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Presidents Message



What a way to get away from the fireworks. We had an amazing crew for the work party at Thomas A Edison Lake and I can't say thank you enough. Joe & Carol Kaminski, Bob Skinner, Sandy Laspada, Don Standridge, Marcee Hansen, Lois Patten, Doug Laber, Steve Naylor, and I

made up the crew this trip in. We have not been up with the last 2 banner snow years and with all the dead trees from previous fires there was plenty to do. John & Jenice and the crew were awesome hosts and very helpful in getting us on the right trails to work. Our crew was amazing and in all the years I have been up for this one, this was a tough one with the heat. We left early the morning of the 5th following Steve as pilot and I am sure glad, with the holiday we had him leading. We are next July 25-29 heading to the coast to cool our jets and get some beach riding, seafood, and great fellowship in. We have changed

our next work party from September to August 16-18 and have also made it a work/ camp/ ride event so RSVP early so we can get the food prepped. Please RSVP to me or Joe and let us know if you can work the trails. Our Memorial ride will be at Big Meadows Horse Camp September 7th, so mark your calendars and hope to see you soon on the trail in the middle of the saddle on top.

Your President, Jim Laber

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2024 Calendar

Board Meetings are now on the 3rd. Tuesday of the month. All members are welcome to attend. Board meetings start at 6:30 pm and for now we are meeting at the American Legion Hall, 508 4th Street, Clovis, CA 93612.

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

2024

Aug 16-18	Badger Flats Work Party/Camp/Ride
Aug 20	Board of Directors
Sept 7	Memorial Ride Big Meadows
Sept 17	Board of Directors
Oct 10-14	Coastal Mounted Assistance/SJSU MDO
Oct 15	Board of Directors
Oct 16	General Meeting/Election Meeting
Oct 19	Board of Directors
Oct 25-27	San Joaquin River Gorge Work Party
Nov TBD	Holiday Dinner
Nov 19	Board of Directors
Dec 17	Board of Directors

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, jim@visaliaidea.com. You may call 559.250.7906 and I will get back to you.

Jim Laber
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.

DUTCH OVEN FRENCH TOAST

This Dutch Oven French Toast Bake is a great breakfast idea when feeding a crowd! Toasty edges and tender on the inside, it's everything you love about French toast – just a lot more of it!

INGREDIENTS:

- 8 slices thick bread
- 1 cup of milk
- 3 eggs
- ¼ cup sugar
- 2 tablespoons cinnamon
- 1 tablespoon vanilla extract
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- ¾ cup blueberries

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Start your coals. Cut out a circular piece of parchment paper to serve as a liner inside a 10-inch Dutch oven.
2. Tear the bread into rustic pieces (roughly 2 inches square) and place in the Dutch oven on top of the parchment paper.
3. In a large bowl, thoroughly mix the eggs, then stir in salt, sugar, cinnamon, and vanilla extract. Once those ingredients are fully incorporated, stir in the milk.
4. Now slowly drizzle the mixture over the bread. Use a wooden spoon or rubber spatula to lightly toss the bread until each piece is evenly coated. Sprinkle the blueberries on top and mix gently.
5. Cover the Dutch oven and set it over seven evenly spaced briquets, then add 14 briquets to the top of the lid, giving a cooking temperature of about 350 degrees in a 10-inch oven. (Use 16 total coals for an 8-inch oven, or 25 for a 12-incher, placing about one-third of the coals underneath and the rest on top.) Bake for about 30 minutes. Serve with butter and maple syrup.





San Joaquin Sierra Unit

Board Meeting June 18, 2024

Call to order: 6:30

Flag salute

Roll Taken: President: Jim Laber, Vice President: Ruth Cramer, Secretary: Carol Kaminski,

Treasurer: Gary Van Sickle - absent

Directors: Doug Laber, Marcee Hansen, Lois Patton, Karen Daughtrity, Steve Naylor, Past President: Joe Kaminski

Minutes review and approved: 1st Doug, 2nd Joe

Correspondence:

Committee reports:

Education:

Membership:

Newsletter: Articles due June 20. Contact person Doug Laber- looking for articles.

Sunshine: Cards sent

Public lands: Road work continues, burning slash piles

Shaver Lake: weed eating and clearing finished.

Big Meadows: needs fence work. Front pens need DG end of season.

OLD BUSINESS. 1. EVENTS for 2024

June 15 Raffle Ride – Shaver open to public Flyer to come • 18 Board of Directors

June 29- July 5 Edison work party meet at Huntington 9:30. Muriel to pilot in, Ruth to pilot out.

July 25-29 MDO camp out • 16 Board of Directors

Aug 1-5 Chamberlain Work Party • 20 Board of Directors

Sept 7 Big Meadows Memorial Ride • 17 Board of Directors • 19-22 Badger Flats Work Party

Oct. 10-14 Coastal Mounted Assistance/SJSU MDO • 15 Board of Directors • 25 Gorge Work Party

Oct. 26 General Meeting/ Elections at Reedley College 10:00

Nov. 9 Holiday Dinner – Details to follow • 19 Board of Directors

Dec. 17 Board of Directors

• Raffle ride recap – tabled until July

• Edison Work Party – June 29-July 5. 9:30 Huntington Lake. Muriel to pilot in, Ruth to pilot out.

• Holiday Event – November 9 Details to follow. Discussion El Pablito Mexican Restaurant -Ruth to pursue.

Gun raffle, dessert auction, raffle, 50/50. Raffle items needed.

NEW BUSINESS: Chainsaws – possible sales and upgrade to fuel injected.

Food trailer – tabled for info.

Storage unit – Discussion

Sequoia work events - Discussion

Next meeting: July 16, 2024

Adjourn: 7:45 1st Joe, 2nd Doug

BADGER FLATS WORK PARTY, RIDE, CAMP

We are going up **August 16th**, meeting up at 10:30am and coming out the afternoon of August 18th. We need Recon Riding Swampers, general trail work. R.S.V.P. to Jim Laber 559-250-7906 so we can plan for food. We will be working the trail as pictured, that goes out to Rock Meadow. This is a beautiful area and trail. We worked about 3 miles last year of the 6.5 miles going out to Rock Meadow.

Directions: take the 168 through Shaver to Huntington Lake and take Kaiser Pass Road to Badger Flat. There is a parking lot there with restrooms. There is a dirt road next to the restrooms, take this dirt road down and find a place to park.

What to Bring:

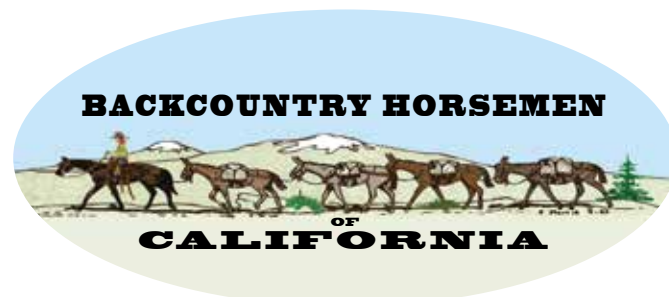
- Helmet (we have some) riding helmet works
- Long sleeve shirt
- Gloves
- Boots
- Water for you and your stock
- Feed
- Chair
- Lunch/Snacks

Meals Served:

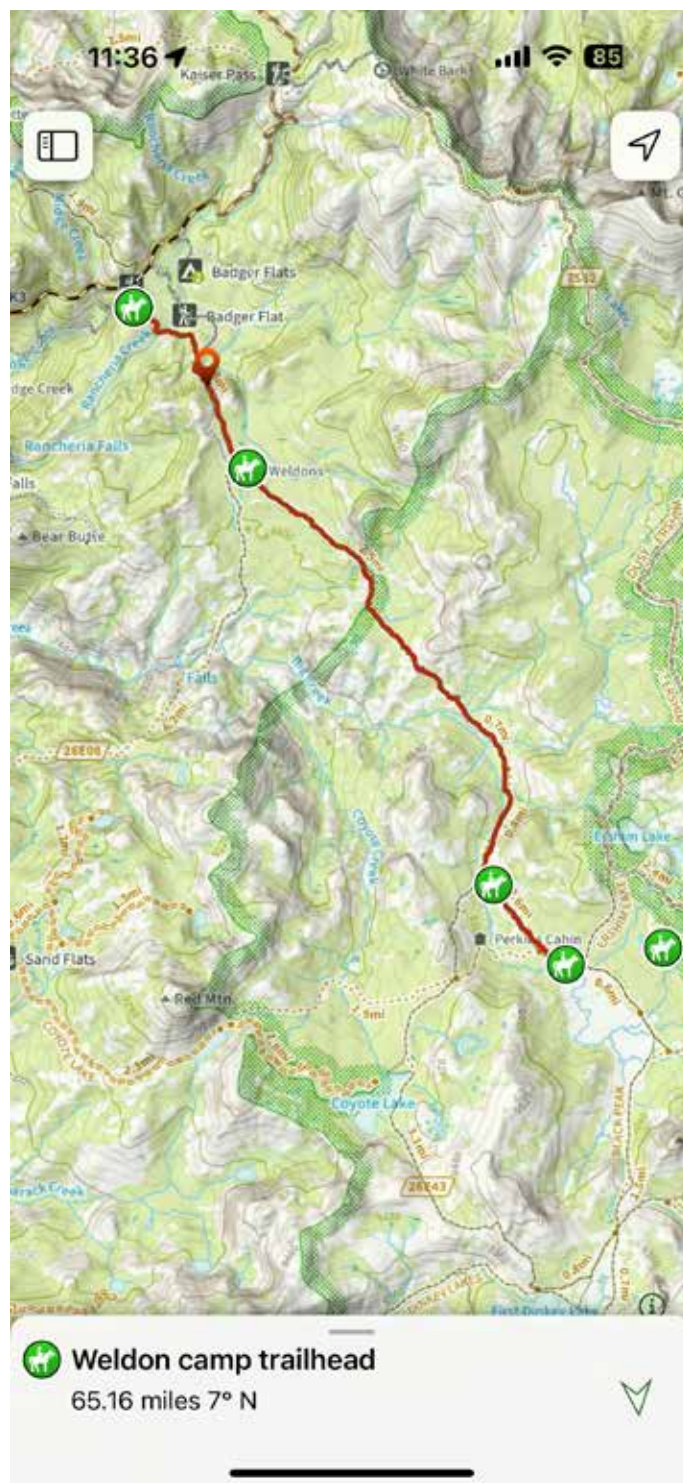
- Friday Dinner
- Saturday Breakfast & Dinner
- Sunday Breakfast

Please R.S.V.P. by Aug. 12th

- Make sure to track milage for your trip each direction. (we will have forms for reporting)



San Joaquin Sierra Unit

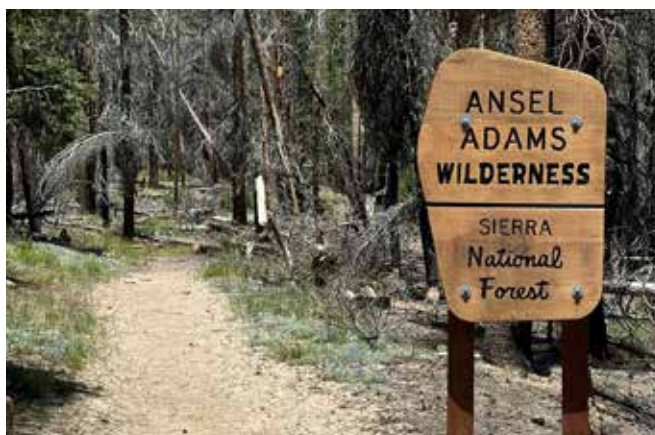


THOMAS A EDISON LAKE - HIGH SIERRA PACK STATION WORK PARTY

June 29-July 5th

By Jim Laber

On a warm morning in the Valley, it was time to load up and head up to Edison. We all met at the visitor center just above Huntington Lake at 9:30 and had 9 people in six rigs heading up Kaiser with Muriel Holland and a friend piloting us into the pack station. We got into the pack Station around 2:30 and got our stock settled in and went about visiting with John and Jenice and staff catching up as it had been 2 years. Our first 2 days we spent on the Lake trail and Graveyard cutoff to the wilderness sign. We cut quite a few trees from 4" - 36" and repaired a creek crossing and Culvert crossing. On arriving back in camp Monday It was good to see Steve Naylor had made it safely into camp. The third day we sent one team up the bathtub trail and one team out the shortcut to bathtub out of the back of the pack station. Again, a lot of trees down (burned and dead) or leaning over the trail from the heavy snow fall. Both teams were at it the whole day and the heat from the valley was not helpful, producing afternoon heat of 92-94 and hot breezes coming off the lake instead of the cool refreshing ones we usually get a little earlier in the season. It was a challenge all week to keep hydration up. On our last day of work, we split into 2 teams after our first clearing work and leap-frogged up the Bathtub trail using silky saws and put a full day's work in but didn't make it all the way up to the lake. Guaranteed there will be more to do next year but we left the trails better than we found them removing 77 trees with 133 cuts, and the pack station was thankful and very helpful during our entire stay. The 4th of July was our off day and most took rides to points of interest and then settled in at the station for an awesome dinner and homemade ice cream and cobbler for desert. Steve Led us out the next morning and it was a good thing we started down as early as we did and had him as pilot, as the holiday traffic started early as well. Can't wait for next year.





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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, or website (bchcsjsu.org) for the information regarding times and location of upcoming meetings.

Respectfully,
Jim Laber

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!

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6th Annual



Memorial Ride

BIG MEADOWS HORSE CAMP

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Saturday, September 7, 2024

BACK COUNTRY HORSEMEN OF CALIFORNIA

SAN JOAQUIN SIERRA UNIT

Saturday, September 7, 2024

Lunch served 2:00

In the saddle and riding out by 10:00 a.m.

RSVP By Sept. 5, 2024 to Confirm Attendance & Direction or Information.

Contact:

Joe/ Carol Kaminski 559 909 0505 or Jim Laber 559 250 7906

LUNCH: Meat provided

Bring something to share, potluck style.

Bring Chair - Water for your horse. Sign up EARLY!!

Dry Camping available • NO POTABLE WATER

Riders Meeting 9:00 A.M. All riders out on ride no later than 10:00.

Trails will be available to ride. Your choice.

No Dogs. No Stallions. No ponying allowed on this ride and under 18 must wear helmet

Breakfast: Coffee & Pastries • ***Lunch:*** Tri Tip

COME EARLY AND CAMP

WEB PAGE: bchcsjsu.org

Directions: 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 General Highway 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*).

SUNSHINE CORNER

Stay Safe Everyone
and Happy Trails



The Lighter Side

I had a near death experience that has changed me forever. The other day I went horsesback riding. Everything was going fine until the horse started bouncing out of control. I tried with all my might to hang on, but was thrown off. Just when things could not possibly get worse, my foot gets caught in the stirrup. When this happened, I fell head first to the ground. My head continued to bounce harder as the horse did not stop or even slow down. Just as I was giving up hope and losing consciousness, the Walmart manager came and unplugged it. Thank Goodness for heroes!

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Coast Mounted Assistance Annual Fund Raiser Poker Ride

Montana de Oro State Park Horse Camp

Sunday, October 13, 2024: Columbus Day Weekend

Come join us for a weekend of camping with your horse, camaraderie,
and riding the beautiful hills and beaches of the Central Coast of California



- Join us for the entire weekend of horse camping, by reservation from noon on Thursday, October 10th through Monday October 14th at noon.
- Each registration for the entire weekend includes a stall for one horse, a shared campsite, (including one vehicle and one trailer), one Lunch ticket and a poker hand. (Extra poker hands are \$5.00)
- Extra vehicles will be charged \$40.00.
- Reservation for a corral must be paid in advance with the attached registration form.
- Weekend activities include: ride on your own, using maps, following ribbons, or join a guided ride and a lunch on Sunday, October 13th at 1:30pm
- **Total cost for the full four days is \$120.00**

If you would like to join us ONLY for the day of the Poker Ride on
Sunday October 13, 2024, there will be a fee of \$60 which includes the ride, a poker hand
and lunch.

Silent Auction & Great Prizes for Poker Hands

Top 10 Poker hands get first choice of our legendary array of prizes.
Remaining hands will be placed into a random drawing for prizes!

- Guided ride leaves from Oak Camp on Friday at 2:00pm and Sunday at 10:00am.
- Day riders should plan to arrive at Horse Camp before 9:00am in order to get parked and checked in before the rides.
- Riders must check in at least 10 minutes before the guided ride.
- Riders under 18 years old must furnish signed permission by parent/guardian.
- Riders under 18 years old must wear safety helmets. Safety helmets are recommended for all riders. All riders must use a saddle.
- **No stallions.** Dogs are NOT allowed on trails or in the food prep or eating areas. Dogs must be on leash at all times.
- All equestrians ride at their own risk. No refunds for 'no shows'.
- For more information, email: cma4mdo@gmail.com

Mail-in Registration Deadline September 30, 2024
NO REFUNDS AFTER THE REGISTRATION DEADLINE

**Coast Mounted Assistance Annual Poker Ride
Thursday, October 10th- Monday, October 14th, 2024**

Schedule of Events

Thursday, Oct. 10 - noon: Camping available for pre-registered participants- NO EARLY ARRIVALS PLEASE
Check-in with Campground Hosts to sign a release and be directed to a campsite.

Friday, Oct. 11 - 2pm: Guided Ride, optional

Saturday, Oct. 12 - 6pm: Potluck at Madrone Camp with fellow campers and CMA members. A fire will be started so bring your own meat to cook, if you want. Bring a dish to share. Bring your own place settings.

Sunday, Oct. 13 - Poker Ride: 8am: Registration table opens. Packets will be available.

9am to 1pm - Ride the trails at your leisure

10am - Guided Rides leave Oak Camp (Optional)

1pm - Salsa & chips, veggies and dip available in Lunch area

1:30pm- Lunch is served

EXTRA POKER HANDS WILL BE FOR SALE UNTIL 1:30PM FOR \$5.00

2:30pm- Poker Hand awards- continue until last prized is chosen

**Coast Mounted Assistance Annual Poker Ride
Montana de Oro State Park -- October 10-14, 2024**

Please Print Clearly

Name: _____

Parent Signature if Minor: _____

Address: _____

Email address: _____ **Phone #:** _____

Length of Rig: (Measured from front bumper of tow vehicle to back bumper of horse trailer in feet) _____

Sign-up for Guided Rides:

Friday, Oct. 11 @ 2pm _____

Sunday, Oct. 13 @ 10am _____

\$10 per Entry Late Fee, if postmarked after September 30, 2024

			# of entrants	
Full Weekend of Camping with your horse	\$120.00	X	_____	= _____
<small>Includes Poker Ride, poker hand, Lunch, and camping for 1 horse, 1 vehicle, 1 trailer and camping Thurs to Mon</small>				
Poker Ride on Sunday, October 13, 2024 ONLY	\$60.00	X	_____	= _____
<small>Day ride only, no camping, includes Ride, poker hand and Lunch</small>				
Extra Rig/vehicle camping	\$40.00	X	_____	= _____
Extra Lunch tickets	\$30.00	X	_____	= _____
Extra Poker Hands (may also be purchased onsite)	\$5.00	X	_____	= _____
Late Fee if postmarked after September 30, 2024	\$10.00	X	_____	= _____
			TOTAL:	= _____

**This is a great value for 4 nights of camping and fun!
It is also a fundraiser for the Central Coast State Parks (CCSPA).**

For more information, contact: cma4mdo@gmail.com

Make Checks payable to **CCSPA**

Mail Entries to: CMA
P.O. Box 6462
Los Osos, CA 93412-6462

Checks will be cashed after the event

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.



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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.

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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To order call Gary Van Sickle with size and quantity.

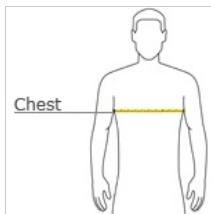
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CHEST
 Measure under the arm and around the fullest part of the chest with arms down, keeping tape horizontal.

SIZE CHART

	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

KIDS CORNER



f	u	h	a	i	k	l	e	h	u	i	x	p	n	i	s	n	i	p	t	v	m	m	f
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| 1. bridle | 5. stable | 9. whinny | 13. muzzle |
| 2. saddle | 6. equine | 10. Appaloosa | 14. gelding |
| 3. gallop | 7. farrier | 11. fetlock | 15. grooming |
| 4. trot | 8. equestrian | 12. halter | |

Backcountry Horsemen of California



MAIL TO: BCHC
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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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

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

DCTR (Your Membership Number): _____

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: _____

Email Address: _____

Donation to BCHC Education Fund (Tax deductible) _____ Enclosed: \$ _____ Check No. _____

Parent Unit Membership Types (Check One)

- | | | | |
|--|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Year Individual \$50 | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Year Family \$60 | <input type="checkbox"/> Young Adult (18-25 years old) \$15 | <input type="checkbox"/> Benefactor \$100 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Year Individual \$90 | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Year Family \$110 | <input type="checkbox"/> Youth (12-17 years old) \$15* | <input type="checkbox"/> Patron \$250 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Year Individual \$125 | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Year Family \$150 | *Youth members MUST fill out BOTH Youth Membership forms (available online) | |
| | | | <input type="checkbox"/> 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/Unit
Unit Name (from above list)

Associate Membership for: _____ \$15/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 if 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.

Youth Memberships

Youth Memberships MUST be accompanied by a signed Youth Membership Permission Release and Youth Parent Permission Form. A Youth Membership is NOT valid until BCHC or the Parent Unit has received signed copies of these forms.

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 -

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Year Individual | \$50 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Year Individual | \$90 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Year Individual | \$125 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Year Family | \$60 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Year Family | \$110 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Year Family | \$150 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Young Adult (18-25 years old) | \$15 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Youth (12-17 years old) | \$15* |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Benefactor | \$100 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Patron | \$250 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mt. Whitney | \$500 |

On that form, I also requested:

_____ Associate Memberships \$ _____

My Total Remittance: \$ _____

My Check Number: _____

Date Mailed: _____

Verification of BCHC Membership

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
- 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 (10) 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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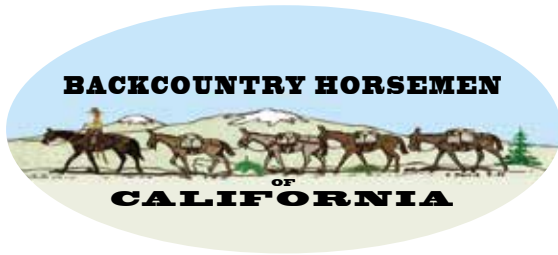
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Objectives & Purpose of the Backcountry Horseman of California

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.