

# Trail News

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Here is a recent photo taken by Angie Meroshnekoff of Cache Creek, where the Cowboy Camp ride and clinic will be held in May. Signs of recovery are promising after the Rocky fire passed through late last year.



## Upcoming Events:

- April 22-24  
[NATRC R2 Spring Fling](#)  
Temecula, CA
- April 23  
[Horsemanship on the Trail](#)  
Dunnigan, CA
- April 30  
[CSHA Trail Trials Clinic](#)  
Napa, CA
- May 7  
[NATRC R1 Mt. Diablo](#)  
Clayton, CA
- May 21  
[NATRC R1 Ride Clinic](#)  
Williams, CA
- May 21-22  
[NATRC R1 Cowboy Camp](#)  
Williams, CA
- May 22  
[LBEMC Equine Health Fair](#)  
Penryn, CA

## The Mathematics of Equestrian Trails

**Additions:** 4 miles of new trails have been added to the Cache Creek area thanks to a partnership between our sister organization, AERC, and the BLM. Furthermore, plans to build a bridge from Auburn, CA to Cool, CA with additional trails, parking, and camping for equestrians have been proposed!

**Subtractions:** Some equestrian staging areas like the [Skillman Horse Camp](#) in the Tahoe National Forest, and [Turkey Hill](#) in Wallace, CA are in danger of

closing their gates to equestrians. Many agencies are now turning to a "use it or lose it" policy to as they need the financial support from recreationists to fund their operational costs.

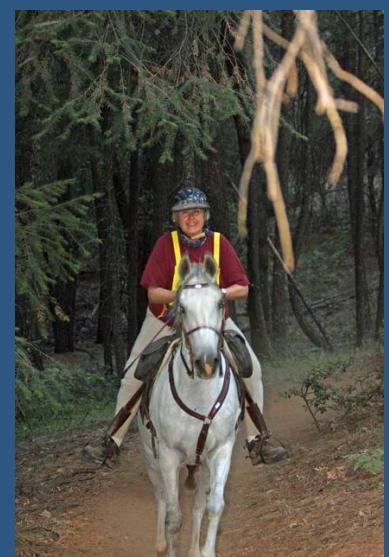
**Balancing the Equation:** There are many actions we can take to make sure our voices are heard. We can sign a petition to support the [China Bar Bridge](#). We can also make reservations at the horse camps that are in jeopardy to enjoy a weekend of riding with friends while supporting a cause!

## Additional 2016 Rides!

Get ready to ride! As we prepare to start the 2016 season, it is exciting to see that we have many more events in our region this year! Our beloved Georgetown ride will be back this June! And, making its debut, the Circle 9 Ranch ride will be held mid-October in Mariposa, CA. A huge thanks to all of our wonderful ride chairs and secretaries who make these events possible! We would love for you to "come ride with us" and support these new and returning rides in this wonderful region "where it all began".

## Park Watch Report

As avid trail users, we share a responsibility with all others on foot, hoof, and tire to keep our trails safe and enjoyable for all. One simple way we can contribute is by notifying local agencies and land owners of maintenance issues and incidents we come across on our rides. With just a few simple steps, [Park Watch Report](#) makes reporting even easier and can be accessed through your phone and online. Next time you are out on the trails, give it a try! Even GPS coordinates and pictures can be uploaded for detailed reports!



Jean Armer was all smiles as she and Pistol Pete DF took on the [Georgetown](#) ride in 2014.