

Hoofbeats

August 2025

P.O. Box 1326, Twain Harte, CA 9538



The Prez Sez



What an exciting month we have had. Our annual High Ride event was a blast! I think everyone had a great time. It is such a huge help to our club to have caterer Mike Garman and his crew come and fix us so many delicious meals. It is the only time any of us can ride everyday and still gain weight :) That is how good Mike's cooking is. We had so many great events and our club was phenomenal at bringing it all together. A special thanks to all of our club members. This would not be possible without all of you. Chris M. and Butch helped haul up the shower trailer. Myron stayed in camp for weeks watching all of our

club's belongings as well as helping with everything else. If something needed to be done, Myron was there. Kim helped set up and operate our sound system and solar on the shower trailer, Linda and Janine checked people in, Lance delivered hay, set up and filled water troughs and lots more. Sherryl made very beautiful baskets for a raffle that was very successful, Kris J. did all of the hard work to have a Top Hand Competition for the 2025 Top Hand buckle as well as putting on a great Bingo game. Colleen ran a fun filled horseshoe tournament and helped me with parking. John is such an immense help by bringing up equipment for us to use and he delivered hay, and fresh water everyday for Mike to use in his cooking as well. Roy helped set up, haul up, teardown and haul down. Hal helped fill water troughs and deliver hay. Mary became the Vanna White of our live auction, she was so funny! Vicki and Sherryl kept the shower trailer nice and tidy, Chris W. and Mike S. ran the live auction and Terry L. made us the most delicious tacos, lemon cake and carrot cake on the night of our set-up. Also, Janine, Linda, Colleen, Myron, Ron, John, Vicki, Lance and myself all helped lead rides. I have to say that our High Ride is the best place for all of us to meet other like minded, trail ridin', tough as nails horse people on the west coast. One of our guests came back from a ride with her finger bent sideways. She laughed and said, "Maybe I'll go to the doctor next week." I felt a kindred spirit with her as my response would have been the same. We are a tough group. When we bleed, we just rub dirt in it and keep riding.

Joy LaMons
President,
Twain Harte Horsemen

Visit our Twain Harte
Horsemen website at:
twainhartehorsemen.org

Next Monthly Meeting

Tuesday, September 2
Potluck @ 5:30 p.m.
Meeting @ 6 p.m.

Location: Center Camp

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Past Events

The 2025 High Ride

Another High Ride Success! The high ride crew worked hard and pulled it all together. The weather cooperated, with mild temperatures and mostly sunny skies. And no bugs!



65 guests and members made themselves at home at Eagle Meadow Horse Camp. Mike Garman brought all his fixin's and kept everyone full and happy. Our president, Joy, made everyone feel so very welcome, while VP Lance, Myron and others did a lot of heavy lifting delivering hay bales and keeping the water troughs full. Sherryl Godfrey created some magnificent gift baskets for our raffle and they were all snapped up. Kris Jordan hosted a wild and rowdy bingo game Thursday afternoon. The horseshoe tournament is always a

favorite and, as always, a few horseshoe-tossing newbies were surprised and excited to make the finals. In the end, partners, Jeff, and THH member, Vicki, took home the prize. The Top Hand competition earned long-time guest, Jeff, a fancy buckle, and THH member, Hal, outbid everyone in the live auction for the Twain Harte Horsemen's buckle. Both gents were proudly showing them off afterward. Margaret and Maribeth hosted the always popular trail trials on Sunday. Linda Post rode home with the winning score.

Ride highlights included replacing a tattered American flag with a new one atop Cowboy Heaven, and weaving through some of the most beautiful wild flowers ever on the way up to Eagle Peak. A brief mountain storm with thunder, lightning and hail, caught some riders off guard out at Long Valley, but it cleared up quickly and everyone returned to camp dry and cheerful. And each and every day, ride leaders led guests through some of the most beautiful country in America and brought them home safely. Nobody can beat that experience! But we will try... in 2026. See you then!





Joy LaMons carts guests off to view parking sites as they arrive.



Mike Garman cooks up breakfast.



Roaming mountain meadows.



Sherryl Godfrey with beautiful raffle baskets she made herself.



Myron and his horse Bob strike a classic western pose against a magnificent mountain background at Cowboy Heaven.



Though just a beginner, guest Deb Long found she had horseshoe throwing chops.



Lines for dinner and breakfast formed up in seconds. No one was late to a meal if they could help it.



Riding down from Cowboy Heaven



Mike's highly-organized kitchen crew deftly serve breakfast. Guest Linda Heywood, left, Monte at right.



Always the happy leader, long-time guest Howdy, got a few of the guests dancing to music provided our DJ and sound technician Kim Prout.



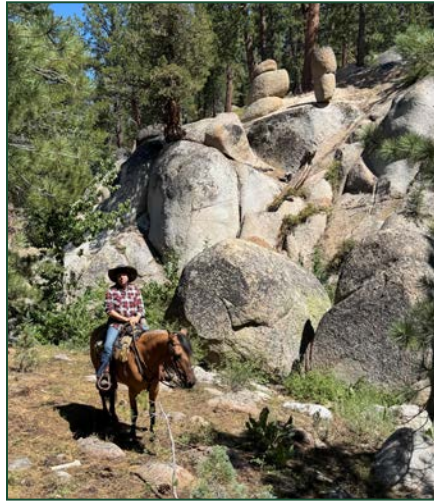
Raising dust on Red Horse trail.



Damp, but undeterred, guest Linda H. rides out a mountain storm.



The blooms were brilliant on Eagle Peak Trail.



Colleen & Maddie at Marshmallow Rocks.



Mike S., left, and John Watts with the wood bench Mike sanded and polished for auction.



Kris Jordan congratulates Jeff for winning the Top Hand buckle.



Jeff and Vicki Vermeer win the horseshoe tournament.



During the live auction, assistant Mary D. shows a leather purse made by member and artist, Victoria.



Jeff brands the bench he successfully bid for in the live auction with the Twain Harte Horsemen's logo



Hal Denton, left, and Jeff show off their new buckles.



Member Sherryl G., left, and Pat McAndrews warm up by the fire. Pat has been coming to the high ride for some 40 years.



Linda Post, left, with her 1st place prize in the Trail Trials. Event hosts, Margaret and Maribeth (right).



Lance LaMons rides his horse Freya through one of nature's flower bouquets near the top of Eagle Peak.



Left to right, Janine Smith, Kim Prout, and Roy Smith pay for their auction prizes. Chris Walpole and Kris Jordan, collect the money.



Guest Claudia Bolton riding her Icelandic horse to Long Valley.

Twain Harte Horsemen 2025 Events*

| Date | Event | Event | Participation |
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| August 23 | Drill Team @ Center Camp | Nancy Broce | Members Only |
| September 20 | Drill Team @ Center Camp | Nancy Broce | Members Only |
| October 11 | Kerrick Corral Day Ride | Colleen Combes | Members Only |
| October 25 | Center Camp Closing | Lance LaMons | Members Only |
| November 8 | Fahey Cabin Ride | Colleen Combes | Members Only |
| December 14 | BCHC Columbia Parade | Linda Post | Public |
| December 19 | Christmas Installation and Dinner | Joy LaMons | Members Only |
| *Subject to change | | | |

UPCOMING EVENTS

Do not miss our upcoming events!

Drill Team fun is scheduled for **August 23** AND **September 20** at Center Camp. It is easy, fun and relaxing for both horses and riders. Contact Nancy to reserve your place: 831-818-5558. Starts at 10 am both days.

October 11 Colleen will lead a members-only ride out of Kerrick Corral... along the ridge trail to Pine Valley camp and then back along Bell Meadow. A pleasant 2.5 hour loop plus a lunch stop. Text Colleen at 650.387.5423 if interested. Ride out at 10 am.



Beef for Sale

Hamburger and other cuts by the package.

Hamburger, 1 lb packages – \$7 each.

Other cuts range from \$7 to \$22 (approx. 1 lb each)

Contact Helga at 209.581.1798, or email: helga2853@gmail.com

