

MORAGA HORSEMEN'S NEWSLETTER

AUGUST 2006

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY, MHA 1956 TO 2006

August 3 MJHA meeting at arena
5 Tevis Cup Ride
16 MHA meeting at pasture
Potluck & presentation at 6 pm
24 All club overnight ride

September

7 MJHA meeting
16 East Bay Elevator Ride and
Fun Ride
19 MHA meeting
24 Dollars for Davis Poker Ride



MHA POTLUCK DINNER

MHA will have a potluck dinner before the meeting on the 16th. Bring a dish to share and something to bar-b-q. Grilling will begin at 6, dinner at 6:30 and the meeting will follow at 7:30. BYOB

Jane Jewett will give a gymkhana demonstration. Hope to see you all there for another fun evening!

Last months dinner/meeting was a huge success. Rebecca Thomas gave a demonstration on equine massage therapy, and Annie was the lucky demo horse.

Battle of the Barns

MHA is sending a team of well trained "Turners and Burners" to Battle of the Barns on July 29th. If you are not on the team, consider going over to the beautiful Martinez Horsemen's Arena (at the Martinez waterfront) to cheer them on.

XENOPHON FUND RAISER

Be sure to check out Country Supply online. Any purchases made with Xenophon typed into the "country code" when you go to the shopping cart will result in \$\$ back to Xenophon. It's a great place to get your usual horse supplies while supporting Xenophon Therapeutic Riding Program!

Welcome To Our New Members

Please add these MHA members to your rosters:
MHA new members:

Madeleine Kirsch
Orinda, CA

Jenni Smith
Moraga, CA

Betty Halliday
Lafayette, CA

And MJHA member:
Shea Gillanders
Orinda, CA

Please also add returning members,
Gene and Diane Anderson
Danville, CA

MORAGA HORSEMEN'S ASSOCIATION'S
\$\$\$ DOLLARS FOR DAVIS \$\$\$
POKER RIDE

A BENEFIT RIDE FOR THE CENTER FOR EQUINE HEALTH

DATE: SUNDAY, September 24, 2006
**WHERE: UPPER SAN LEANDRO RESERVOIR, MORAGA –
EBMUD TRAIL**
**TIME: STAGGERED STARTS BETWEEN 9:00 & 10:30 –GATE
OPENS AT 7:30 AM**

RIDE THE BEAUTIFUL MORAGA HILLS WITH THE PROFITS FROM
YOUR DONATIONS GOING TO **THE CENTER FOR EQUINE HEALTH
AT UC DAVIS**
& COMPETE IN THE OPTIONAL POKER HAND COMPETITION.

The trail, approximately 6 miles of moderate to steep terrain on mostly fire
trails,
Will be available to both poker ride competitors & those riding just to benefit
the Equine Center.

**Prizes for Highest Poker Hand, Lowest Poker Hand, a "Surprise Poker Game" &
to the rider who collects and donates the most money toward the Center for
Equine Health.**

**QUESTIONS?? Call or email Karen Bottiani (925)-943-7351/
kbottiani@comcast.net**

Mail entries to Karen at 1648 Springbrook Rd, Lafayette, CA 94549

DOLLARS FOR DAVIS RIDE ENTRY
September 24, 2006

RELEASE OF LIABILITY
FOR DOLLARS FOR DAVIS RIDE, SEPTEMBER 24, 2006

PARTICIPANT: _____ **TELEPHONE:** () _____

ADDRESS: _____ **CITY:** _____ **ZIP:** _____

I acknowledge that horseback riding is a sport, which carries inherent risks of injury and damage to myself, my horse and property. I knowingly assume all risks, whether known or unknown, of horseback riding.

I hereby release the Moraga Horsemen's Association (hereinafter referred to as M.H.A.) and the East Bay Municipal Utility District (premises owners) (hereinafter referred to as E.B.M.U.D.) from all liability for any act of negligence or want of ordinary care on the part of M.H.A. and/or E.B.M.U.D. or any of its agents.

In consideration of my participation in events organized or sponsored by M.H.A., I wave, release and discharge M.H.A. and E.B.M.U.D. directors, officers, agents and members, their representatives, heirs, executors and assigns from any and all claims of liability for injury or damage to myself, my animals or my property arising out of my participation. This agreement is binding upon my executors, heirs and assigns.

I expressly waive any rights I may have under California Civil Code 1542, which states: "A general release does not extend to claims which the creditor does not know or suspect to exist in his favor at the time of executing the release, which if known by him might have materially affected his settlement with the debtor."

I agree that I will indemnify and hold harmless M.H.A. and E.B.M.U.D., their officers, directors, members and agents against all claims, demands, and causes of action, including court costs and actual attorney fees, arising from any proceeding or lawsuits brought by or prosecuted for my benefit, in which this release is upheld.

M.H.A. and E.B.M.U.D. its agents or employees shall not be liable for any damage which may accrue from any cause or as a result of fire, theft, running away, state of health, injury to person, horse or property.

I acknowledge that I have read this Release of Liability and know and understand its contents.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

MINORS DO NOT SIGN THIS FORM

PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN MUST COMPLETE THIS SECTION

I, the undersigned parent or guardian of the above participant in consideration of my minor's participation in the event, agree that the terms and conditions of this Release of Liability shall be binding as to damage or injury to my minor, his animals, and property arising, out of his participation in events.

I acknowledge that I have read this Release of Liability and know and understand its contents.

NAME: _____ TELEPHONE () _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

DIRECTIONS:

From Highway #24, take Orinda exit. Follow signs to Moraga. You will be on Moraga Way. Go approximately 4 miles. At signal by "JACK IN THE BOX" turn right on Canyon Rd. Go over bridge and look for driveway on left at mail box – 423 Canyon Rd., about 1/8 mile after bridge. **Please close the gate.** If needed, overflow parking available at Valle Vista staging area, next driveway further up Canyon Rd.

Ride Information: Gate to open at 7:30 am. Registration opens at 8:00 am. Staggered starts begin at 9:00 am. Ride is approximately 6 miles with rolling to steep terrain. Water available at ride site and on the trail for horses. Lunch available after the ride for \$5.00 (please pre-order) at 1:30 pm. Awards at 2:30. Riders **MUST** stay on designated trail.

Weather Conditions: Please note that if the weather is extremely hot with high fire danger the parks could be closed. If so, this event will be canceled. If questionable, please call (925) 943-7351 or (925) 408-1930. If canceled due to fire danger, pre-paid entries and donations will be refunded on request.

HELMETS ARE RECOMMENDED FOR ALL RIDERS

NO SMOKING. RESERVOIR IS OFF LIMITS