

The EVENTER

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SEPTEMBER PLAY DAY is coming up on Sunday 15th. Come on down and see what your horse can do, bring your friends too.

We are setting up on Saturday morning if you would like to help and if you would like to be a judge on Sunday contact Tim Alton newsletter@smhorse.org

Ever thought about trailer maintenance? You probably should.

Gary Luke will give a talk on the subject at our September 13th general meeting.

You may be hearing about the need for a Class A License if:

- 1) you pull a trailer with a Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR) of 10,001# by itself. This includes bumper pulls, goosenecks, living quarters
- 2) you pull any truck and trailer (of any type) combination over 26,001# That's truck PLUS trailer
- 3) you pull a fifth wheel RV over 15,000#

If you're like me, have a rig that fits the description above, you've probably been putting your head in the sand! This is real and California has gotten very serious about enforcing the law. Like it or not, we need to get our heads out of the sand.

Check your trailer--not the weight of the trailer but the rating for the trailer. For example, my LQ weighs 8,400# but has a rating for 15,210#.

I am hosting Julie & Jim Woods for a California Class A Licensing Certification Class. The tentative date is September 18th or 23rd, 5:30 or 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. They charge \$300 for the class; which includes after the class driving practice and on-site DMV day-of-exam assistance. They'll provide assistance until you pass the DMV driving exam. An additional \$100 due when you have your license. I've taken the class and now have a Class A CDL. It's worth 3x what they are charging!!

If you are interested in this class please contact me at sleeker@garlic.com.

Jan Jeffers

Jan will speaking on this topic at the September meeting

2019 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL:

Don't forget – to be eligible for the year end drawing -- you must be a current member at the time of an event and present at the December meeting. **Please complete your application ASAP**
Send your membership application(s) and dues to: SMHA, P.O. Box 275, San Martin, CA 95046

MAME STAYS & EVENTS MONTHLY CALENDAR

Sep 13th	General Meeting San Martin Lions Club 7pm Trailer Maintenance Presentation Class A license talk. Pizza!
Sep 15th	Play Day Big Fun for you and your horse. Volunteer opportunity

See page 4

TAKE NOTE:

. IDEAS FOR A GENERAL MEETING? Let the board know what you'd like to do

Board Meeting Minutes July 17th 2019

Present: : Tim Alton, Kitty Swindle, Chere Bargar, Bev VanderWeide, Karen Luke, and Pat Scharfe
Meeting called to order at 7:10 p.m.

Finances: Balances for July 31 are not available at this time.

Clinic: The clinic with Sandi Parker is still on as of this date. Carol Abel will be out of town so will not be able to attend which leaves just 3 participants. Chere will contact Sandi to see if she wishes to proceed with the three attendees or cancel.

Jack Brook: All reports are that Jack Brook was awesome! Look for pictures in next issue of The Eventer.

Play Day: Scheduled date is September 15, Sunday. Karen Topping said her kids do not want to compete. They would like to practice on obstacles Saturday and stay overnight. Kids would renew their SMHA membership. Sunday competition will begin with practice 9am-11am and competition to begin at 11:30am.

Obstacles were discussed and chosen. Hot dogs, chips, cookie and lemonade will be provided at a cost of \$5 (Kitty and Pat to set up).

Chere will talk with Karen Topping about obstacles and see if she would like to add any. Chere will also check with her about a gift certificate for the Blomquists.

Class A License: Jan Jeffers sent an email to Chere regarding the need for a Class A license in the State of California. The State is saying, if you pull a trailer with a gross vehicle weight rating of greater than 26,001lbs, you are required to have a Class A license. Jan is hosting Julie and Jim Woods for a licensing certification class in September. The fee is \$300.

Chere will contact Jan to see if she is available to talk regarding this issue at our September 13 general meeting.

General Meetings: Speaker for the September meeting is Gary Luke. He will discuss trailer maintenance.

Membership: Elaine is working on membership list.

Next scheduled meetings:

September 13 - General Meeting (Horse Trailer Maintenance)

September 18 – Board Meeting

October 11 - Horse Nutrition?

October 16 – Board Meeting

Meeting adjourned at 9:00pm

SEWING VOLUNTEER NEEDED:

New 4th of July outfits - more bling!

We need someone with a surger sewing machine who would be willing and able to make about 10 vests between now and next May. We want to use a stretchy blingy fabric and a regular sewing machine won't do it. Please contact Chere or Pat.

Jack Brook Camping Trip 2019

Photos: Bev, Kathy, Tim





San Martin Horseman's Play Day Ranch Trail Competition

Sunday September 15th 2018

**Registration starts at 8:00am
Practice the course from 9:00 – 11:00**

Competition starts at 11:30am

**\$40 – member, \$45 – non-member
\$25 age 15 & under
\$5 Discount for early registration**

Divisions:

Division 1: age 15 & under
Division 2: age 16 & over

Judging

Points for Horsemanship, Safety and a calm horse

Prizes in each division

Come join us for a day of fun on horseback.
The event will be held at the Bloomquist Arena:
8885 Guibal Ave. Gilroy.

Directions: Take New Ave. to Roop Road and go west on Roop. Then go straight, do not turn on Guibal, and you will pull all the way to the back of the property, where there is plenty of parking.

**See forms in Sept. newsletter and at
www.smhorse.org**

Obstacles may include:

Walk Over
Bridge
Rope Gate
Slicker
Tire Maze
Reverse Z Turn
Tarp
Mount
Under Easy
Sit & Stay
Around the World

PLUS SOME SURPRISES

For your convenience
food will be available.
Just \$5
gets you a hot dog,
chips, cookie, &
lemonade.

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Play Day: Ranch Trail Competition Sep 15th, 2019

Registration Form

Name		Phone	
Address			e-mail
City	State	Zip	

Check One:

	CURRENT SMHA Member (take your discount below)
	Not a SMHA member

*** Sign Release of Liability on back*

****Parent must sign for minors (under 18)*

CLASS	
Novice	
Open	

Adult (16 & older)	\$45	
Or Junior (15 & under)	\$25	
CA Drug Fee	\$5	
SMHA Member	-\$5	
Pre-registration (postmarked by Sept 9th)	-\$5	
Total amount Enclosed		

Registration: begins @ 8:00 am
Practice Obstacles 9:00 am – 11:00 pm
Competition starts 11:30 pm
Prizes following Competition!!

Minors must be with a responsible adult at the event
 Minors may not ride stallions
 Novice cannot have placed in open competition

Directions to Blomquist Arena

Take New Ave. to Roop Road and go west on Roop. Then go straight, do not turn on Guibal, and you will pull all the way to the back of the property, where there is plenty of parking

Mail registration & signed release forms to:

SMHA
 P.O. Box 275
 San Martin, CA 95046

Pre-registration not required, but to receive the discount forms must be postmarked by Sept 9th
No Rain Date please ensure your contact information is correct, email preferred.
No refund after 9/12 medical exceptions only.
For cancellations call Tim Alton 408 623 1845

EVENT RELEASE OF LIABILITY HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

Participant (print name): _____

Event: SMHA PLAYDAY _____ Date SEPT 14-15 2019 _____

I acknowledge that horseback riding is a sport that carries inherent risks of injury and damage to myself, my horse and property. I knowingly assume all risks, whether known or unknown, of horseback riding. I hereby release **SAN MARTIN HORSEMEN'S ASSOCIATION** hereinafter referred to as "SMHA" and the **TRUST OF JAMES BLOMQUIST AND PATRICIA VAN GUILDER** hereinafter referred to as "BLOMQUIST RANCH" from all liability for any act of negligence or want of ordinary care on the part of SMHA, BLOMQUIST RANCH, or any of its agents.

In consideration of my participation in events or activities organized or sponsored by SMHA, I waive, release and discharge SMHA, BLOMQUIST RANCH and their directors, officers, agents and members, their representatives, heirs, executors and all other persons and organization in any way connected with the SMHA or BLOMQUIST RANCH events from any and all claims of liability for injury or damage to myself, my animals or my property arising out of my participation.

This agreement is binding upon my executors, heirs and assigns.

I expressly waive any rights I may have under California Civil Code 1542, which states "A general release does not extend to claims which the creditor does not know or suspect to exist in his favor at the time of executing the release, which if known by him might have materially affected his settlement with the debtor."

I agree that I will indemnify and hold harmless SMHA, BLOMQUIST RANCH and their officers, directors, members and agents against all claims, demand, and cause of action, including court costs and actual attorney fees, arising from any proceeding or lawsuits brought by or prosecuted for my benefit, in which this release is upheld.

SMHA and BLOMQUIST RANCH, its agents or employees shall not be liable for any damage which may accrue from any cause or as a result of fire, theft, mining away, state of health, injury to person, horse or property.

I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND KNOW AND UNDERSTAND ITS CONTENTS. (each participant MUST SIGN this part)

Signature / Date _____

Signature / Date _____

*****Parent or Legal Guardian must complete the following section*** *Minors do not sign on below line***

I, the undersigned parent or guardian of the above minors in consideration of my minor's participation in San Martin Horsemen's Association activities, agree that the terms and conditions of this Release of Liability shall be binding as to damage or injury to my minor, his/her animals, and property arising out of his/her participation in events. We further warrant that we have health and accident insurance on said minor(s).

I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND KNOW AND UNDERSTAND ITS CONTENTS.

Parent/Guardian / Date _____

Mane Stays & Events 2019 CALENDAR

<p>September</p> <p>13 General Meeting</p> <p>15 PLAY DAY</p> <p>18 Board Meeting</p>	<p>October</p> <p>11 General Meeting</p> <p>16 Board Meeting</p> <p>26 POKER RIDE</p>
<p>November</p> <p>8 General Meeting</p> <p>20 Board Meeting</p>	<p>December</p> <p>13 HOLIDAY PARTY, General Meeting No Board Meeting</p>

San Martin Horsemen's Association Executive Board and Committee Chairpersons

President	SMHA NEEDS YOU		Secretary	Pat Scharfe	408.776.1621
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Trails Development Co-chair	Kitty Swindle	408.842.6215	Jack Brook Camp Chair	-	

WHO WANTS TO GO?		Not SMHA official events, just get together, contact the idea person listed below to express your interest
Horse Camping Not August because that is Jack Brook	Point Reyes, Joseph D. Grant , Lake San Antonio	Chere likes horse camping

Mane Stays

THINGS OF INTEREST/SUPPORT:

The **Teri Davis Patane Memorial Horse Camp for Kids** (TDP Horse Camp).

.Letter Received by SMHA:

On behalf of the kids that participate in the Teri Davis Patane Horse Camp for Kids. We would like to express a huge thank you for your donation. It is greatly appreciated! The camp is operated totally by volunteers and is funded by individual donations.



100% of all donations go toward camp expenses. Continued support such as yours is what makes the camp possible. The kids attending the camp get to experience an activity that they would otherwise not have the opportunity in which to participate. They have a terrific time. Again Thank you! Thank you!

<http://tdphorsecamp.org/>
Lon Davis, speaking at the May General Meeting



Sandy Webster gave us a tremendously informative talk at our May meeting. DreamPower has many volunteer opportunities and training sessions. New Volunteer Orientation: June 18th and 23rd 1:30p-3:00pm
Also July and August.
Volunteer Training: July 23rd, 27th, 2 hours in the afternoon

<http://www.dreampowerhorsemanship.com/>

WATER TROUGH/Club Classifieds

Animal and Plant Sitting: Reliable Care for your plants and animals while you are away. 30 years' experience you can rely on! Call Chere at 408-683-2247

BIG HORN saddle for sale \$2,000 obo. Call Bev 408 778-0034 leave message. Other saddles also available.

WANTED: I'm an experienced rider who is interested in either leasing or "joining" someone with multiple horses who wants a riding partner. I've owned & leased horses before and am looking for a new adventure. I'm looking for a sweet, healthy horse with a good disposition as well as the camaraderie of riding with someone. I'm interested in trail riding so I'd like to find someone who

trailers to Calero, Casa Loma, Henry Coe or any trail system, who would like a riding partner. If anyone in our club knows of a situation that might work, please give me a call. Michele Hiatt (408-506-9619)

FOR SALE: ton's-o-tack, western/english bridles, bits, draw-reins, stirrups, pads, sheepskin pads, stirrups, make a time to come shop! 408 888 8703

Help Wanted, after school, Gilroy please call Kitty and leave a message: 408 842 6215

Classified ads for members are always FREE! Ad space for business services (member or not) as follows: 1/4 Page: \$15, 1/2 Page: \$25, Full Page: \$50, Business Card Ad: \$20/4 Months. Classified ads run on a space available basis. Non-members call 408-848-3728 for more information. **Newsletter Deadlines:** Five days after Board Meeting or the 20th of the month. Please send articles, classified ads, pictures and stories to: newsletter@smhorse.org

CHITTY BLOG

San Vicente Redwoods

We are sending a letter to the California Coastal Commission in support of the trails proposal from Land Trust of Santa Cruz County

<https://www.landtrustsantacruz.org/stand-up-for-trails/>

COYOTE CANYON NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT PLAN & INTERIM ACCESS PLAN

The County of Santa Clara, Parks and Recreation (Department) is recirculating the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the Coyote Canyon Natural Resources Management Plan & Interim Access Plan (Proposed Project). The IS/MND for the Proposed Project was previously circulated for a 30-day public review period beginning April 30, 2019 and ending May 30, 2019 and was submitted to the California State Clearinghouse (SCH# 2019059009). During the public review period, the San Francisco Regional Water Quality Board submitted a comment that identified additional potential permitting requirements for portions of trails that may occur in waters of the United States which fall within the jurisdiction of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE).

Although the Department is not obligated to do so, it opted to recirculate a Draft Revised IS/MND for the Proposed Project for a 30-day public review period beginning on August 13, 2019 and ending September 13, 2019 to ensure that USACE has a full opportunity to comment on aspects of the Proposed Project that may implicate waters within USACE's jurisdiction. Any person, agency, or entity may comment during this additional 30-day public review period.

The Draft Revised Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration and reference documents are available in electronic format on the Department's website at: <http://www.parkhere.org/coyotecanyonceqa>.



Photos: Bev, Tim





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