



CORRAL CHATTER

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"PROMOTE FELLOWSHIP BETWEEN HORSEMEN AND A GREATER UNDERSTANDING OF HORSES"



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Hello Members,

We're coming to the end of 2020, and as we wind down the year at the Horsemen's, I want to thank everyone for their patience through all these unusual circumstances. We had to cancel most of our meetings and events, due to COVID-19, but we kept a few of our favorites toward the end of summer since the health guidelines were starting to loosen up a bit for outdoor activities.

The annual Buckle Playday was one event that went ahead as planned, and it was a great success! We had about 40 riders, including new riders who had never been to our shows before. We're so glad to see all ages enjoying the day with their horses. There were 8 buckles handed out to the high point winners, along with lots of ribbons. Thank you to Yvonne, who has put this event on every year for something like 27 years! She's a pro, but next year we'll make sure she has plenty of volunteers. And thank you to all of this year's volunteers: Karen Tarasco, Edie, Mike and Danielle Behning, Ferrell Rand, and Shalla Villett.

We have one more fun event planned for this year coming Sunday November 8th. Karen is putting together an Arena Fun Day, which will be like a Playday, only without the competition and prizes. We will have timers and announcers and equipment set up for running some of your favorite patterns. We'll even have some horseback games you can participate in. This is a great chance to bring your horse to our arena and try out running a few events for fun and practice. And hang out with horse friends. Check the flyer in this newsletter for all the information.

November is the month we hold our SCCHA elections. Since we won't be having a general meeting this month, we are doing our nominations and voting by email. Kathleen O'Neill is in charge of our voting committee, and has received enough volunteers to fill all our Board and Officer positions for 2021. That means we won't need a vote; it would be a "white ballot." Thank you to those of you who have stepped up to serve on our Board for 2021. But, if we get any more nominees than we have positions available, we will have the membership vote. If that is the case, Kathleen has a secure online system for voting, and she will be sending out information on this by email in the near future. Look for details posted in this newsletter.

Here is a piece of cool news. I was contacted by AT&T to see about putting one of their cell towers on the SCCHA grounds. They are looking to put a new one in the area and we are one of three sites that they are considering. I met with their representative on our grounds and he answered all of the questions that the Board had submitted. Everything was positive, and the tower would be well out of the way, so it wouldn't interfere with any of our events or rentals or future plans. They cover all insurance, all construction, maintenance, and electrical use. Here's the really good part: AT&T would pay us \$1500+ a month. For years. Our board was satisfied that there was really no down side to this and unanimously voted approval. Now we just wait to see which site AT&T decides to use, and we're hoping it's us!

That's all for now, but I hope to see lots of you at the Arena Day on November 8th.

Enjoy this beautiful fall weather that we are finally having!

Linda Carcione

Events

2021 Calendar

We are organizing the Calendar for 2021, please work with a Board Member for something specific you are interest in doing at the SCCHA.

Arena Fun Day Sunday 11/8/2020

Please see the below flyer for a just-announced end-of-year-event at the Santa Clara County Horsemen's Association arena! This will be a fun event -- no awards, no ribbons, no expectations, and no stress!!

We will set up various gymkhana patterns for people to practice at their own speed, and then have a few arena games to finish out the day!

We are continuing with our Covid-19 safety protocol. The Snack Shack will NOT be open – bring a snack and hydrate!



Advertising & Volunteer Requests

Advertising

Contact Karen Tarasco ktarasco@yahoo.com for
your business advertisements

Send all monies to
SCCHA, P.O. Box 20124, San Jose, CA 95160
Attention Treasurer

Monthly Business Ads (Non-Member)

\$5 ¼ Page Ad
\$10 ½ Page Ad
\$20 Full Page Ad

Members:

Free Personal Ads
½ price Business Ads

Volunteers Needed (Resources and Supplies)

Hi all, the club runs on the generous contributions and volunteers from our members and the community.

To help you understand our needs, we'll have a 'running' Volunteer Request area in the newsletter. Feel free to submit your volunteer requests needed from others, as well as Call one of the Board Members to help fulfill a volunteer request.

Sharon Pfeiffer, Grounds, has kicked off the process with these requests. Please contact her to arrange your help:
408-398-6791 sharonjean54@yahoo.com

- * Weeds: Pull stink weeds where the horse trailers park
- * Round Pen: Move to an area by the portable stalls.
- * Finish granite slab in snack shack
- * New door needed on snack shack
- * Volunteer list to help water with water buffalo
- * Paint touch ups around hall
- * BBQ area fixes
- * Donate your usable Manure Forks & Wheel Barrels to help improve the camping experience at SCCHA

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already come in and filled it. It has become an eyesore, with junk piling up. By locking up the dumpster, we hope to discourage this from happening any more. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

We have decided to lock up the dumpster at the Horsemen's grounds because of overfilling by people coming in to use it for their own purposes. Sometimes we even find that people have left their garbage piled next to the dumpster because it was too full. There have been multiple occasions that our rental property tenants and our grounds crew cannot fit anything else in the dumpster because someone has



Membership: 2021 Board Nominations & Voting

Guests, with a Member Sponsor, may apply for membership after attending three SCCHA events in a 12-month period. Contact Kathleen O'Neill (408) 590-3933

You can find membership applications on the SCCHA website at www.horsemens.org

Click on the "Membership and Visitors" link.

Membership	Count
Family	36
Honorary	2
Junior	1
Lifetime	13
Single	42
Grand Total	94

2021 Board and Voting

Thank you all for contributing to the Nomination of the 2021 Board. There is a currently a 'White Ballot'. According to the SCCHA Bylaws: If there are no opposition to running candidates, there is no need for an official vote.

If new nominations come in by November 13, then you will get an email with instructions as to how to vote in the 3rd week of November. If no new nominations come it, the 2021 Board will be as follows:

Officers

President	Linda Carcione
Vice President	Karen Tarasco
Treasurer	Yvonne Lee
Secretary	TBD (Appointed by the President after Nov 20)
Sergeant at Arms	Courtney Adamo

Directors

Sandie Quinones
Shalla Villet
Liz Kehoe
Suzy Pallazo
Alexis Honig
Kathleen O'Neill (One Year Term)
Hallie Bigliardi (One Year Term)

Mary Shapiro **One Year Remaining
Kathy Miller **One Year Remaining
Sharon Pfeiffer **One Year Remaining

Please see the profile and pictures of the proposed 2021 Board. You can find this in a separate PDF attachment in the email itself.

Membership: 'Thank You' to the Behning Family & Welcome New Members

Farewell to the Behning Family: Special Thank you to Edie, Mike, and Danielle for endless volunteering and Board Leadership.

Hello Everyone,

I wanted to send an email out to the board to tender my resignation from the SCCHA board, effective December 31, 2020. My family and I have been members for over 25 years now, we have made many dear friends through the horsemen's association and treasure everyone we have met.

We are moving into a new chapter in our lives, with some new and exciting things happening. The Behning clan will be moving to Austin Texas at the beginning of 2021. We do this with excitement and reservations, we don't know what the future will hold for us, but it will include horses, family and new friendships.

We will always remember the good times we had with the horsemen, the creek at Costa, the campouts at Grant ranch, the many trail rides and shows we have attended throughout the years.

Special memories are held for the juniors we had in the past and the color guard events we attended. We had quite the junior program going at one time and I feel honored to have been a part of it and helping the juniors become the adults they are today. We wish all of the members a healthy and safe future and keep the Behnings in your thoughts as we make our move to the lone star state of Texas. I could go on and on about the good ole days, but I won't, just know that we will miss being part of such a great organization and we wish you all the best.

Sincerely,
Edie & Mike Behning
Danielle Behning & Misti Behning Ersahin



Welcome: Inez & Michael Martinez and Emily Cortez

Our family is happy to become members of the SCCHA club. My daughter and I have been Riding for a little over 6 years. We both enjoy riding trails, western, & roping.

We rode in the Gilroy Rodeo Drill Team 2018-2019. My daughter, Emily, is excited about the coming to the shows. ---Inez



Welcome: Frank & Patricia Belcastro

We have been riding and interacting with horses for more than 37 years. In New York, we owned and cared for a horse on our own property. We have participated in numerous gymkhana events earning multiple blue ribbons and earned the honor of "Reserve Champion"

We have a deep love and respect for horses and horsemanship. Horses have touched our souls and have a special place in our hearts. We recently completed the Valkyrie Endurance challenge and are working on Ranger, Tevis, and Pony Express.



We are happy to be new members at the SCCHA. --Frank & Patricia

SCCHA OFFICERS & DIRECTORS - 2020

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