

# Trail News

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An impressive group of open riders at the Round Valley ride this past June. To see more wonderful photos taken by Kimberly Naugle, search for NATRC Region 1 on Facebook!



## Upcoming Events:

- September 2-7  
[EBHT Benefit Hike & Ride](#)  
Alameda, CA
  - September 16-20  
[WANAC Stone Cellar](#)  
Loon Lake, CA
  - September 26-27  
[NATRC R1 Jackson Forest Fall Ride](#)  
Fort Bragg, CA
  - October 3-4  
[NATRC R2 RAHA Rally](#)  
San Diego, CA
  - October 3  
[GDET Poker Ride](#)  
Georgetown, CA
  - October 30-November 1  
NATRC R2 Sage Hill  
Santa Maria, CA
- \*Click on Event for Entry/Info.

## Securing Trails for the Future

Lucky for us, many areas in our region have recently announced their successes in securing trails for equestrians and other recreationists now and in the future. For instance, the [Berryessa-Snow Mountain](#) region was declared a National Monument, promising public access to this area for generations to come. The American River Conservancy just announced their acquisition of the 10,000 acre [Granite Chief Wilderness](#) which will guarantee us access to beautiful trails

along the American River.

Meanwhile, [Concord Hills](#) is a new regional park being developed. They are hosting public meetings to get an idea of how the land should be used. It is opportunities like this where a NATRC presence would be crucial to ensure that equestrians have a say and keep their privilege of accessing different trails. If you have the time to attend one of their meetings, please do! Riders will thank you for years to come!

## Catching Fire...

As the drought and bark beetles continue to cause high fire hazards in our region, wildfires ravage many of the trails we know and love. Cowboy Camp, where we hold a benefit ride each May, is among one of the areas that has burned recently and is now closed. Before heading out to ride, be sure to check the [Cal Fire](#) website and/or with your local park to ensure that the area is safe to ride in. While riding, be alert! And for other fire safety tips for equine owners, consider checking out [online resources](#).

## Last Ride of the Season!

Don't forget to send in your entry for the Jackson Forest **FALL** ride! This will be our last ride of 2015! Angie, Maria, and crew have been hard at work preparing new trails and timing the ride among many other tasks. Come on out to enjoy the fantastic scenery the Jackson Demonstration Forest has to offer amid the wonderful company of your fellow NATRC riders and volunteers.

THANK YOU to everyone who makes these fabulous rides possible!



Haley Schlerf and Doodah try their hand at (and totally rock!) endurance at the Fireworks ride in between NATRC events this July.