**Equestrian Trails Patrol**

A Program of California State Horsemen’s Assoc.

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**Southern Regions Chairperson Message**

By Helen Johnson

Welcome to 2012! Happy New Year to all! I hope that you have
resumed your lives now that the holidays are over and you are
happy and healthy this new year.

December was very busy for ETP. The girls’ ETP and Friends
brunch at Char’s beautifully decorated house, was once again,
fantastic. The delicious food, wonderful warm company, laughter,
and ornament exchange were a huge success. It turned out to be
cool weather that day, but nice enough that the girls took a ride in
the riverbed after the Christmas party.

The ETP crew shopped for the Christmas dinners and delivered
the food and presents to our adopted families. The well-organized
event went off without a hitch.

Char did an excellent job of calculating the cost of the items as
we shopped, keeping track of the cost of food and supplies that we
purchased as the ETP elves pushed the grocery carts, and their
helpers insured that all families received each item. Included, I
might add, were marshmallows and hot chocolate mix for each
family! Yay!

I have to say that the families were truly grateful and certainly
were in need of our gifts of love for them. The children were so
darling; some of them in one family sang a brief little song for us
as we brought in the groceries. I felt like ETP truly was responsible
for such a selfless good deed.

Thank you to Wendy for her research finding these families that
we adopted for Christmas.

I would be remiss if I did not mention the Annual New Year’s
Day ride at Mary Russell’s home. The riding at Lake Mathews is
different terrain than our riverbed. It was refreshing to ride the
beautiful trails that surround her home. There were three different
rides that day. A family ride that was about an hour and a half long,
another couple hour ride and then the long ride through the hills.
It was a positively beautiful day. The riding was equally as awesome
as the day. Hmm, I might add that the varied chili recipes, several
varieties of cornbread (including jalapeno cornbread) and
incredible desserts were a true highlight! Next year, an official chili
cook off! Start your burners!!!!!!!!!!!

Thank you Mary for opening up your home to us again!

I wish every one of you a wonderful, healthy, happy, and
successful new year. May your dreams come to fruition and your
family and animals enjoy life!
PICTURES OF NEW YEAR’S DAY RIDE AT MARY RUSSELL’S HOME

Left: Matt & Rachael enjoying the warm afternoon

Right - Mary Russell, Ken and Louse Zirges involved in a stimulating conversation!

Left – Churck and Darla relaxing after the ride.

Below – Jennifer getting ready to ride.
The group enjoyed a wonderful meal and rested under Mary’s cool porch.

**IMPORANT – BADGE INFORMATION – Charlene Schramm**

January 21st the Escalera’s and I traveled to Fresno to attend the California State Horsemen’s Assoc. Quarterly Meeting. As you know, the 6 point metal star badge was eliminated effective 1/1/12. Due to some miscommunications, CSHA had closed the badge deposit account. It has now been reopened for 2011 Active/Paid ETP members only. The jest of this portion of the meeting was:

1. Badge Deposit account is reopened for 2011 ETP members who were active and paid current.
2. If they want their badge deposit refunded, said members MUST have their badges turned into the CSHA state office no later than 2/29/12, along with a badge deposit refund form.
3. Any badges not received in the office by 2/29/12 will no longer be eligible for a badge deposit refund and it will be assumed that the member wishes to keep their badge as a memento.
4. Badge Deposit Refund checks will be issued at the April quarterly meeting.

Any members wishing to turn in their badges and receive their deposit refunded can get their badges to me and I will handle getting them to the state office. 2/25/12 will be the last day I will accept badges and the responsibility of getting them to the state office by 2/29/12. There are six badges that we returned in December/January. Those badge deposits will be processed at the April quarterly meeting.

Other than the badges, we covered the ETP Forms that were modified by our region committee to keep up with the rule changes and have more value. Janice Escalera turned in what she had for 2011 trail reports: 3,023 Trail Reports were turned in noting 8,478 horses, 1,195 bicycles, 2,323 hikers/etc. and 701 dogs.
2011 Calendar

1/28/12 – REARS Academy for anyone interested in joining
2/2-4/12 – Horse Expo – Pomona Fairgrounds
2/6/12 – ETP meeting held at Sizzler on Clay. Meeting starts at 7 pm, socializing and dinner starts at 6 pm
2/8/12 – CSHA Region 11 Meeting – 7 pm – Filippi’s Pizza Grotto, 1192 6th Street, Norco. Come early and socialize.
2/18-19/12 – Friends of ETP – Ride or Camp/Ride – Sondra Harkless’, 9485 Dune Road, Lucerne Valley, CA 92356; 760-217-6936. Sondra has lots of room to camp and ride.
2/25/12 – REARS Recert – 9 am
3/5/12 – ETP meeting held at Sizzler on Clay. Meeting starts at 7 pm, socializing and dinner starts at 6 pm
3/17/12 – REARS Recert – 9 am
3/17-18/12 – Friends of ETP Blackrock – Ride or Camp/Ride
4/2/12 – ETP meeting held at Sizzler on Clay. Meeting starts at 7 pm, socializing and dinner starts at 6 pm
4/21-22/12 – Friends of ETP Lake Perris – Ride or Camp/Ride
5/7/12 – ETP meeting held at Sizzler on Clay. Meeting starts at 7 pm, socializing and dinner starts at 6 pm
5/9/12 – CSHA Region 11 Meeting – 7 pm – Filippi’s Pizza Grotto, 1192 6th Street, Norco. Come early and socialize.
5/27-28/12 – Friends of ETP Wildwood – Ride….I don’t think camping is available. We will lock in a day later.
6/4/12 – ETP meeting held at Sizzler on Clay. Meeting starts at 7 pm, socializing and dinner starts at 6 pm
6/10/12 – Friends of ETP Day at Fiesta Island
6/13/12 – CSHA Region 11 Meeting – 7 pm – Filippi’s Pizza Grotto, 1192 6th Street, Norco. Come early and socialize.
7/2/12 – ETP meeting held at Sizzler on Clay. Meeting starts at 7 pm, socializing and dinner starts at 6 pm
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9/3/12 – ETP meeting held at Sizzler on Clay. Meeting starts at 7 pm, socializing and dinner starts at 6 pm
10/1/12 – ETP meeting held at Sizzler on Clay. Meeting starts at 7 pm, socializing and dinner starts at 6 pm
11/5/12 – ETP meeting held at Sizzler on Clay. Meeting starts at 7 pm, socializing and dinner starts at 6 pm
12/3/12 – ETP meeting held at Sizzler on Clay. Meeting starts at 7 pm, socializing and dinner starts at 6 pm

Important Reminder

CSHA and ETP renewals are due January 1st. Please give your renewals to Charlene Schramm. She will record you as paid before sending to the state office. This year dues will be delinquent as of 2/1/11. Renewal of your ETP membership is $15; however, you must also renew CSHA, which is $35 for an individual and $40 for a family. Renewals after 2/1 must also pay an additional $15 late fee. One check can be written to CSHA for both.

Update from CSHA Convention

1. Metal Star Badges are officially gone as of 1/1/12. If you would like your deposit back, you need to turn in your badge ASAP.
2. Renewals Remain $15; however, if you have not renewed by February 1st of each year, you will be charge an additional $15.
3. New Members now pay $35 as there is no badge deposit. They must also be current direct members of CSHA.
4. Within your first 6 months of membership, you are required to submit proof of completing the American Red Cross Standard First Air and Basic Life Support CPR. Note: As this must be maintained on file, please either scan or give Charlene Schramm a copy of your card.
5. “Members are required to turn in Trail Reports to their program chairperson, document trail usage, conditions, and incidents.”
6. Members are required to attend 50% of scheduled Region ETP Meetings
7. While patrolling members shall wear appropriate uniform and carry appropriate first aid and safety equipment.
NOTE: We would like to put in a Jacket Order. ETP will pay 50% of the cost of the jacket once you have worked two events. If you would like to be added to the order, please contact Louise Zirgus.

Minutes of the January 2012 ETP Meeting

+ Wendy Ellison called the ETP meeting to order at 7:00 pm
+ Sondra Harkless led the Pledge of Allegiance
+ Ratification of the previous minutes - motion made by Tracy Penna, 2nd by Char Schramm. Minutes Approved.

Treasure’s Report - Chris Pearne – ETP has $2,460.42 as of 12/31/11. Louise Zirges submitted one bill for reimbursement.

CHAIRMEN’S REPORTS:

Membership/Visitors – Wendy Ellison for Jennifer Todd- The Flores Family attended. Raymond, Rebecca, Jessica and Charlene. They were previously members. ETP welcomes them back! Whooohoo! Dakota and Patty attended the meeting. Yay!!!! Welcome back to them!

Membership- Charlene Schramm- CSHA and ETP renewals were due 12/31/2011. They must be paid by 1/31/2012 to avoid a $15.00 late fee.

Inventory- Louise Zirgus - Louise has inventory with her at the meetings. Get with her if you need anything.

Equipment- Laura Schultz – No changes.

CPR- Char Schramm – CPR/First Aid is now required and we must turn in copies of our training to the state office. Please get a copy of yours first-aid/CPR card to Charlene Schramm. Please turn in a copy of your current CPR/First-Aid card to Charlene Schramm to be in compliance with the new state ETP rules. CPR/First Aid is now required and we must turn in copies of our training to the state office. We have a large # expiring CPR cards February 2012. Chris Pearne will research and try to set up a renewal CPR/First-Aid class.

Trail Reports - Janice Escalera – Recently the number of reports turned in have been skimpy. Turn in all Trail Reports to Janice Escalera, email or fill out the form and get it to her. Keep the trail reports coming. Please have all of 2011 turned in by the end of January.
+ Joyce Thue and friend Chad found two loose horses in the riverbed. Used their halters as the horses each needed one to be ponyed back. Owners found. Yay Joyce!!!

Legislation- (Norco)- John Rigler- There is a halt on the Distribution Center/ Egg Ranch by Norco.

Legislation (Jurupa) - Henry Escalera – No report
Events/Request for Help

Thank you all who worked the event. The entire day went perfectly. All children were picked up on time by their parents.
+ Norco asked Henry if ETP would work the rodeo this New Year. Henry Escalerra motioned, Charlene Schramm seconded. Discussion- Will they pay be the same? The answer is yes, Henry will ask for more, but accept the previous amount. Motion passed.
+ Recap of our Christmas of adopted families- Joe Hoshied -
Great turn out of help. The families were so receptive and needed the food and presents that were brought to them. Wendy did a wonderful job of researching the need and selecting the families. It was an excellent evening.
Wendy was in communication with The Spark of Love/ and our local Firehouse. They have a screening process for local families that are in need of assistance at the holidays. There is a need for more help in this endeavor. Wendy would like to be part of the Spark of Love selection of families for our Adoption next year. Helen Johnson made a motion that we partner up with the Spark of Love for Christmas next year. Joe Hoshied seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion passed.

Friends of ETP Trail Rides- Members choose their favorite spot and set up a ride.
+ New Year’s Day ride/Chili cook-off at Mary Russell’s house- recap by Helen Johnson. It was a beautiful day, lots of great riding and friendship. Lots of great chili, cornbread, salad and dessert. Awards were given out for the best chili. Recipients were Wendy Ellison for the Best Kid Friendly Chili, Deborah Hild for the Best Chili Chili, Charlene Schramm for the Best beanless/ hottest chili, Louise Zirges for the Best Sweetest Chili, and Helen Johnson for the Best Regular Chili. :) Each winner received a certificate and a candle. A huge thank you to Mary Russell for hosting this annual event. It is a wonderful positive kickoff for the new year!
+ February 18, 2012 Friends of ETP ride and camp out at Sondra Harkess’ home. 9485 Dune Road, Lucerne Valley 92656. Phone # is 760-217-6936. Lots of riding almost 400 miles available.
+ March 17-18 Friends of ETP ride can campout at Blackrock. Henry and Janice Escalera will trail boss this ride.
+ April 21-22 Friends of ETP ride and camping at Lake Perris. Louise and Ken Zirges are the trail bosses.

New Business:
+ Janice Escalera is working up a Kensington Order. They will do it 2 for 1 again. Get with her for catalog or to place order. Janice Escalera’s phone # 951-681-0108.
+ Relay for Life 2012 – April 28, 2012- Jennifer Todd is the event chair. Tracy Penna will be the ETP team chair. February meeting a sign up sheet will go around and all details will be solidified. The ETP cancer survivors that we know of are: Henry Escalera Sondra Harkless, Mary Russell, Gail Tellez, Jennifer Todd, Louise Zirges, and Sandy Campbell.
+ Lisa Enyart’s neighbor has Aussie mix puppies who need a home. Call her at 951-316-6124. Helen Johnson has a friend who has 9 rescue, darling sweet puppies little black, also blonde small mix pups. Pictures can be emailed to you .. call or email Helen for information.
Sondra Harkless has one rescue pup, lab mix about 4 weeks old. She found three little pups dumped on the street. They were full of cactus needles and in great pain. She has one left to give away. Call Sondra at 760-217-6936.
+ Laura Shultz presented an idea to elect a committee to review the new state ETP rules and align them with our current program. Laura motioned that we elect 5 members to be on the committee. Jack Jimenez seconded the motion. Discussion- Motion passed. The Chairpersons were asked who would serve on the committee. Those elected to the committee are: Laura Shultz- Chair, John Rigler, Joe Hoshied, Louise Zirges, Helen Johnson. Meeting will be the last Monday of January at 6 pm. Place TBA.

Old Business:
+ Adopt a Trail- Henry Escalera- No report

Open Discussion
Remember to renew your ETP and CSHA membership by December 31st. You may give your combined dues to Char on one check. If you give the dues to Char we will be able to track that you have paid. Sometimes at the State level there is a delay and we are not aware until somewhat later. After January 31st, you must add an additional $30 late fee to each ETP application.

**Brag for a Buck**
+ Megan got a job at The Thrifty Horse! Yay!!
+ Tricia Penna The Broncos won yesterday!
+ Char Schramm sold her horse Skye!! Whoohoo
+ Sondra Harkless Rescued three puppies. She had to remove cactus needles from them. They were dumped and only 3 weeks old! Sondra, awesome rescue!
+ Janice Escalera and her mare Nika filled us in on the details that helped another horse and rider cross the river. Another ETP save!!!
+ Dakota Hawley had a revelation with his horse. He finally HEARD what his horse was telling him! His grey gelding would fight him when he went to put a halter on him. He said he ignored signs the horse was giving him and almost sold the horse. He got a chiropractor and immediately the horse was diagnosed by a visual by the professional chiropractor. The horse was 99% better after the first session and is now a willing participant when his halter or bridle is being put on him because he is now comfortable. (Great lesson for us all, Dakota!) Char chimed in and said the entertainment is now over! The horse was hurting and it was not an attitude problem.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:07 pm**
Minutes respectfully submitted by Helen Johnson.

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**Sale Barn & Bulletin Board**

**S.O.S - Stands for Solace of Spirits**
A new rescue organization for horses was founded by Lisa Enyart. Lisa was part of ETP and will be again next year. She has rescue horses available for adoption. Call her for details. Available also are donations to S.O.S. to sponsor a horse that has been rescued or even just a one-time donation for a couple bales of hay.

Contact Lisa at 951-316-6124

Barrels – Plastic w/two caps on lid - Sondra Harkless – 760-217-6936

Mary Russell is boarding horses. Call Mary for details at 951-657-6316 or her cell at 909-855-0302

There are only four more ETP blankets available. They are $40.00 each.
Call Louise Zirgus 951-734-2986

**Dave Backer’s Cowboy Poetry CD**

Louise Zirges asked last month about the CD that Dave Backer was going to make of his cowboy poetry. **Thrift Horse NOW has them in stock.** I own a copy and it is beautiful to hear Dave’s poetry with the guitar and music accompanying him.
I think you will really enjoy the new CD. It is even a perfect gift!
SHERIFF PHONE NUMBERS- 951-279-4311   951-270-5673

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Hours: 6:00pm – 8:00am Monday through Friday – 24 hours all weekends and holiday

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Tricia Murdock 1/3
Cindi paine 1/22
Ken Zirges 2/3
Patty Powers 2/9
Vicki Harris 2/12
Duane Harris 2/24

Important Information

ETP Blankets

The ETP blankets that are purchased should be rinsed off with water and a mild soap or carpet cleaner. It is advisable that you NOT place them in the washing machine as the resilience of the material may be compromised. The material will hold up longer, maintain its color and shape if it is hand washed. You may use the garden hose or even just brush the dirt off the blanket.
The next ETP meeting will be **February 6, 2012**
Sizzler on Clay – Dinner at 6 pm, meeting starts at 7 pm

Get well wishes to George Pearne (Chris’ husband). He has been in the hospital most of January. We are thinking of you Chris and George. Feel free to call on any of us….any time.

Well wishes to Craig Paine (Cindi’s husband) in recovering from his surgery.

Contratulations to Louise Zirges who has successfully completed her treatments.

Well Wishes to Jennifer Todd as she recovers from her surgery. I hear her husband is already having trouble holding her down.

Our Deepest Sympathy to Cindi Paine in the loss of her mother. Although it is sometimes a great thing for our family member to leave this world, it is still tough on those left behind. I am sure Cindi, and her family, have great memories of better times.

*** Note: Trail Reports****
Re: Trail reports- Members who have ridden may give their reports to Janice Escalera or email the report(s) to her. Include all riders and submit only one report with all participates names. Please do not duplicate reports. Keep them coming!

Equestrian Trail Patrol does not accept responsibility for items and tips listed. Products and ideas used by the individual are the responsibility of the individual. Consult your veterinarian and always ride with safety in mind. Use common sense in all that you do while looking ahead on the trail.