We are ready to start the new year and many programs are rolling out already. There are a few news worthy items I will pass along that we announced at Quarterly.

Dr. Flynn of the Equine Medical Monitoring Program gave a presentation on the newer fee increase to $8 per rider for active-required monitoring. This is an essential monitoring program for the horse health of those horses in competition.

Trail Notes:

- 2020 California Trails & Greenways Conference is April 21-24 at the Double Tree Hotel in Modesto.
- Pismo Beach will open 880 acres in June for hikers/bikers/equestrians.
- The Best of America by Horseback ride is taking place in San Miguel CA at the Work Family Ranch March 17-18
- The N3 Ranch in Livermore which is approx. 1400 acres is up for sale; there has been some speculation of the State of CA purchasing it.
- Pacheco State Park at San Louis Reservoir (near Santa Nella) has started workshops on the future planning for park & facilities improvements.

The Charitable Trust reported on the funds available through various Scholarships in CSHA. There are scholarships through numerous programs and many have increased their annual award amounts per scholarship. This is great for up and coming students; some funds are available not only for 4-year college but also 2-year college course work and trade schools. Those programs with scholarship funds are: Horsemastership, Royalty, English, Western, Gymkhana, Trail Trials and Drill Team. We also award veterinary students at UC Davis each year and contribute to the UC Davis Medical Research.

I am looking forward to another great year for CSHA

See you out there.................ride safe...........have fun

Jim Hendrickson

Judges Commission

The Judges Commission is proud to announce that the Western program has a newly carded judge, Ms. Carly Ray and she hails from Clovis, CA, welcome aboard Carly. There are judge’s symposiums that all of our judges are required to attend. Our 2020 Gymkhana symposium was presented by Judge Linda Quattlebaum, Trail Trials was presented by Judge Diane Medlock. Western & Ranch Versatility which is held every three years was presented all day on Sunday January 26th by host speaker James Edwards Jr. James is a CSHA and multi-carded judge. It was a video and round table discussion. It was superior in all aspects, Western Showmanship, Ranch Riding etc. We thank him for the great presentation.

The judges commission is always looking for applicants in various fields to apply to become judges. The info is on the CSHA website or you can contact State Chair Alice Lawellin: 209-858-2638
The Parade Program is preparing for their State Parade and Year End Awards Presentations scheduled Saturday, April 25, 2020 to be held in conjunction with the Winters Youth Day Parade. Everyone is invited to the friendly city of Winters to help us celebrate.

Next, if you have an opportunity to travel to San Juan Capistrano for the Swallows Day Parade March 21st, you will be amazed with their parade. No motorized vehicles are allowed in this historic parade. Therefore, all of the floats, antique and private collections of carriages and wagons are horse-drawn by teams of horses, mules, or ponies. The equestrian groups and the individual riders appearing in this parade are chosen by the Swallows Day Parade Committee.

We continue to welcome all individual riders and groups to join the Parade Program. If you would like to have a parade in your area sanctioned by CSHA, contact the State Office or myself and we will assist you in this easy process. Oftentimes, riders do not receive points for their year end awards due to the parade not having a licensed parade program judge from CSHA. This is also a great opportunity to obtain new members for CSHA and the Parade Program.

Candy Graham, Parade Program State Chair

**PARADE—Honor Ride**

Staging at the Auburn Fairgrounds on the morning of January 11th hundreds of mounted riders, wagons and carriages prepared for the “Deputy Brian Ishmael Honor Ride” through Auburn.

Deputy Ishmael, an El Dorado County Sheriff deputy, was shot and killed in the line of duty, October 23, 2020. He is survived by a wife and three children.

CSHA was represented well by the Merced County Sheriff Posse and the Cavallo Cowgirls as well as other CSHA groups and individuals. Riders parade through town showing support for the officer, their family, friends and community.

The Cowboy’s Honor Ride’s mission is to help bring some healing to a community that has recently had a Police Officer murdered. Our events allow both riders and spectators to actively participate in bringing unity back into a recently shattered community. Together, we can make a difference. The rides are organized by Norman Nather for the past several years.

Rides have been held recently for Officer Tara O’Sullivan, Officer Natalie Corona, Cpl Ronil Singh, Deputy Mark Stasyuk, and Deputy Dennis Wallace. Far too many officers have given their lives to protect us and our communities.
GYMKHANA

MEET OUR 2019 GYMKHANA STATE CHAMPIONS

6 are first time saddle winners
5 are first time State Champion
3 are first year competitors
3 are juniors
2 are ten years old

Division 1
Lisa Bragg and Stuck on Stupid
Saddle Sponsor: Keller Engineering & Asphalt

Division 2
Becky McCorl and Pepsi
Saddle Sponsor: The Old Corner Saloon

Division 3
Stacey Kreska and Mini Coop
Saddle Sponsors: HAPPYEE Horses

Division 4
Kayton Bunyan and Gadget
Saddle Sponsors: Gun Accessory Supply

Division 5
Kylie Spigner and Nizhoni
Saddle Sponsor: Bradleywear & Circle BS Ranch

Division 6
Adeline Pureval and Gizmo
Saddle Sponsor: The Christie's

Division 7
Madigan Sprecher and Max
Saddle Sponsor: Cement Hill Storage
Welcome to the members, Reinstated members, and finally the new members and families. We have chairs in most disciplines, but if you are interested in a program, we can always use more ideas for those that are interested. We have some dates for the different programs and will be publishing more as soon as they are available. We will be having a Trail Trials, an Obstacle Challenge, many Gymkhanas and the Horsemastership and Royalty programs will be in full swing soon. We are hoping to get the English/Western program back up and running, so if you are interested in that discipline let me know and we will see what we can get started. I am hoping that every program will be successful and with everyone working as a team we can make it happen. We also have the Trail Riders Awards Program (TRAP) which is a program where riders log the hours that they are either cleaning trails or riding trails. This is an important program because the hours logged and sent to the State Chairman are used when a city, forestry or government wants to close trails to equestrians. By having the logged hours on record we can show that the trails are being used and how much they are used.

Any questions can be referred to me, or the chairman of the discipline you are interested in.

Our Region 18 general meetings are held the last Wednesday of the month at Vittles Restaurant on North Street in Anderson. The meeting starts at 6pm. I look forward to seeing our returning members and meeting our new members. If you don’t ride but just want to help out, don’t hesitate to show up at the meeting.

Laura Gilman
CSPA Region 18 President
530-356-1718

What can Region 18 offer you?

Our goal is to serve the equestrian community in the North State. We want to hear from you.

What kind of programs and services can we offer you? What would you like to participate in? All comments and suggestions are welcome.

Please direct them to:
Laura Gilman, President Region 18
530-356-1718
ljboyd@shasta.com
REGION 18 HORSEMASTERSHIP

Calif. State Horsemen’s Assoc. Region 18
Serving Shasta, Siskiyou, Modoc, Trinity and Lassen County Riders
Horsemastership Competition 2020
Competitive program for Youth and Adults

Learn, Ride, Have Fun... Even Win Scholarships!

HORSEMASTERSHIP PROGRAM SCHOLARSHIPS:
Scholarships are available to the State Horsemastership Champions in the following categories:

Juniors (17 or younger as of Jan. 1 2020)
^NEW for 2020 Increase in Youth scholarships!
Combined Junior (English, Gymkhana and Western) $1,500
  English I (requires jumping) $1,000
  English II (flat) $1,000
  Western Junior $1,000
  Gymkhana Junior $1,000

Adults
Combined Adult (English, Gymkhana and Western) $200
  English I (requires jumping) $200
  English II (flat) $200
  Western $200
  Gymkhana $200

The Horsemastership program tests the participants’ knowledge of proper horsemanship, horse anatomy, basic horse health, grooming, safety and riding skill. The competition involves three tests: Riding (2-4 patterns), Written, and Grooming. Any CSHA member in good standing may participate. You can be a CSHA member by 1) joining as a direct member with CSHA, or by 2) your membership with a qualified CSHA Region 18 club, like Palo Cedro Riders etc.

The riding and grooming test locations and dates are determined by your Region’s Chairperson. The Region 18, 2020 written test will be held for all Regions on Wed, July 29th, from 8:00-7pm at the Vittles Restaurant, Anderson (to be confirmed). The riding and grooming tests will be determined once judges have been secured on the best date for our judges and all competitors. Final date TBD. The Region 18 participants with the top two highest total scores in each division will be declared Champion and Reserve Champion of Region 18 and eligible to compete at the CSHA State Show of Champions. Participants at Show of Champions earn buckles, prizes and both Junior and Adult Champions are awarded scholarships. The state championship will be in October at Brookside Show Park in Elk Grove, 10/16-18 at the same time as the Annual English Western Show – in which you might also like to compete if you have time! The grooming tests will be held on Friday afternoon 10/16, the written test Friday evening 10/16 and the riding tests on Saturday morning and afternoon 10/17. The awards banquet is on Saturday night Oct 17th AND IS SO MUCH FUN!

This is an educational program, offering all levels of horsemen and women, adults and juniors the opportunity to advance a lifelong journey in building a solid foundation of equine knowledge and skills. It challenges every horse person to understand: It takes discipline, concentrated time and effort to achieve excellence and distinction... every participant in this program wins from the knowledge they gain.

~ Text or Call Region 18 Chairperson Debra Waters @ 530-549-4072 for more information! ~
It’s hard to imagine while we are still in the middle of winter, but our first Obstacle Challenge is coming up. To kick off the year, Region 18 is hosting the Backcountry Horsemen of California’s 2020 Rendezvous Obstacle Con March 27-28 at the Tehama District Fairgrounds. in Red Bluff.

Obstacle Challenges are a great way to promote good horsemanship. Obstacle Challenges can be ridden with any breed of horse or any style of riding. You and your horse will encounter various obstacles and sometimes challenging situations, which will better prepare you with the skills to negotiate them safely.

Remember, to qualify for the State Obstacle Challenge Championship (SOCC), you must compete in three sanctioned challenges and be a member of a Region’s Obstacle Challenge Program. Contact Susan Johnson at 4givnbyhim@gmail.com for more information.

Listed below are the dates to save for the proposed clinics and challenges this year.
- May 3 Region 6 Clinic Santa Cruz County Horsemens show grounds
- May 23 Region 6 Challenge Santa Cruz County Horsemens
- May 30 Region 13 Clinic Blue Lake Arena
- May 31 Region 13 Challenge Blue Lake Arena
- June 6 & 7 Region 3 Challenge Running I Ranch, Dunnigan
- June 13 & 14 Region 2 Challenge Cottonwood Creek Equestrian, Cottonwood
- July 11 & 12 Region 5 Challenge Walnut Creek
- July 11-12 Region 13 Challenge Julie McGill’s place in Blue Lake
- Aug 1 & 2 Region 13 Challenge McKinleyville Rodeo arena in McKinleyville
- Aug. 1 & 2 Region 3, Challenge Running I Ranch, Dunnigan
- August 29 Region 2 Challenge Napa Valley Horsemens’
- August 30 Region 5 Challenge Skyline Wilderness Park, Napa
- Sept. 12 & 13 Region 2 Challenge Cottonwood Creek Equestrian, Cottonwood
- Sept. 12 & 13 Region 5 Challenge Tri-Cities Horsemens’, Martinez
- Oct. 2 & 3 Region 3 Challenge Running I Ranch, Dunnigan
- Oct. 17 & 18 State Obstacle Challenge Championship at Running I Ranch

Go to the website for more information. https://californiastatehorsemen.org/our-events/obstacle-challenge-calendar/

I look forward to seeing you at the challenges.

Susan Johnson
Region 18 Obstacle Challenge
DRILL TEAM

The 2020 State Championships are coming up May 1-3rd at the Diamond Bar Arena in Ceres, CA. Teams are hard at work preparing to show off their 2020 teams and drill programs. They are also selling a lot of raffle tickets to earn money for competition. We will be drawing the winning tickets during the awards ceremony on Sunday May 3rd around 3pm.

Many new teams start small as in a Quad of 4-6 riders. Because of this we will continue the Novice Quad division this year which is one 4-6 minute freestyle drill with no flags required. This is an easy way to slide into competition. We also have the Novice division for larger teams with the same requirements. Novice Division is a way to really concentrate your riders on the solid basics needed to jump up into the High Point Divisions later. This is an inclusive division that is designed to get teams involved!

We will be looking at teams and/or people to determine who is the best candidate for the prestigious Robert Lorbeer “Spirit of Drill Award”. We look to see who embodies the spirit of sportsmanship, camaraderie and can do attitude we foster in CSHA. What name will be added to this list in 2020?

- 2011 Posthumously to Billi Jo Ann Dyer (Mokelumne Mounties)
- 2012 Sacramento Rhinestone Cowgirls 4-H
- 2013 Redding Junior Rodeo Association
- 2014 Historic Durham Ferry
- 2015 Linda Peixoto (Smokin’ Guns)
- 2016 Diamonds in the Rough
- 2017 The Flying Fillies
- 2018 Ben Gibbons (Spurs ‘n Lace)
- 2019 Pistol Annies & Ann Gomez

CSHA is dedicated to providing top quality judges. This year we will have five judges and one junior judge at the Championships. Head Judge Alice Lawellin, Judge Patti Souza, Judge Kris Hahn, Judge Sara Curtis, Judge Jonda Brooks-Lucido, and junior judge Cindy Ann North. Four judges will be judging while the fifth judge works exclusively with our junior judge.

We will once again be having our Toy Drive and on Saturday our amazing youth riders will try to win the Coto Foundation Educational $1500 Scholarship. We hope you can come join in the fun:

State Championships Schedule (Toy Drive—All Weekend)

- Friday May 1st—Team Practices (All Day)
- Saturday May 2nd—9:00am Coto Scholarship Competition
  - 3:00pm Drill Competition (Open Divisions)
- Sunday May 3rd—9:00am Drill Championships & Raffle Drawing
2020 Trail Trials Scholarship Program

Two Scholarships Available

$1000 Each

Criteria to apply for scholarship:

- Ages 14-17
- 2020 CSHA Member
- 2020 Trail Trails Program Member
- Compete at 2020 SCE
- Complete Written Exam
- Complete Oral Interview

For application and complete details, please visit:

Scholarship Application

Or go to https://trailtrials.com/forms-list/
Scholarship Competition

This scholarship is open to any junior CSHA direct or Club member between the ages of 14-18. regardless of the program you normally participate in. This is like a cross between Horsemastership and Royalty event, so if you are participating in either of these programs in 2020 you should consider this as a great warm-up event. Download the Entry Packet from the CSHA website: [https://californiastatehorsemen.org/Drill_Team/2020/2020-Coto-Compiled-Entry-Package.pdf](https://californiastatehorsemen.org/Drill_Team/2020/2020-Coto-Compiled-Entry-Package.pdf)

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Coto Foundation Scholarship

Would you like $1,500.00 for College?

Don’t Miss This Opportunity

The Coto Foundation Scholarship is open to all CSHA Junior members 14-18 years old. The competition will take place May 2nd, 2020 at the Diamond Bar Arena in Ceres, CA.

Presented by the CSHA Charitable Trust

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Corryn Garcia

2019 Coto Scholarship Winner

Three tests will determine the Top All-Around Contestant:

- Written Test of General Horse Knowledge
- Riding Test displaying proper horsemanship
- Private Interview to get to know you

WILL YOU BE THE 2020 WINNER?

Download the Entry Packet from the CSHA Drill Team Webpage
Back Country Horsemen

OBSTACLE CHALLENGE

Cottonwood Creek Equestrian is Hosting an Obstacle Challenge in participation with the Back Country Trails & Wilderness Rendezvous located at Tehama County Fairgrounds, Red Bluff, CA.

Contact: Gail Bloxham 530-347-0212 cottonwoodcreekequest@gmail.com
Larry Shuman 530-526-0590 LShuman62@gmail.com

DATE: March 27 & 28, 2020

Obstacle Challenges are an excellent measurement of skills & obstacles. Are you & your horse or mule up for the challenge?

Open to horses, ponies and mules. HELMETS required for Youth Riders
Divisions: Youth (17 & under. Parent or legal guardian must be present), Novice, Intermediate, Advanced & Pack Animal

Enter On Line: www.BCHCalifornia.org

7a.m. check-in/ late registration ~ 8a.m. walk course (w/o horses) ~ 9a.m. Challenge starts
Awards presentation will be at the Saturday evening Dinner Champion Buckle in Each Division

Awards sponsored by:
Sanctioned with CSHA Region 18 (membership not required)

CSHA OBSTACLE CHALLENGE RULES APPLY:
https://californiastatehorsemen.org/obstacle-challenge/

Overnight Stalls/Pens Available
THE ADVENTURES OF LILY

It all began when a cow named Lily hitched a ride with Cheri Whipp on the way to Convention. She took some detours and had some adventures of her own along the way but finally made it just in time for Convention.

Lily got into a lot of trouble at Convention. A noise complaint about mooing noises and heavy hooved stomping around from another guest had the hotel calling on the CSHA State Patrol to take her into custody. When Lauren arrived she was trying to escape out the window with a stash of Early Bird prizes.

Lauren placed Lily in a time out in the Black Oak Jail to try and keep a handle on the extremely mischievous bovine. Why, she even tried to steal CSHA 1st Vice President Carol Grey’s Scooter.

Tim West roped Lily and wrangled her into the trailer. It was decided the safest place for her would be under the jurisdiction of Tim & Lauren West our State Patrol.

Little did we know, Lily had gotten herself into trouble already. Honestly Lily!

Even in her delicate condition Lily joined us at the January Quarterly.

A gender reveal party was held and it’s a girl! But who’s the baby daddy?

We are voting on names currently, so if you wish to follow Lily’s adventures follow her on the CSHA FaceBook group “California Horse Rider”
**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.

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**LOOKING AHEAD**

**STATE MEETING CALENDAR**

Quarterly Meetings
Santa Nella

April 18th
July 18th

2020 Convention
November 13-15
Location Tentatively Black Oak Hotel & Casino

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**2020 EVENT CALENDAR**

April 25—State Parade Winters, CA

May 1-3—Drill Team State Championships Diamond Bar Arena, Ceres CA

May 2—Coto Foundation Scholarship Competition, Diamond Bar Arena, Ceres

May 7-10 Western States Horse Expo Murieta Equestrian Center Rancho Murieta

August 15th - CA Cup Drill Team Competition Los Angeles Equestrian Center

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**2020 EVENT CALENDAR**

August 22-23 SCE Benefit Trail Trials Quincy, CA

Sept 26-27 Trail Trials State Championship Event Sierra City, CA

Oct 16-18 English/Western, Horsemastership, Royalty, State Championship Show Brookside Equestrian Center Elk Grove, CA

October 17-18 Obstacle Challenge State Championship Event Running I Ranch, Dunnigan CA