

# Backcountry Horsemen of California



SHASTA - TRINITY  
UNIT



## June 2008 Newsletter



In this issue, don't miss:

**The next general meeting will be June 12<sup>th</sup> @ the Redding Rodeo Grounds.**

**Application for Fish Plant in July**

**Please check the work projects list; team leaders are still needed for any assignments identified as "open"**

Catch us on the Web:  
<http://BCHCShastaTrinity.org>

New State BCHC email:  
<http://bchcalifornia.net>

## President's Message:

As I'm sure all you recognize our Redding summer hot weather has begun with a big bang in the middle of May. That's not the only thing starting to heat up with the summer months just beginning. Volunteer work in the Alp's, partnering with the CCC's and support on the PCT got started. Later on in the summer we'll also be supporting projects in the Lassen Nation Park and 1000 Lakes Wilderness. It's because of your active help and dedication that have allowed the Shasta-Trinity Unit to accomplish so much. It is this dedication, hard work and ability to build relationships person to person with the above agencies through our partnerships that YOU have been recognized by the BCHA. Earlier in the year the BCHA presented the Shasta-Trinity Unit the prestigious BCHA Double Diamond Award for our outstanding volunteer and educational projects. Check out the front page article in the State Newsletter. This is a big honor. I hope that you will all make it to the General Meeting June 12<sup>th</sup> at the Redding Rodeo Grounds. It is an important meeting for a couple of reasons. 1) You can sign-up for one or more of the work projects; 2) Visit with old friends and make some new ones and last; 3) Our meeting is at the Redding Rodeo Ground's club house which is a change from the Pizza place. This is a change you all thought would be a good idea and asked to try. So I really want to see you all there and to let me know if we should continue holding some of our general meeting there. Get out and ride, see you all June 12<sup>th</sup>.

Dave Wiens, President, Shasta-Trinity Unit of BCHC

### General Meeting: June 12<sup>th</sup> @ Redding Rodeo Grounds

**Door opens @ 6:30 pm for friendly gathering, food & chitchat; the meeting will start @ 7:30 pm**

We're having a potluck!! There are great cooks in every BCHC family, so here's a chance to share the bounty. Remember, you're not feeding the entire club, just prepare enough for 8-10 people. With so much food, people will be enjoying a "taste" of everything.

If your last name begins A through F; bring some type of salad

If your last name begins G through L; bring a main dish/casserole

If your last name begins M through R; bring a dessert

If your last name begins S through Z; bring a pitcher of lemonade, a large liter bottle of pepsi, sprite/ 7up, or coke, or iced tea.

If you desire an adult beverage, then bring what you prefer... and share if you feel like it!!

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**Annual Fish Plant Information:**

Once again, Alan & Bev Hill are graciously allowing the BCHC Shasta Trinity unit to use their Trinity property for base camp. This allows unit members and Fish and Game a central location to set up the fingerling dispersal process and relatively easy access to the various lakes we service. Since we are a nonprofit group, we sometimes have to dip into our own pockets to support our projects. The Fish Plant is one of those venues. The fee this year is \$35.00 per person, per day. What the fee covers: porta-potties, hot showers, water for your animals, a water truck to keep the dust down, dinner on Wednesday evening, breakfast, lunch & dinner on Thursday, breakfast & lunch on Friday, a campsite for your rig, animals & you, and of course the awesome views of wildlife seen at the Hill property.

**Planning on Helping Out @ the Annual Fish Plant?  
Fish Plant 2008 will be held July 31<sup>st</sup> & August 1<sup>st</sup>**

If you want to partake in the annual chores and help out with the packing and distribution of the fingerlings up into the Trinity lakes and then return to enjoy the meals provided by our renown outdoor cooking wizards, *please* let Dave Wiens know you are planning to attend. He need \$\$ and reservations by July 26th. The price is \$35.00 per person/per day, or \$70 total per person for both days. Send money & reservations to Dave Wiens @ , CA 96022 Rose & Larry may also be reached via 530-527-8907, if you can help with pre-set-up. **Note: No non-members permitted. To participate in the Trout Plant, you must belong to BCHC-Shasta Trinity.** The fee includes: Dinner on Wednesday night July 30<sup>th</sup>, Thursday breakfast, lunch & dinner; and on Friday: breakfast & lunch.

**Directions to Alan Hill’s Ranch:** Take Highway 3 North toward Trinity Center. Take Norwegian Ranch Road (approximately 2 miles south of Trinity Center – only goes East.) Go to the end of Norwegian Ranch Road and follow the signs. Larry Shuman will put up signs the Tuesday before the annual event. Reminder: your animals will need to know how to hi-line or tie. Portable restrooms and showers will be available. No washing of horses/mules, please. Water is in short supply! Smoking is not permitted!!

**Lake List:** Big Bear, Big Boulder, Little Boulder, Lower Deadfall, Middle Deadfall, Upper Deadfall, Horseshoe, Landers, Ward, McDonald, Stoddard, Union, Foster, Tangle Blue, Diamond, Deer & Summit. At check-in, when you sign up for a lake, the length of each ride will be noted.

**Make checks payable to: BCHC- Shasta-Trinity**

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**RESERVATIONS FOR ANNUAL TROUT PLANT JULY 31<sup>st</sup> & August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2008**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_, CA ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

# IN PARTY \_\_\_\_\_ \$35.00 PER PERSON/PER DAY TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

# OF DAYS TO PARTICIPATE \_\_\_\_\_

# OF RIDING ANIMALS \_\_\_\_\_

# OF PACKING ANIMALS \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE: FEE IS FOR MEMBERS ONLY. NON-MEMBERS WILL HAVE TO JOIN BCHC-SHASTA-TRINITY IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE . SEE LAST PAGE FOR APPLICATION TO JOIN BCHC!!**

## Saddle Supplies

We all have certain basics **ALWAYS** on our saddles, in our horn bags or tucked into our saddle bags. Some items are obvious (hoof pick), but others have migrated into the "required" category due to past experience...extra set of reins, duct tape, leather shoelaces for emergency repairs, etc. At the March Rendezvous this year, Dave Wiens came across the following lists, which he feels we should all take a good look at and consider items that we may not have thought of. Of course, not all items are necessary for all trips, but if you add one item to your saddle and use it this summer, then reading the list is a worthwhile tool!

### Things to have on your horse

Gloves, Canteen or water bottle, Whistle, Sunglasses, Map and/or photo copy, Eyeglasses (If you need them)  
Medicine (prescription & Advil, etc) , Band-aids, Slicker and/or coat, Knife, hat protector, hoof pick, flashlight  
Toilet paper, Chemical light stick , Chap stick, Matches (water/wind proof??) , Camera, Lunch, Stud chain  
Sriacks or food, Signal mirror, Large plastic garbage bag(s), Pliers and wire cutters, Note pad & pen, Bale twine

### Things to take on a trip

Duct tape, Leather punch, Toilet paper, Spare eyeglasses, Twine & rope, first aid kit & vet stuff, 2-way radios  
Meds for me & critters, Cell phone ?? , Note pad & pens, Euthanasia method, Warm clothes & gloves, Scale  
Extra foot wear, Matches kept waterproof, Camp chair, Fire starters---kept dry! II, Extra mantels for lanterns  
Extra tarp & stakes for camp, adequate fuel for stove & lanterns, Tarp to cover saddles & tack, Ground cloth,  
Large tarp(s) for trailhead, Reading material, Flashlight - more than one, Stock grooming equip for trailhead  
Batteries & bulb for flashlight, Stock grooming equip for on trail, Camera batteries, Fly masks, Camp pillow  
Pliers, wire cutter - fencing pliers?, Map(s) - different if possible & copies, hammer, adjustable wrench??  
packing books and/or copies, Axe, hatchet, saw, Extra tack for the "other guy" , emergency contact list  
Rake & shovel (fork???) , Large garbage bags! Extra shoes---sized for each animal...old shoes work great!  
hoof tools--pull a shoe?, Including rasp and nails sized for shoes

### What did I forget?

Food and food: the refrig and freezer, Dry Ice, Permits and paperwork (stock papers too), Breast collar (and crouper or britchen) for riding animal, Hobbies, bells, electric fence, hlg line rope, Blankets for the animals at trailhead  
Small towel for animal, fly spray and/or fly masks, Salt block - small 5 lb or less, feed nose bags if taking grain or pellets, feed & water for animals at trailhead, emergency shoes--..Easy Boot, Twine & rope in the trailer  
Metal O-rings, flashlight(s) for trailhead, Hat rain protector, Long underwear, hat for camp - ie baseball hat  
Footwear for camp, Sun block, Toilet paper, Chap stick, insect repellent, News/weather radio, Cell phone charger  
Nature books, Eating utensils, Paper towels & plates, Phone # of a place at your destination and U5-5 station  
Binoculars, Recreation gear - fishing, photography, Pillow for trailhead, Extra clothes & personals for trailhead.  
Extra sleeping bag for trailhead, Extra camp equipment for trailhead with extra fuel, Water and food for trailhead  
Water filter ??

# The Game Horse

By

**Tony Schwader**

He was tied up to the trailer out behind the stands,  
A blaze-faced sorrel gelding, roughly 15 hands.  
High withers, slightly ewe-necked, back a little swayed,  
White hairs on his muzzle, eyes sunk with age.  
An old warrior with his best years long since gone away,  
Left here baby-sitting at a small-town horse play-day.

Watched over by her parents, a young girl kissed the horse;  
They coached her on the fine points and wished her luck, of course.  
He hardly seemed to notice when the small girl took his lead;  
He followed without balking, but not with any speed.  
She climbed on and walked him round some, he went without a fuss;  
His head was down, the reins were slack, his feet dragged in the dust.

When they called her name his ears pricked up, she sat up in her seat;  
Trotting to the gate, there was a new lightness in his feet.  
When they got into the alley, he flared his nostrils wide,  
Picked up the bit and arched his neck, she latched on for the ride.  
She let him go and as they went the years melted away,  
And he was once again the barrel horse he'd been in younger days.

With eyes on fire and muscles bunched, raw power in his stride,  
Blazing speed and energy wrapped in horse's hide.  
He had chased the cans from old Cheyenne to the Calgary Stampede,  
From Amarillo to Salinas, he had lived the game horse creed:  
'Run to live, live to run,' it was printed in his genes,  
from nose to tail his big heart pumped blue blood through his veins.

Coming through the patter they touched the last can some;  
It was still up on its edge when they were halfway home.  
When she asked him for a little, he gave her all he had;  
The barrel stood, the run was good, and the time was not too bad.  
When she pulls the saddle he's an old horse once again,  
But while he's running barrels, he's all he's ever been.

So here's to that old gamer – may our golden years like his  
Be filled with golden moments and glorious memories.  
Of races run and races won, of places that we've been,  
Of friends we've made along the way and good things we have seen,  
And someone who will need us for what we still can do –  
May our needs be small, our wants be less, and our troubles be but few.

## 2008 Work Projects Shasta Trinity Unit

**Project Coordinator Larry Shuman/526-0590**

**Trinity Alps Alan Hill/221-8531**

**PCT Sam Burrows/547-5975**

**Lassen Park Dave Wiens/547-5191**

**Thousand Lakes/McGhee Peak Wendy Johnston/337-6270**

**Education John Ellery/365-0497**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Work Description</b>	<b>Project Leader/Phone</b>
Feb 23	John Ellery's Barn	Partnership Pack Clinic	John Ellery/365-0497
Feb 29-Mar 2	Shasta District Fair	NorCal Sports Show	Larry Shuman/526-0590
March 8	John Ellery's Barn	Shasta Trinity Pack Clinic	John Ellery/365-0497
May 3	Caldwell Park/Redding	Watershed Festival	Larry Shuman/526-0590
June 18	Thousand Lakes	Pack in CCC Crew for Log out/16 Loads	Wendy Johnston/337-6270
June 21	PCT Section O	Verify Access	Sam Burrows/547-5975
June 22	Trinities/Doe Lake	Pack in CCC Crew/12 loads/5 miles	Alan Hill/221-8531
June 25	Thousand Lakes	Pack out CCC Crew/16 Loads	Wendy Johnston/337-6270
June 27-29	PCT Section O	Log – Lake Britton to Bartle Gap	Sam Burrows/547-5975
June 28	Trinities/Doe	CCC Resupply/4 Loads/5 Miles	Lyle Charter/
July 4	Weaverville	4 <sup>th</sup> of July Parade	Larry Shuman/526-0590
July 4-6	PCT Section O	Log – Bartle Gap to Grizzly Peak	Sam Burrows/547-5975
July 5	Trinities/Doe	CCC Resupply/4 Loads/5 Miles	<b>Open</b>
July 9	Thousand Lakes	Pack in CCC Crew/16 Loads	Wendy Johnston/337-6270
July 12	Trinities/Doe	CCC Resupply/4Loads/5 Miles	Dee Potter/Needs 2 Pack.
July 13-17	PCT Section O	Boys Scout work Project	Sam Burrows/547-5975
July 16	Thousand Lakes	Pack out CCC Crew/16 Loads	Wendy Johnston/337-6270
July 19	Trinities/Doe Lake	CCC Resupply/4 Loads/5 Miles	<b>Open</b>
July 23	Thousand Lakes	CCC S Crew Move in/16 Loads	Wendy Johnston/337-6270
July 26	Trinities/Doe Lake	Pack out CCC Crew/12 Loads/5 miles	Alan Hill/221-8531
July 27	Trinities/Poison Canyon	Pack in CCC Crew /12 loads/3 miles	Alan Hill/221-8531
July 30	Thousand Lakes	Pack in CCC Crew/16 Loads	Wendy Johnston/337-6270
July 31/Aug 1	Trinities/Alan Hills Ranch	Annual Clair A Hill Fish Plant	Larry Shuman/526-0590

August 2	Trinities/Poison Canyon	CCC Resupply/4 Loads	Sam Burrows/547-5975
August 4-7	Trinities/TBA	Annual Partnership Trip	Alan Hill/221-8531
August 6	Thousand Lakes	Pack in CCC Crew/16 Loads	Wendy Johnston/337-6270
August 9	Trinities/Poison Canyon	CCC Resupply/ 4Loads	Sam Burrows/547-5975
August 13	Thousand Lakes	Pack out CCC Crew	Wendy Johnston/337-6270
August 16	Trinities/Poison Canyon	Pack out CCC Crew/12 Loads/3 miles	Alan Hill/221-8531
August 17	Trinities/Stony Ridge	Pack in CCC Crew/12 Loads/4 miles	Alan Hill/221-8531
August 23	Trinities/Stony Ridge	CCC Resupply/4 Loads/4 miles	<b>Open</b>
August 27	Lassen Park/Corral Meadow	Pack in CCC Crew/10 Loads/ 2.5 miles	Dave Weins/547-5191
August 30	Trinities/Stony Ridge	CCC Resupply/4 Loads/4 miles	<b>Open</b>
Sept 3	Lassen Park/Corral Meadow	Pack out CCC Crew/10 Loads/2.5 miles	Dave Weins/547-5191
September 6	Trinities/Stony Ridge	CCC Resupply/4 Loads/4 miles	Larry Shuman/526-0590
Sept 10	Lassen Park/Snag Lake	Pack in CCC Crew/10 Loads/ 3 miles	Dave Weins/547-5191
Sept 12/13	Trinities/Stony Ridge	Pack out CCC Crew/12 Loads/4 miles	Alan Hill/221-8531
Sept 17	Lassen Park/Snag Lake	Pack out CCC Crew/10 Loads/3 miles	Dave Weins/547-5191
Sept 24	Lassen Park/Hat Creek	Pack in CCC Crew/10 Loads/ 4-5 miles	Dave Weins/547-5191
October 1	Lassen Park/Hat Creek	Pack out CCC Crew/10 Loads/4-5 miles	Dave Weins/547-5191
October	Fish Hatchery	Return of the Salmon Festival	Dave Wiens/547-5191

### 2008 Clair A Hill Fish Plant Lake List

Stoddard	Big Bear	Upper Deadfall	Middle Deadfall	Lower Deadfall	Foster
Union	Diamond	Deer	Summit	Horseshoe	Ward
Landers	Little Boulder	Big Boulder	McDonald	Tangle Blue	

# NEW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

membership@bchcalifornia.net – (866) 748-2033

MAIL TO: Backcountry Horsemen of California  
PO Box 1610  
Oakdale, CA 95361-1610

PARENT Unit Affiliation: (Select and CIRCLE ONE Unit as your Primary Unit Affiliation)

- |                    |                   |                 |                    |                    |
|--------------------|-------------------|-----------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Antelope Valley    | Kern River Valley | Mojave River    | Redwood            | Sequoia            |
| Caballeros del Sol | Kern Sierra       | Mother Lode     | San Diego          | Shasta Trinity     |
| Eastern Sierra     | Lake-Mendo        | North Bay       | San Geronio Pass   | Sierra Freepackers |
| High Country       | Los Padres        | Ohlone Riders   | San Joaquin Sierra | Sutter Buttes      |
| High Sierra        | Mid Valley        | Redshank Riders | Santa Ana River    | Top of the State   |

DCTR (your Membership Number): \_\_\_\_\_ (For new memberships, will be determined by Membership Coordinator)

MEMBER'S NAME—No Business Names; Print Clearly

SPOUSE / Co-MEMBER'S NAME—MUST SHARE SAME ADDRESS

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_

Zip Code (full 9 digits, if known) \_\_\_\_\_

Area Code \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Total Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Check No.: \_\_\_\_\_

### Parent Unit Membership Types: (CIRCLE ONE)

Individual \$40.00\*    Family \$50.00\*    Benefactor \$100.00    Patron \$250.00    Mt Whitney \$500.00

\* = BCHC shares portion of dues with Backcountry Horsemen of America.

**Associate Memberships: AN ADDITIONAL \$15.00 PER UNIT IS ADDED TO YOUR PARENT UNIT DUES.**

ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP UNIT AFFILIATIONS **MAY NOT** BE FOR THE SAME UNIT AS YOUR PARENT UNIT.

Associate Membership for: \_\_\_\_\_ \$15.00/unit  
Unit Name (from above list)

Associate Membership for: \_\_\_\_\_ \$15.00/unit  
Unit Name (from above list)

Please write additional choices on back.

Please clip form along dashed line.

### Parent BCHC Membership Types

Individual, Family (Shared\*), Benefactor, Patron, and Mt Whitney. A Parent Membership is affiliated with a single Local Unit. BCHC members may NOT hold more than one active Parent Membership.

A SHARED Membership is for two adults with differing last names, each sharing a common address.

### Associate Memberships

These special Memberships are only available to persons already holding Parent BCHC Membership. No one may sign up for an Associate Membership without 1) having registered one of the Parent Membership types, and 2) having selected Parent Unit affiliation.

- You may sign-up for as many Associate Memberships as you like.
- Associate Memberships may also be initiated at any time during the term of your Parent Membership.
- Associate Memberships must expire concurrently with the Parent Membership, and are renewable only at the time of renewal of the Parent Membership.

**Complete information regarding BCHC Memberships is available on the MEMBERSHIP pages at BCHCalifornia.net.**

### KEEP FOR YOUR RECORDS

I submitted an Application Form for a new –

- Individual Membership            \$    40.00
- Family (Shared) Membership    \$    50.00
- Benefactor Membership            \$    100.00
- Patron Membership                 \$    250.00
- Mt Whitney Membership            \$    500.00

On that form, I also requested –

\_\_\_\_\_ Associate Memberships    \$ \_\_\_\_\_

My Total Remittance:                 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

My Check Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Mailed: \_\_\_\_\_

If you find it necessary to communicate with BCHC about this SIGN-UP, please send email to

**membership@bchcalifornia.net**

Or phone

1-866-748-2033 (Toll Free)  
(In the 209 area code, call 847-6118)