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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Year End Award Shows are up and coming for some of our programs. But it is not all about the awards.....they are the glitz that equals a lot of hard work to achieve. There are untold hours, and days dedicated by the participants to attain a level of achievement and accomplishment in their chosen sport with their animal partners. These partners are the product of much training, practice, love and care (and usually a few vet bills, travel, entry fees & so much more)



**CSHA President
Jim Hendrickson**

Good luck to all the participants.

On a serious note, PLEASE stay informed about the outbreaks of various equine diseases. The CDFA link is our website (scroll down the front page) for locations/ counties of outbreaks and updates. At this date we in a "caution" status. So be mind-full of the health of your horse while attending events. If there are any changes for shows the cdfa will issue information.

The 81st Annual CSHA Convention is November 10-12 and is taking place at Hotel Mission De Oro in Santa Nella. For those that may not have been there in a few years you will be amazed at the transformation of the rooms, gardens & restaurant. It is a very comfortable location. See you there.

Jim Hendrickson

Parades are hard work, but they are so important in exposing the public to horses and our equestrian world. Our CSHA Parade Program does a fantastic job representing us all!

Merced County Sheriff Posse



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California State Horsemen's Association, Incorporated

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81st Annual Convention

November 10-12, 2023

Hotel Mission De Oro -13070 CA Hwy 33

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(detailed schedules to follow)

Friday: Finance Meeting-Committee Meetings

Board of Directors

Saturday: Council of Members– State Officer Elections

Sunday Morning: 2024 Board of Directors Meeting



DRILL TEAM—STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS & CA CUP

After our State Championships were postponed in May, due to all of our wet weather, we warmed it up in June with Horse Expo. We decided to really heat it up to end our Drill Team season with a Twofer (two events in one weekend). And yes, it was Hot & Humid!!! We ran both our State Championships & the CA Cup August 5 & 6th. For the first time we had a competition at the Rolling Hills Casino & Equestrian Center in Corning, yes, there are even slot machines outside of the arena! It is certainly a long haul up from Southern CA but we arrived Thursday night just in time for the Dierks Bentley concert at the Casino concert venue next door to the equestrian center which we could hear loud and clear. Terry and his staff at Rolling Hills are incredible to work with, our every need was attended to promptly and it is an incredibly clean and well kept facility.

Friday night, five of our judges came in for our Judges Symposium. Alice Lawellin, Sara Curtis, Jonda Brooks-Lucido, Tracey Ramirez and Tracee Walker were all in attendance. Unfortunately, Blue Shadows was not able to bring a team to the competition but it worked out because we needed Blue Shadow Judges Tracey & Tracee as judges. Kris Hahn prepared the symposium but was unable to attend along with Patti Souza and Bob Lorbeer. We discussed interpretation of several rules and if we need to make changes to any of them. This symposium was originally scheduled for May when we would have had time to submit resolutions for this years consideration, now we will submit changes for next year. Thank you to Blue Shadows for also sending up some of your officers to help scribe, your support is appreciated. Thank you to Ken, Candy, Lillie & Diesirae for your all of your hard work as well. Laura Adcock of Laura Adcock Photography took hundred of fantastic photos.

Teams arrived Friday and then Saturday we kicked off with the State Championships. We had 9 incredible teams, our 2 Novice teams, Spurs N Lace & Sacramento Sheriff 911, could have easily competed in the upper divisions. Our 2 Quad teams were amazing, Flying Arrows, our only new team, really impressed everyone, while Cavallo Cowgirls continued their winning ways. Competition was tight, the difference between our Novice teams was only 1.5 points. The difference between 2nd & 3rd place in the Mixed division, (Flying Arrows and Cool Country) and the separation between All Around Reserve Champion and All Around 3rd were both just 2/10th's of a point! You don't come closer than that.

Firestorm led by long time team member and first year coach Chris Reed, made their long trip down from Washington count, sweeping Grand Champion titles both days with magnificent rides. Firestorm even brought swag bags filled with everything purple for everyone at the competition, thank you and we loved having you once again!



ROBERT LORBEER TROPHY

Trinity Wexelman inspired us all. Just a year ago she experienced an accident that almost took her life and left her missing her lower left arm. She may not have carried a flag but she blew the whistle and oh yes, she stood up on her horse while the rest of the team raced around her and raised that left arm in triumph! You go girl!



DRILL TEAM— continued

Sunday we did it all again with The CA Cup, our first CA Cup since 2019 in Los Angeles. There are no age divisions for the Cup, just Elite, Quads, and Novice. The Sacramento Sheriff 911 showed excellence in spacing and alignment to take 1st in Novice with Spurs N' Lace pulling off a nice compulsory drill to take 2nd. The Quad Cup was taken home again by Cavallo Cowgirls with 2nd place Quads be awarded to the Flying Arrows in their first competition. The Elite Division was stiff competition. Firestorm opened the door with a falter in their short program but came back with a powerful long program to finish at the top. California Cowgirls turned in two rock solid performances to take home the Reserve Champion Cup.

With two competitions of awards to give out, everyone went out with their hands full. Congratulations to all of the teams for a spectacular event at a new facility! It dawned on me when we arrived and I saw the Tribal flag hanging on the wall to the right of the American flag, which looked very unusual, that we were on Tribal land, and in a sovereign nation, that this was our first international competition!



Drill takes serious focus by both horse & rider



Spurs 'N Lace in their patriotic shirts displaying their awards from the Novice division



Cavallo Cowgirls was our only Junior team in Corning but they performed like the champions they are. Some of the team has been together for many years but now they are quickly, too quickly growing up and moving off to college. If you know of any junior riders in the Tracy/ Livermore area that would like to try drill they are recruiting for next year's team.



Flying Fillies Suicide Charge



Cool Country Drill Team moved up from Novice division at Expo to compete in the Mixed & Elite Division

Sacramento Sheriff's Posse 911 Sweeps around the arena in one of their Novice Division rides as they work through a successful rebuilding year.





**Firestorm rocking
The wheel**



**Alice Lawellin &
Candy Graham**

2023 STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS & THE CALIFORNIA CUP RESULTS

Saturday

The 2023 California State Championships

Overall
Grand Champions- Firestorm
Reserve Champions - The Flying Fillies
Robert Lorbeer Trophy - Trinity Wexelman

Senior Division
Champions-Firestorm
Reserve Champions-California Cowgirls

Mixed Division
Champions-Flying Fillies
Reserve Champions-Flying Arrows
3rd - Cool Country

Quad Division
Champions-Cavallo Cowgirls
Reserve Champions-Flying Arrows Quad

Novice Division
1st Place - Sacramento Sheriff's 911
2nd Place - Spurs N' Lace

Sunday

The California Cup

Elite Cup
Champions-Firestorm
Reserve Champions-California Cowgirls
3rd - Flying Fillies
4th - Cool Country
5th - Flying Arrows

Quad Cup
Champions-Cavallo Cowgirls
Reserve Champions-Flying Arrows Quad

Novice Cup
1st Place - Sacramento Sheriff's 911
2nd Place - Spurs N' Lace

Season Highpoint Buckles - Expo, State, & CA Cup
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THE EQUESTRIAN CENTER AT ROLLING HILLS CASINO



**Flying Fillies always win
the biggest Smile award!**

The **California Cowgirls** took home the season highpoint buckles with their combined scores from Horse Expo, The State Championships and The CA Cup.



REGION 14

Region 14 Riders Compete in their Annual 2-day Custom Awards Gymkhana--“Kick the Dust Up”



Region 14 had their annual custom awards 2-day gymkhana. This year's theme, “Kick the Dust Up” was well attended. Fifty-nine riders, ten events, and two days later, some lucky riders came home with either a beautiful Custom Bronc halter made by Tarryn Mendoza of Pretty Punchy Leather or a Custom set of stirrups exclusively designed by Giddy Up Horseshoes. The first day of the competition also had a group of young riders, competing in the Leadline and Graduate classes. Riders as young as 3yrs old took control of their horses to show off their horsemanship skills and win some nice awards too.



REGION 14—TRAIL TRIALS

REGION 14 Trail Trial-Wildwood Canyon State Park, July 8, 2023

Region 14 hosted their Wildwood Canyon Trail Trial on July 8 with 34 competitors and several companion riders. The ride was held over a 5.6-mile course, with 13 obstacles scattered over a variety of terrain consisting of dirt roads to riding atop mountain ridges over gently rolling hills, then through a forested canyon concluding in an oak covered staging area. Laura Cox, Trail Trial Chairman, revived Region 14's Trail Trial program with the assistance of Region 11. She put in many hours and her hard work showed with all the riders enjoying a mild sunny day in Yucaipa, located in the foothills of the San Bernardino mountains.

Riders were as young as 8yrs old ranging into their later 70's, with horses of every size and color. Awards were given 1st through 3rd in each Division and age category. Our junior category was further divided (12 & under and 13-17 yrs) to encourage our youngest riders to participate.

Junior winners were:

Novice 12 & under

- 1. Layla Johns 50pts
- 2. Easton Monugian 52pts

Novice 13-17 yrs

- 1. Sarah Boctor 53pts
- 2. Katey Buck 71pts
- 3. Ava Hata 84pts

Novice 18-59

- 1. Karen Kleveno 14pts
- 2. Lillian Adams 22 pts
- 3. Amanda Dalke 34

Novice 60+

- 1. Kendra Hartsell 11 pts
- 2. Carri Gunn 13 pts
- 3. Melinda Smith 14pts

Intermediate 18-59

- 1. Kim Parham 9pts
- 2. Georgia Allen 13pts
- 3. Leighton Armitage 25pts

Intermediate 60+

- 1. Ward Thompson 14pts
- 2. Susan Crotty 26pts
- 3. Patti Palmer 27pts

Advanced 60+

- 1. Jean Chadsey 6pts
- 2. Audrey Turpin 25pts
- 3. Jan Timblin 27pts

OVERALL Low Point Winner

Jean Chadsey riding Buster Brown 6pts



REGION 14—TRAIL TRIALS



PARADE

Several of our parade program members enjoyed the July 22nd - 23rd weekend at the California Rodeo Salinas. This year the Cowboys Channel's special feature, 100 rodeos in 100 days, showcase the entire grand entry on the track that concludes the five mile all equestrian parade through Salinas to the rodeo grounds. Laurette Locke, Candy Graham, and the Merced County Sheriff's Posse look spectacular representing CSHA on national television. The Merced Posse then traveled to Santa Barbara the first weekend of August for the historic Fiesta Days Parade.

Our state championship post city was selected by our members at the July quarterly. The parade will be held June 1st, 2024 in conjunction with the Patterson Apricot Fiesta. After the parade our 2023 perpetual and year-end awards will be presented.

There are still seven sanctioned parades remaining to qualify before our end of year awards. Will you welcome riders of all ages to join us in sharing our horses in cities and towns across California. The classes we offer range from mini to horse drawn hitches. We have lead line, plain to fancy attire, pairs, color guards, groups and posse classes. Please contact chair candy Graham to learn more about our friendly program that is seen by so many viewers in cities and towns across California.



Charlie Alamo riding Buck in Sutter Creek 2023.
Ladies Side Saddle.



Candy Graham
Bishop Mule Days Fancy Western 1st place



Noelani Valdez, a member of the Quadrille Queens,
riding Party Animal in Sutter Creek 2023.

PARADE



Laurette Locke & Candy Graham
California Rodeo Salinas



Merced County Sheriff's Posse
Santa Barbara Fiesta Days Parade



REGION 18—ROYALTY



Before they became Region 18 Royalty they had to test.

**Aubrey Garcia
Kaiya Trujillo
Brielle Basinger
Syriana Jones**



REGION 18—ROYALTY

Announcing our new region 18 royalty.
Congratulations to all of you!

Miss CSHA -Syriana Jones
1st princess -Brielle Basinger
Jr Miss CSHA -Kaiya Trujillo
Little Miss CSHA- Aubrey Garcia



ROYALTY—Region 18



1st princess -Brielle Basinger



Little Miss CSHA - Aubrey Garcia



Region 18 Gymkhana

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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.

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LOOKING AHEAD

STATE MEETING CALENDAR

**Quarterly Meetings
January 27-28**

April 22nd

July 22nd

**State Convention
November 10-12**

**Location:
Hotel Mission De
Oro, Santa Nella**

2023 EVENT CALENDAR

September

3rd—Newman Fall Festival Parade contact—
Brandon 209-803-3438

23rd-24th—Trail Trial State Championships
Stone Cellar Qualifiers only.

30th—Madera Old Timer's Parade Contact—
Nick 559-474-9901

October

10-15th—Gymkhana State Championships
Santa Cruz Fairgrounds, Watsonville. Quali-
fiers only.

21st-22nd—Obstacle Challenge State Cham-
pionship Running I Ranch, Dunnigan

26th-29th—State Championships for English/
Western, Royalty, & Horsemastership.
Brookside Equestrian Center Elk Grove

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