We are starting the year with lots of water and mud! Seems this is California; drought then floods............ It is my hope that everyone is getting through this alright! We thank those at Running Hill Equestrian Center for the offer of space for horses to those immediately affected by the Oroville Dam situation and subsequent flooding of the area.

Our programs are starting up but association membership is slow to renew. We are membership based so that is our support to run the organization. Get renewals in and recruit new members to our programs.

We are presently in the process of making the forms on the website “fill-in fields”; this will aid those that need to file paperwork or fill out applications. It also makes clearer reading for staff and members and fewer mistakes.

As many of you know we are in the process of re-organizing our office situation. Likely we will re-locate the office to an area that can call upon more volunteer services to both run the office and complete projects. There may be a period of time in April that an active office will not be open but we will endeavor to make the transition as smooth as possible. You will be notified of any changes via the website and notification by mail.

Be prepared for this winter and stay safe......................Regards, Jim

JUDGES COMMISSION

Have you ever considered looking into the process to become a CSHA licensed judge in your chosen discipline? Feel like you could contribute to the mission of CSHA which is:

“PROVIDING EQUESTRIANS WITH QUALITY, FAMILY-ORIENTED AMATEUR EVENTS, EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES FOR ALL EQUINE BREEDS AND DISCIPLINES.”

We could use more judges in all disciplines within CSHA and are working on actively recruiting those interested! Although the criteria to apply differs slightly with each discipline, the quality that crosses disciplines is the desire to further active participation in CSHA programs by knowing the rules and applying them fairly within the competition field.

Please visit the Judges Commission program on the state website at: www.californiastatehorsemen.org/judges to download a copy of the Judges Licensing Procedure; contact the chair Alice Lawellin (209)858-2638 or vice-chair Alice Calhoun; or contact one of the licensed judges from the Judges Roster for more insight or inspiration on becoming a CSHA Licensed Judge.
ROYALTY

Royalty Program
Regions will be seeking candidates for their Royalty Programs 2017 to represent their region at a variety of public appearances & events.

From the Finalists at Region level the candidates may continue and compete for the 2018 State Titles of Miss CSHA, Mr. Ambassador, Jr’s Miss & Ambassador, and Little’s Miss & Ambassador.

The experience for our youth is invaluable and rewarding for the public appearance, speaking and meeting people around the state. The royals have many opportunities to be a spokesperson for youth in the organization and the equine industry. For their rein, there are awards given and scholarships available for college education.

Contact your Region President
or contact Carolyn 925-640-2605 for details

ENGLISH—WESTERN PROGRAM

English-Western Program

English-Western is taking on a new life and resurgence; 2017 is off and running! With the support from Regions 2-3-4-5-6; shows are in the works for all those locations and fundraisers are planned.

A State Benefit Show is tentatively planned for August or September; the locations are being reviewed now with a Year End Show in October.

As plans and locations are confirmed they will be posted to the English-Western page of the website @ www.californiastatehorsemen.org
SHOW OF CHAMPIONS

Show of Champions
Theme Contest for SOC -- closes March 31st
Please submit ideas for the theme of the show. The theme submitted is intended for the Program cover, the commemorative pin and the Barn Decorating contest.

Regions -- the Barn Decorating Contest at Show of Champions is a Region activity; you can win a cash prize for your Region.

“Logo and Theme Contests”

Are you a graphic designer, or do you have a vivid imagination? If so, then one of these contests is for you. Submissions are now being accepted for the following categories:

**Show Logo** (will be used on program cover and commemorative pin)

**Barn Decorating Theme**

Winner of each category will be awarded $50

Please submit
To: lqe@att.net
Mail: SOC Contest
PO BOX 30864
Stockton, CA 95213

Drawings should be submitted in jpg file format
CSHA will become the owner of all submissions.
1st VICE PRESIDENT CAROL GREY—A MESSAGE TO MEMBERS

WHY WE NEED YOU....
This was written by a CSHA officer many years ago, I don’t know who. I had to make a few changes to reflect the changes that have been made through the years.

Because you are a member.

If you are an individual member a family member or if you belong to a club that has joined CSHA, you are a member, with all the privileges of joining most of the CSHA programs. If you are a judge you need to have an individual membership. Without you we would not exist.

Businesses have an organizational structure with department leaders meeting and discussing the business at hand and future developments. They look at the financial status and the needs of each department and the business as a whole. Once a year, they look back and give an update to their stockholders, silent partners, etc.

CSHA has its Board of Directors which meets 3 times a year for the purpose of discussing the business at hand. The Regions and programs could be compared to the departments of a business.

All Region Presidents/Vice Presidents and all program Chairmen give an overview of their programs activities and financial status. By hearing what is going well in one Region or program, another one has the opportunity to listen, ask questions and learn how others are getting their job done. It’s also an opportunity to hear what’s not working for some. By paying attention and communicating, many problems can be avoided, and worked on as a group. Regions function similarly. They get together and discuss how the information obtained at the Board of Directors and the information gathered at the program meetings can assist their members and their programs in their Region.

Who are Region members? Each individual who has joined CSHA either directly or through a member club. The State of California is divided geographically into several Regions. Therefore, if you live in California, you live in a CSHA Region.

I hate meetings, so why should I attend one? Don’t you want to know what your membership money does for you? And what are you entitled to by paying those dues? Let’s say a member of a club has a concern that is important to that person, and they would like to make everyone aware of the problem. Usually this is brought up at a club meeting and the club representative then brings the information/concern to the Region, together with any recommendations or actions that the club has taken. The Region then makes this information available to other members, usually through their newsletter, it also provides this information to the Board of Directors.

Depending on the severity of the issue the CSHA President and Vice President and area Vice Presidents work with the Region or club to help solve the problem. Sometimes it goes as far as involving the city or county offices.

If your club has no CSHA representative, inform your club President that they can appoint someone, or become the representative. All it takes is a note from the club President. Of course if you are a direct member of CSHA, we expect to see you at the Region meetings. We want to hear your concerns, ideas, and Information. We also like to meet our members, and you never know you might learn about a program that you didn’t know we have available, and we have a few new ones that are in their trial period. And maybe you’ll make a few new friends.

There are so many things happening throughout the State that involves the equine way of life, our trails, our horse parks, right of ways, the dangers of trying to mix horses with bicycles, motor cycles and inconsiderate people, these are just a few of the issues we see almost on a daily basis. We need to work together and make things safer for our equine partners.

A CSHA Past President used to say “WE NEED TO HOLD HANDS AND STICK TOGETHER”
DRILL TEAM

Drill Clinic & Judges Symposium
On Sunday January 29th over 100 drill team enthusiast and drill team judges attended the Drill Team Clinic put on at no charge to attendees by CSHA at Leone’s Equestrian Facility in Rancho Cordova. We had to make some adjustments on the fly. We had planned to be in the covered arena but part of the cover was blown off in one of the many storms to pound the area. Our hearts and thoughts go out to everyone impacted by the deluge of water that has drenched our state this season. Lucky for us it was an absolutely gorgeous day and everyone enjoyed the sunshine. Twenty four riders participated in the arena and the rest scattered their chairs on the grass surrounding the arena to observe. In the morning session we had the 24 riders break into two teams of 12 and they each took turns alternating and learning a sequence at a time of the 2017 CSHA Compulsory Drill. After both teams completed the drill we had some fun and combined them together to perform the drill using all 24 riders. There were some constrictions due to the smaller arena but all in all it was an impressive performance. In just under three hours two teams learned the Compulsory Drill so please think about dedicating a few hours to learn the drill and sign up for the Compulsory at the State Championships. It is a great way to judge teams on a level playing field with everyone using the same drill.

The Sacramento Sheriff’s Posse provided a wonderful lunch of pasta, salad and soda to replenish us for the second half of the day. The Posse did a super job and were great hosts for our event. After lunch we went back into the arena and learned about flag protocol. There is a lot more to flag protocol than most people know and I think some went away with a new respect for the complexity involved.

In the afternoon it was time to discuss how to build commitment and deal with drama, issues that plagues many teams. A system designed to help teams build a team around some guiding principles was introduced. We call it “Just R.I.D.E.” R=Respect, respect for self, team and our sport; I=Integrity, the personal choice to be honest, loyal, truthful, & morally upright; D=Dedication, the discipline upholding of standards and submission to the team; and E=Excellence, developing a champion attitude & reaching to the highest standards. Corie Benveniste, Sara Curtis, and Amy Babel were guest speakers in the afternoon and shared their experience and answered questions on topics like juggling multiple teams, building an inclusive team, and sustaining a team at high level over many years. The clinic was a fun and productive way to kick off the 2017 drill season, see everyone in Ceres, and remember to “Just R.I.D.E.”

The weekend of the January Quarterly and the Drill Clinic was the kick off of the 2017 Spring Raffle. Tickets are available from Endurance, Horsemastership, Parade or CSHA Drill Teams.

Tickets are just $2 and give you a chance to win one of our great prizes of a Disney family four pack of park hopper tickets, a 50” Television, or a $300 Gas card! You don’t have to be a horse person to enjoy these prizes.

The participating drill teams earn credit to participate in CSHA Competitions while supporting the program.

The winning tickets will be drawn on Sunday May 7th at the Awards Presentation of the State Championship Drill Team Competition at the Diamond Bar Arena in Ceres.
South Fork Mountain Trail Ride and Campout, June 2nd - 4th 2017
Ruth Rodeo Grounds. 40 Rider Limit.
Fundraiser for the California State Horsemen's Association's State Endurance Program. This event is a non competitive trail ride, not an endurance ride.

$55 early entry fee postmarked by May 23rd 2017, $75 thereafter.
Kids 17 and under $25. Entry includes camping Friday through Sunday, Taco Dinner Friday night and Spaghetti Dinner on Saturday Night, Trail ride on Saturday that starts at 8AM and a dance Saturday night with a live band, April Moore and Ranch Party. Everyone gets a vacuum thermos bottle with ride logo for a participation souvenir.
10 or 15 mile course options. Trail will be marked and you will also receive a map of the course. You may ride on your own on the trails Friday’s afternoon and Sunday morning. There is ample level camping for even the largest rig at Ruth Rodeo Grounds. Ruth Lake is nearby for swimming and fishing!
There is water available at the rodeo grounds.
You will be riding in and through the Mad River and the course is incredibly scenic and rustic. Trails are the original trails used by natives and pioneers alike. There were no wagon roads in this area for far longer then elsewhere and only pack trains could bring in supplies. Livestock was also herded in and out on these trails, everything from cattle and sheep to geese and turkeys!

These trails were neglected and abandoned for the past 20 years and volunteers have been painstakingly recovering them and want to share them with their fellow equestrians and keep them open!

Your participation helps the mission of keeping these historic trails open and also supports CSHA Endurance who donates to trails, is building a new horse camp in Weaverville, donates youth awards to AERC endurance rides and more.

DIRECTIONS
From the Coast/Hwy 101:  
Head to Fortuna on Hwy 101. Just past Fortuna (if coming from the North), or Just before Fortuna (if coming from the South) is the Hwy 36 turnoff. Drive East through Hydsville, Carlotta, Bridgeville and Dinsmore. You'll go through the valley, then pass the Forest Service on the left and head up the hill. Go down the hill and you'll go through Mad River (a post office, bar, burger joint, and butcher, all in one spot, and if you blink you will miss it!). Cross over the bridge, and 1/2 mile after Mad River you take a right turn On Mad River Road towards Ruth / Ruth Lake.

Follow the Mad River Road aprox. 17 miles, and take a sharp right turn after the Ruth Zenia Sign. Cross bridge and immediately turn left and follow paved road and signs into Ruth Rodeo Grounds. We will have lots of flags and signs out.

From the Central Valley/1-5:  
Head to Red Bluff on I-5 and head west on Hwy 36. Past Platina, Wildwood and Forest Glen, and over South Fork Mountain until you reach the turnoff, Mad River Road, towards Ruth / Ruth Lake (you leave Hwy 36). Turn left here, and follow description above from Mad River Road. Entry and information at https://californiastatehorsemen.org/programs/endurance-program/
ENDURANCE

WHISKEYTOWN CHASER
25/50
April 8th
Redding CA

Photo By Boots N Bloomers Photography

SOUTH FORK TRINITY RIVER 35/55
June 3rd Ruth CA

LA GRANGE DITCH 50/75 & WEAVER BASIN EXPRESS 25
July 1st Weaverville CA

Photos By Boots N Bloomers Photography

VAN DUZEN DOOZIE 75/100
May 6th Mad River CA

2017
SHASTA TRINITY CHALLENGE AERC ENDURANCE OPEN SERIES
Presented by CSHA INC. State Endurance Program
Complete 4 Shasta or Trinity County rides and
qualify to purchase commemorative personalized awards.
Award choices include buckles, jackets, or fleece horse blankets
Go to www.aerc.org west region ride calendar
for ride entries and information on each ride.

HAT CREEK HUSTLE I & II
25/50, 25/50
July 22nd & 23rd Old Station CA

REDNECK RIDE 25/50
October 28th Shingletown CA

Photo By Baylor/Gore Photography
HORSEMASTERSHIP

Did you know you could become eligible for a scholarship when participating in this program? Region winners from each category are eligible to compete for a CSHA scholarship. Along with the title of CSHA Horsemastership Champion and a buckle, Juniors receive a scholarship that may be used towards higher education.

Since there are five (5) categories, theoretically one (1) person could become a Champion in English over Fences, English 2 (flat), Western, Gymkhana, and Combined (English and Western). In reality, we have four (4) members who became **four-time** CSHA Champions! 1985 – 1991 were these special years. Was there something in the air back then? Two (2) of these competitors were brothers—maybe a little sibling rivalry going on.

Of course we do not leave out the adults, they too receive a scholarship that may be used for equine related continuing education.

Those of you who like to challenge themselves or those who get bored doing the same thing, give Horsemastership a try. No fancy equipment is required; you do not need to be a “show” rider, but **you have to enjoy learning and testing yourself**. You’ll be surprised how much you know.

Greta De Graeve

REGION 2

We are ready for our new 2017 REINING SERIES. Our Manager, Donna McMaster, has hired our judges and the dates are set.

The shows will be at the Saddle Creek Ranch on the following dates:

- March 11, April 15, May 13 and June 17.

The entry packets have been mailed out.

We have added a new class called Short Stirrup for children 10 and under. They can ride two handed. It is a shorter and easier pattern for them.

Joyce Pickering
CSHA Region 2 Reining Chairman
jcowgirl905@att.net
(330) 529-1305

- 1. Did you know you can get a free admission pass to The Western States Horse Expo - Sacramento in June just by volunteering a couple of hours at the CSHA Info booth? You save the $15.00 admission and get to help others learn about CSHA!

- 2. Do you compete in Trail Trials? Have you signed up for the year-end awards program? The January issue of this newsletter included the application so you have no excuse for not joining! FYI: This year you must also work at one event to qualify to compete at State.

- 3. Have you paid your annual CSHA dues? January 31 was the due date! Any competitions you enter do not count toward your State requirements or any program awards until your dues are paid and recorded. No exceptions!

- 4. Did you know that when you attend a horse event and it says ALL DOGS must be on leash at all times—YOU actually need to be holding the other end of the leash. A dog running free droppings a leash does not count! We all love dogs and love to have them along with us, but no one is happy to have your dog poop or pee in their camp area. Carry disposable poop bags and clean up after your dog.

- 5. Don’t forget—leave no trace. When you attend an event— Clean up and pack out ALL trash, horse manure (including ALL dog poop) and hay/feed from your area. Please help CSHA maintain a positive club image by keeping all areas free of litter (even if it isn’t your trash – pick it up).

- 6. Every program needs volunteers for the events to be successful. Plan to lend a hand wherever you can. Your program chairs will be forever grateful for the help and you will gain a new respect for those putting on the events.

- 7. Have you sent in your birthday and/or anniversary dates for the newsletter? We love to celebrate all your special days but if you don’t send them in, no one will know! Celebrate your horse too!

- 8. Watch future newsletter issues for information regarding a T.R.A.P. fundraiser trail ride scheduled for September. Enjoy stress-free/competition-free trail riding, fun with fellow trail riders, special prizes, yummy food, and a drawing for cool stuff!

- 9. This has been a long wet winter. Before the busy show season starts, take some time to check out your tack. Make sure everything is in safe working order. The same goes for your horsemanship. Get your tires, spare tire and brakes serviced. Make sure all your lights are working. Check your trailer hitch. Verify no horns or black widow spiders have wintered in or under your trailer or tack room. Pull your floor mats and carefully check your trailer floor for issues. Safety first!

- 10. Don’t forget to flush out your trailer water tank and refill the propane in your living quarters. Good luck and enjoy a wonderful 2017 riding season.
REGION 2

Saturday March 25 2017 Rain date April 1st
C.S.H.A. Region 2

1 Day Sanctioned TRAIL TRIAL and CLINIC
at Paradise Horseman’s Arena
Clinic SIGN UP STARTING AT 8 AM - Clinic 9:00 -NOON
Lunch break at Noon - Trail Trial starts at 1:00 PM

NAME:
ADDRESS:               CITY/STATE               ZIP
PHONE:                  Are you a CSHA Member?   What Region?
Email:

TRAIL TRIAL ENTRY FEES:
Adult Rider $40.00 (includes State, Region & site fees)
Junior Rider $20.00 (includes State, Region & site fees)
Schooling Rider $15.00 (judged but no awards includes site fee)
Companion riders $10.00 (ride only, no obstacles or awards)

TRAIL TRIAL CLINIC (ONLY) (ALL AGES NO DIVISIONS) $25.00

ADULT BARGAIN PRICE - CLINIC AND THE TRAIL TRIAL FOR ONE FEE OF $50.00 $ 
JUNIOR RIDER BARGAIN PRICE - CLINIC AND TRAIL TRIAL FOR ONE FEE OF $40 $ 

TOTAL $ 

TRAIL TRIAL ENTRY: (ONE RIDER/HORSE PER ENTRY FORM) Check category and age division as of January 1, 2017

NOVICE [ ]      INTERMEDIATE [ ]       ADVANCED [ ]  NAME of HORSE
17 & under 17 & under 17 & under
18-39 18-39 18-39
40-59 40-59 40-59
60 & over 60 & over 60 & over

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: C.S.H.A. R-2
MAIL CHECK AND ENTRIES TO: CSHA R-2 c/o PAM HARTLEY 5196 BENNETT RD. PARADISE CA 95969
QUESTIONS? Cheryl Caldwell 530-894-1896 or email cherylcaldwell@earthlink.net
DOGS MUST BE CONTAINED AT YOUR TRAILER OR IN-HAND ON A LEASH, NO DOGS ON THE TRAIL AT ANY TIME!
*NOTE: NO REFUNDS WITHOUT A VET OR DOCTOR NOTE, NO EXCEPTIONS!

DRIVING DIRECTIONS:
Driving South on HWY 99 take Skyway exit to Paradise - Right on Pearson Rd - Left on Clark Rd - Left on Forest Service Rd.
Driving North on HWY 99 take Durham Pentz exit - Right on Durham Pentz Rd Clark Rd (91) and turn Left go Left on Forest Service Rd. From HWY 70 take Clark Rd (HWY 191) to Left on Forest Service Rd.
CSHA REGION 2 REINING SERIES

CLASSES OFFERED
1 OPEN
2 LIMITED OPEN
3 ROOKIE PROFESSIONAL
4 NOVICE HORSE OPEN – L1
5 NOVICE NORSE OPEN – L2
6 NOVICE HORSE NON-PRO- L1
7 NOVICE HORSE NON-PRO-L2
8 SNAFFLE BIT / HACKAMORE
9 NON-PRO
10 LIMITED NON-PRO
11 PRIME TIME NON-PRO*
12 ROOKIE
13 PRIME TIME ROOKIE**
14 YOUTH
15 SHORT STIRRUP
16 GREEN REINER
17 GREEN AS GRASS

2017 DATES & JUDGES
March 11 Bill Sanguinette
April 15 James Edwards
May 13 Jill Pierre
June 17 Chris Bugenig

Shows begin at 8:00 am and are located at Saddle Creek Ranch 2947 Messilla Valley Road Butte Valley, CA 95965.

** WCRHA **
** CSHA **
Approved Shows

INQUIRIES AND ENTRIES
Donna McMaster
530 696 2453
towestbutte@yahoo.com

Jackpots for all classes except for Youth, Short Stirrup and Green as Grass. Prizes for Youth, Short Stirrup, and Green as Grass at each show. Series buckles in each class. Saddle to Champion Rookie.
REGION 3 GYMKHANA—2017 SHOWS

Region 3 Gymkhana is ready for the 2017 season. We have 3 rating shows and 11 point shows scheduled at either Sugarland Horsepark in Woodland, CA or Sacramento Horsemen’s Association Arena in Sacramento. We are looking forward to a great turnout this year and have several new riders already signed up. Come on out and join us for a fun day of Gymkhana in a family friendly environment. Hope to see you soon.

Rating Shows:
Signups: 9:00 AM to 9:45 AM ...... Shows start at 10:00 AM (For Rating Shows Only)
1. Saturday March 11, 2017 Sacramento Horsemen’s (SHA)
2. Saturday March 18, 2017 Sugarland Horsepark
3. Saturday March 25, 2017 Sacramento Horsemen’s (SHA)
The Rating shows of course will depend on the weather and dress code will not be enforced.

Point Shows:
Signups: 8:00am to 8:45 am Shows start at 9:00 AM sharp with our Assisted Riders.

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Rain Date: Sunday’s - July 30th and August 13th

Divisions: CSHA Division 1 thru 6, 7 Jr. & 7 Sr., Open Jr. & Open Sr., Assisted (Lead Line)
Fees: $40.00 Entry for 6 events (Includes Rating Fee 2.00 & Rider/Equip Fee $2.00)
Assisted Riders (Lead Line) $20.00 for 4 events – Run at beginning of show.

Events: 6 events are run at each show including these four rating events:
Big T Brangle Cloverleaf Skill Barrels
To be eligible for Year End Awards you must complete at least 50% of the shows held within Region 3 and be a registered High Point Combination. CSHA Gymkhana Rules to apply --- Helmets are required for riders under 18 years old. Entry is open to all riders.

For more information call or email:
Pat Brown, Region 3 Gymkhana Chair (530) 476-2446 or (530) 867-2030

patkbrown@frontiernet.net

http://csharegiii.tripod.com/ - Click on Gymkhana
REGION 4 GYMKHANA

Congratulations to all our Region 4 Year End Award Winners:

Division 2
Champion Jennifer Bollengier and Diva

Division 3
Champion Sonia Doyle and Rocky
Reserve Champion Oceanna Doyle and Houdini
3rd place Alexa Parco and Partee
4th place Braelynn Spear on Trigger

Division 4
Champion Kaylon Bunyan on Gadget

Division 5
Champion Kristen Shevlin on Rose
Reserve Champion Ericka Tackett on Midnight
3rd Place Megan Klein on TC
4th Place Kyndal Castle on Bugz

Division 6
Champion Emily Dubiel on Mickey
Reserve Champion John Klein on Traylor

Division 7
Champion Beth Slavin on Sasha
Reserve Champion Erin Castle on Montana

PARADE

What a great beginning for our Parade Program members this year. The Back Country Horsemen Mid Valley Unit made an outstanding impression on world-wide television in the Pasadena Tournament of Roses Parade.

Next, the Merced County Sheriff’s Posse was invited to ride in the Presidential Inaugural Parade January 20th in Washington, D.C. What an honor and experience for them. Their members have always supported CSHA.

A friendly reminder that your Parade Program membership as well as your CSHA membership needs to be mailed to the State Office. Both forms and fees must be received before you can earn points for the CSHA judged parades for 2017.

Our State Championship Parade and Awards Banquet is being planned with a special venue this year. This is CSHA’s 75th Anniversary and there will be a weekend of fun at the Diamond Bar Arena near Ceres. The Drill Team Program will be holding their State Championship and the drawing of the raffle. The parade will be in conjunction with the Ceres Street Faire, on Saturday May 6th, 2017. The Awards Banquet and stabiling are also at Diamond Bar which will make everything convenient for all of us on parade day. The Drill Teams will be joining in on the parade to make this event a CSHA State Parade to remember.

The first parade of the year is coming up in February at the Ripon Almond Festival. Parades have been an integral part of CSHA from the early beginnings of CSHA. We became a formal program in 1971 and, in 2017 will celebrate our 46th year as such. Check out the CSHA website at www.californiastatehorsemen.org to view our newly revised and expanded pages featuring what is believed to be a fairly complete history of the Parade Program and pictures galore dating back into the 1960’s. We hope you will enjoy reading about the program and browsing through the photo gallery.
REGION 5 TRAIL TRIALS

On January 15, 2017 at the Alamo Women’s Club in Alamo, CSHA Region 5 celebrated its award winners for Trail Riders Awards Program (TRAP), English / Western, Horsemastership, Trail Trials, and Gymkhana. Here is the group picture of Region 5 Trail Trials competitors celebrating their Regional Awards and showing their Buckles and Ribbons.

Back Row L-R: Ellen Liebenberg, Lyla Jespersen, Amy Jespersen, Denise Roberts, Larae Sizer, Bret Wallach, and Andrew Turnbull,

Front Row: George Corwin (age 3), Rene’ Sporer, and Dakota.

Lynn Skjelstad was helping take photos.

ROWELL RANCH RODEO PARADE

The Rowell Ranch Rodeo Parade, sponsored by Castro Valley Rotary, is the kick-off to a week of exciting Rodeo events. This year’s parade celebrates the 97th year of the Rodeo that Harry Rowell started in 1921. The parade has many exciting equestrian entries to be judged by Paulette Webb in accordance with CSHA rules. The theme is “Local Heroes, Service Above Self”. A ‘hero’ may be an individual, group or organization. For those coming from outside Castro Valley, you are welcome to celebrate your own local hero!

MAY 12

CVChiliCookOff.com
Friday Evening

MAY 13

Rowell Ranch Rodeo
Parade

“Local Heroes,
Service Above Self”
RowellRanchRodeoParade.com
Saturday Morning

MAY 12 - 21

Rowell Ranch
Pro Rodeo
RowellRanchRodeo.com
C.S.H.A. Region 18 Gymkhana SPRING SERIES
SERIES HIGH POINT AWARDS WILL BE GIVEN IN ALL C.S.H.A. RATED DIVISIONS, Open senior & Open Junior PeeWee and Leadline will receive special awards

ASTM/SEI Equestrian helmet is required for anyone under the age of 18 when you are on a horse

State Divisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7,
Other divisions: Open Jr., Open Sr.,
Leadline & PeeWee
Ribbons 1st thru 5th or Calif. Cash 1st thru 9th
DAILY HIGH POINT in each division
You must have a State Rating or Ride in Open

Place: Shasta Cascade Riders Arena
From I-5 take Lassen Park Exit onto 44 East. Go about 5 miles (you can see the arena on your left) to Stillwater Road make a Left onto Stillwater Road. Go to the Stop Sign and make a Left onto Old 44 Drive. Go down the hill and make an immediate left after crossing the bridge

Time: Sign-up 8:30 am Ride 10:00 am
Cost: $35.00 for all day + a $5.00 Admin Fee
Time Only $8.00 ea. + a $5.00 Admin Fee

Events for the day will be:

Cloverleaf I, Birangle, Skill Barrels, Big T
March 11 DBL PT  March 25 Quadrangle  April 8 Single Stake  April 29 DBL PT
Quadrangle  Poles I  Hurry Scurry  Speed Barrels  Scramble Barrels
Speed Barrels

WESTERN TACK: Button front shirt made to be tucked in. Shirt must be tucked in, Long pants with belt loops all one color, western boots.
ENGLISH TACK: English riding shirt, tucked in, breeches and English boots.
ASTM/SEI Equestrian helmet for anyone under the age of 18 is mandatory when you are on a horse.

INFORMATION CALL
Kat (530) 357-4503

Snack Bar will be open
C.S.H.A. REGION 18
KITE RANCH SCAVENGER HUNT
SUNDAY JUNE 4, 2017
Long pants and Riding boots are required to ride

Come and enjoy the scenic trails and beautiful countryside at Kite Ranch. Bring your family and friends to join in the fun and a chance to win some awesome prizes! OR just come to relax and hangout, have lunch and buy a scavenger list (you do not need to ride to buy a list), you do have to be present to WIN! Proceeds benefit CSHA Region 18.

SIGNUPS ********** 7:30 A.M.
RIDE BEGINS ***** 8:30 A.M.
LAST RIDER OUT ***** 10:00 A.M.
SCAVENGER HUNT ***** $20.00
(Includes ride, scavenger list and 1 raffle ticket)

Extra lists $5.00 ea.
Extra Raffle Tickets $1.00 ea
or $5.00 for 6

RAFFLE - GRAND PRIZE:
A Beautiful New Saddle
Plus Lots of really great prizes to be won

SCAVENGER GRAND PRIZE $75.00
MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN...!

Take only pictures and leave only foot/hoof prints

SNACK BAR Lunch will be Hot Sandwich, Drink, & Desert $6.00

The 2 main requirements for this ride are: BE SAFE!!! HAVE FUN!! 😊

RAIN OR SHINE

Rules:
1. Appropriate long pants & riding boots required for all riders
2. Absolutely no dogs allowed on trails
3. NO stallions
4. NO firearms
5. ABSOLUTELY NO smoking
6. NO alcoholic beverages allowed on the grounds
7. NO riding double or bareback
8. NO ponying
9. NO running on trails

For more information: Laura (530) 356-1718 or Kat (530)357-4503

**Approx. 5 miles from I-5

Red Bluff
What is California State Horsemen’s Association, Inc.?

CSHA was founded in 1942 for the purpose of fostering interest in all breeds of horses and forms of horsemanship throughout the state of California. CSHA has designed a wide range of programs which offer participants opportunities for growth and enjoyment regardless of their type of riding, breed of horse or experience level.

CSHA implements its programs via its 18 geographic regions throughout the State of California. These Regions have elected officers and appointed program chairs who volunteer their time to develop their respective programs and who represent clubs and individuals that participate in various programs offered by the Association.

CSHA Mission Statement:
“PROVIDING EQUESTRIANS WITH QUALITY, FAMILY-ORIENTED AMATEUR EVENTS, EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES FOR ALL EQUINE BREEDS AND DISCIPLINES.”

CSHA is a non-profit 501 (c) 3 organization.

LOOKING AHEAD

STATE MEETINGS

April 22 - Hotel D’Oro
Santa Nella CA

July 15 - Hotel D’Oro
Santa Nella CA

November 8-12 CSHA
Convention Location TBA

2017 EVENT CALENDAR

March 11th Reg. 2 reining Series, see pg 8
Reg. 3 Gymkhana, see pg 11

March 18th Reg. 3 Gymkhana, see pg 11

March 25th Reg. 2 Trail Trial & Clinic see pg 9
Reg. 3 Gymkhana, see pg 11

April 8th Whiskeytown Chaser 25/50, see pg 7

April 15th Region 2 reining Series, see page 8

May 6th, 2017 — CSHA State Championship
Parade, Ceres Street Faire Parade in Ceres CA.

May 6th & 7th 2017 — CSHA State Champion-
ship Drill Team Competition. Diamond Bar
Arena, Ceres CA.

May 6th Van Duzen Doozie 75/100, see pg 7

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June 9-11 -Western Horse Expo Sacramento

July 1—CSHA Endurance Event, Weaverville Basin

July 29th & 30th—CA Coto Cup Drill Team &
Coto Scholarship Competition, Horse Park at
Woodsie, Woodside CA.

August 1—Resolutions Due

August date TBA—SCE Benefit Trail Trials

September date TBA—State Championship
Event Trail Trials

October 11-15 State Championship Show Lo-
cation TBA