The New Horseman

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

A publication of the California State Horsemen’s Association Inc. March 2018

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

The start of another year brings new faces to our Board of Directors and our State Chairs. At the January Quarterly we welcomed Tim West as the Northern Area V.P. and Andrew Turnbull as the Central Area V.P. We also welcomed the new Region 14 President, Penny Lundgren.

Our State Programs have some new faces also. Debra Waters is the new Horsemastership Chair and we now have a new Royalty Chair, Rhona Doran.

Our office in Stockton is running well, with Carolyn Hendrickson, Linda Quattlebaum, and myself volunteering to operate it. We have streamlined a number of things which has generally allows us to be there on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Hopefully you are all receiving your information in a timely manner.

So far in 2018, I have had the pleasure of attending the Region 4 E/W awards dinner and also the Region 6 awards dinner. It is a given that I attended the Region 5 awards reception. All our members work hard to put on shows and events, so that they can present these rewards. Your continued participation is what makes these possible. Speaking of shows and events, this is going to be a busy year! Check the Program websites and Facebook for these shows.

I am excited to say that the State English Western Program is alive! Thanks to Region 2 Pam Hartley and Joyce Pickering, Region 3 Susie Lopez, Region 4 Dana Bookwalter, Region 5 George Yamamoto, Region 6 Sheri McHenry. The E/W Meeting at the January Quarterly had the energy flowing! Plans are to have at least one Benefit Show and a Year End Show!

Lastly, I want to make everyone aware of the DMV rules for pulling trailers. You may or not be required to comply with the Class A non-commercial License. Read the DMV Rules and Requirements. There are also new rules with regards to the Federal Motor Carriers Safety Administration. This deals with the Electric Log Book. It is very confusing if you rely on rumor or opinion! It is currently under review and probably will be modified?

To locate: Google: “Class A non commercial license”. Do the same for: “Electric logbook for California”.

See you out there!
Jim Hendrickson
CSHA President
GYMKHANA

Meet Our 2017 Gymkhana State Champions

Lisa Bradley and Stuck on Stupid
Division 1

Emily Harris and Rocket
Division 2
Saddle Sponsor: Harris Ranch Family Vineyards

Riley Jordan and Star
Division 3
Saddle Sponsors: Lan Service Group, R.A.D. Metal Fab & Erectors and Schucks Transmission

Lisa Bradley and Profits Sharp Shooter
Division 4
Saddle Sponsors: Circle B5 Ranch and Bradleywear

Savannah Strinett and Abbey
Division 5
Saddle Sponsor: Gun Accessory Supply

Natalie Wehrer and Jewel
Division 6
Saddle Sponsor: Cement Hill Storage

Lisa Bradley and Stuck on Stupid State Record Holder
Quadrangle 19.178

Laurel Bleichner and Romeo
Division 7
Saddle Sponsor: Castle West Construction
Dear Sir or Madam:

CSHA is the largest non-breed specific horse organization in California. This year we will be producing our 29th annual all amateur State Championship show. It will be held October 9–14th, at the Santa Cruz County Fairgrounds in Watsonville, California.

Our goal each year is to provide a professional Class A show experience for our amateur competitors. This year we would like to take the awards up a notch and award each of our seven (7) State Champions a top of the line saddle customized to fit them and their horse. However, each saddle will cost $1,300. To achieve this goal, we are seeking sponsors for either the full or partial amount. Support from companies, such as yours, will help us achieve our goal. Your contribution will not only be a tax deductible donation. It is also a unique advertising opportunity that will reach horsemen and non-horsemen state-wide. Sponsors who donate $500 or more will have their name laser etched onto the saddle. Full sponsors will be given banner space in the main arena. All sponsors will receive a complimentary advertisement in the show program (that is distributed free of charge at the show). The advertisement will also be displayed on our CSHA web site.

We hope you will join us in providing a professional level experience for our amateur riders. Thanking you in advance for your time and consideration. We wish you a healthy and successful 2018.

Sincerely,

Linda Quattlebaum
CFO
Business Name:_____________________________________________________________

Mailing Address: ____________________________________________________________

City: ___________________________ State _________________ Zip _________

Phone:_________________________ Contact Person: ____________________________

Platinum Sponsorship $1300  □ Only name on saddle, full page ad in show program, arena banner, Annual Convention program ad and web site ad (1 year)

Gold Sponsorship $ 650  □ Shared name space on saddle, half page ad in show program, and web site ad (1 year)

Silver Sponsorship $ 500  □ Shared name space on saddle, quarter page program ad, and web site ad (6 months)

Bronze Sponsorship ($499 or less) $_______ Business card ad in show program

Forms and payment in full must be postmarked by April 1st. Thank you so much for your support of our Gymkhana Program!

Please provide camera ready artwork and/or business card for show program and web advertisement.

Please make checks to: CSHA Show of Champions

Mail to:

CSHA SOC
P O Box 30864
Stockton, CA 95213
ENDURANCE

GINA PASQUINI IS SET TO GO THE DISTANCE LEADING ENDURANCE

By Andrew Turnbull

Somehow, Gina Pasquini usually ends up with a lead role in nearly every organization she joins. A decade-long Vice President for Region 18 who briefly stepped up to CSHA’s northeast corner’s lead role has proven she can stay on the long road and has stepped up to lead this 75-year-old organization’s Endurance Program.

“I have led Native Daughters of the Golden West, done a lot of charity work with several organizations, and owned and run businesses; I always end up with the manager role,” said Gina. “I have owned my own coffee shop and I now manage a kitchen retail store in town. Leadership just comes naturally,” reflected the new state chair of CSHA’s marathon-like trail riding program.

“I would like to bring more awareness to the sport of endurance. It is an interesting program to chair because it piggybacks the American Endurance Riding Conference (AERC) and when you ride in endurance you are participating in both programs,” said Gina. “Endurance is not a typical horse race. In fact, I love it because it demonstrates the ultimate bond between my horse and me. Though you must take time to get in condition, if you trail ride two-to-three times a week and you have a passion for long rides, you and your horse can get into sufficient shape. It’s time to demystify the myths about Endurance,” mused Gina.

“I think CSHA is doing a great job, but it is going to take more work from us here to grow this sport. Audra Homicz is our experienced endurance rider and this year I will be riding more endurance events myself. We need to distribute the information about Endurance to all of CSHA.”

Gina Pasquini gives her appreciation to Kat Wion, Region 18 President from 2006 to 2016, who consistently supported her over the years. “Kat welcomed me into the CSHA organization and has always answered my questions and was very influential in getting me involved,” said Gina. “These days, Audra Homicz and Julie Neely are consistently helpful and encouraged me to take up endurance. I can’t say enough about the two of them.”

Gina also speaks passionately about her three horses. “I have done everything with my Arabian named Black who is 30 years old. He became mine as a 4-month-old foal as a high school graduation gift from my Mom! She recognized that I had consistently had difficult horses, and promised that one day, she would buy me a great horse and she delivered.” recalled Gina. “I had dreamed of having my own Black Arabian Stallion and when we visited an Arabian breeder, this one-month-old black foal put his head on my shoulder and we were bonded instantly. Throughout his life, Black has been ridden only in a rope halter. We have raced barrels and enjoyed trail trials, and Black still love gymkhanas.”

Gina rescued her other two horses which include “Tommy” about 4 years ago. “I used to travel with The Who - along with my Mom - and Tommy was a famous album of the rock band. When I prayed to God admitting that I didn’t know what kind of horse I wanted or what I was looking for, I asked my maker to make sure there was some way to know that my next horse was coming from him. A short time later, a lady walks into our coffee shop and announces that she has a special boy that is a Thoroughbred named ‘Tommy’ he clearly was the answer to my prayers and I have really enjoyed him,” reported Gina. For the last year, Gina has also had enjoyed getting to know her rescue draft named Hercules who she reports is a big sweetheart.

Gina Pasquini encourages all CSHA members who are interested in Endurance to reach out to her. Her contact information is available on the CSHA website on the Endurance program webpage.
ENDURANCE

Super proud of CSHA inc. State Endurance Program member Jeanette’s Mero’s youngest - Emma age 11. She completed her first endurance ride, 50 miles in one day, at the AERC Eastern Mojave Scenic XP (4 day) ride. She was all smiles all day, despite the blisters and rubs and stomach aches. And she rode their gelding Try Pro like a champ, riding with the big dogs at a pretty fast clip - allowing her and mom to place 7th and 8th out of 40 or so starters. The Mero family has 3 out of 4 kids competing in the sport and registered with the CSHA inc. State Endurance Program, and the 4th one is their fabulous crew boss for 100s. I’d say they are doing their part to keep the sport of endurance and the CSHA inc. State Endurance Program alive.

CSHA inc. State Endurance Program piggy back on AERC (American Endurance Ride Conference) rides. Every AERC ride all over North America counts toward CSHA points. Just become a member of CSHA directly or through a CSHA Club, then sign up for the Endurance program. No need to report miles or rides, AERC keeps track of all that and we take those records to calculate year end championship points for program members with the CSHA inc. points formula for Endurance. All AERC Sanctioned rides 25 miles and up count toward points.

For more about endurance riding go to aerc.org For more about CSHA inc. State Endurance go to https://californiastatehorsemen.org/programs/endurance-program/

There are two AERC events coming up this year that a portion of any profit will be used to purchase awards to be donated to the program. One of them is a Trail Ride and Campout in Ruth Ca June 2nd 2018 that sold out by the end of February last year, and is rapidly filling up this year.

Entry form with more information and photos can be found here: https://aerc.org/static/rideFlyers/2018TrinityEnduranceChallenge.pdf

Audra Homicz
CSHA vice Chairwoman

CDFA/Equine Medication Monitoring Program

At the January Quarterly we were treated to a presentation from Dr. Katie Flynn of the CDFA. Dr. Flynn heads up the EMMP or Equine Medication Monitoring Program for the California Department of Food and Agriculture.

The intent of the EMMP is to ensure the integrity of public horse shows, competitions and sales through the control of performance and disposition enhancing drugs and permitting limited therapeutic use of drugs at an equine event. The EMMP is self funded where the $5.00 event fees collected sustain the program. Robert Gage serves on the EMMP Advisory Committee representing CSHA.

Dr. Flynn gave us a program overview discussing the funding, exemptions, guidelines, and responsibilities of event managers. The event manager is legally responsible for registering the event with the EMMP and collecting and paying fees to the program.

Information for Event Managers, online registration of events, information for competitors, and drug and medication guidelines can all be found on the CDFA/EMMP website.

https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/ahfss/Animal_Health/EMMP/
ROYALTY

CSHA ROYALTY IS BACK AS RHONA DORAN ACCEPTS STATE CHAIR ROLE
By Andrew Turnbull

When Rhona Doran of Redding, CA noticed that CSHA had no active State Royalty program, she decided she would take the lead to restart the program and bring it back to Show of Champions. “I remember when Show of Champions brought several programs together so that the kids could compete in multiple programs including Gymkhana, Western Pleasure, Horsemastership, and Royalty. With Royalty back, it would be a great opportunity to return multiple programs to the year-end Championship show,” said the new Royalty Chair.

Ten years ago, Rhona became the driver hauling her niece Jenna Brink and her partner horse Odie all around Region 18 and beyond. Jenna competed in CSHA Junior Royalty and Gymkhana, earned championships in both programs and later became Red Bluff Junior Rodeo Queen. “Along with other CSHA regions, Region 18 has had an accomplished Royalty program. Often, the successful CSHA Royalty kids move on to other royalty competitions and higher profile competitions bringing the skills they learned in CSHA Royalty, and sometimes they win additional crowns like high school Rodeo Queen, or even win at Salinas or at Grand National Rodeo.”

One of Rhona’s fondest CSHA memories was when her niece Jenna, a Division 6 competitor in Gymkhana got bumped up to Division 5 at SOC. “We thought Jenna had no chance. It was the Sunday awards ceremony and we knew we had a long trip to get home so we were close to leaving. Somehow, we decided to stay. With a win in the Hurry Scurry, Jenna won a saddle and buckle winning division 5 by a single point,” recalled Rhona. “That was both awesome and exciting for our whole family!” declared Rhona.

When her niece Jenna went off to college, Rhona’s daughter Sydney was ready to partner up with Odie. Sydney Doran - who has since grown to be a teenager - has shined with Odie in Horsemastership and in Royalty. “Odie remains an important member of the family,” said Sydney's mom.

Sydney’s recent trip to Wilton, CA in October 2017 led to the middle schooler bringing home the Junior State Horsemastership Championship selecting Gymkhana as her emphasis (see the November 2017 Issue of The New Horseman, Page 14). “With a current goal of becoming an ER Doctor, Sydney enjoys the added benefit of winning scholarship money for college which thrills her parents,” added Rhona. “In Sydney’s spare time, she performs as a trick rider with the DareDevil Sweethearts.”

Rhona Doran ran the Region 18 Royalty program for two years and now, with the regional program in the hands of Sherry Schwartz, Rhona can focus on the statewide Royalty program. “I am looking forward to re-establishing Day at the Races as a fundraiser not only because it raises funds for our program but we also have fond family memories of it. I am also looking for other ways for Royalty to raise money. CSHA State Royalty inherited a zero funds balance, so we have our fundraising work cut out for us,” predicted the new State Royalty Chair.

Rhona’s family has participated in very enjoyable awards banquets at SOC so she includes the reincarnation of the Royalty Awards banquet and boosting the trust's assets in the Royalty Scholarship fund as target beneficiaries of upcoming fundraising. “We are going to need some sponsors and creative fundraising ideas, so I am open to suggestions from my fellow CSHA leaders throughout the state,” said the Rhona.

Former Region 18 President Gina Pasquini praised the new State Royalty Chair commenting, “Rhona is very reliable and always came through when we needed her for anything, I love her, she’s got great ideas and she executes them!” All regions throughout the state are encouraged to participate in the renewed CSHA State Royalty program and may contact Rhona Doran (see the Royalty program page on the CSHA state website for Rhona Doran’s contact information).
**ROYALTY**

Hello California State Horseman Members! I am Rhona Doran, your new State Royalty Chair. First I would like to thank our 2016-2017 Miss CSHA Kate Sorel and Jr. Miss CSHA Mia Terry. I have heard a lot of praise about these young ladies with all their hard work spreading the word of the Royalty Program and all of the other CSHA programs. I would love to have them back to support our new and upcoming Royalty.

My goal for this year is to encourage our program to not only grow, but also to reach the Show of Champions. It would be wonderful if the participants could be able to compete in not only Royalty, but other events such as Horsemastership, Gymkhana, and English Western. We could then have a banquet for all to enjoy! This will all be a work in progress for sure.

I’m looking forward to seeing all Regions and their contestants who will be interested in participating in the Royalty Program. In our organization we have many opportunities for both traditions and knowledge to be passed onto our youth. Please let me know if there is anything that I can do to help your region get started. At our next Quarterly meeting, on April 26, I will have information for both the chairs and contestants. All interested are welcome to participate.

I know of one region chair right now and her name is Sherry Swarts of Region 18. Her info will be on the State web page. If you would like to be a chair please contact me and I will put your information on the web page.

I am excited for our upcoming year, not only to see the kids grow but also to have a great experience with you all. The State Royalty will be a great adventure and I’m looking forward to it!

Sincerely from your State Chair,
Rhona Doran

---

**IN THE NEWS—ELD/CDL MANDATE**

The American Horse Council met with Department of Transportation (DOT), Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration’s (FMCSA) Deputy Administrator and leadership team this week in response to a letter sent to Secretary Chao on January 28th, 2018. AHC staff went to DOT headquarters to raise the industry’s concerns and solicit clarification on how the existing regulations should be interpreted, and how those interpretations are affecting the horse industry.

The AHC expressed the industry’s interest in an increased level of stakeholder outreach, the lack of uniform interpretations nationwide, the applicability of various exemptions already in place, and the appropriate avenues for future legislative and regulatory efforts. AHC shared specific situations where rodeo, racing, competition and recreational sectors have interacted with law enforcement concerning commercial regulations.

The DOT informed the AHC that a new website specifically tailored to the agricultural industry will be unveiled in the next week, with a dedicated contact for agricultural questions, and they will begin to develop a F.A.Q. to more clearly address the questions which they receive. The DOT members present did clarify that trailer drivers not engaged in business are not subject to Commercial Motor Vehicle (CMV) regulations, specifically where additional licensing is concerned. Regardless of weight, it was the interpretation of those present that going to an event that may issue prizes does not necessarily constitute commercial activity. As long as participation in the competition itself is not a component of the business with which that driver or the vehicle are regularly engaged, and expenses for said trip are not deducted for tax purposes, a CDL is not required to operate the CMV in question. Those interpretations, as are all CMV regulations, are specific to federal regulations, and state regulations may be less forgiving.

The AHC is excited about the opportunity to develop this relationship with DOT-FMCSA. The equine community should look forward to utilizing these lines of communication in the future to assure industry wide compliance and protection of individuals driving both commercially and recreationally. The AHC encourages the industry to reach out to state law enforcement to determine how best to comply with the state regulations. As additional information on this subject becomes available, the AHC will share that with our members as quickly as possible.

Visit [http://www.horsecouncil.org/eld-mandate-cdl-requirements/](http://www.horsecouncil.org/eld-mandate-cdl-requirements/) for AHC materials on this subject. Please contact the AHC with questions or concerns.

PARADE

February officially kicked off our 2018 Parade High Point year with the Cloverdale Citrus Parade and the Ripon Almond Blossom Festival Parade.

At the CSHA January Quarterly meeting in Sant Nella, our Parade Program Budget was approved by the Finance Committee Friday evening. Thank you to members Charlie Alamo, Rick and Juanita Ellington, and Alice Lawellin for attending.

During the weekend, I also received our Raffle Ticket booklets for our annual fundraising project. The booklets each have 10 tickets that sell for $2.00 per ticket. The amazing prizes are as follows: A Disney Family 4 pack, 50” T.V., and a $300 gasoline gift card. Please call me and I will mail your tickets to you. The sale ends April 2nd, 2018. Thank you to Lonne Sloan for already selling five booklets and to Paulette Webb for buying the first booklet again this year.

The State Parade and Awards Banquet planning is going very well with co-chairs Judy West and Gail Barnett. Your parade packets will be mailed to you in early March for the Saturday May 12th event. The Dixon May Fair is very happy to include CSHA in their weekend and our stabling, hotel and banquet will be very parade friendly.

Candy Graham
CSHA Parade State Chair

DRILL TEAM

2018 is going to be an EPIC Drill Team Season! It started off at the January Quarterly with our program celebrating the addition of two new Drill Judges into our coterie. Congratulations to new CSHA Judges, Sara Curtis and Jonda Brooks-Lucido. Both have many years of drill experience behind them and aced their written exams.

Thank you to Alice Lawellin, Sara Curtis, Jonda Brooks-Lucido, and Tracey Ramirez for attending our January Drill Team Committee meeting in Santa Nella. Our continuing best wishes for a full and speedy recovery to drill team judge Kris Hahn as she continues to recover from a ruptured appendix.

We also kicked off our Spring Raffle Fundraiser and from the rate I have been sending out tickets it looks like we will have record sales. Half of the money raised goes to funding team’s expenses at competition, and the other portion goes to funding drill program items like our Buckle Series. Talking about buckles…

The Buckle Series is BACK! Because of the popular reception last year, CSHA Drill will once again have a season award series featuring buckles to the winning drill team and this year: another award for the alternate team as well. Remember this is not exclusively a high point, it is a High Point/Most Improved Series Championship. The criteria for determining the winning team will be once again drawn at the CA Coto Cup in August. Your team must ride in BOTH The State Championships and the CA Coto Cup and have sold a minimum of 200 raffle tickets or pay a $200 entry fee before May 1st to be eligible for the buckle series.

This year we are introducing a new division that we will try out on a test basis. The division is “Novice Quad” similar to Novice for our large teams, it is designed for the beginning quad teams that are still perfecting their drills at a trot, not using flags and are not quite ready to have to compete against the experienced Quad teams that are Vying for the State Championships title. Novice Quads will perform one 4-6 minute Themed Freestyle program.

Our entry forms and necessary paperwork for our State Championships is all on the CSHA website on the Drill Team page. Entry forms for the Championships are already coming in so get your team’s in soon to secure a practice time that works for your team. All practices will be Friday only. If you need more raffle tickets contact me at jskraut@ca.rr.com

Jill Kraut
CSHA Drill Team Chair
TRAP—TRAIL RIDERS AWARDS PROGRAM

The Trail Riders Awards Program was established in 1988 to honor the trail rider and to encourage the use of riding trails by the members of CSHA.

Riders keep track of the number of HOURS they:
- Trail ride or work on trail construction or maintenance
  It does not matter how far or fast you go, just the number of hours you spend on the trail.
- Any time spent out on the trails, whether alone or in a group, counts toward awards.
- It can be any type of trail riding; pleasure, conditioning, trail trials, endurance, etc.

Riders help keep trails open by providing information on:
- What park or location they rode in
- Which trails they rode
This information is entered into a database that is useful in substantiating trail usage which is especially important now when so many trails are in jeopardy.

Upon joining the program, you receive:
- A TRAP patch
- Yearly Membership Stars
- A supply of "Riders Log" forms on which you log your riding hours.

Awards include:
- Chevrons to be worn under the patch are awarded as you log certain hour levels.
- Recognition Awards are awarded for each 500 hour increment
- A special Master Trail Rider Award upon completion of 3000 hours
- A custom Supreme Trail Rider sterling silver buckle will be presented when you reach 5000 hours

There are no age divisions or limitations. There is no limit to the number of horses which may be ridden in qualifying for an award. All participants must be members of CSHA either as individuals or as members of a CSHA Club.

To join TRAP there is a fee of $15.00 and an annual renewal fee thereafter of $15.00 to remain active in the program. For more info and applications visit our web site at www.cshatrap.org or call 510-304-1025.

Presented in January 2018

Jayne Jones, Region 12, 1,500 Hours Chevron & Recognition Award
Chuck Sweigart, Region 12, 3,500 Hours Chevron & Recognition Award
Marie Grisham, Region 5, 4,000 Hours Chevron & Recognition Award
Diana DeSpain, Region 2, 200 Hours Chevron
Marla Morang, Region 5, 400 Hours Chevron
Jennifer Todd, Region 11, 100 & 200 Hours Chevrons
Char Schramm, Region 11, 100 & 200 Hour Chevrons
Bob Gage, Region 2, 100 Chevron

BECOME A TRAP MEMBER TODAY

Become a member Quick & Easy using the On-Line sign-up:
http://www.cshatrap.org/paypal-trap-membership.html

See next page or print out a copy to fill out and mail in:
http://www.cshatrap.org/trapapplication.pdf
CALIFORNIA STATE HORSEMEN’S ASSOCIATION
TRAIL RIDER AWARDS PROGRAM
APPLICATION/RENEWAL FORM
Renewals due January 1st of each year

Rider:__________________________________________

Address:________________________________________

City:_________________________________ ZIP:____________________

Phone: (_____) ________________________________

E-Mail:________________________________________

County of Residence:________________________________________

CSHA Membership is REQUIRED either as a CSHA individual member, family member, or as a member of a CSHA club. TRAP membership year is January 1 through December 31 of each year. Program registration and/or application acceptance subject to active CSHA membership verification. No points/hours will accrue prior to activation of membership.
*Use CSHA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION only, to join CSHA or RENEW you CSHA membership.

I BELONG TO REGION:________
I am a current member in good standing of the California State Horsemen’s Association. (Please indicate type of membership below.)

As CSHA Direct Member: __Individual __Family Member __ Life Member
OR/ As a CSHA Club Member of: ____________________________

(CSHA Club Name)

Age: 17 & Under _____ or 18 & Over ______

Are you a competitive trail rider, e.g. Trail Trials, Endurance, NATRC, etc.? Yes ____ No _____

Original Application $15.00 _____ or Annual Renewal $15.00 _____

*TRAP Newsletter $10.00 _____ *If you do not have an e-mail address, and wish to receive a paper copy of the TRAP newsletter, please include an additional $10.00 to cover the cost of copies and postage.

Signature:________________________
Signature of Rider or Signature of Parent if Rider is under 18 year of age.

Date:__________________________ Check #:__________________

Program Registration, Rule 2.1.1
The renewal fees will be due and payable on January 1st of each year. Any member that has joined or renewed their TRAP membership after November 1st will be current for the next year.

PLEASE MAIL APPLICATION WITH FEES PAYABLE TO “CSHA TRAP” TO:
CSHA TRAP Chair, Marie Grisham, 663 El Centro Rd., El Sobrante, CA 94803

For Office Use Only: Date CSHA membership verified.
CLASSES OFFERED
1. OPEN
2. LIMITED OPEN
3. ROOKIE PROFESSIONAL
4. NOVICE HORSE OPEN
5. NOVICE HORSE NON-PRO
6. SNAFFLE BIT / HACKAMORE
7. NON PRO
8. LIMITED NON-PRO
9. PRIME TIME NON-PRO*
10. ROOKIE
11. PRIME TIME ROOKIE**
12. SHORT STIRRUP
13. YOUTH
14. GREEN REINER
15. GREEN AS GRASS
16. RANCH RIDING, OPEN, NON-PRO, YOUTH
17. RANCH REINING OPEN, NON-PRO, YOUTH
18. RANCH TRAIL OPEN, NON-PRO, YOUTH

2018 DATES & JUDGES
FEB 10  CRAIG WILLAMS
MAY 19  JILL PIERRE
JUNE 30  CHRISTOPHER BUGERIG

SHOWS BEGIN AT 8 AM AND ARE LOCATED AT ROLLING HILLS EQUESTRIAN CENTER, CORNING CA. NEXT TO THE ROLLING HILLS CASINO OFF OF I-5

**WCRHA**
**CSHA**
APPROVED SHOWS

ENQUIRIES AND ENTRIES
DONNA McMasters
530-696-2433
TOWESTBUTTE@YAHOO.COM
Did you know Cosumnes River College offers an A.S. Equine Science Degree?

A couple of years ago Clair Thunes, PhD came and gave an equine nutrition talk at the CSHA Convention. In addition to being an equine nutrition consultant, she teaches livestock feeds and feeding at Cosumnes River College in Elk Grove. Her course is a part of that program although many students in the past have come to the college solely to take this class. There are no prerequisites. Those taking this class will learn a great deal about equine digestive anatomy and physiology, nutrient requirements, considerations for selecting feed, methods for judging feed quality as well as basic techniques for balancing rations. She will be offering an online class on the subject in August. Check out what the college has to offer.

https://www.crc.losrios.edu/areas/ct/anisc/degree
REGION 14

Former Outdoor Sports Star and ESPN Analyst Now Leads CSHA Region 14
By Andrew Turnbull

Our State Wide 75-year-old equine recreation and advocacy organization just got a burst of energy and unusually experienced new talent in the southern area. San Bernardino, our nation's largest county by total area which encompasses all of Region 14 has a new CSHA leader, Penny Lundgren. Penny is the mother of two children including 14-year-old CSHA Gymkhana rider Karly Lundgren and has stepped up to lead the region during the fourth year of her daughter’s participation in the equine speed sport. Penny’s unusual background as a recognized sports figure, ESPN television sports analyst, and professional sporting event manager led her to fill the need when she realized that, in her words, “all those smiling kids need to be able to keep enjoying this great CSHA sport in our area.”

Better known in the sports world as Penny Davidson, our new Region 14 President started out in accounting in a Big 8 CPA firm in Los Angeles but left the big city to move to Mammoth Mountain when she realized climbing the ladder of a big firm was not her dream. “I moved to Mammoth Lakes to work for an accountant because I enjoyed hiking and skiing there on the weekends. After I got to Mammoth and watched skiing instructors up on the mountain from my accounting office all day, I decided to get my own CPA license so I could be a ski instructor by day and a CPA at night.”

When mountain bike races started up in Mammoth, Penny had some early success when she won a world championship in a lower category and found her passion on the back of a bike. She went on to win two national championships and ride in six world championships highlighted by winning an individual bronze medal. Penny soon became a color commentator for mountain biking sports for ESPN and later worked for sports marketing companies that partnered with NBC Sports to create the Gravity Games now known as the Dew-Tour for televising and promoting premier alternative sports.

“When my daughter Karly started Gymkhana at the age of ten, I noticed all the event volunteers working so hard. Because I had managed sports professionally and often led people who were getting paid to put on events, I realized that running these all volunteer events was an even bigger challenge. I started helping out and learning about what these volunteer leaders needed. When Region 14 Gymkhana needed a treasurer, as a CPA I knew I could step up and quickly help out,” recalls Penny Lundgren.

One year later, then Region 14 President Lisa Spinuzzi announced that after 7 years, it was time that someone else took over, and when Lisa agreed to chair the Gymkhana program in addition to being Past President, Penny Lundgren was thrilled. “When I was managing alternative sports, we relied on technical experts to conduct the actual events. Having a technical expert in Lisa as Gymkhana chair and former VP Janell Thompsen running the points program, I knew Region 14 Gymkhana would be in great shape and I could focus on managing the region bringing my perspective from working in professional sport governance.”

Penny Lundgren attended her first CSHA Quarterly in January and realizes she has a lot to learn about how things get done, CSHA traditions and its history. “I saw people at Santa Nella with a passion that have given up a huge amount of time and energy and time in their lives to run this organization, and while I don’t yet fully understand the reach and its impact of CSHA, I sense that it needs more people involved and more leaders to be groomed who have not worked so hard for so many years. The long tenured leaders can provide wisdom to the new leaders so that the organization can continue its mission for a long time.”

Continued on next page
Penny says she is especially grateful to CSHA 1st Vice President Carol Grey who has regularly attended meetings to help the new regional leadership function effectively. Penny appreciates the help she has received from Ron Jenkins with advice during meetings, helping the new leaders understand the CSHA bylaws, and chairing Region 14 Trail Trials. Penny also applauds the support she has received from the Hendrickson’s and Linda Quattlebaum in the CSHA State Office and praises the CSHA website.

Penny’s relatively short tenure in CSHA has already had its challenges including a recent incident in which a member chose to voice personal opinions on social media that resulted in upsetting a junior rider. “When her father showed up to boldly challenge this adult whose actions adversely affected his daughter, he spoke up for all the kids in our sport. I told him that I not only respected his willingness to step up for what is right, but I promised that such behavior would not be tolerated in our organization because that is not what this is about,” assured the rookie Region 14 President.

“I am surrounding myself with quality people who I want to work with and we have recruited new people to join committees including some who have never been in leadership roles. I am even excited to have an enthusiastic snack bar chairperson! I want to offer leadership roles to people with strong character and who want to help the community,” commented Penny.

Penny Lundgren’s horsemanship experience began at the age of three and she enjoyed owning horses through high school. She didn’t compete as a kid, but she loves riding horses. Penny recognizes her own need for speed and adrenaline in her daughter’s gymkhana competing. “Karly started on a leased horse, and has owned two horses. While her current quarter horse is a great all round horse, she’s already looking for that next faster gymkhana partner!”

As an advocate for shared trails, the former celebrity mountain biker understands that trails need to be safely shared. “While the majority of mountain bikers want to get along with horseback trail riders, the younger they are and more testosterone they have, the more focus they have on their own ride and they often don’t even notice the horse and rider. I spend a lot of time on the back of the horse explaining how to share the trail in a positive way. We need to recognize that just because we see someone on a trail in a particular role in the moment, they may also be a multi-user of the trail themselves like me. Since I love to hike, mountain bike, and ride horses on trails, I understand all three perspectives,” explained Penny.

The former high profile athlete is especially appreciative of her husband Jonas P Lundgren, a former Swedish world class competitive ski racer who now prefers motorcycles. “I could not be doing this important CSHA leadership role - being a mother of two kids and running my CPA office - without him. He is very supportive of our kids and my volunteering. Our horses have grown quite accustomed to his motorcycles which is an added bonus.”

Penny Lundgren and her family make their home in Yucaipa, CA and she is excited about her new key role as Region 14 President and member of the CSHA board of directors. Given her unusual background as an athlete, sporting commentator, sporting event manager, shared trail enthusiast, CPA and Gymkhana Mom, CSHA is going to benefit greatly from Penny Lundgren’s extensive experience, fresh perspective and vibrant enthusiasm.
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 21 Quarterly Meeting—Santa Nella

July 21 Quarterly Meeting—Santa Nella

November 8-11 Convention & Meeting—Jackson Rancheria Hotel & Casino Resort

2018 EVENT CALENDAR

March 9-11 Western State Horse Expo Pomona

April 28—Winters Youth Day Parade contact Bob Williams n6utx@icloud.com

May 5-6—Drill Team State Championships Diamond Bar Arena, Ceres CA

May 6—Los Banos Merced Spring Fair 209-826-5166

May 12—State Parade & Awards Banquet—Dixon contact Ms. Carole 707-678-5650

May 12—Region 2 Trail Trials Red Dog Acres, Oroville contact Becky Burns 530-487-7225

May 19—Luther Burbank Rose Festival 707-867-1928

May 19—Chowchilla Spring Parade 559-665-4501

2018 EVENT CALENDAR

May 19—Region 2 Reining Series—Rolling Hills Equestrian center Corning (see page 13)

June 8—10 Western States Horse Expo Sacramento

June 30—Region 2 Reining Series—Rolling Hills Equestrian center Corning (see page 13)

August 4-5 - Drill Team CA Coto Cup & Coto Foundation Scholarship Competition, Horse Park at Woodside

August 25-26 SCE Benefit Trail Trials

October 9-14 State Championship Show—Watsonville

--------------------------------------