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Message from the President

Hi Members.

1. Go out and ride before it gets too hot.

2. Work on a Trail, any trail, just do something. Go to the website: www.BCHCalifornia.org and download the Volunteer hours report form and send me your hours.

This is important!!!!

3. Adopt a mustang horse from CCCDA.

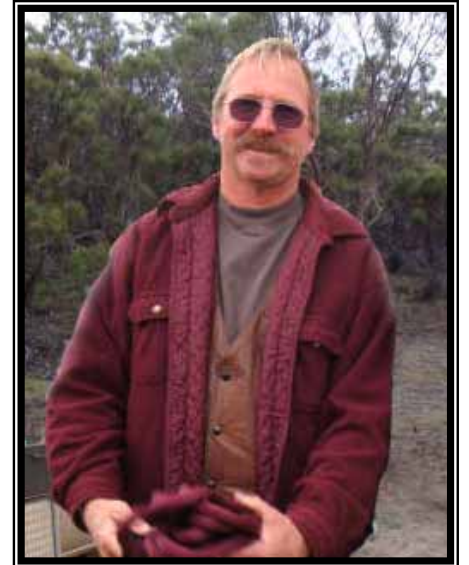
4. Go to Mule Days. It is the 40th Anniversary Celebration and should be a good one. Do some Fishing while you're in the area.

5. Sign up for The Pilates for Equestrians Class sponsored by the Rancho CA Equestrian Assoc.

6. Have some fun and Don't worry, Be Happy, you're in America. Things could be a whole lot worse.

Your President,
Pete Spencer

p.s. Check out the calendar, there is lots going on in May. Hope to see you at some event!!



REDSHANK RIDERS UNIT GENERAL MONTHLY MEETING.

Unit Minutes For Monthly Meeting

April 9, 2009

The Little Red Schoolhouse
Meeting called to order at 7:25 pm
by Pete Spencer, President

Roll Call

Board Members in Attendance

President / Public Lands: Pete Spencer	Vice President: Audrey Turpin
Treasurer: Stacy Kuhns	Secretary, Paula Bellisi
Trail Development/ Maintenance: Laurence Peabody	

Members in attendance

Dawn Kolbo	Tom Firth
Cathy Haun	Margie Biethan
Carlos LaJones	

REPORTS:

President- Pete Spencer gave report on State Board Meeting and Rendezvous report

Vice President- Audrey Turpin nothing to report

Secretary: Paula Bellisi: Minutes approved as published in newsletter.

First: Tom Firth

Second: Dawn Kolbo

Treasurer: Stacy Kuhns: Treasurer report: Information can be obtained at any membership meeting.

Membership: Teri Baron Not Present / It was reported that we are receiving new members & renewals

Trail Development & Maintenance : Lawrence Peabody Workparty / Ride April 19th. Looking for as many riders as possible to ride the trail. We will stage at Paradise Cafe at 9am. A proposed work party is scheduled for April 18th in San Diego County on the CRHT South of Warner Springs .

Adopt a Highway : Position still open - Cathy Haun received the new vests that must be worn when working on the highway. Discussed joining up with Anza's "Clean Up Day" to fulfill our highway clean up.

Public Lands: Pete Spencer - Gave a synopsis for the newsletter on the Public Lands seminar. Distributed a

petition opposing the "One Vehicle Length" rule in the new USFS Travel Management Plans.

Education - Allison Renck, (not present)

Newsletter/Website - Rhonda Strickland - Not Present/ It was reported that we sent out the least amount of hard copy newsletters last month.

Historian - Carol Schmuhl - (not present)

Event Development - Trail trial needs a chairperson. Original date of May 2nd has conflicts with other rides already scheduled.

Old Business -

1. Discussed membership roster being made available to all members. Decided there will be a way for members to opt out of the published roster if they choose to do so.

2. Unit Insurance: Confirmed that the public is protected against any damage a Redshank Rider member may cause during a work party.

New Business - It was announced that Rhonda Strickland, won 3rd place for the States Max & Irene Coughlan Newsletter award. A plaque will be presented. Audrey Turpin was presented with a travel Mug for RSR Top Hand Award.

Congratulations to all! Great Job!!

Meeting adjourned 8:45pm



Coyote Canyon Caballos D'Anza

Wild Horses in Coyote Canyon

Colonial Spanish horses were first introduced in the coastal regions of San Diego County by settlement of missions and ranches. Further inland, Cahuilla pictographs of mounted Spaniards at the north end of Coyote Canyon (La Puerta) indicate the early expedition of Pedro Fages in 1772 or Anza in 1774. This band of Native Americans made their home in Coyote Canyon and surrounding mountains along the NE Corner of San Diego and bordering Riverside counties. Long before western settlement a tributary of Coyote Canyon was named Horse Canyon after the residing herd. During the infamous 1851 Garra revolt and raid on Warner' Ranch the Cahuilla's added more cattle and horses to their Coyote Canyon herd. According to author Lester Reed, at the turn of the century, Native Wrangler Carlos Moreno referred to the canyon horses as "The Ranch Ramuda". Bands of the herd ranged east and west as far as Beauty Mountain, into the surrounding mountain valleys. Indian ranching continued in the Canyon until the late 1970's when California State Parks expanded the Anza Borrego Desert State Park. The Federal designated Coyote Canyon herd area was "zeroed out" and the herd was removed by the park in 2003.

8-8-05 California Wild Horse and Burro Program Manager wrote .. when BLM began revisiting the Coyote Canyon horse situation, I also worked with the Solicitor's Office who said BLM erred in relinquishing control of the Coyote Canyon animals to State Parks. The Desert Protection Act pretty much gave control of the land and all resources to National Park Service. With the assistance of Ca. Senator Bill Morrow and BLM, Coyote Canyon Caballos d'Anza rescued four of the Wild Stallions with the BLM promise that the herd could be restored pending acquisition of an alternative sanctuary. In January 09 rare wild Spanish Foundation mares were acquired to reestablish, maintain and preserve a unique gene pool. As the only Heritage Herd of Spanish Horses in San Diego County, and the last wild herd in Southern California, the Coyote Canyon horses represent a vanishing element of our local pioneering landscape.

In 1971 Congress unanimously declared that wild free roaming horses and burros are living symbols of the historic and pioneer spirit of the West that enrich the lives of the American People" They were to be managed on their historic and native ranges. By operation of law they are wild life. (Supreme Court seminal case, *Kleppe v. New Mexico*)

The Coyote Canyon herd's vital legacy of cultural, educational, aesthetic, and inspirational benefits should be maintained as our heritage and the inheritance for future generations as supported by other Heritage Acts. With the 1966 passage of the Nation Historic Preservation Act "Congress declared that the spirit and direction of the Nation are founded upon, and reflected in, its historic heritage." "Knowing and Understanding our Past, Inspiration For Future Generations, and providing a sense of roots and identity define motives for historic preservation. This includes Identification, documentation, curation, acquisition, protection, management, rehabilitation, restoration, stabilization, maintenance and reconstruction, or any combination of the foregoing activities. Grants are available to accomplish these noble endeavors

The Coyote Canyon Herd was sequestered for more than two centuries from other wild horse herds. As a result they evolved into a distinct population segment. This evolution meets the criteria of both state and federal statutes of endangered and threatened species.

"Endangered" when its survival and reproduction in the wild are in immediate jeopardy from one or more causes, including loss of habitat, change in habitat, over exploitation, predation, competition, disease, or other factors; or "Rare" when either: Although not presently threatened with extinction, the species is existing in such small numbers throughout all or a significant portion of its range that it may become endangered if its environment worsens; or the species is likely to become endangered within the foreseeable future throughout all or a significant portion of its range and may be considered "threatened" as that term is used in the Federal Endangered Species Act.(ESA) This mandates emergency designation of native habitat known as ACECs, BLM settled the native/feral argument stating "The issue of a wild horse as an invasive species is moot since the 1971 WHBA gave wild free-roaming horses "special" status based on their heritage of assisting man settle the "west" Coyote Canyon Caballos d'Anza was formed as a 501 3c to acquire a permanent local herd area as sanctuary on Federal lands. This was overlooked in the 1971 inventory of their native ranges resulting in a defective land management plan.

The currently vacant Beauty Mountain grazing allotment and contiguous BLM acquisitions would correct the deflection. It is within the newly passed California Desert and Mountain Heritage Act.

The 1945 California Riding and Hiking Trail, California's first legislated trail, lies within the allotment and provides the public opportunity to experience this unique part of Ca. History. Restoration of the Coyote Canyon horses and the Trail would maintain both historic icons NOW, and into the future.

Please request that your Supervisors declare the Coyote Canyon Horses our local Heritage Herd to support an emergency NEPA to expedite restoration. Their support for the Beauty Mountain Sanctuary would facilitate multiple agency participation in land planning for the Beauty Mountain Sanctuary. Please also contact Senator Feinstein and Congresswoman Mary Bono Mack, Congressman Issa and Ca. State Senator Hollingsworth. Request an emergency NEPA for a permanent Coyote Canyon Wild Horse Herd Management Area. On behalf of our wild horses, thank you.

For more information or donations for feed and vet care please contact

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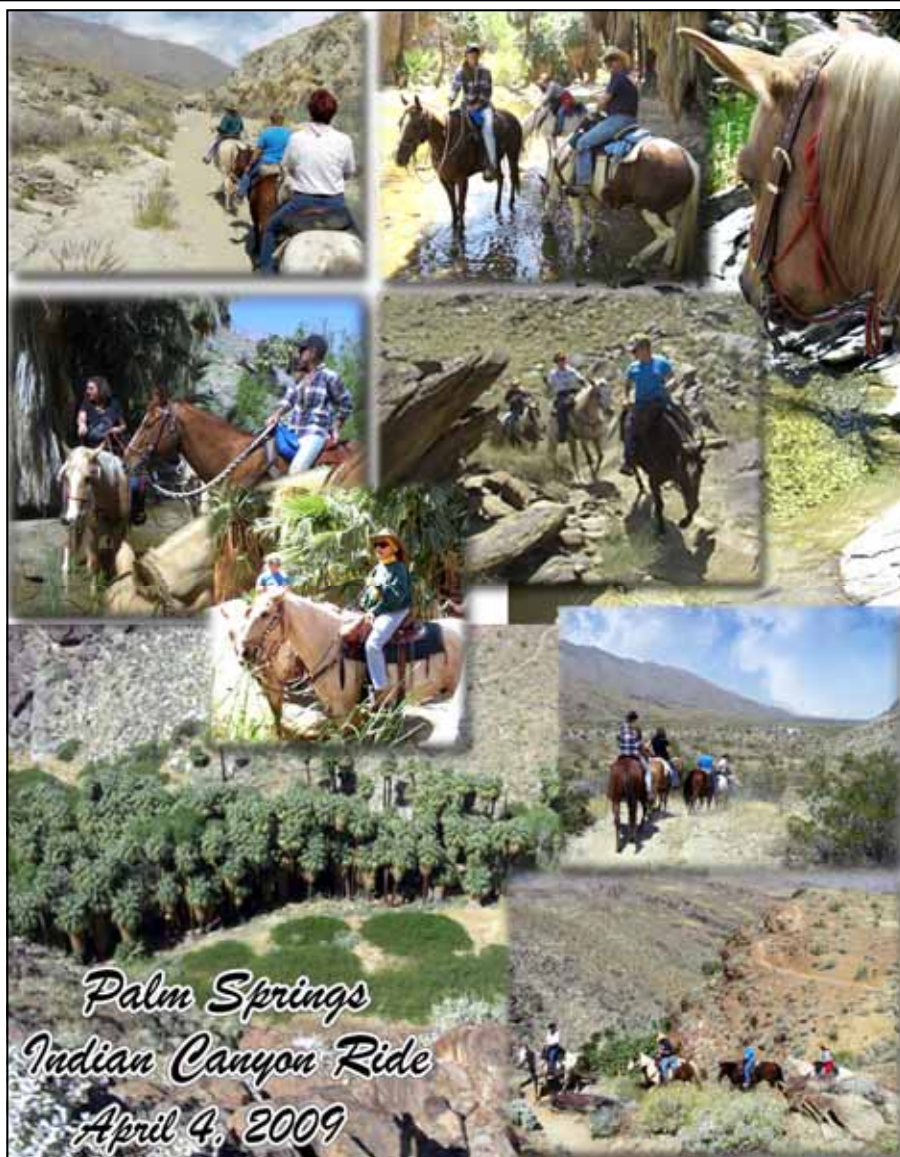
Great ride and beautiful weather. Although we had a small group, those that came are probably still talking about it. We had seven riders, four Redshankers and three from San Gorgonio.

After assessing horse/rider ability, we decided that all were up to a more ambitious ride than originally planned.

Our leader, Beth Grossman, stables near the canyons and knows the area very well. She took us high above Palm Canyon then we dropped down and had lunch under a beautiful canopy of palm trees. We then continued on to Andreas and Murray Canyons to complete our wonderful 4-hour ride.

See more Photos at our website:
www.RedshankRiders.com

Photos submitted by Randy Felber / Carol Schmuhl. Recap submitted by Pauline Costi



NEWSLETTER; EMAIL OR SNAIL MAIL, YOU CHOOSE

Like everyone else, our unit is seeking to do its part in cutting down costs for everyone. I have contacted many of you over the last couple of months to get email addresses so we can eliminate or substantially reduce our postage and printing costs for the newsletter delivery. Many of you have been most cooperative in giving me email addresses and some of you remain luddites, which is just fine.

An added benefit of the email process is that you get information much quicker as well as flyers or reminders for our rides and work parties as well as other units events that you may want to attend. Your email addresses are confidential and are not distributed to anyone.

So if you have not provided an email address, or I have not contacted you, or you have not returned my call, HERE IS YOUR CHANCE TO BE A WWW HORSEMAN! (and don't give me the horsewoman or horseperson crap, you know what I mean.....! ha ha and I am a woman, at least last time I checked, so I can say this)

In addition, if you have given me your email address and you have NOT received the newsletter via email, I sincerely apologize. This WILL be corrected for the May newsletter.

Please send me your email address to teri@seanconnery.com and I will make sure you get your newsletter via email and taken off the snail mail list. Hope to hear from you soon.

Happy web surfing,

Teri Lynn Baron

Membership coordinator

NAIS vs. the Equine Owner

Dr. R. M. Thornsberry, DVM, MBA, President of R-CALF USA

It is important for horse owners to know why NAIS is being forced on the equine industry within the United States. The United States and many other countries signed a World Trade Organization (WTO) treaty in the 1990's which obligated the first world countries, which had spent literally millions and millions of taxpayer dollars to eradicate contagious animal diseases, to develop a system of individual animal identification. The individual animal identification was demanded by the Organization of International Epizootics (OIE), a WTO world wide governmental agency, tasked with developing trade rules and internationally obligated trade regulations that would force animal and meat trade between countries that had eradicated contagious diseases with those that had not eradicated contagious animal diseases. In other words, the United States, which had eradicated Equine Piroplasmosis in the 1980's, a tick borne protozoal infection, would, by identifying all equines, be forced to trade with countries that had not eradicated Equine Piroplasmosis. In general, the argument goes something like this: Once you can identify every equine at birth and trace their every movement off the farm from birth to death, a first world country that has spent millions of taxpayer dollars to eradicate Equine Piroplasmosis, can no longer prevent trade with those countries who have refused to spend the necessary resources to eradicate Equine Piroplasmosis.

The United States Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (USDA-APHIS) no longer seeks to carry out their mandate to prevent the introduction of foreign animal and plant diseases into the United States. Currently, USDA-APHIS is supporting NAIS, spending millions of tax payer dollars to entice livestock and equine owners into the system by promoting the acquisition of a free Premises Identification Number (PIN) from their respective state departments of agriculture. Producers of cattle, and equine owners, are the two classes of livestock owners who have overwhelmingly refused to receive an internationally sanctioned encumbrance to their private property. The USDA says a PIN is the first step to a painless process of identification of all livestock owners' physical locations, and that this PIN number is essential for the USDA to find a farm and quickly trace the movement of animals in the face of a contagious animal disease outbreak.

Yet, in any location within the state of Missouri, and I am sure in most states, you can simply punch 911 into your phone, and in a matter of 15 to 20 minutes, the police, the fire department, the ambulance, the sheriff, and usually the Conservation Commission Agent will be at your doorstep, but the USDA says they cannot find you? At every Agricultural Services-USDA office in the United States, you may obtain a description of your farm or ranch, including a current aerial photograph. You can go on Google Earth, type in your physical address, and privately obtain a detailed satellite photograph of your farm or ranch, providing such detail, that you can actually count individual cattle or horses in your pasture, and the USDA says it cannot find your farm or ranch in a contagious animal disease outbreak? The reasons the USDA want you to obtain a Premises Identification Number have nothing whatever to do with the USDA's ability to find your farm or your cattle or your horses. My 10 year old grandson can find my farm, a detailed satellite photograph of my farm, my telephone number, my mailing address, and my physical address on his computer in a matter of seconds. It's called Google!!!

The USDA-APHIS has testified before the United States Department of Agriculture, House of Representatives, Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, Poultry, March 11, 2009 that the NAIS would have to be electronic in nature to function as envisioned by the WTO. This simply means no visual tags, hot or cold brands, tattoos, ear notches, or individual color markings or descriptions will be allowed for individual animal identification. While this is a problem for other types of livestock, for the equine industry, it becomes a major hurdle to overcome. For equines, dogs, cats, fish, poultry, and many exotic animals, the only acceptable means of electronic individual animal identification is a surgically implanted glass enclosed electronic microchip. This implant is not nearly as simple to surgically implant within an animal as some are led to believe. When I implant a chip into an animal, I clip or shave the area. I scrub the area with surgical preparation soap containing iodine, and I finish by spraying the area with a surgical site disinfection iodine-alcohol solution. Lastly, I inject the area over the site of implantation with lidocaine to render the skin and

underlying tissues devoid of sensation. The chips come individually packaged in a sterile container. To maintain this sterility, I must be sterile, which requires a surgical scrubbing of my hands, and the donning of a pair of sterile surgical latex gloves. Only after this extensive preparation, am I ready to actually implant the chip in the nuchal ligament of the mid neck area of my equine patient. Compare this process to the cattle producer who simply places a small eartag in his cattle.

The glass enclosed chips do not always stay put. Like a splinter in your finger, the body often mounts a response to a foreign body, even one as innocuous as a piece of sterile glass. The response may include the formation of a sterile abscess around the chip, or it may simply be painful and generate a negative response from the horse as it turns its neck or tries to graze, or attempts a performance endeavor at a race, show, or event. Chips have been known to migrate quite extensive distances within the body of an animal. Ask any veterinarian that works in this area of interest. Simply finding a chip to make a reading in some animals becomes a major undertaking. Only recently, has another side effect of chipping become known. A small percentage of veterinary patients have developed a cancerous growth at the site of implantation. While the incidence is low in animals whose lives are relatively short, an equine patient, living to the age of 20 to 35 years, has much more time to develop a cancerous growth around the implanted chip, than does a dog or cat, whose lifetime is closer 12 to 15 years. For a very complete summary and analysis of the scientific literature on microchips and cancer, see Katharine Albrecht, Ed.D., "Microchip Induced Tumors in Laboratory Rodents and Dogs: A Review of the Literature, 1990 to 2006," available at www.antichips.com/cancer.

With all that being evaluated, the primary reason the USDA-APHIS desires to force the NAIS system onto the livestock sectors of the United States is simple: Bruce Knight told a large group of bovine practitioners at our annual meeting in Vancouver, Canada in September 2007, when asked why the USDA was pushing so hard for NAIS, and I quote, "It is quite simple. We want to be in compliance with OIE regulations by 2010."

Now I don't know about all you equine owners, but we cattle producers do not look kindly on an international agency in Belgium telling us what we can and cannot do with our livestock in the United States. Our grandfathers and fathers spend untold millions of dollars to assist the USDA in eradicating many serious contagious animal diseases during the last 75 years. Why would we now acquiesce to a system that will open up our privately owned animals to contagious animal diseases that we whipped and wiped out many years ago, for access to our marketplace to animals and meat from countries who have chosen in that same time period to ignore eradication of contagious animal diseases? No way!!!

We live in the United States, not the WTO. We have a Constitution that directs our legal system, not the OIE. We have a government by the people, for the people, and of the people. It is time for the people to stand up and say, "Enough with the one world government junk!!!" If equine owners do not stand up and unite their voices with other livestock producers, NAIS will become mandatory in the United States. It will cost the equine owner in excess of \$50.00 a head to implant the electronic microchip desired by the USDA and the WTO. You will then be required to report any movement of your horse or horses off your property, and for any reason. Imagine the bureaucratic nightmare and the paperwork requirements of reporting to your government every time you go on a trail ride, every time you go to a show or an event, and every time you trailer a mare to go to the stud. There will have to be an NAIS office in every county seat to process all this data, keep track of your information, and report any violations to the USDA. Just imagine the fines and enforcement actions that will be carried out to enforce this NAIS system on the livestock industry of the United States of America, including equine owners.

R. M. Thornsberry, D.V.M., M.B.A.
March 28, 2009

Submitted by Kathleen Hayden via Sue Best

Rattlesnake Clinic

Friday - Saturday

June 19-20th

For information regarding this clinic please contact:

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It was announced at the April meeting that Rhonda Strickland, our newsletter editor & webmaster won 3rd place for the State's Max & Irene Coughlan Newsletter Award. A plaque & certificate was presented to her by Pete Spencer

Redshank Riders/San Gorgonio Units Mutual Overnight RIDE

June 20th and 21st 2009

ON the Black Mountain, Idyllwild portion of *the California Riding and Hiking Trail*, as it approaches Hurley Flats down below. A group-camp is available with Forest Service coordination (key & fee) (your volunteer name here), or we will use the available Yellow-top-post-campsites, on an individual basis (first come/first served). It's a long & slow (but doable) drive up Black Mountain Truck Trail, with your horse trailer to the top (before crossing the PCT).

Our reconnaissance "RIDE" will likely involve some work-party-like activities, since the trail itself is little used and becoming somewhat over-grown, in spite of Dave & Arlene Foster's, Pete's, and Laurence's efforts over the last five years to keep it open/ridden. To quote one of the official trail signs, "Trail is hard to find" beyond this point. This WAS the old "Temporary" PCT over-laid on the Original Calif. R&H Trail.

The Forest Service has virtually eliminated the available trail-head parking, so riding a short stretch of the dirt road (also the CRHT) from the immediate-area campsites, is the way it works, nowadays. You must at all costs, bring your mosquito netting for the long night. Mosquito's inhabit this part of the beautiful mountain year-round (hot or cold/ snow or drought)..... The springs and creek's, are reliable.

Come ride the Historic Trail with us. I'll be on foot with my over-night bag, food and a few trail tools.

Laurence Peabody - Trail Maintenance & Development

HORSE TRIVIA ~ Did You Know?

The height measurement of a 'hand' is 4 inches. That's because it was considered to be the width of an 'average' mans' hand across the knuckles.

Adult male horses generally have 40 teeth, but females only 36?

There were no horses in Australia until 1788?

For more Horse Trivia or visit:

<http://www.nickers.com/horse-trivia.htm>



May 2009

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1	2 BCHC Horseman Packing Clinic
3	4	5	6	7 Los Vaqueros Horse Camp	8 Los Vaqueros Horse Camp	9 Los Vaqueros Horse Camp San Geronio Treasure Hunt
10 Los Vaqueros Horse Camp	11	12	13	14	15	16 Work Party Tripp Flats Ranger Stn
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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UNIT MEETING

Thursday

June 11th

6:30 PM

Redshank Riders Monthly Meeting



June 2009

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19 Rattlesnake Clinic - Norco	Rattlesnake Clinic - Norco Black Mountain Overnight Ride
21 Black Mountain Overnight Ride	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

Have you got pictures from a ride, an upcoming event, a great animal story or joke that you would like to share in the newsletter or website? Your input is always appreciated!! Email me at editor@redshankriders.com

Rhonda
Newsletter Editor & Webmaster



Update your bookmarks - the BCHC site address is:
www.BCHCCalifornia.org

NEW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

membership@bchcalifornia.org – (866) 748-2033

MAIL TO: Backcountry Horsemen of California
PO Box 1610
Oakdale, CA 95361-1610

PARENT Unit Affiliation: (Select and CIRCLE ONE Unit as your Primary Unit Affiliation)

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| Antelope Valley | Kern River Valley | Mojave River | Redwood | Sequoia |
| Caballeros del Sol | Kern Sierra | Mother Lode | San Diego | Shasta Trinity |
| Eastern Sierra | Lake-Mendo | North Bay | San Geronio Pass | Sierra Freepackers |
| High Country | Los Padres | Ohlone Riders | San Joaquin Sierra | Sutter Buttes |
| High Sierra | Mid Valley | Redshank Riders | Santa Ana River | Top of the State |

DCTR (your Membership Number): _____ (For new memberships, will be determined by Membership Coordinator)

MEMBER'S NAME—No Business Names; Print Clearly

SPOUSE / Co-MEMBER'S NAME—MUST SHARE SAME ADDRESS

Address _____

City _____

State _____

Zip Code (full 9 digits, if known) _____

Area Code _____ Phone _____

Total Enclosed: \$ _____ Check No.: _____

Parent Unit Membership Types: (CIRCLE ONE)

Individual \$40.00* **Family \$50.00*** **Benefactor \$100.00** **Patron \$250.00** **Mt Whitney \$500.00**

* = BCHC shares portion of dues with Backcountry Horsemen of America.

Associate Memberships: AN ADDITIONAL \$15.00 PER UNIT IS ADDED TO YOUR PARENT UNIT DUES.
ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP 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)

Please write additional choices on back.

Please clip form along dashed line.

REDSHANK RIDERS RIDE FLYERS AT OUR WEBSITE:

If anyone wants to download a flyer for an upcoming Redshank Rider ride you can find it on our website at:

www.RedshankRiders.com/rideflyers.html



UNIT MEETING

Thursday

~ June 11th ~

Time: 6:30 PM

The Little Red Schoolhouse



Los Vaqueros Horse Camp May 7-10

Thursday through Sunday. This is our annual service weekend with Saturday morning being our to assist State Parks by working on trails.

You must be a member of
Backcountry Horsemen of CA.

Please RSVP by May 1st to be able to get a head count for the dinner.

See flyer at the website: www.bchcsd.com

Questions? Give Cheryl Wegner a call: 760-788-0354
or email: chrylwgnr@cox.net

(please note: not a Redshank Riders event - a San Diego Unit event)

APRIL 11th

TULE PEAK/TOM'S CAMP TRAIL RIDE

The Tule Peak, Tom's Camp Trail ride held on April 11th has come and gone and folks are still buzzing about it. Sixteen riders showed up under threatening skies and in spite of rain and snow the night before, those who gambled and decided to ride were rewarded with near perfect weather for riding.

Our hosts for the ride, Bob Jones and Robin Prinzing allowed our group to park on their property, a short five minute ride from the trail head. Bob and Robin graciously set up a table and provided hot coffee and home-made banana nut bread for the group prior to starting on the ride.

The trail began at the foot of Tule Peak and wound its way up through some beautiful country not many folks have ventured into and along the route were some fantastic vistas of Mt Palomar, Oak Grove, Temecula and Vail Lake and the wild flowers were in abundance in spite of the clouds. The hunter's trail tied in with an old mining road near the top of Tule Peak and then led us east to our highest point of the 1000-foot climb near the foot of Beauty Mountain. From there we dropped down into Tom's Camp where the group watered their horses and mules, ate lunch and learned a little about the history of the surrounding area.

After lunch the ride resumed, leaving out on the Tom's Camp Trail. Again, the riders were rewarded with some beautiful country. Tom's Camp Trail then joined up with the Tule Peak Trail where we followed it back to Bob and Robins.



Along the trail was a "treasure" that had been hidden the previous day. Pete Spencer spotted the treasure atop a rock on the trip out and was awarded a beautiful rope halter and lead rope donated by NATURAL HORSE BLANKETS.

We hope to have another ride in this area before the weather gets too warm and ride one of several other trails in this area and see lots more of this unique and beautiful area.

If you are a motorcycle, jeep, quad, or any other type of motorized off-roader you need to get out there soon as this area was recently designated as wilderness and will soon be blocked off to you because you are evil. You can thank Mary Bono Mack for her wisdom and incite into keeping you out an area she has never been. Please keep this in mind come election time!

See more photos posted at our website:

www.RedshankRiders.com

Tentative Event and Ride Schedule 2009

May 2009

May 2nd - BCHC Horseman Packing Clinic

May 7-10 - Los Vaqueros Horse Camp

May 9 - San Gorgonio Treasure Hunt

May 16th - Work Party - Foot-Bound, Tripp Flats

June 2009

Jun.11th - Bi-monthly meeting at Little Red School House

Jun. 19-20th - Rattlesnake Clinic - Norco

Jun 20-21st - Black Mountain Overnight Ride

Work Party information: Call 760 782-3747

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