



# The *EVENTER* December 2021

## San Martin Horsemen's Association



Serving Our Community & Promoting Horses & Horsemanship

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### Happy December!

We had planned to have our end of year Holiday Party on Friday December 10<sup>th</sup>, but sadly those plans became unraveled

There will **NOT** be a Holiday Party this year.

Our next meeting will be in 2022 on Friday Jan 21<sup>st</sup> at 7pm and it will feature our popular **Soup & Chilli Cook Off**. Dust off your favorite recipe between now and then. Note this is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month, not the 2<sup>nd</sup> as it was in previous years.

There will be a group **Christmas Ride** in Harvey Bear Park. See page 4

### Membership for 2022

Please think about renewing your membership for 2022 as soon as you can. The form is [here](#). Our membership fees remain unchanged at \$30 per individual and \$40 per family. This year we have raised the premium for non-members at our events to \$10 so the break even point is even lower than before.

We are looking forward to putting on more events in 2022 and even have some in person general meetings where we can get together and enjoy some good old-fashioned social interaction.

Your membership also provides stability to the club and is a vote to say that SMHA and its activities are important to you and your family. Thank you to those of you already signed up for 2022.

### HoofPicsInParks

November was the last month to complete this fun challenge see page 6 for more details. It ended with a flurry of reflective 'art shots' using the windows of the cabin at Willson Camp in Henry Coe S.P. Don't forget to send in suggestions for next year's challenge.

Prize ceremony will take place at the January meeting.

**SAN MARTIN HORSEMEN'S ASSOCIATION  
Board Meeting November 17, 2021 (Zoom Meeting)**

**Present:** Chere Bargar, Toni Whedon, Tim Alton, Kitty Swindle and Pat Scharfe

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm

**Holiday Party:**

Chere will check with the Lions Club to insure we have use of their building December 10.

Items: - Pin the tail on the Horse. X on horse; award for closest pin,

Toni has blindfold (white towel).

Pics in Park award

Centerpiece award

Line Dancing

Music

Food: - Kitty will cook turkey and gravy; Pat will cook a ham if needed.

-Alphabet potluck      A – G potatoes/stuffing  
  H – M veggies/salad  
  N – Z desert/side

dishes

-Kitty will bring a supply of coke, diet coke and water. Karen will make hot apple cider. Participants may also bring their own drinks.

Awards/Decorations: Chere has a small tree she can bring. She will also check the barn for awards and decorations. We should plan to decorate on the 10th – time to be determined later.

Other - We will have a short business meeting. We should also solicit suggestions for which parks are nice to ride in.

**Bear Park Chorale:**

Suggestion was made to meet at Bear on 12/18 or 12/19 (10am) with horses decorated to ride and sing/entertain hikers and bikers.

**Phone Tree:**

Chere, Toni, Kitty and Pat will each take a page of our membership listing to determine who is coming and what they are bringing. Also, we should make them aware of the various clinics during the past year.

**Upcoming Meetings:**

December 10 – Holiday Party

January 14 – General Meeting (changed to 1/21)

January 19 – Board Meeting

Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm

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**DON'T MISS THIS ALMOST ANNUAL EVENT. WE WILL BE ENJOYING GOOD COMPANY, GOOD FOOD, FUN AND GAMES, PRIZES, & DANCING**

**Holiday Food Drive: Please bring non-perishable food items.**



**DECEMBER 10th, 2021 7:00 PM  
SAN MARTIN LIONS CLUB  
12415 MURPHY AVE.,  
SAN MARTIN, CA**



**SORRY**  
**CANCELLED**

The club will furnish the turkey and gravy.  
Please bring your own table service and drinks to share.

**A-G** Potatoes, stuffing, gravy  
**H-M** Veggies, salad  
**N-Z** Desert, side

*Please let us know if you plan to attend so we can get the catering sized correctly.*



# HOOF PICS IN PARKS Willson Camp Edition



Some good compositions here. Looks like folks put a lot of effort into getting things lined up for capturing pictures of their horses both directly and reflected in the cabin windows. Kudos to Carolyn and Susan at the bottom of the page.

Carolyn almost disappeared in the reflection.

And to the right we can see Thelma making all the windows disappear.



# Mane Stays & Events

## San Martin Horsemen's Association Executive Board and Committee Chairpersons

<b>President</b>	Chere Bargar	408.683.2247		Secretary	Pat Scharfe	408.776.1621
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## Board Elections

The results of the November elections are in and the proposed slate officers was accepted.

Our elected officers are:

**President:** Chere Bargar  
**Vice-President:** Toni Whedon  
**Treasurer:** Karen Luke

**Secretary:** Pat Scharfe

The Poker Ride Chair position is open. This involves contacting the county to reserve the venue. Contacting local vendors for prize sponsorship. Publicity; fliers and getting the word out. Wrangling volunteers for the event and since it's a Halloween Poker Ride, you have to be comfortable doing all this in a ridiculous costume.



### **Christmas in the Park**

**Dec 18<sup>th</sup> 11am**

***Harvey Bear Ranch County Park  
San Martin Entrance***

Come and join Noreen Nemece for a Christmas Ride in Harvey Bear Park. Horses and riders may be decorated appropriately.

Here are Noreen and Dolly and Kathy Madlem and Thelma one of her Clydesdales from last year's ride

Be ready to ride out at 11am



# Mane Stays

## THINGS OF INTEREST/SUPPORT:

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### **Sally Riser SMHA Lifetime Member**

We have heard from Sally Ryser's daughter that Sally had passed away on November 24. Sally was a lifetime

member who was an active participant in SMHA for many years. She enjoyed Dressage, trail riding, helped out with our NATRC rides and with quadrille.

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## 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

If interested or want to come see, please call Diana at 831-801-8215

**FOR SALE:** Three English Saddles for sale from DreamPower Horsemanship donations.

First two shown are unknown maker; first measures 18 inch seat and the 2nd measures 17 ½ inch seat. All three without fittings. The Third saddle is a Corbette (The Combination) 17 ½ in. seat. Price on the first two is \$50. The Corbette saddle made in Switzerland price is \$75.



**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](mailto:newsletter@smhorse.org)

## CHITTY BLOG

### **There's Green in them Hills!**

Wow that was a soaker, more than 2 inches of rain in one weekend! The rain brings green grass and temporary trail closures in the county parks.

Please be a good trail user and don't ride when the trails are closed due to poor conditions. You can call **(408) 355-2200** (& press 4) before you leave home to avoid a wasted journey.

If you head over to Henry



Coe S.P., which never closes, the voluntary wet weather trail code there is to stay on the wide ranch roads and avoid the single track trails, for 48 hours after rain

I was out in Harvey Bear today and one rogue steer on the single track Calveras trail, through the woods on the east side, managed to make a right mess of things. But when the whole herd joined them it was a bumpy ride with nowhere to go. OK I was on a bicycle and too much air in the tires. – Tim Alton



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