



You are invited!

**COLUMBIA STATE PARK
ALL-EQUESTRIAN
CHRISTMAS PARADE**

Sunday, December 9, 2018, 11 a.m.

**Sponsored by Mid Valley Unit,
Backcountry Horsemen of California**

In the grand tradition established in the 1990s by the Shady Ladies of the Mother Lode, Mid Valley Unit of Backcountry Horsemen of California (BCHC) cordially invites all equestrians to participate in the annual Columbia State Park All-Equestrian Christmas Parade, **Sunday, December 9, 2018, 11 a.m. sharp**. This all-equestrian holiday parade on Columbia's Main Street is open to horses, mules, donkeys, miniatures, ponies, and draft horses, their riders, drivers or leaders of all ages, as well as equine-drawn wagons and carriages. The parade's toy drive benefits Amador-Tuolumne Calaveras Community Action Agency's Housing Families Program. We encourage participants and spectators to **bring an unwrapped toy to donate** to this worthy cause.

Please complete all enclosed forms and return them in the pre-addressed envelope, **postmarked no later than Friday, November 30**. Feel free to contact me by phone or email if you need more information or have any questions. *This is a rain or shine event.*

Step back in time in the famous working Gold Rush town of Columbia and enjoy a visit from Santa while participating in or watching the largest non-motorized parade in Northern California. Add color and fun to your holiday season. Join us for the Columbia Christmas Parade!

Sincerely,
Cathy and Doug Dollarhide
Christmas Parade Chairmen, Mid Valley Unit
Backcountry Horsemen of California
Cell: 209-602-1489
Email: bootsandspur@att.net

*** For everyone's safety, **helmets must be worn by all 17 and under youth any time they are mounted**. All animals must be under control at all times. The Parade Chairman reserves the right to bar from the parade any animal or person deemed unsafe to others.

*** PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN: **Parade Entry Form and Release of Liability**. *Each person* participating in a group entry must submit a signed Release of Liability unless he/she is a BCHC member in good standing.

*** REMEMBER TO ENCLOSE: The **\$25 entry fee and a certificate from your insurance agent** naming BCHC, Mid Valley Unit as additional insured. As an alternative, you may obtain third party liability insurance coverage by becoming a member of BCHC. Mail completed Membership form and dues check with your entry.

Mid Valley Unit is one of 22 Backcountry Horsemen of California units. We are a non-profit 501(c)3 organization dedicated to keeping backcountry trails and forage areas open to horsemen on all public lands through the practice of Leave No Trace principles, education and volunteer service. Our parent organization is Back Country Horsemen of America.

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