



# The Eventer

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## - SMHA Events -

### Christmas Potluck

Guests Welcome

Dec 11, 6:30pm

<b>Dec</b>	
11	Xmas potluck
<b>Jan</b>	
20	Board Calendar

A complete Club calendar

online at:

[smhorse.com/calendar.htm](http://smhorse.com/calendar.htm)

### Newsletter Deadline

Five days after the Board Mtg or the 20th of the month. Send articles, classified, pictures, and stories of interest to: [SMHA.news@gmail.com](mailto:SMHA.news@gmail.com).



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## SMHA Holiday Potluck & Canned Food Drive -- featuring the Gilroy High School Chamber Singers

Friday Dec. 11,  
Lions Club  
425 Murphy Ave  
San Martin, Ca

### Christmas Potluck help

If your last name begins with:

A-G	H-N	O-S	T-Z
Salad/ Veggie	Side Dish	Desert	Bread/ Appetizer

The club provides turkeys and hams. If you can volunteer to cook one of these, call Kitty 408.842.6215 or Becky 408.846.5640.

The **Chamber Singers** have earned a reputation throughout California for their excellence in choral singing. Annually they tour parts of California and have toured Japan in 1989, 1992, 1995, 1998 and 2001. In 2004, they toured Germany and the Czech Republic. The Chamber Singers is the premier choir at Gilroy High School, as well as being considered by many as one of the finest high school ensembles in California.

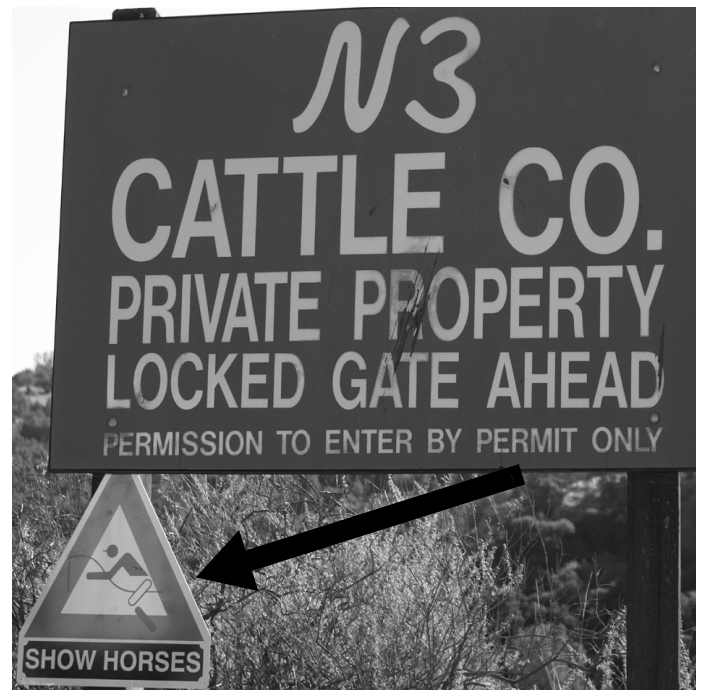
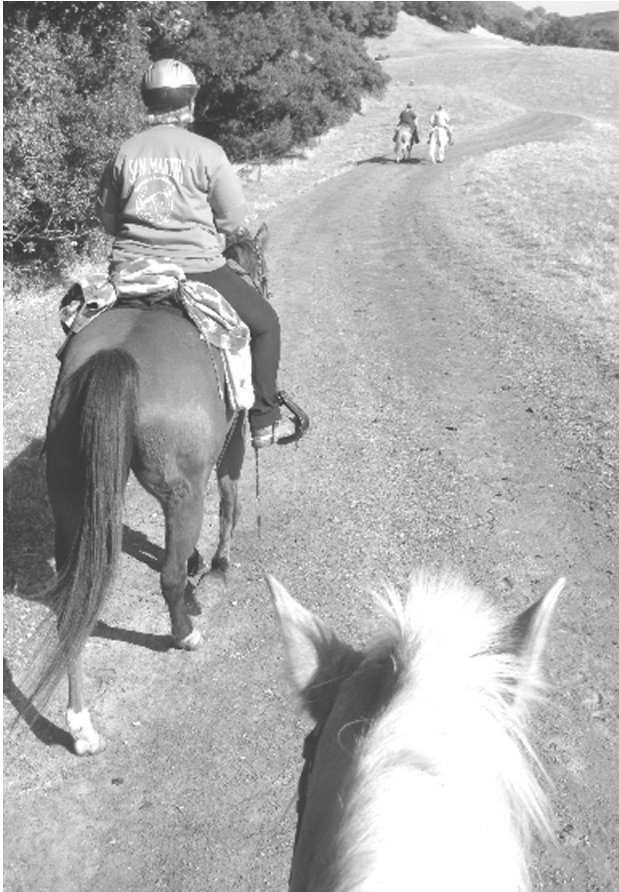
Last year the music ranged from Christmas Standards, Ethnic Jazz, and non Secular Holiday songs. Their director is very talented in skillfully arranging the vocal ensembles. This is a wonderful family event! I can't wait!

### Sunol Ride, Nov. 14th



There were 10 riders. It began as an overcast day, but got warmer.

It was a beautiful ride with two groups. One group stayed on the lower elevation and looped around the trails, the other group went to the top!



Well, this naughty little show horse sign is finding its way all around the county! Who won that anyway?????

### ***Gymkhana and Other Yearly Programs ... Coming Soon!***

The board will meet January 20th to set the calendar for 2010 and first half of 2011. They will review the bylaws to determine how program chairs are appointed so that proper process is followed. The board has two proposals for starting a gymkhana program again, and are very excited at these prospects. Stay tuned for more info! The by laws determine the time frames for presenting ideas to the board and to the club members (as a whole), membership requirements of committee chairs, appointment duration, etc. Because of insurance requirements and in the interest of saving money the club calendar needs to be set in advance. We need to have a process for starting new or renewing programs to make sure we can have all of the insurance requirements in place. Who would believe that having fun can get so complicated!

### ***General Meetings***

There is an amendment submitted to the board that General Meetings for the club be held at two-month intervals, beginning Feb. Chere Bargar is volunteering to be the Meeting Program Chair, setting up presenters for club meetings. She is working to have Elish Ryan present about the County Equestrian Program and to have a presenter about the Tevis Cup ride, the annual 100 mile endurance ride that takes place in Sept. in Grass Valley. Give Chere a call if you have ideas, too. Chere 408.683.2247.

### ***Remember the Poker Ride Awards?***





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Board Meeting – November 18, 2009

Present: Greg Linden, Pat Scharfe, Phil Atwood, Christine Amber, Sharon Hensley, Karen Hallenbeck, Dera Oldofredi, Kitty Swindle, Chere Bargar, Melanie Headrick, Margo Barnett, and Jennifer Ogawa

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Greg reported Denise Roberts has agreed to take over the Treasurer's duties, Heidi Linden as Membership Chair, Joan Throgmorton as Jack Brooks Chair and Trail Trials/Poker Ride Co-Chair for the next year.

## VICE PRESIDENT:

CSHA has resolved not to change the rules regarding juniors and will maintain the family membership grouping. Dera would like a December rooster for CSHA purposes.

## TREASURER'S REPORT:

Karen reported October month-end bank balances.

## MEMBERSHIP:

Melanie reported that membership is 160 adults and 43 children.

## NEWSLETTER:

Dera made the proposal that the newsletter be sent via email. and to show Heidi as the new Chair. Melanie will print 175 copies of the November/December newsletter.

## POKER RIDE:

There were 89 participants. Kitty and Chere donated their County volunteer hours for the use of the Park, there were no Park usage fees charged.

A rider was injured during the ride. The assistance call out went as per protocol. An accident report was completed.

Jennifer mentioned that Ca l Star has a policy that covers transportation of a rider in the event of an accident. Christine will get information from Jennifer along with accident insurance information Sue Stillman mentioned during her recent talk and publish it in the newsletter.

## TRAILS:

Coe Park: Work days will be January 23, February 27, and March 27. Ranch Day will be March 20. Back Country Weekend is set for April 23 – 25.

County Parks: The County usually has a trail day in some park each month. Chere will check to see if dates have been posted for next year.

## CHRISTMAS PARTY:

Becky Dolan has volunteered to be in charge of this function. Phil has reserved the Gilroy High School Choir.

## UPCOMING MEETINGS:

The old and new Board will meet on Saturday, January 2 at 6 p.m. at Dera's. On January 20 the new Board will have their first meeting of the year to set the calendar.

## GYMKHANA:

Greg introduced Jennifer Ogawa who has volunteered to head up a program for SMHA. Christine will put a notice in the newsletter. Melanie handed out a Play Day Proposal from Edit Atkins, who was unable to attend. Some things were unclear. Melanie will get clarification. The board did not vote on either issue.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

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Dec 2009 (Pacific Time)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11 6:30pm - holiday	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31	1	2





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