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San Martin Horsemen's Association

Serving Our Community & Promoting Horses & Horsemanship

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Happy May!

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday May 25th at 7pm at San Martin Lions Club.

San Martin Lions Club 12415 Murphy Ave, San Martin, CA 95046

Calendar change the Play Day has moved from Sunday to Saturday 5/14

Our next big thing is the Play Day. See pages 5-7. Drop a flier off at your local feed store and boarding stable, tell your friends. Send in your entry for an early bird discount. We are going to be missing a couple of our usual judges so if you would like to volunteer that would be great.

We also hope to see you the May 15th ride in Henry Coe State Park.

Membership for 2022

Please think about renewing your membership for 2022 as soon as you can. The form is here and on page 3. 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.

Check out all our events in our 2022 calendar on page 5 . We 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. Our membership is based on the calendar year so there is no point to waiting. Fill out the application and send it today!

Thank you to those of you already signed up for 2022.

SAN MARTIN HORSEMEN'S ASSOCIATION
Board Meeting April 20 2022 (Zoom Meeting)

Present: Chere Bargar, Toni Whedon, Tim Alton, Bev VanderWeide, Kitty Swindle and Pat Scharfe
Meeting called to order at 7:00pm

Finances: Karen filed tax return on Sunday.

Play Day: Chere and Toni will not be able to participate in clinic. They will give any items they have to Bev (including P.O. Box key) or leave them at Blomquist's prior to clinic.
We are in need of volunteers and judges. Kitty will call members who signed up to help at events to see if they are available.
The Ca Drug Fee has been increased to $8. Chere will call the agency to see if the increase applies to our events.
Bev volunteered to be our announcer as Carol will not be available for this event.
Kitty will oversee food preparation. Pat will handle registration and help Kitty. Tim volunteered to act as Chair for event.

Obstacles and their placement in the arena were discussed. Nineteen obstacles were selected.

General Meeting 4/27: Our next General Meeting will be at the Lions Club at 7pm Discussions will include Play Day, Jack Brook, and the July 4th Parade.

Other: Toni offered to Host Jack Brook in June. Also, she is attending a ride at San Antonio this weekend and will have a table with flyers and sign-up sheets for SMHA events, Jack Brook, and Coit camp.
Tim will check into how we can sign up members and renew memberships on line.

Upcoming Meetings:

General Meeting – 4/27
Henry Coe ride – 5/15
Trail Obstacle Play Day – 5/14
Board Meeting – 5/18
General Meeting – 5/25

Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm

MORGAN HILL 4TH OF JULY PARADE

SMHA has done very well in the past and we want to live up to our reputation. The theme for this year's parade is "HLet freedom Ring". We could have a decorated float, , etc. We also need riders and anyone who has ponies, minis, donkeys, etc. to lead- with or without kids aboard. We have plenty of decorations for all size equines.Participants need to wear dark blue jeans, dark boots, white long sleeve shirt and light color straw hat. We have sparkly hat bands, wrist bands, neck scarfs, saddle pads, and lots of goodies to decorate horse and rider.

If you are not sure how your horse will do in a parade, we strongly suggest that you come to the 2 clinics coming up, May 14 & June 18 to work on parade desensitizing.

- There will also be a walker in the parade for every 2 horses, so there will be someone to help out if a horse gets excited.
- We need the following people:
- riders (at least 10 would be great) Please tell us the size of your horse trailer.
- little equines & their handlers
- horse walkers
- folks to ride on the float
- anyone else who wants to ride on the float
- help decorate the float &/or horses
- someone to make sure everyone signs a release form
- bring donuts, rolls or? , coffee, hot chocolate
- Do you have a truck with an automatic transmission that can pull the float (we have truck decorations too).

Please respond even if you are not entirely sure at this point but are interested.
This is our chance to shine before our local community – let's WOW them!

Mane Stays & Events
2022 CALENDAR

May		**June**	
14	**TRAIL OBSTACLE PLAY DAY**	**5**	**HOW TO HORSE CAMP - CLINIC**
15	**Club Ride – Henry Coe**	**15**	**Board Meeting**
18	**Board Meeting**	**18**	**Parade Desensitization Clinic**
25	**General Meeting**	**22**	**General Meeting**
		24-27	**JACK BROOK CAMP OUT**
July		**August**	
4	**JULY 4th PARADE, MORGAN HILL**	6	**Club Ride - Calero**
10	**Club Ride – Cañada del Oro**	17	Board Meeting
20	Board Meeting	24	General Meeting
27	General Meeting	28	**DESENSITIZATION CLINIC - BIKES**
September		**October**	
21	Board Meeting	15	**TRAILER BACKING - CLINIC**
24	**TRAIL OBSTACLE PLAY DAY**	19	Board Meeting
25	**Club Ride - Top of Mt. Madonna**	21-23	**HOW TO HORSE CAMP OUT**
28	General Meeting	22	**Club Ride – Henry Cowell**
		26	General Meeting
		30	**HALLOWEEN POKER RIDE**
November		**December**	
13	**Club Ride - Mt. Madonna, Sprig Lake**	14	**HOLIDAY PARTY, General Meeting**
16	Board Meeting	17	**Ride & Caroling – Harvey Bear**

San Martin Horsemen's Association Executive Board and Committee Chairpersons

President	Chere Bargar	408.683.2247		Secretary	Pat Scharfe	408.776.1621
Vice President	Toni Whedon 408-656-8975.	Toni.Whedon@cbnorcal.com		Poker Ride Chair	Chere Bargar*	408.683.2247
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Trails Development Co-chair	Kitty Swindle	408.842.6215		Jack Brook Camp Chair	Toni Whedon 408-656-8975.	Toni.Whedon@cbnorcal.com

Due to GoDaddy moving to paid email news@smhorse.org is the only one that works now.

SMHA Open Positions

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. Of course you can recruit others to help get this done. 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

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Trailer Tech Clinic 4/10

Location, location, location

The Crew
Thank you crew chief Gary Luke and volunteers:
Scott and Robbie Cochran
Brady and Ryan Luke
Eric Whedon
Chere Barger
Pat Scharfe

Soon they'll be doing their own bearing buddies.

Instructor and apprentice

Brakes are important too!

Finishing up with lights

S.M.H.A.
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SAN MARTIN HORSEMEN'S ASSOCIATION
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San Martin Horsemen's Play Day

Ranch Trail Competition

Sunday May 15th 2022

Registration starts at 8:00am
Practice the course from 9:00 – 11:00
The practice session is important for you and your horse, whether riding or in-hand. It's almost the best part of the day. Don't miss it!

Competition starts at 11:30am

$40 – member, $50 – non-member
$25 age 15 & under
$5 Discount for early registration

Divisions:
Division 1: age 15 & under, Novice & Open
Division 2: age 16 & over, Novice & Open

Judging
Points for Horsemanship, Safety and a calm horse

Ribbons in each division

Come join us for a day of fun on horseback. The event will be held at the Blomquist 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 at www.smhorse.org

Obstacles to include:

Bridge
Rope Gate
Belly Tickler
Tire Maze
Reverse Z Turn
Push the Barrel
Bottle Pit
Picnic Table
Cowboy Car Wash
Flagger
Around the World
PLUS SOME SURPRISES

For your convenience at lunchtime:
Burger, chips, drink- $6

Rider # _____Office use only

San Martin Horsemen's Association

Play Day: Ranch Trail Competition May 14th, 2022

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)	**$50**	
Or Junior (15 & under)	**$25**	
CA Drug Fee	**$8**	
SMHA Member	**-$10**	
Pre-registration (postmarked by May 7th)	**-$5**	
Total amount Enclosed		

Registration: begins @ 8:00 am
Practice Obstacles9:00 am – 11:00 pm
Competition starts 11:30 pm
Ribbons 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 May 7th
No Rain Date please ensure your contact information is correct, email preferred.
For more information call Tim Alton 408 623 1845
COVID-19:
We are taking covid-19 seriously and will expect participants to follow the same rules enforced in the county parks.

EVENT RELEASE OF LIABILITY HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

Participant (print name):_____

Event: _SMHA PLAYDAY_____ Date __May 14th 2022__

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 acknowledge that Covid-19 is a serious worldwide pandemic and there is a possibility that participants and/or their guests may be exposed to Covid-19. I knowingly assume all risks, whether known or unknown, of possible exposure to Covid-19.
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).

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Parent/Guardian / Date _____

Horse Camping

Jack Brook

Sam McDonald Park, San Mateo County

June 24 through 27, 2022

Choose any or all of these dates

Elite Horse Camping In Your Backyard!

EASY ACCESS, Jack Brook, between the ocean and Silicon Valley

For Your Horse

- Horse corrals, (first-come first-served)
- Tie post, wash rack etc.
- Miles of shady, well-marked, oak and redwood trails
- Perfect terrain for easy or advanced riding
- Ride to the creek
- Wonderful footing

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For You

- Hot showers (5)
- Full bathrooms
- Full kitchen to share
- Shared fridge/freezer/microwave
- Tent campsites
- RV hook-ups, limited, first come first served
- BBQ grills/fire pit - charcoal/ wood

Reservations Required!! Reserve NOW!

Reserved for YOU by SMHA

We fill up fast. First-Come First-Served!

SMHA Special $45.00 a day

-- Saturday night potluck --

Make Your Reservation Today, Bring & Tell your Friends !!

NOT AN SMHA MEMBER? NO PROBLEM!!

JOIN NOW FOR ONLY $30 Indiv, $40 Family and ENJOY great events like this!

RSVP for Reservations & Information news@smhorse.org

A packet-- rules, directions, membership materials if needed, what-to-bring, etc. , sent upon confirmed reservation.

Clubwebsite, http://www.SMHORSE.org * Campwebsite: http://www.eparks.net

ADVANCED RESERVATIONS REQUIRED!!!!!!
POSTMARKED BY June 15th 2022

This is a MEMBERS ONLY event and all participants must be current SMHA members in good standing. If you would like to bring a guest, please submit a membership application and fees; anyone may join the club at any time (memberships forms can be downloaded from the SMHA website www.smhorse.org).

NO DOGS, SMOKING OR BICYCLES ALLOWED per park rules! Corral space limited (first come basis), Potluck on Saturday night - bring a dish to share. For more info email: news@smhorse.org

Member name(s) attending: _____

_____

Name & Age of minors: _____
(All minors must be in the presence of adult supervision at all times)

Address: _____

Home number _____ Cell number _____

E-mail address: _____

Sorry NO REFUNDS without a veterinarian certificate.

$45 fee includes one horse per person.
$10 per night per extra horse

$25 clean-up fee for members who leave trash/manure behind at departure.

Out by noon on Monday 6/27

Indicate how many people for each night	(children under 6 free)		Number of Extra Horses
	Friday	6/24	
	Saturday	6/25	
	Sunday	6/26	

Add up the "people" column		Extra Horses	
and multiply by $25	X **$45**		X $10 per night
People Sub Total	$	Extra Horses sub total	$
Total fees included with this form	**$**		

Please make check payable to: SMHA –
Mail form and check to:. SMHA P.O. Box 275 San Martin, CA 95046
Upon receipt of this form & fees an information packet will be emailed or mailed.
*Corrals and RV hook-ups are first come first served, come early in the week to get the best camp sites & corrals. Primary horse has corral preference over extra horses.

How to Horse Camp

Hosted by the San Martin Horsemen's Association

Experience the fun of horse camping and trail riding

June 5th , 12pm-4pm

LEARN ABOUT:

Horse containment

Camp cooking

And other tips and tricks

Advance registration preferred

$45 entry fee

Where: Blomquist Arena, 8885 Guibal Ave., Gilroy, CA 95020

For more information and to RSVP, contact Karen at kluke@garlic.com or (408) 203-5730

How to Horse Camp June 5th 2022

Registration Form

NAME			Phone
Address			e-mail
City	State	Zip	

Persons	**$45**	
SMHA Member	**-$10**	
	TOTAL	

Fill out the entry and the release form on the next page.

EVENT RELEASE OF LIABILITY HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

Participant (print name):_____

Event: _SMHA How to Horse Camp_____ Date ____6/5/2022__

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Parent/Guardian / Date _____

Mane Stays

THINGS OF INTEREST/SUPPORT:

A Call for Newsletter Articles

Please think about contributing to some of the regular columns I started last year.

Horses of SMHA: a few paragraphs on your favorite steed or even your second favorite. You can tell us your best riding or training tale. Along with some photos this makes for an interesting read for your fellow members. I am using the word steed to be inclusive of all you folks with mules and ponies

Trail Reviews: write up a review of a recent trail ride,include length, elevation, degree of difficulty, shade, mud, water crossings and especially whether you enjoyed it or not. Add some description of the trail, the trailhead location and a photo or two. Other members may have never been before and we all like to go to new places that are recommended by our friends. But it doesn't have to be a positive review a warning to others is very useful too, although some may take it as a challenge!

Email your article, in simple text with pictures attached, to news@smhorse.org, or just let me know if I can put on the list for future editions of the newsletter

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

FOR SALE:
Steel camper stand. $50.00
Two saddle racks. $10. Each
Splint boots. $15
Mechanical hackamore. $20

Call evenings 408-842-6215

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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 408-623-1845 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: **news@smhorse.org**

CHITTY BLOG

COIT CAMP in COE Park

"Coit Camp Outing" May 27-30. The Pine Ridge Association is offering an organized campout in the western interior of Coe Park. Here is your chance to camp and ride or hike some of the remote and less traveled trails out of reach of most day users.

The campout will include equestrians, hikers, and mountain bikers. This year there will also be the option to buy meals but only if you are a member of the Pine Ridge Association or a uniformed volunteer. There are instructions on the application to tell you how to become a member should you want meals and you are not currently a member of the PRA.

Cost: Equestrians with no meals - $25 per night with a two night minimum
Hikers and Mountain Bikers with no meals - $20 per night with a two night minimum

Entry to the park can either be Friday or Saturday morning or Friday afternoon.
Go to https://coepark.net/programs-events/pra-events for more information and an application.

Santa Clara County Parks: Trail Watch Academy Trainings.

The dates for two more Trainings in 2022 – June 11th (9am to 12pm) and November 5th (1pm to 4pm)! Both will take place online via zoom.

You can read all about the program here: https://scc.samaritan.com/custom/502/opp_details/4218 and sign up for the June 11th training date, here: https://scc.samaritan.com/custom/502/opp_details/1806. The November 5th slot will pop up online closer to the date.

HOOF PICS in PARKS Challenge

#hoofpicsinparks

And they're OFF!

Got Flies?

From the US Forest Service via Karen Luke and I assume she has tested out camping in the woods.

1 CUP WATER

1 CUP AVON SKIN SO SOFT BATH OIL

2 CUPS VINEGAR

1 TBS. EUCALYPTUS ESSENTIAL OIL

OPTIONAL: 1 TBS. CITRONELLA ESSENTIAL OIL

MIX UP AND PUT IN A SPRAY BOTTLE. WORKS FOR HORSE, HUMAN AND DOGS.

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