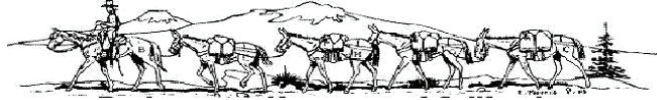
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Back Country Horsemen of California



San Joaquin Sierra Unit



Come and enjoy Horse Camping at the Manzanita/Chamise 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.

Camp is available from 2:00pm Thursday 01/11/2024 until noon Monday 01/15/2024.

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

Manzanita/Chamise Camp **has 9 corrals** (5 small 4 Large), pit toilets, water for horses only, no showers, and no hook-ups.

NO CANCELLATIONS/REFUNDS AFTER JAN 4, 2024

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.

NAME:		PHONE:	
ADDRESS:			
Please make check payable to BCHC-SJSU and mail with completed reservation form to: Gary Van Sickle 31831 Road 132 Visalia, CA 93292	EMAIL:		Amount
	Number of Horses with rider		@ \$ 45.00 ea. \$
	Additional individuals		@ \$ 3.00 ea. \$
	TOTAL:		\$

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE FALL STATE MEETING

By Susie Patton, BCHC Secretary

On October 6 and 7, State Officers and Unit Directors traveled to Sacramento to attend semi-annual BCHC State Meetings. The meeting was moved a little further north to save driving time for far northern unit directors. We found that the hotels in the area were very costly, so we will try to minimize that next time.

BCHC was hosted by VFW Post 1267 in their meeting room. The VFW Auxiliary prepared a great spaghetti dinner on Friday night and a tasty taco bar lunch on Saturday. Many thanks to Gail Fernandez for all her work putting this together.

On Friday night the Executive Committee met to discuss the Board of Directors meeting and answer questions anyone might have about the agenda items. Policy and bylaws changes were reviewed that would be presented and the reasons for the changes made. Protocol for adding an item to the agenda was discussed as well as new unit requirements met by the Manzanita Riders.

Early Saturday morning, President Hughes called the meeting to order, and Public Lands and Education took the floor to present their information. Public Lands asked each unit to speak about what they are doing in the various forests and to describe any issues they are having. Education conducted a presentation by Lucy Badenhoop, BCHC's Grant Writer and Grant Accounts Manager, who explained exactly how the Intern program needed to work so BCHC can seek out and pay for the best candidates. Stacy Kuhns, VP of Education, asked units to volunteer to host Officer Training in their areas – South, Central and North. All unit officers are encouraged to attend one of the sessions to be held after the first of the year. They are very valuable and will help you do a better job for your unit and BCHC.

After a lunch break, we resumed by meeting with the Board of Directors. The first order of business was to add an item to the agenda to reinstate the North Bay Unit. This item was approved, and North Bay directors were permitted to vote during the rest of the meeting.

Some items worth noting are that Dr. Jamie Wilson, 1st VP Insurance, has secured a way for units to insure their equipment trailers and the contents through BCHC's insurance carrier. This is something units have been inquiring about for a while. If any units are interested, they should contact Jamie. Chip Herzig, VP of Membership, talked about the nosedive BCHC's membership numbers took last winter. Many directors felt it was due to the particularly harsh, rainy winter and the economic issues people are facing. The good news is that membership numbers are beginning to turn around. Chip urged all units to keep in touch with expiring members, especially Young Adults, and encourage them to renew their memberships. Tammy Bozarth, VP of

Youth Education, made a great presentation on the next steps in BCHC's Youth Program to provide Achievement Awards to kids that participate in various youth activities. Larry Shuman, BCHA National Director, also talked about how youth programs have become a focus for BCHA, and they are making grants for youth programs available. Mike Lewis, Saw Coordinator, explained the new Sawyer Program with the Forest Service and how it differs from the old program. We discussed the BCHC website and that we have some issues that need to be addressed. It was decided to investigate finding a web developer who could help resolve the issues.

We are pleased to announce that a new BCHC unit was approved the Manzanita Riders! Since the San Diego unit dissolved, some of their members, along with some new people got together to form a new unit in San Diego County.

Mark your calendars for the 2024 Rendezvous to be held in Ceres, California. The Mid Valley Unit is heading up the committee and promises that it will be a lot of fun and a little different than previous Rendezvous. Please plan to attend on March 22, 23 and 24, 2024.

Due to changes in the Department of Justice procedures on background checks and on how the Custodian of Records handles these background checks, it was necessary that we change two BCHC policies. The changes were accepted and we thank Tammy Bozarth for keeping up with the ever-changing rules the DOJ requires BCHC to follow.

We also had the first reading of some wording changes to BCHC Bylaws. The Bylaws are a living document, and when events occur or more detailed explanations are needed, it becomes necessary to make changes to this living document. BCHC Bylaws are also controlled by California Nonprofit Law and sometimes updated legal advice. We will have a second reading of these changes in February 2024 before they are finalized. If you want more information on the wording changes, please contact your Unit Director. We urge all units to review their own bylaws to see if they need to make any changes based on the State Bylaw changes.

Lastly, the Board of Directors voted on new officers for 2024. We welcome three new officers to the Executive Committee – Shirley Rasmussen as 2nd Vice President (Service Hours), Greg Feinberg as Vice President of Education, and Gail Inman as Co-Vice President of Youth Education. We also want to recognize the service of Stacy Kuhns who, as VP of Education, has upgraded and greatly improved the Education component of BCHC during her tenure, as well as Alyssa Alvarez who worked very hard as 2nd VP collecting and organizing Volunteer Service Hours Reports for BCHC.

The February 2024 State Meeting will be held February 9 and 10 at a location near the middle of the state and at a place to be announced.

BACKCOUNTRY HORSEMEN OF CALIFORNIA

Helloo Camp!

A COMMON SENSE GUIDE FOR SELECTING
A CAMPSITE AND USE OF FIRE

It's been a long day and you've been in the saddle for most of it.
Now it's time to find a good campsite, take care of your animals, and make camp for the night.

What kind of place will suit your needs and the needs of your livestock?

WHAT MAKES A GOOD CAMPSITE ?

When camping with livestock, one of your primary considerations in selecting a place to camp should naturally be the well-being of your animals. Before leaving on your trip, it is a good idea to make inquiries about the availability of feed, accessibility to water, and potential impact on the resources. You should select an area where your impact will be minimal. All of these things require awareness on your part and prior planning before your trip.

EXISTING CAMPSITES

Many times on public lands, campsites are already established. These sites have been used traditionally many times over the years and should be utilized whenever available. All campsites should be 100 feet from water. Of course, before deciding whether or not to use a particular campsite, you should consider several things — how much use is the area already receiving? What kind of impact will your group have on the area? How fragile is the soil and surrounding vegetation? You also need to consider the impact your livestock will have on the availability of winter feed for local wildlife.

Choose an area that is large enough to comfortably accommodate the number of animals in your party without compromising the resources. In order to recover from grazing pressures, meadows should be left in the best possible condition. The rule of thumb is, when plant height has been removed by 50 percent, it's time to relocate.

Processed and pelletized feed can be used not only to supplement feeding but also to decrease the impact on grazing. Animals should become accustomed to pelletized feed a few days before going into the backcountry, to minimize the possibility of colic.

NEW CAMPSITES

In camping in a pristine area, it is essential that you not only allow adequate time to select an appropriate camping spot, but also try to avoid previously used campsites in order for them to have sufficient time to recover. You should locate your camp at least 100 feet from water. Consider this a minimal guideline, but check for any local regulations in your planned destination for the best information.

As with existing campsites, you should locate areas that will provide feed for your livestock and which is still well-suited for low impact camping. Look for a durable surface when selecting areas to place kitchen and tents. Such areas include exposed bedrock or dry grassy areas. In high desert locations, gravelly areas with minimum vegetation are ideal.

When using a campsite in a pristine area, vary the routes you take to water or to use the bathroom in order to prevent formation of permanent trails. Be aware of any activity that might endanger or harm the existing natural features of the site, especially those that regenerate slowly, such as trees, mosses, or lichens. Impact on the area can many times be avoided if you limit your stay to only one night.

Water for your livestock is another key factor in choosing a good campsite. The banks of small streams and vegetated lakeshores can be relatively fragile, so care should be taken in selecting stock watering areas preferably located at fords or even low gravel banks where damage will be minimal if any.

CAMPFIRES

At one time, campfires in the backcountry were not only nice, but a basic necessity for cooking and warmth. With the advent of modern efficient camp stoves, campfires, in some instances, may not be necessary. Campfires may not be possible in high elevations or high use areas where no or very limited fuel is available. Granted, huddling around a fluorescent lantern at night may not be an image that most people think of when dreaming about a trip to the mountains, but a modern camp stove minimizes the impact you and your party will have on the backcountry.

In established campsites, there are often rock campfire rings that have been used for years. If you feel a campfire is important and there are no restrictions prohibiting a fire, make sure there is plenty of dead, downed wood available and the risk of fire danger is minimal. Use the established campfire ring instead of constructing a new one. Always check with the administrating agency beforehand in order to obtain a campfire permit if necessary.

In a pristine area, it is possible to have a campfire and still have a minimal impact on the area. As always, select a durable site for your fire. Fires can be made utilizing either the mound fire with a fire blanket, or by using fire pans, metal oil pans or roasting pans lined with a few inches of inorganic soil and elevated with rocks. You may consider packing out ashes and disposing of them properly and safely.

By using these simple guidelines and common sense in selecting a campsite, your impact will be minimal and that ideal camping spot will remain a favorite for you and others for years to come.



MY CAMP YOUR CAMP

- ✓ Recognize durable surfaces.
- ✓ Concentrate use in popular areas.
- ✓ Use established campsites if possible.
- ✓ Camp away from trails and water sources.
- ✓ Leave a site cleaner than you found it.
- ✓ Disperse use in new areas.
- ✓ Avoid areas where impact is just beginning.



RESPONSIBLE CAMPFIRES

- ✓ Know the regulations and management techniques.
- ✓ Judge the wind, weather, location and wood availability. Decide if it is safe.
- ✓ Use an established fire ring if possible.
- ✓ Where there is no fire ring, bring a fire pan or make a mound fire.
- ✓ Use dead and downed wood.
- ✓ An unattended fire is dangerous.
- ✓ Always have a shovel and bucket for saturating the ashes with water.
- ✓ Restore the appearance of the fire site.



BCHCSJSU SHIRTS

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.

For that reason your unit board of directors has made this shirt available for safety on trail rides and work parties as well as a way to promote our unit and its activities.

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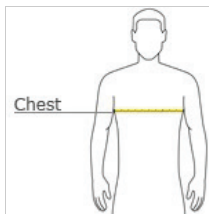
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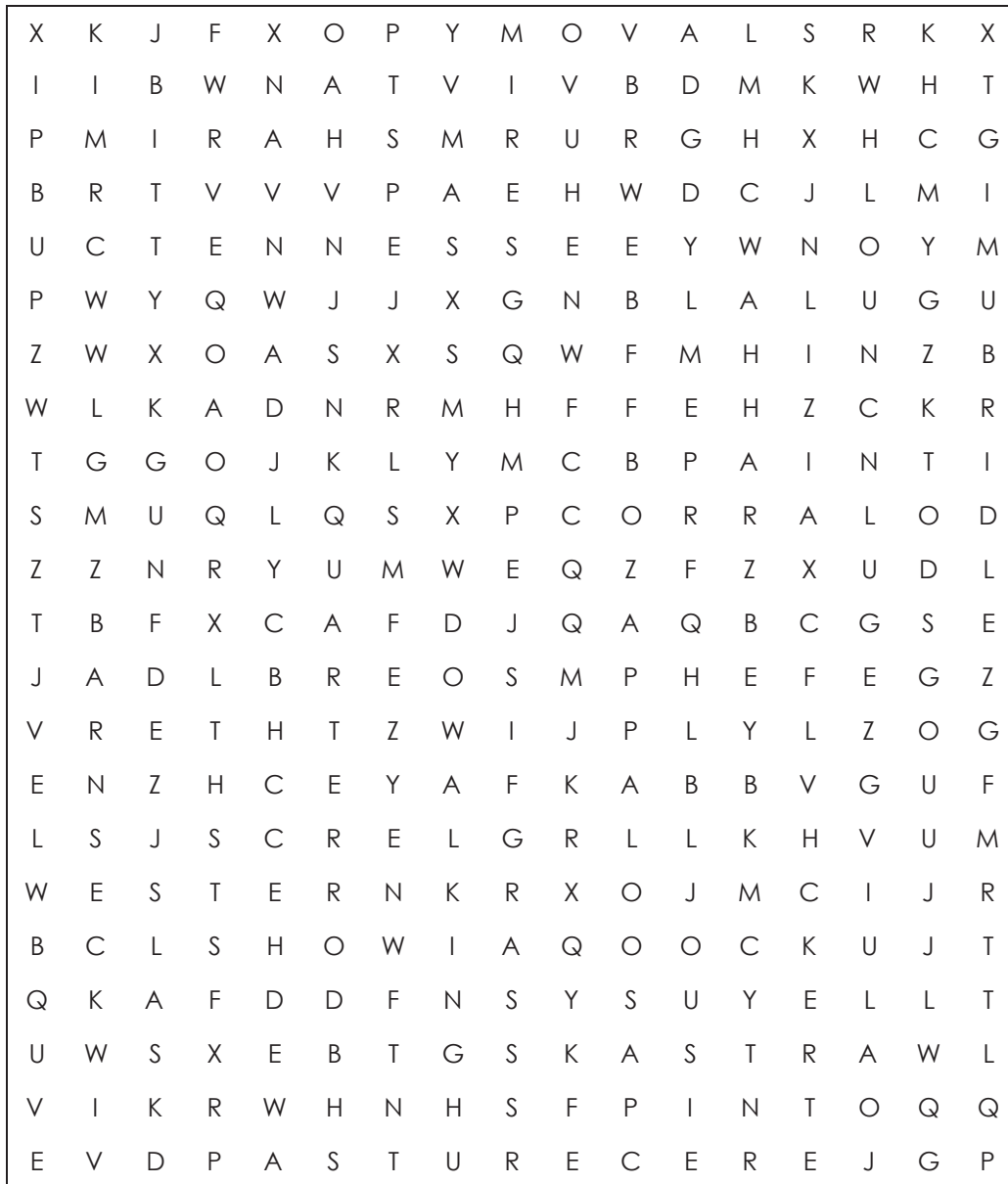
CHEST
 Measure under the arm and around the fullest part of the chest with arms down, keeping tape horizontal.

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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**Backcountry Horsemen
of California**



**MAIL TO: BCHC
MEMBERSHIP
1280 State Rt. 208
Yerington NV 89447**

**MEMBERSHIP
APPLICATION**

PARENT UNIT AFFILIATION: (Select and CHECK a Unit as your Affiliation)

New **Renewal**
 Change

(indicate change)

<input type="checkbox"/> Antelope Valley	<input type="checkbox"/> Kern Sierra	<input type="checkbox"/> North Bay	<input type="checkbox"/> Santa Ana River
<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Sierra	<input type="checkbox"/> Lake-Mendo	<input type="checkbox"/> Pacific Crest	<input type="checkbox"/> Sequoia
<input type="checkbox"/> High Country	<input type="checkbox"/> Los Padres	<input type="checkbox"/> Redshank Riders	<input type="checkbox"/> Shasta Trinity
<input type="checkbox"/> High Sierra	<input type="checkbox"/> Mid Valley	<input type="checkbox"/> Redwood	<input type="checkbox"/> Sierra Freepackers
<input type="checkbox"/> Kern River Valley	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother Lode	<input type="checkbox"/> San Diego	<input type="checkbox"/> Sutter Buttes
		<input type="checkbox"/> San Joaquin Sierra	<input type="checkbox"/> Top of the State

DCTR (your Membership

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 number _____

Email Address: _____ (please print legibly)

Donation to BCHC Education Fund (tax deductible) \$ _____

Total Enclosed: \$ _____ Check No. _____

Parent Unit Membership Types (Check 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 PER UNIT is added to your Parent Unit Dues

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

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

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

Add additional choices here

Please clip form along dashed line 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.

Complete information regarding BCHC Membership is available on the MEMBERSHIP TAB at bchcalifornia.org or call (775) 463-3634

KEEP FOR YOUR RECORDS

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

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.