



Backcountry Horsemen of California RENDEZVOUS 2026

March 20-22, 2026

Theme: Salute to Volunteerism



Diamond Bar Arena

6055 Central Ave Ceres, CA 95307 diamondbararena.com

Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Sunday 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Registration Booth Open 7 a.m. – 4 p.m., Friday & Saturday
(Registration Booth located in a trailer near the Arena)

2026 BCHC RENDEZVOUS REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____
 Address: _____ City: _____
 _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Phone: _____
 _____ Email: _____ BCHC Unit: _____

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete and mail in pages 2, 3, 7, 8 and ALL entry forms

Mail to: BCHC Rendezvous, P.O. Box 157, Olancho, CA 93549 *no later than March 10*

Email to: bludog46@gmail.com *no later than March 16*

After March 16, bring registration forms with check to Registration Booth at Rendezvous

Dinner Tickets - No host bar from 5:30 p.m. through dinner. Dinner served at 6 p.m.

Breakfast & Lunch available for purchase on grounds.	# Meal Tickets	Total \$ Amount
Friday Dinner @ \$40/meal		
Friday Vegetarian Dinner @ \$40/meal		
Friday Dinner for child under 12 @ \$20/meal		
Saturday Dinner @ \$50/meal		
Saturday Vegetarian Dinner @ \$50/meal		
Saturday Dinner for child under 12 @ \$25/meal		

TOTAL FOR ALL MEAL TICKETS: \$ _____

Place this total on Page 8

Camping -

This is the charge per night. Spaces with power and water are very limited. Spaces will be assigned to earliest postmark. Dry Camping is a very large area. There are some showers available.

RV Power/Water* \$30/night X # of nights _____ = \$ _____ Circle Nights You Will Camp
 W Th F Sat
**Bring your own hose, power cord and adapter*

Dry Camping \$15 /night X # of nights _____ = \$ _____ W Th F Sat

TOTAL \$ _____ **Place this total on Page 8**

NO FIRES (wood or propane) ALLOWED IN ANY CAMPING AREA

DOGS MUST BE ON LEASH WHILE ON PROPERTY

Stalls for event* -

Circle Nights You Need Stalls

Covered Horse Stall \$30/night X # stalls ____ X # nights ____ = \$ ____ W Th F Sat

Uncovered Horse Stall \$25/night X # stalls ____ X # nights ____ = \$ ____ W Th F Sat

TOTAL \$ ____ Place this total on Page 8

Bring your own water bucket, shavings, hose. Must clean out stall upon leaving.***Horses must not be tied to trailers overnight****

Wine, Cheese & Beer Tasting - Saturday @ 3 p.m. - We are once again asking each unit to bring a six pack of beer from your favorite local brewery so we can taste beer from across the state. Commemorative glasses \$25 X # of glasses ordered ____ = \$ ____ Total

Place this total on Page 8*Must be at least 21 years old to participate. Purchase of glass admits you to tasting.***Raffle Tickets**

Prize #1: \$500 Bass Pro Gift Card # tickets ____ @ \$5/ticket = \$ ____

Prize #2: Henry Silver Eagle .22 Rifle # tickets ____ @ \$20/ticket = \$ ____

(Limit of 500 tickets to be sold for rifle)

Total for Raffle Tickets = \$ ____

Place this total on Page 8**Volunteers - Help us run the Rendezvous!**

Throughout Rendezvous weekend the folks running the Rendezvous frequently need extra hands for a variety of activities. If you would be willing to help for a few minutes/hours, please provide your contact information.

Name: _____

Day(s)/Time(s) Available: _____

Area of Interest: _____

Cell #: _____

WESTERN ART SHOW CONTEST RULES

- 1) Item (e.g., painting, photo, etc.) must be created by you and your name must be on the entry form. One entry form per item. Entry numbers will be assigned at the time of submission.
- 2) Paintings, photos, and drawings must be framed (including wire for hanging) for their protection and display.
- 3) All entry forms must have the contestant's name, address, and phone number. It is a good idea to put this on your item also, if possible.
- 4) \$5.00 entry fee for each item
- 5) Entries are due at the Rendezvous Western Art Show Booth no later than 10 a.m., Friday, March 20. Items must be picked up no later than 10 a.m. Sunday, March 22.
- 6) Prizes will be awarded for each category at the discretion of the Western Art Show judge(s).
- 7) Western Art Show judges are not responsible for the sale of items. Interested buyers will need to look up the information on the item tag and speak directly with the artist. Artwork can be donated to BCHC and auctioned off on Saturday night.

For further information, contact Audra Wouters @ (925) 727-6250

WESTERN ART SHOW ENTRY FORM – Include payment and this entry form with Registration Form

ENTRY # _____

Amount Enclosed \$ _____

To be assigned at show

Place amount on page 8

Artist's Name: _____ Age: _____

Address: _____

Phone # where you can be reached during Rendezvous: _____

Alternate phone #: _____

Circle Entry Category:

Painting

Fiber Art (Sewing/Knitting, etc.)

Arts & Crafts

Carving

Leatherwork

Photography

Mantee Art

Other (describe) _____



DUTCH OVEN COOKING COMPETITION

Interested in Dutch oven cooking? It's a great way to cook delicious one-dish meals in the outdoor setting.

The Dutch Oven Cooking Competition will be held Friday, March 20th. See the Rendezvous schedule for times and location. Sheila Bond, member of the Mother Lode Unit and Dutch Oven Cooking Competition winner, will be running the event.

During this competition, come meet Sheila and the contestants to observe Dutch oven cooking in action. You will learn about the basics of Dutch oven cooking including essential equipment, temperature control, and cleaning/storage of the pots. Plus, you get free samples of the dishes, recipes, temperature control charts and a chance to vote for the best dish!

*Refer to the Dutch Oven Cooking Competition Entry Form if you wish to compete in this fun event!

RENDEZVOUS DUTCH OVEN COOKING COMPETITION

Friday, March 20, 2026

Rules for the Competition

1. Contestants will provide their own ingredients to prepare their dish(s).
2. Contestants will provide their own cooking gear: Dutch ovens, charcoal chimneys, cooking utensils, prep table, Dutch oven cooking table or equivalent set-up, ash buckets, sample serving cups (4 oz. cups recommended), plastic silverware, serving utensils, hand sanitizer and food handlers gloves for direct food handling.
3. There will be no cooking on the ground.
4. Dutch ovens must be clean and rust free.
5. The Mid Valley Unit will provide hot briquettes and a shovel.
6. There will be a sanitation station set up with hot water and garbage cans will be available.
7. Contestants will have their choice of cooking a main dish or a dessert or both.
8. Each contestant cook station will be labeled, i.e., Team 1, 2, etc., for public voting purposes.
9. All cooking needs to be done on site starting at 12:00 noon.
10. Provide samples of your dish(s) to spectators at 3:00 p.m. and the public vote starts.
11. Spectators will vote using tickets for their favorite main dish and dessert.
12. Prizes and certificates will be awarded based on the public vote for the best main dish and the best dessert.
13. Entry fee is \$20.00
14. *Optional – provide copies of recipes for the public.

Any questions please call:

Ron and Sheila

(916) 747-0596

DUTCH OVEN COOKING COMPETITION ENTRY

Name: _____ Unit: _____

Fee - \$ 20.00

I will be cooking (*circle one*) main dish, dessert, or both

Include entry fee and entry form with your registration

\$ _____ Total

Place amount on page 8

There will be Release of Liability forms for Diamond Bar Arena and Backcountry Horsemen of California at each contest entry site. Both forms must be completed and signed before participating in the contest.
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2026 RENDEZVOUS MERCHANDISE

PLEASE NOTE: You must pre-order to pick your merchandise up at the Rendezvous.

If you order during the Rendezvous, additional charges for shipping and handling will be added to the cost of the merchandise.

All T-shirts are short sleeve. The only color available is ash gray. All sizes are Adult.

To pick up your merchandise at the Rendezvous, this Order Form and your payment must be sent with the Registration packet by mail (by March 10) OR by email (by March 16).

Name: _____

Address: _____ **City:** _____

_____ **State:** _____ **ZIP:** _____ **Phone:** _____

_____ **Email:** _____ **BCHC Unit:** _____

Rendezvous Short-Sleeve T-Shirt Order Form

			# OF EACH SIZE							
SIZE	COLOR	PRICE	Sm	Med	Lg	XL	2XL	Total #	\$	TOTAL \$
Small to XL	Ash Gray	\$18/each							x \$18	
2XL	Ash Gray	\$20/each							x \$20	

TOTAL \$: _____

Place total on page 8



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TOTAL PAGE

Place all totals on this page

Return this page and completed pages & entry forms with your check made payable to BCHC

Name: _____

Unit: _____

Description	From Page #	\$ Amount
Donation to BCHC Education Fund		\$
Dinners	2	\$
Camping	2	\$
Stalls	3	\$
Wine, Cheese & Beer Tasting	3	\$
Raffle Tickets	3	\$
Western Art Show Contest	4	\$
Dutch Oven Cooking Competition	6	\$
Rendezvous Short-Sleeve T-Shirts	7	\$
Packing Contests (<i>sign up and pay fees <u>at Rendezvous</u></i>)		
Add all dollar amounts above and enter TOTAL DUE here		\$

Make checks payable to: BCHC

Send completed registration pages and payment to: 2026 BCHC Rendezvous, P.O. Box 157, Olancho, CA 93549

DEADLINES: Please note: *Walk-in registrations DO NOT guarantee meals!*

MAIL - do not mail after March 10

EMAIL - do not email after March 16

After March 16, bring registration forms and check to registration booth at Rendezvous

TABLE DECORATIONS CONTEST

Tables will be assigned by the Table Decorations Committee by 10 a.m. on Friday. Units may begin decorating @ 10 a.m. until Friday at 5 p.m. The judging will take place after 5 p.m. and awards presented at Friday evening's award presentation. All units that decorate a table will automatically be entered. The BCHC unit name must be clearly visible. Entries over 3' tall will be disqualified. Winner of the Best Overall category is responsible for coordinating and judging next year's table decoration contest. Judge's decisions are final. We would like to sell these at the dinner if you do not want your decoration sold, please remove after judging or put a sign "Do Not Sell". It is possible that members of the public will be attending our dinners. As BCHC members, we are the hosts and should extend a warm welcome to other members as well as to the public to join us at our tables.

THE 2025 WINNER AND 2026 TABLE DECORATIONS CONTEST JUDGE IS REDWOOD UNIT

DRIVING DIRECTIONS TO DIAMOND BAR ARENA 6055 CENTRAL AVENUE, CERES, CA 95307

From South: Go north on Hwy 99 through Turlock to Keyes Road. Exit freeway. Turn left on Keyes Road. You will be headed west for 3 miles to Central Avenue. Turn left again. Travel south about ¼ mile and enter Diamond Bar on your right.

From North: Going south on Hwy 99, pass through Modesto (good luck) and then Ceres. A couple of miles past Ceres take Keyes Road exit and turn right on Keyes Road. You will be headed west for 3 miles to Central Avenue. Turn left on Central. Travel south about ¼ mile and enter Diamond Bar on your right.

From I-5: Take the Patterson City exit and follow the signs to Turlock. You will be traveling on West Main once you cross the San Joaquin River. Turn left on Central Avenue and go north for about 4 miles. Diamond Bar will be on your left.

RENDEZVOUS 2026 HOTELS

(There are no special Rendezvous rates at any motels)

Best Western Orchard Inn

5025 N Golden State Blvd
Turlock, CA 95382
(209) 667-2827

Microtel Inn and Suites

1760 Herndon Rd
Ceres, CA 95307
(209) 225-9261

Howard Johnson

1672 Herndon Rd
Ceres, CA 95307
(209) 537-4821

Fairfield Inn

3301 Countryside Dr
Turlock, CA 95380
(855) 816-6193

Holiday Inn Express

3001 Hotel Dr
Turlock, CA 95380
(209) 664-9999

PACKING CONTESTS

INTERSCHOLASTIC TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS

Once again Backcountry Horsemen of California is having its annual Rendezvous at Diamond Bar. We invite all interscholastic teams and individuals 18 and over to participate in Packing Contests as a prelude to competition at Bishop Mule Days Celebration. All competitions will be individual except the Odd Load which will be two people. We will provide all necessary equipment for you to pack live mules. SILVER BELT BUCKLES will be awarded to 1st and 2nd places in all three events. Please reserve the date below.

Date: Saturday, March 21, 2026

Place: Diamond Bar Arena, 6055 Central Avenue, Ceres, CA Registration at 10 a.m.

Competition begins at 12 p.m. (noon)

Classes include: ODD LOAD (2 people pack one mule and go around cone to finish line)

INDIVIDUAL BOX HITCH

INDIVIDUAL DIAMOND HITCH

Cost: \$20/class. Odd Load = \$40 for 2 people. Total of \$60 if competing in all three events.

AMA rules will apply to all classes: A clean load beats a penalized load.

Dress Code: Team shirts, if available

SIGN UP AND PAY ALL FEES AT RENDEZVOUS PACKING CONTEST

YOUTH COMPETITION (17 and under and not on an Interscholastic Team)

Classes include INDIVIDUAL BOX HITCH and INDIVIDUAL DIAMOND HITCH

Cost: FREE

SIGN UP AT RENDEZVOUS PACKING CONTEST

Please RSVP to Carl Perry, event organizer, at hayloftpigeon@aol.com or (209) 321-5410

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Backcountry Horsemen of California Rendezvous 2026

HORSEMANSHIP 101

Friday . March 20, 2026

Unique Opportunities

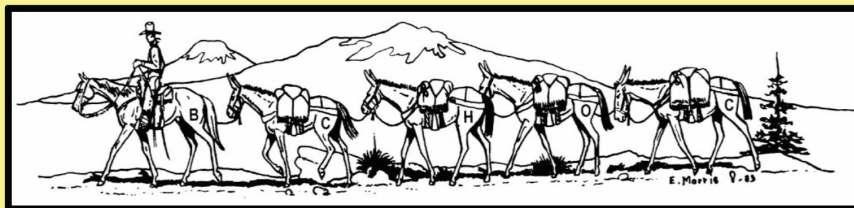
Choose 1 - 8 sessions
8am - 4pm
Work with *your* equine
Experienced clinicians
Affordable \$20/session
Paid reservation is required.
Session limited to 8 persons



*This is a hands-on
working clinic,
not a 'lecture demo'.
Bring your equine.*

Topics

Desensitizing
Send/Lunging
Garrocha Pole
Backing/Pulley
Highline/Picketline
Sidepass/Disengage
Hobbling/Ground Tie
Mounting/Rider Pick-Up
* Swag Bag *



Location: Diamond Bar Arena 6055 Central Ave Ceres, California

Contact: Carlena Kellogg 209-505-0122

Request an entry: Ladyroughrider1@yahoo.com



HORSEMANSHIP 101

BCHC Rendezvous Entry Friday, March 20, 2026

Participant**: _____

Is participant a minor? _____ Parent: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

Ph #: () _____ Email: _____

** Minor participant must be 14yr -17yr, accompanied by adult, & wear an approved equestrian helmet.

Check ☒ each topic you will be entering. \$20/session. Maximum of 8/session.

Enter	Session	Topic	Fee \$20
	8am	Highline/Picketline *	
	9am	Sending/Lunging	
	10am	Hobbling/Ground Tie	
	11am	Garrocha Pole	
	1pm	Desensitizing	
	2pm	Backing/Pully	
	3pm	Sidepass/Disengage	
	4pm	Mounting/Rider Pickup	

* Do not bring an equine to the Highline session.

Be sure to bring a horse/mule to the other sessions.

Total Entry Fees: \$ _____

Participant will receive an email confirming session(s) & other information.

Maximum of 8 participants per session.

Mail Entry & Check: Carlena Kellogg 2529 Manor Oak Dr Modesto, CA. 95355

Check Payable to: BCHC

Mail Entry ASAP to secure your spot

Office Use

ROL:

DBA

BCHC

Email: (2) ROL Map Apparel Camping

Paid: _____ Form: _____

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OBSTACLE CHALLENGE

BCHC Rendezvous March 20–21, 2026

Salute to our Volunteers!



Friday

Packer Class @ 1pm

Saturday @ 10am

Youth . Novice . Open

Open to Public . Prizes to 6th

Located at

Diamond Bar Arena

6055 S. Central Ave. Ceres, CA

Fees

\$35 Youth

\$45 Adult

\$45 Packer

Entry secures your ride

Saturday

Sign In @ 8am Rider Meeting @ 9am

Camping & Stalls
40 Rider Maximum
Photographer



Contact: Carlena Kellogg

209-505-0122

Ladyroughrider1@yahoo.com

Obstacle Challenge

BCHC Rendezvous 2026. March 20-21, 2026

Rider: _____ **Rider #:** ____ - ____

*** Equine** name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ BCHC member? yes / no

Email: _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Ph: _____

CLASS (circle one):

YOUTH

NOVICE

OPEN

PACKER

**Packer rides
on Friday!**

Class Description

Youth: Ages 12-17, must ride alone & wear an approved equestrian helmet while mounted

Novice: Horse & rider team who are new to the sport & those teams who compete in the Novice level, also suitable for young horses

Open: Horse & rider team who compete in the Intermediate, Amature, Open, or Advance level, including any rider team who wants a more challenging ride

Packer: Rider must be at least 14 yrs old, minor must wear an equestrian helmet while mounted, pack equine must wear a filled pack bags/boxes & mantie properly hitched & tied

***Equine:** horse/mule/donkey may be ridden twice, but only once in each class

Entry: Youth \$35 _____ Adult \$45 _____ Packer \$45 _____

(Fee includes \$15 entry, plus additional fees, such as office, awards, advertising, etc.)

Mail Entry & Check to:

Carlena Kellogg

2529 Manor Oak Dr.

Modesto, CA 95355

Check payable to: BCHC

Check will not be deposited until after the event.

Office

Rider #	
BCHC RoL	
DBA RoL	
Pmt:	

BACKCOUNTRY HORSEMEN OF CALIFORNIA

2026 RENDEZVOUS CERES

Contact Information: Stephanie Stott 209-402-4417 horsebiz66@yahoo.com

VENDOR APPLICATION

20-21, 2026

(Please Print or Type)

Company Name _____
Address _____
City, State & Zip _____
Contact Person _____
Phone Number _____ Cell Number _____
Email address _____
electricity _____
needed? _____

describe what type of products you are selling :

California Resale Number: _____

Booth Dimensions & Fees (Check booth size below)				Amount Due
	Non-Profit Organization	10 X 10	\$10.00	
	Non-Profit Organization (i selling an items)	10 X 10	\$50.00	
	Business Organization	10 X 10	\$100.00	
	Non Commerical Vendor	10x10	\$50.00	
	Business Organization (Second space is free if an item with a retail value of at least \$100.00 is donated to BCHC raffle	10 X 10	FREE	
	booths larger than 10x20 or if you are working out of a trailer		call for pricing	
	Electrical-standard booth -		\$20.00	
	<u>Receive \$30.00 discount if you are a BCHC Member or become a</u>		<u>member - \$30.00</u>	<u>-\$30.00</u>
	CAMPING FEES- link will be sent at later time			
	TOTAL DUE \$			

If you have any questions please call or email Stephanie 209-402-4417 horsebiz66@yahoo.com

Application will not be processed without full payment. All fees must be paid no later than Jan 31, 2026.

Please make checks out to BCHC and mail to: BCHC 20 6 Rendezvous c/o Stephanie Stott PO

Box 1411 Jamestown, Ca 95327

APPLICATIONS, AND PAYMENT MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN March 1 .

Signature

Print Name

Date

VENDOR BOOTH POLICY

1. The Backcountry Horsemen of California 2026 Rendezvous Committee may inspect vendors at any time. The Backcountry Horsemen of California 2026 Rendezvous Committee reserves the right to shut down any booth for non-compliance with any applicable law(s), operating outside of the requested and approved function(s), or operating in a disrespectful, immoral or unethical manner toward any patron, official, competitor, vendor, city employee or any other attendee of the event.
2. Vendors requiring electricity will need to provide an extension cord.
3. Vendors provide their own EZ up, tables and chairs.
4. Set up begins at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, March 19. Tear down may begin Sunday morning, March 22.
5. The grounds must be cleared of all vehicles after set up and one hour prior to opening.
6. NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS must have proof of non-profit status.
7. Do not tear down prior to close of event.
8. Vendors must sign liability waiver for Diamond Bar and BCHC. Forms will be available on-site.
9. Deadline for mention in Program is February 15, 2026.

Make checks payable to: BACKCOUNTRY HORSEMEN OF CALIFORNIA (BCHC)

Mail to: BCHC c/o Stephanie Stott

PO Box 1411

Jamestown, CA 95327