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## Hoof Prints

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## Presidents Message



**SPECIAL ALERT:** California is currently looking to change the requirement for a class license to pull your horse trailer. Please let your representative know your opinion on this possible change.

One thing we have learned this past year is to be flexible. After finding out Jose Basin was shut down, we regrouped and went to Shaver Lake camp to clean up around camp and remove debris from trails. We had perfect weather and good food. Thanks to Ruth Cramer and Duane Peverill for heading this up. We also had a great turnout for Big

Meadows to get the camp ready for the season. Thanks to all who participated and braved the snow flurries. A special thanks to Gary and Sue for bringing up their tractor. May is one of our general meeting months and a really good turnout. Our own John Mikkelson speaking on emergency preparedness. Great job and great participation, thanks John.

If you are interested in the Edison work party, please let me know right away.

Once again I want to remind you to get your reservations in for Montana de Oro. As you know this ride is very popular and usually fills up every year. For reservations contact Gary Van Sickle at 559-288-0301.

We are also looking forward to our annual Poker Ride at Shaver Lake. The ride will take place in areas untouched by the fire. It should be a great time with good food, great fellowship and lots of fun. As always we will be looking for raffle donations. Last year the donations were great and we really appreciate the help. We look forward to another great ride.

Hope that you have some great rides planned this summer. Be sure to send pictures in for the newsletter. We hope to see you on the trail. Be safe and have fun.

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 @ [jjm@visaliaidea.com](mailto:jjm@visaliaidea.com)

**Will Get A Free**

**BCHCSJSU Long Sleeve Color T-Shirt**

**GOOD LUCK!**

## NEWS FROM SHAVER LAKE HORSE CAMP

Saturday, May 15th was a work day at Shaver Lake, which was chock-full with volunteers cleaning beaches and clearing trails. In conjunction with the Shaver Lake Trail Volunteers, Southern California Edison, and others, the San Joaquin Sierra Unit's task was to clear the Perimeter Trail from Camp Edison to the Boy Scout Camp. Recon riders had identified 9 or 10 areas that needed work.



Several members elected to camp over the weekend and enjoy the perfect weather for riding. They were joined by the others on Saturday morning for the saddle up and safety tailboard, where it was learned that Paul Barile from the Shaver Stables and Lee Houten from SCE had taken advantage of the weather and cleared during the week most of the spots that had been marked. (Thanks to all the volunteers who



worked on the cleanup) Instead of 10 trees, there was brushing and cleanup work to do, which was soon accomplished. With that, Doug and Jim Laber had time to search out likely trails for the Poker Ride this August. Anyone wanting to reserve the camp for that event should make their reservations now.



Shaver Lake Horse Camp is open for your use, the corrals are secure, the trails are cleared and the beaches are clean.

Hope to see you taking advantage of the opportunity to camp and ride at beautiful Shaver Lake.

To sign up to use the camp, contact Ruth Cramer at: [racramer@outlook.com](mailto:racramer@outlook.com)  
559-417-3878





## *San Joaquin Sierra Unit*

Board Meeting Apr. 4, 2021

Call to order: 6:30

Flag salute

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

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

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

**Correspondence:**

**Committee reports:**

**Education:**

**Membership:** 0

**Newsletter:** Articles due Apr.20. Looking for articles.

**Public lands:** Maxson Trailhead- June 12-13. Lumber purchased last fall. Jim Dixon to pre-ride site. Will be a joint effort with Mounted Unit of Fresno Search and Rescue. Possibility of other clubs to participate. Close enough not to need pack animals. Materials to be jeeped in. Other side is more difficult. Materials will need to be floated in.

**Sunshine:**

**Shaver Lake:** Camp to be opened last weekend of April. Shaver Lake Volunteers (Patrick Hansen), Justin Morgan (mountain bike). Proposes burn out Musick (Jose' Basin) roads.

**Big Meadows:** \$500 to be paid to Katie and Fred for cement block purchase for manure ramp. More will be needed for 2nd ramp.

**OLD BUSINESS.** 1. 2021 Events -

May 1- High Sierra Ride

May 1 - Shaver Camp to open

May 14-16 - Beginning pack and Ride

May 19 - General Meeting

May 22-23 Big Meadow work days

June 10-11 Cara's Cabin Ride

June 12-13 Maxson Causeway work party

June 23-28 Edison Work Party July 8-12 Montana de Oro

Aug. 1-7 Crown Valley Work Party

Aug. 21 Shaver Lake Poker Ride

Sept. 11 Memorial Ride location- TBD

Oct. 7-11 Coastal Mounted Ride (non-club)

RENDEVZOUS Oct. 29-31.

Nov. 6 Election meeting/ playday Steve Naylor's Luck o' the Irish

Dec. 11 Christmas dinner

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. General Meeting - Ideas- Speaker on founding fathers of Shaver Lake or John Mikkelson of Search and Rescue or Homeland Security.

2. Ron Jefferson - Dinuba Lions to host Dave Stamey benefit concert and dinner on May 1. Tickets are \$50.

Next meeting May 4

**Adjourn** 7:15 Joe 1st, Jim 2nd

# 2021 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)

## 2021

April 6	Board Meeting
April	Jody Collins Mule and Donkey Clinic(horses welcome)
April 10	Trail Trial-Desensitization-Fun Day
April 24	<del>Clovis Parade</del>
May 1	Shaver Camp Opening
May	Begining Packing and Ride
May 4	Board Meeting
May 15-16	Shaver Trail Project/Get Together Potluck
May 19	General Meeting
May 22-23	Big Meadows Work Party Contact Joe 559 909-0505
May 25-30	Bishop Mule Days (non BCHC event)
June 8	Board Meeting
June 10-11	Cara Ride. Limit 7
June 12-13	Maxson Meadows Work Party Contact Joe 559 909-0505
June 26-July 2	Edison work party Contact Joe 559 909-0505
July 6	Board Meeting
July 8-12	MDO Coast Ride/Camp Out Click for Info/Reservation Form
Aug 3	Board Meeting
Aug 21	Poker Ride Shaver Lake Fishing Camp access road.
Sept 7	Board Meeting
Sept 11	BCHC SJSU Memorial Ride Location TBA
Oct 5	Board Meeting
October 7-11	Coastal Mounted Unit MDO (non BCHC event)
Oct 29-31	Rendezous
November 2	Board Meeting
November 6	Play Day/General Meeting Elections Meeting.
November 20	Fredi's celebration of life. Clovis Veterans Memorial at 2:00 pm
December 7	Board Meeting
December 11	Christmas Dinner

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 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.*

## **Dutch Oven Pigs In A Blanket Bake**

*This Who doesn't love the classic pigs in a blanket? It is a good recipe to make when camping but if you are really looking to do something different, we'd suggest this pigs in a blanket bake. It makes a seriously good breakfast casserole, right in your dutch oven.*

### **INGREDIENTS:**

- 2 16oz boxes frozen buttermilk pancakes
- 4 eggs
- 1½ cups half and half
- 1 14 oz package cocktail-sized smoked link sausages, chopped
- 1½ cups shredded Cheddar cheese
- Maple syrup



### **INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. Lightly oil or spray 12 inch dutch oven. You can also line with tin foil and spray that. Remove pancakes from boxes; unwrap and carefully separate. Set aside to partially thaw.
2. In large bowl, beat eggs and half and half with whisk. Coarsely chop pancakes. Add pancake pieces and chopped sausage to egg mixture; toss to coat.
3. Let stand 5 minutes. Pour mixture into prepared dutch oven.
4. Bake at 350 degrees for 40 minutes. Sprinkle with cheese, cover and cook for 10-15 minutes more or until edges are set and light golden brown. Let stand for 10 minutes.
5. Cut into squares; serve with maple syrup.



**San Joaquin Sierra Unit**



Come and enjoy Horse Camping at the Madrone 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 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 2021**

Camp is available from 2:00pm Thursday 7/8/21 until noon Monday 7/12/21.

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

Madrone Group Camp has 18 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.

NAME:		PHONE:	
ADDRESS:			
Please make check payable to <b>BCHC-SJSU</b> 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. \$
	<b>TOTAL:</b>		<b>\$</b>

# SUNSHINE CORNER

Stay Safe Everyone  
and Happy Trails



## The Lighter Side

A horse limps into a bar one day. He's got a bandage around his head and looks really ill.

He orders a glass of the most expensive champagne, a vintage brandy and two pints of Guinness.

When the bartender serves them to him, he quickly downs them all.

Then he says, "You know, I shouldn't really be drinking this with what I've got..."

The bartender asks, "Why, what have you got?"

The horse replies, "About 2 dollars and a carrot."

## WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS!

Kristine Kassahn, Fresno

Renee Badertscher, Fresno

Amy Crawford and Terlinde Hannes, Brentwood

Cheryl Bernard, Lemoore

James & Nicky Henderson, Woodlake

Lupe Ibarra, Merced

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## **PUBLIC LANDS NEED YOUR HELP NOW!**

**NATIONAL ISSUE** - The Coalition for Recreational Trails (CRT), which includes many national trail organizations that campaign in support of the federal Recreational Trails Program (RTP, federal gas tax used in all states for trails-related grants).

WE NEED YOUR HELP THIS WEEK. Please call your representative in Congress to ask that they:

"Please co-sponsor HR 1864, the RTP Full Funding Act."

Tell them you are a constituent for their district, then briefly describe why the RTP is important to you. [sample talking points are listed below]. Phone numbers for your representative in Washington DC can be found here: <https://www.govtrack.us/congress/members/map>.

View this link to see which 16 members of the House of Representatives already have co-sponsored HR 1864: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/house-bill/1864/cosponsors>. If your representative has already signed on, send them a thank you.

Thank you for taking action to support the RTP! Time is of the essence and your calls are needed THIS WEEK!

Suggested talking points provided by Randy Rasmussen of BCHA to use in your call:

- The RTP is critical for the continued development and maintenance of trails across the country for all recreational interests.
- Please co-sponsor H.R. 1864, which would ensure proper funding and transparency of the proven and essential Recreational Trails Program (RTP).
- For more than a quarter-century, the RTP has provided funding for recreational trail development and maintenance across all 50 states and the District of Columbia.
- The RTP benefits motorized and non-motorized trails for people of all interests and abilities. RTP funds are used to design, construct and maintain our local trails.
- The RTP is based on the "user-pay, user-benefit" model of the Highway Trust Fund and is funded through taxes paid on gasoline purchased to fuel off-road and other recreational vehicles.
- Under the RTP, funding is sent to the states to administer their programs and recommend which applications should be approved by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA).
- RTP funds are vital because they can be used for trail maintenance.
- Currently, the RTP program's funding is held at \$84 million nationally. However, a nearly decade-old government estimate of off-highway recreational gas taxes paid suggests that users pay more than \$270 million annually in gas taxes. H.R. 1864 will more than double RTP funding to at least \$250 million.
- Numerous outdoor recreation organizations, including Back Country Horsemen of America, strongly support this legislation.
- As a member of BCHA and BCHA and a supporter of RTP, I urge you to co-sponsor the Recreational Trails Full Funding Act of 2021 and communicate with the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure your support for extending and fully funding the RTP.
- Please contact Alex Piper in Rep. Welch's office ([alex.piper@mail.house.gov](mailto:alex.piper@mail.house.gov)), or Troy Dougall in Rep. Curtis' office ([troy.dougall@mail.house.gov](mailto:troy.dougall@mail.house.gov)) to become a co-sponsor



**STATE ISSUE – Good News – SB 287 “Trailer Licensing Bill” has been moved out of suspension.** This is the bill that will allow drivers towing horse trailers to be held to the same licensing as RV’s. The law now says drivers pulling trailers rated up to 10,000 lbs. may do so on their regular license. This weight is listed on a tag somewhere on your trailer. Remember it is the “rated for weight” not how much the trailer weighs.

Currently, if your horse trailer is rated for over 10,000 lbs. you must have a Commercial Class A license, this is the same license as commercial truck drivers have and requires a medical exam every one or two years depending on your medical condition, an additional written test and specialized driving test at the DMV.

Years ago, the RV industry lobbied for and got the law changed to allow RVs rated up to 15,000 to be towed on a standard driver’s license with and RV endorsement. However, remember your living quarters horse trailer is not considered an RV under current law.

If SB287 passes, it would allow us to tow horse trailers (including goose necks) rated for up to 15,000 lbs. on a standard driver’s license with an RV endorsement. The RV endorsement requires an additional written test at the DMV.

This bill is now moving toward a vote. Please contact your local district Senator and ask them to support AB287. You can find your district Senator at: <http://findyourrep.legislature.ca.gov> . Please call or email them as soon as possible. We are not sure when this will come up for a vote.

By the way, BCHC will have their booth at Mule Days. If you are attending, please come by to visit or lend a hand in the booth, with the sawing or iron pack mules. Hope to see you there.

## **BCHC Note on May 21, 2021 General Meeting**

To: All Members of BCHC San Joaquin Unit

If you did not attend last Wednesday night, May 19th, BCHC General meeting and the fantastic guest speaker John Mikkelson, you missed a fabulous informative presentation. Topic was Search & Rescue and Orienteering. The topic was not only on just search and rescue; it really had more to do with what all of us should, as backcountry horseman carry in our saddlebags for emergencies. It could be a horse or rider or find a hiker on the trail in trouble. Most people (even BCHC members), do not carry any supplies what so ever. I know, because when I was “younger” I did carry a medical kit in my saddle bags for horses and people. Thank goodness I never had any problems myself, but I sure had to help numerous people and their horses on the trails that were not prepared. I only had the basics but was always glad to help. I can’t do the high country anymore but have fun on the low country, lol. There were so many items I should have had with me that I didn’t even think of. I hope John will be a speaker again for those who missed it. It truly is well worth it. Thank you John, it was a great informative evening.

Happy Trails  
Linda Fitzgerald

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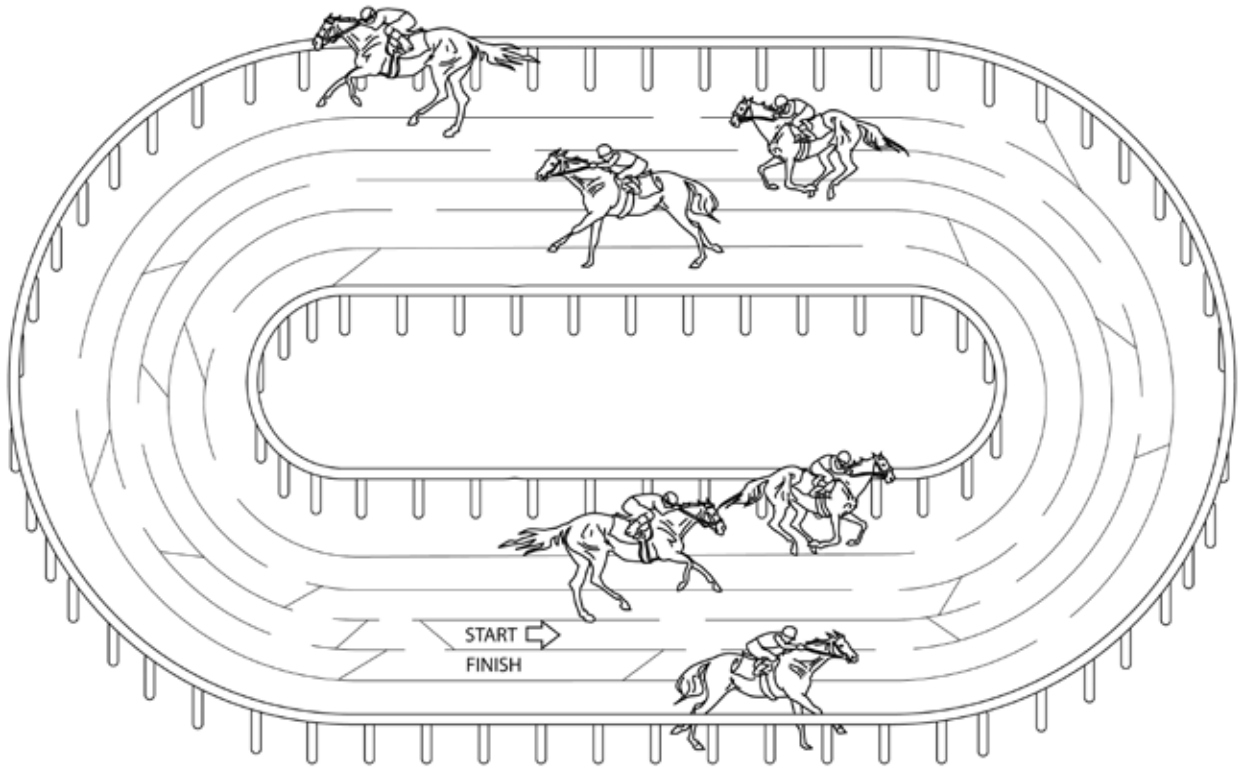
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## **BIG MEADOWS HORSE CAMP – Open and Still Free Horse Camping**

Open 2021 courtesy of Backcountry Horsemen of California – San Joaquin Sierra Unit

### **BACKGROUND**

Big Meadows Horse camp is located in the Sequoia National Forest at about the 7000 foot elevation. The camp is for horse camping. There are about 16 pipe corrals with campsites with fire rings. This camp has been open to the horse-public for many years on a no reservation, no fee basis. However, the US Forest Service (USFS) was scheduled to have a vendor take over this site and have it run as a fee, reservation only horse campground in 2016. Because of the long association of Backcountry Horsemen of California (BCHC) with this site, the USFS agreed to let BCHC run the site. Our club has operated the campsite since 2016 and has had a BCHC host as well. The camp will be run pretty much as it always has – no fees, first come – first serve.

### **KEEPING THE BIG MEADOWS HORSE CAMP OPEN**

If you are a horseman and like to ride in the Sierras and have not been to this camp, this is a great venue. If you are a veteran of the camp and have enjoyed staying, you can keep enjoying the camp. Our club unit is a volunteer organization and the camp will stay open if we can afford the expense of maintaining the camp (we have to pay for trash pick-up, lavatory supplies, etc.). **Donations are what will keep the camp open and running as it always been run** – otherwise it could become a very expensive outing with all the reservations gone on January 1. So if you like the camp, help keep it the way it is!

**Donations can be sent to : BCHC San Joaquin Sierra Unit**

**P.O. Box 25693, Fresno, California 93729-5693**

**Mark Donations for Big Meadow Horse Camp**

### **LOCATION**

The camp is in Sequoia National Forest on the edge of Sequoia-Kings Canyon National Park (you have to enter the park to get here). From Fresno, CA, take highway 180 eastward to The Generals Highway (highway 198) and turn right onto 198; go about 7 miles to forest road 14S11 and turn left. There is a Big Meadows sign there; road 14S11 is paved; the camp is about 4 miles up the road (camp co-ordinates are 36°43'01.76N 118°50'57.71W).

**There is no drinking water at the camp – bring your own.** Early season may have some stock water available, but you should plan on the need to have water for your stock.

There is a good, maintained pit toilet at the site.

Fire rings are at the campsites; weather, drought, and USFS control whether fires are allowed or not.

**Will be open in 2021 starting when weather permits (probably sometime in late May)**

### **BIG MEADOWS 2021**

Our Club will again be in charge of the Big Meadows Horse Camp in 2021. We need **Volunteer Camp Hosts** for the upcoming season. If you are a host you get a guaranteed camp site and two corrals for your animals. There are some host duties but they are not burdensome. The season runs from about the end of May to the end on September. Savvy members will snap up their preferred dates. Enjoy the High Sierras and help your club. Call (559-779-4715) or email ([jjknabke@comcast.net](mailto:jjknabke@comcast.net)) Jim for more info.

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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.

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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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# MAXSON MEADOW/ TRAILHEAD TRAIL WORK

By Jim Laber



Maxson Meadow/Trailhead trail work and causeway rehabilitation. We started the work project with an excursion at Cara Petersons cabin in shaver the Thursday before the work party. When we arrived, we proceeded to get our horses ready for a ride behind Cara's cabin that she had planned for us. This was our first ride in and around burnt areas of shaver and Cara had mapped out a ride with markers on the trails where we collected letters written on the ribbons. Tammy and Richard, Lois Patton, Joe and Carol, and Doug and I set out to find our letters. When we returned from the ride, we had to put the letters together to form a word which we all had a tough time figuring out but finally and to my embarrassment landed on "GRAPHICS". Yea I know it's in my company's name. Cara was a great host and fed us well



and we all enjoyed her great cooking and fellowship with Jim and Debbie Dixson joining us from next door for evening meals. Friday Doug and I rode out of the Fish Camp area trying to scout trails for the upcoming Poker Ride that would give a good view of the lake.

Saturday morning, we were up early getting ready for the Maxson work party and after a delicious breakfast were off to Courtright Reservoir and the trailhead. We split the work party up and Jim Dixon Tammy, Cara, Doug and I working out of the Maxson Trailhead packed up and headed out to the causeways. We met up with a forest service crew led by Debbie McDougal and helped to shore up and resurface the causeway that should be safe for stock now for the foreseeable future. Joe and Carol, Bob Schwoerer from Shaver, and Richard went out and worked on but did not finish the causeway going into Chamberlain camp. We are hopeful that materials will soon be available to finish the work there.



When we finished on the Maxson trailhead side we all loaded up and proceeded to the Chamberlain side and found a loose horse on our way over the Dam that had gotten loose from a Clyde Pack station string and secured the horse for them. Joe and carol and their crew were already on their way out by the time we hit the trail as they had run out of materials. Great crew and great work by all that attended.

# MAXSON MEADOW/TRAILHEAD TRAIL WORK



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# 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.

## Order you BCHCSJSU Trail Work/Riding Shirt

To order call Gary Van Sickle with size and quantity.

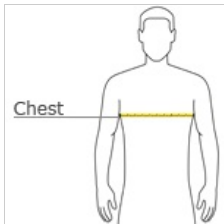
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### HOW TO MEASURE



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

### SIZE CHART

	S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL	5XL
Chest	34-36	38-40	42-44	46-48	50-52	54-56	58-60	62-64

**Backcountry Horsemen  
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**MAIL TO: BCHC  
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**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)

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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](http://bchcalifornia.org) or call (775) 463-3634**

**KEEP FOR YOUR RECORDS**

I submitted an Application Form for a new -

<input type="checkbox"/> Individual Membership	<b>\$ 50.00</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> Family (Shared) Membership	<b>\$ 60.00</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> Young Adult (18-25 years old)	<b>\$ 15.00</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> 2 Year Individual	<b>\$ 90.00</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> 2 Year Family	<b>\$110.00</b>
<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.