President’s Message

With another year winding down CSHA is hard at work with our re-emergence in the horse community. We want to focus on spreading the word about our organization, engaging horse riders, increasing participation and making people aware of what CSHA has to offer.

The new Website design is underway; with a fresh face and new options in software. We hope to expand and offer a resource center to accumulate pertinent information & resources for communities regarding disaster and evacuation planning.

Programs will be updating their information and visual impact is the focus.

There is no adequate way to Thank all those that helped fellow community members near and far with survival, evacuation and assistance in the Butte & Lake County fires. There were so many acts of kindness and selfless contributions. I can only say I am very proud to be associated with these kinds of people.

In the effort to re-brand CSHA and bring ourselves along in the public relation venue the Mission Statement will be established for that purpose. This does not negate any previous information - just compacting it into a usable format as a vehicle to promote the CSHA identity.

I would like to give a Special Thank You to the CSHA Officers and Board of Directors for 2015. I depend on the input and participation to make this organization work; all of your time and efforts are appreciated!

Ride safe and see you out there…………………………..

Jim Hendrickson

All of us in the Horsemastership program are “jingling” for HMS Champion Angela Materne who suffered a major head injury a couple of months ago. She is making amazing progress everyday, and is working hard in rehab now. She will be coming home soon to complete her recovery. Stay strong Angela – we’re all pulling for you!

The State Championship Show will be held October 24 in Manteca along with the Royalty competition. Good luck to all of those competing!

As winter approaches, many of us give supplemental feed, sometimes beet pulp. Here’s an article from TheHorse.com about beet pulp and how best to feed it. http://www.thehorse.com/articles/33471/beet-pulp-faqs
CSHA 73rd Annual Convention

California State Horsemen’s Association, Incorporated
73rd Annual Convention
Meeting of the Council of Members & Board of Directors
November 11-15, 2015
Jackson Rancheria Casino Resort

Please join us for the Annual meeting of CSHA. Committees meet to discuss the submitted Resolutions & changes to rules.

Finance Committee will discuss the budgeting and plans for 2016.

The Council of Members includes each and every member of CSHA; this is where the final decisions are made on changes to the bylaws and rules for the organization.

CSHA is coming into a new age along with every other major horse organization. All are re-inventing themselves and changing the approach to the public forum and finding new ways to interest the public in the horse world.

Currently the Website is undergoing a facelift and we are excited about the fresh approach and the new resources that can be added.

CSHA has been working on a consolidated Mission Statement for the purposes of publicity; this will be ratified at convention:

“Providing equestrians with quality – family oriented – amateur horse events, educational programs and recreational activities”

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You can find the registration form for the Convention on the website, mail it to the listed convention committee member or register at the door.

Clubs may designate a member to vote for their decision on rules changes

See: www.californiastatehorsemen.com

Forms and information

If you have questions about registering contact the CSHA Office 559-325-1055
2015 Trail Trials State Championship Event

See you in 2016!

SCE Chairman: Trish Clark
SCE Ride Manager: Nellie Moore
Trail Boss: Joan Giesler
SCE Senior Judge: Diane Medlock

NOVICE RIDERS

Lydia Jespersen
Kaitlyn Rumsey
Kaitlin Coulter
Katelyn Ballard
Kaycee Rumsey
Faith Walls
Stephanie Solhan

INTERMEDIATE RIDERS

Teresa Job
Anthony Jackson
Elizabeth Bailey
Kristin DeFeyer
Kelsey Markus
Holy Foliis
Julie Dorrepal
Maria Hines
Nita Beaupre
Nancy Frane
Brenda Duncan
Carol Roudabush
Karleen Esparza
Angie Moreland
Medley Kelley
Cyndi Marchese
Jennifer Garcia
Ellen Liebenberg
Candace Peterson
Gail Bloxham
Linda Wall
Victor Pedrosa
Marlene Fultz
Dean Witter
Michele Delvecchio

ADVANCED RIDERS

A18 Paula Derrick
A40 Rene Sporer
Andrew Turner
Debbie Lucas
Cindi Paine
Lori Cleveland
Audrey Turpin
A60 Leah Singleton
Susan Osborn

Congratulations to all!
From the State Committee
Visit us at www.trailtrials.com
Region 5

SIX BUCKLES FOR REGION 5 TRAIL TRIALS AT SEPT. 25-26 2015 CSHA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP EVENT

Groveland-Big Oak Flat, CA – At the California State Horseman’s Association 2015 State Championship Event for Trail Trials, Region 5 was represented by thirteen horse and rider teams competing for beautiful buckles, rosette ribbons, and handy prizes after completing twenty-two challenging natural obstacles over the two day event on the beautiful Patton Ranch. Four State Champion and Two Reserve Champion teams were crowned from the qualified contingent representing Region 5 in the pinnacle competition and season climax.

Four Champions

In a stunning and rare tie score in which both horse and rider teams ended each day with exactly the same score in the Advanced 40-59 division, Rene’ Sporer & Astro and Andrew Turnbull & Sunny - who are also life partners from Sunol, CA - together shared the Championship. A roar rose from the crowd of over 60 riders and event officials present at the award ceremony as the couple stood hand-in-hand to accept their awards.

That wasn't all for the couple who rode along with and witnessed close friend and fellow Region 5 member Ellen Liebenberg ride Dutch Boy to win the Championship belt buckle and rosette ribbon in the Intermediate 60 and over division. Dutch Boy, it turns out, is owned by Sporer and Turnbull. Liebenberg, of Livermore, CA, had qualified for the SCE in 2014 only to have her own horse Winsom exit the trailer ill upon arrival at last year’s SCE thus preventing her from competing. The couple offered Dutch Boy to come out of retirement to take Ellen through this years Trail Trial journey while Winsome recovered over the year from stem cell surgery. Upon winning the championship, Ellen gave the parade style championship ribbon to Rene and Andrew celebrating all three of their horses winning top honors this year.

Region 5’s Lila Jesperson & Princess of Santa Cruz, CA completed her first year in Trail Trials earning the Championship belt buckle for winning the Novice 17 and under division. Lila, who as a junior must ride along with an adult companion rider, insists that her mother compete in trail trials as well. Lila’s mom, Amy Jesperson earned twelfth place in the Novice 40-59 division while accompanying her daughter throughout the event.

Two Reserve Champions

Susan Osborn & Calypso and Larae Sizer & Rio each won Reserve Champion belt buckles & Rosette ribbons in there respective 60 and over divisions. Osborn competed in the Advance division while Sizer rode in the Novice division.

Rosettes and Prizes for All Region 5 SCE Competitors

Jackie Young & Jesse won third place in the Novice 40-59 division and Rebekah Witter & 24 Karat Bling won forth place in the Novice 60 and over division. As top 5 finishers, in addition to large rosette ribbons, both ladies won two custom “Top 5 2015” silver and gold SCE tack conchos featuring the Trail Trials logo and division.

Faith Walls & Bixby's Alibi won sixth place in the Novice 17 and under division, Dean Witter & Al-ladin won seventh place in the Intermediate 60 and over division, and Laurie Salaiz & Walter won ninth in the Novice 40-59 division. As top 10 finishers, along with large rosette ribbons, each won a wooden “Top 10” engraved multi-tool pocket knife featuring the Trail Trials logo.

Rounding out the Region 5 representatives, Cyndi Marchase & Tuckers Slim Chance earned 11th place in Intermediate 40-59 division. Both Amy Jesperson and Cyndi Marchase won a wooden multi-tool trail trials logo pocket knife.

By invitation, veteran Region 5 Trail Trial member Laura Robinson and her husband Pat judged SCE obstacles on both Saturday and Sunday.

Rousing Praise for Ride Management

Several Region 5 competitors complemented the competition’s management on executing on an excellent SCE event. Trisha Clark was the SCE Chairman, Nellie Moore was the SCE Ride Manager and Diane Medlock was the Senior Judge.

“This ranch was beautiful and the obstacles were outstanding,” said Ellen Liebenberg upon completion of the final obstacle. “All of the obstacles were well-written and simple to understand, yet they had a degree of difficulty suitable for a State Competition. This was a truly enjoyable and challenging weekend!”
Royalty

JUNIOR MISS CSHA 2015

Junior Miss CSHA 2015 Mary Homicz was able to get a break from her Ewing’s Sarcoma treatment and was feeling good enough that she wanted to go hang out at the Cuneo Creek Endurance Ride on September 19th 2016. Mary helped hand out ride awards and tell all the people about CSHA’s many programs. Mary was also able to go for a couple short rides around camp on her mom’s endurance horse Chief. Mary in spite of her health challenges this year has still enjoyed her time representing CSHA.

Mary is looking forward to attending the upcoming State Royalty competition at Royalty Chairwoman Suzan Cunningham’s Hearts Desire Ranch. Thank you Suzan for your hard work and dedication to the kids for these many years. Best of luck to this year’s State contestants!

ROSELYN REGION 18

Congratulations to the five lovely young ladies that competed for a crown in the California State Horsemen’s Association(CSHA) Region 18 Royalty program this year. Pictured from left to right: Little Miss CSHA Region 18 Alexis Proscher, Jr. Miss CSHA Region 18 First Princess Sierra Denson, Jr. Miss CSHA Region 18 Mary Homicz, Miss CSHA Region 18 First Princess Katie Denson, and finally Miss CSHA Region 18 Queen, Cassi Meyer. Over the last several months each girl competed in four different skill areas. They had a horse riding pattern test, a written test with questions on anything from the bones of horse, symptoms for diseases, to which fork you should use in a restaurant and then on Sunday 8/16 they had their final competition where they interviewed with judges and gave a speech. All of this led to the exciting moment at the end of the evening when they were each crowned. The Little Miss, Jr. Miss, and Miss CSHA will be heading to Manteca, CA in October where they will compete for the California state titles.

Melissa Meyer,

Endurance

Congratulations to long time CSHA Endurance Program member Gail Hought on reaching 5000 AERC career miles for her 13 year old Quarter Horse Arabian Gelding, CC Maverick at Lake Sonoma October 17th 2015. Gail also reached another mileage plateau as a rider, 17,000 AERC miles! Congratulations Gail and Maverick! Think that is a lot of rides? There are a few endurance riders put there with even more AERC miles. Start racking up your own endurance miles, go to www.aerc.org for information and ride calendar. All AERC rides count toward CSHA Endurance Program. Rides only count after you sign for the program. Contact dogwoodspringsfarm@yahoo.com for questions about the CSHA State Endurance Program. Ride on! Photo is Gail Hought and CC Maverick at Lake Sonoma 2015 photo by William Gore

Audra Homicz CSHA State Endurance Chairwoman
Parade

Safety is always our main concern when we are riding especially in parade situations. We all can help each other avoid dangerous situations. I know that I always ask for help when it is needed and I know that all of you are willing to lend a hand as well.

Get well wishes to Leroy Vierra of the Merced County Sheriff’s Posse who was injured in a riding accident. He is doing better according to Claudio Arroyo. We are also thankful that our parade family members did not lose their homes in all of the recent fires. Judges Kim Cipro and Donna Thornton were involved in the Lake County wildfire. Paul and Corky Fellingham had their fencing burned in the Tesla fire near Livermore. Also, Joyce Ballard and Lorene Landreth were evacuated from the fire that raged through Calaveras County.

Next month is the 73rd Annual CSHA Convention to be held at the Jackson Rancheria. Our parade program meeting is the most important one of the year. It will be held Thursday November 12, 2015 during the convention. At this meeting, resolutions for the 2016 Rule Book will be voted upon. Please make plans to attend or send a representative from your region so that we may obtain a quorum.

Thank you for your participation in parades throughout the state. All of us make each event more special with our wonderful horses and beautiful costumes. Keep up the good work as you are appreciated.

Candy Graham, Parade Program State Chair

Region 6

Annual Year-End Awards Banquet
November 22, 2015
Mama Mia's Restaurant
Downtown Morgan Hill, CA
Cost: $32/Adult and $16/Child (10 and Under)
"Dessert for the Sweet" Auction and Raffle Prizes Too.

Everyone is invited to attend & participate:
Please contact Jacqueline Price at Jacqueline_price@mindspring.com or 408-226-8679

CSHA Region VI
Annual Christmas Fundraiser

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Drill Team

The competitions are over for the year and many of the teams are taking a short break before conducting tryouts and starting up for next year. There will be new short programs to be written & learned, long programs to be adjusted & perfected, and the 2016 compulsory drill which will be debuted at convention. The 2016 State Championships will come upon us quickly. This year the championships will be held on April 30th - May 1st at the Diamond Bar arena.

If we get half the rain they keep warning us of, the teams had better make good use of every available practice session. A wet slippery arena does not make for constructive drill practices. Teams like the Sacramento Sheriff's Posse with their covered arena will be the envy of the California drill community.

Back by popular demand, the CSHA drill team program and the judges commission will once again join together to present a joint drill meeting and drill team judges symposium on Saturday of the convention. A couple years ago we had a meeting of this format that was well attended and very constructive.

The drill meeting agenda will include the unveiling of the 2016 Compulsory drill, rule changes for 2016, and plans for the 2016 season.

The Judges Symposium is being held for individuals interested in becoming a drill judge in the future, for existing judges to review and continue their drill education, and for team members that wish to know what the judges are looking for when they adjudicate your team. Want to bump up your “Difficulty” points? We will watch videos and discuss what judges want to see to increase your score.

If you are planning on attending the Drill Team Meeting & Judges Symposium at the Jackson Rancheria Resort Saturday November 14, 2015 from 3:00-5:00pm, please RSVP to Jill Kraut at jskraut@ca.rr.com no later than Nov. 8th. Seating will be limited.

See you at Convention!

Jill Kraut, Drill Team Chair

Trap ‘n Trail

Congratulations to the following riders for achieving their milestones!

Dori Johnson, Region 1, 200 Hours Chevron
Liz Ravenscroft, Region 1, 3,500 Hours Chevron & Recognition Award
Erin Vannucci, Region 2, 200 Hours Chevron
Brenda Casterson-Tom, Region 5, 300 Hours Chevron
Cleo Home, Region 5, 100 & 200 Hours Chevrons
LaRae Sizer, Region 5, 300 Hours Chevron
Diane Wishart, Region 5, 100 Hours Chevron
Cleo Home, Region 5, 100 & 200 Hours Chevrons
LaRae Sizer, Region 5, 300 Hours Chevron
Diane Wishart, Region 5, 100 Hours Chevron
Cleo Home, Region 5, 100 & 200 Hours Chevrons
LaRae Sizer, Region 5, 300 Hours Chevron
Region IV English-Western has been very active this year. We held our annual High Point Series, 3 shows. Our shows averaged 25 horse/rider combinations which provided some good competition. I’d like to thank Double N Ranch in Modesto and Marval Stables in Lodi for the use of their facilities, and our division sponsors Double N Ranch, F.J. Dietrich & Co Insurance Services Stockton, Ca, The Bradley Family, Debra and Dana Bookwalter.

We had 10 riders sign up in the program this year. Six riders went to Show of Champions. Thank You and Congratulations to the following riders for representing Region IV at SOC - Tamra Quinn, Rick Ortiz, Christy Wood, Christine Ramsey, Stephanie Kolker, and Crystal Wilson.

Join us next year for the 2016 English-Western High Point Series... Stay tuned for more details!!!
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Upcoming Events

November

11/11-11/15—CSHA 73rd Annual Convention Jackson Rancheria Casino Resort, Jackson, CA

11/11—Fairfield Veteran’s Day Parade contact: www.fairfieldmainstreet.com

11/14 Drill Team Judges Symposium Contact Jill Kraut jskraut@ca.rr.com

11/21—Sylvia Besseca Holiday Parade contact: Katie 916-783-8136

11/28—Riverbanks 47th Holiday Parade contact: Luaine Bains 209-863-7122

December

12/4—Kelseyville Holiday Light Parade Contact Lonne Sloan 707-995-2515

12/5 Los Gatos Children’s Christmas Parade contact: www.LSGRecreation.org

12/5—Parade of Lights Guerneville contact Herman Hernandez 707-864-8000

12/5 Manteca Holiday Parade contact: Joann Beattie 209-823-6121

12/12 Woodlands Annual Holiday Parade contact: Doug Dollerhide 209-838-7630

12/13 Columbia All Equestrian Parade contact: Doug Dollerhide 209-838-7630

Future Dates

4/30-5/1—Drill Team State Championship Competition Diamond Bar Arena. contact Jill Kraut jskraut@ca.rr.com

7/4/2016 Modesto 4th of July Parade contact John Fields 209-527-7857