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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE by Denise Howell

Howdy Pardners!



This year has just flown by. "They" say that happens as we get older. Please don't remind me. That means next year will go even faster.

This is my last President's Message to you. You will have a new President in 2015 and I'm sure the messages will be interesting and informative.

With elections coming up at our December meeting we should have a new Board of Directors and Officers and many new ideas and refreshed energy. If you are thinking of volunteering for a position, now is the time to do it. We need to keep our control over the arena and trails and we need LBHA running at full speed in order to do so.

I will continue to edit your Newsletter as I have done for the last several years and plan on being a familiar face as a volunteer at our Horse Shows in the Fall.

Please continue to support our LBHA and with that.....
Happy Trails to you...



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*Denise Howell
Latte & Jones*

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TRAYLOR RANCH NATURE RESERVE

Our final workday of the year was completed on Saturday Sept. 27. We had a good turnout.

All the trails and picnic areas were mowed and fine tuned. Along with weedwacking the edges and pruning. The park is all set for the winter season to move in. Let's hope for RAIN!!

I was also very happy to hear we had two neighbor families to TRNR who joined for the first time and looking to carry on and help next year. A BIG welcome and thanks to Jill Higgins and her husband Nicola Pusteria and their two small children as well as Lea and Bryan Wattier with their infant son for coming out to help. We'll be looking forward to having you join us next year when our workdays start up again.

In addition, we had Clelia Jocoy working the tractor and also helping out on the weedwacking we had Maureen Henderson and Dale Sloss another neighbor who has been helping all year. I apologize if I missed anyone.

I would like to send out a big thank you to all the volunteers who have come out this year in support of Traylor Ranch. It is a special place and is that way due to your hard work.

If anyone has any questions about TRNR please drop me a note.

Dave Faoro

**TRNR Committee Chairman,
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Today's words are tomorrows rides, so choose wisely or you may find yourself face first in the dirt. ~ Daily Oats Horse Blog



Minutes Loomis Basin Horseman's Association

November 19, 2014

Loomis Basin Round Table Pizza Meeting Room

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Treasurer Donna Kelly

Dave Faoro gave a brief report on Traylor Ranch. He stated that several local neighbors assisted at the last workday and all is currently fine with the ranch.

Debbie Murphy reported that the Auburn Bike Park, Twin Rocks, Boulder Rd area of the Pioneer Express Trail are undergoing some changes. These locations are currently involved in an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) which will probably not be completed until spring. She also stated that The Auburn Bike Park Committee is dedicated to making sure the equestrian by pass is safe for horsemen. In addition, the trail from the Auburn Outlook to Cool is undergoing some restoration and currently has a lot of construction materials lying about.

Kathy Dombrowski wanted to get feedback from members regarding our future participation at the Horse Expo. LBHA did not attend last year due to Horse Expo mismanagement issues. The cost to our organization is \$700 and requires numerous volunteers. A discussion was held with suggestions made about having LBHA team up with other nonprofit horse organizations to assist with the cost.

The December meeting will have the annual LBHA Pizza Party and nominations for the 2015 LBHA Board will be made. Current board positions up for nomination are President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and five committee heads.

A discussion was held concerning the need for additional LBHA members to come forward and serve in these positions. It was noted that if more members do not step in to support the organization, LBHA may be forced to dissolve the club thus losing its hold of the LBHA arena at the Loomis Park and other key locations. Suggestions were made about creating flyers and posting signs at the various LBHA holdings explaining how your membership and support assist in maintaining these facilities. In addition, it was suggested about LBHA hosting a Horsemen's BBQ and Poker Ride to help generate member interest. Kathy Dombrowski will look into insurance issues.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:58 PM

Nancy Steuck
Secretary

MEMBERSHIP

Please renew your membership. The list of those that need to renew for can be found on our website. Click on the "Large" membership button on the Main LBHA page to see the paid up members and the Dec13/Jun 14 need to renew list. Please renew, we need YOU!

**Please Renew
Today!**

If you are not getting e-mails from LBHA, we may not have the correct e-mail or you are blocking LBHA. The Newsletter goes on line the first week of each month, so if you do not get a notice, just check the webpage and then get the correct e-mail to LBHA.

Being an LBHA Member is a great way to give back to our community. We thank you in advance. Thank you.

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Connector Trail from Squaw Valley Community Park to the Tevis Trail near Milepost 7½

Placer County, Highway 89 & Squaw Valley Road

by Robert H. Sydnor, *AERC Trail Master*
December 2014

Introduction

Equestrians can park horse-trailers and ride on a connector trail at Squaw Valley Community Park that ascends steeply to the Tevis Trail about Milepost 7½ on the ridge that forms the south side of Squaw Valley. This is U.S. Forest Service land.

Horses can be ridden from Robie Park (at Tevis Milepost Zero) to the Highway 89 bridge, then meet your crew at Squaw Valley Community Park. There is no adequate space for a horse-trailer at the small parking lot south of the Highway 89 bridge across the Truckee River. This Placer County Park is free, and there is limited space for parking of horse-trailers. There are other trails that loop into Alpine Meadows that connect with this short one-mile access trail. Do not ride west of Milepost 9 at the boundary of Tahoe National Forest. Turn around before you reach overhead ski towers and safely return eastward and ride to Alpine Meadows on another trail.

(For safety reasons, please note that horses should *not* be ridden on training rides along the Western States Trail through the Squaw Valley ski area to the Watson Monument, unless prior permission is granted from the operators of Squaw Valley Resort. In the summertime, there are a large number of fast-moving heavy trucks on blind-corners performing construction work in the ski-lift area. There are also mountain-bike races in the Squaw Valley area. Squaw Valley is private property and safety is paramount. During the annual Tevis Cup, the Western States Trail Foundation has a one-day written permit to pass through the ski-lift area. There are no mountain-bike races on the day of the Tevis Cup.)

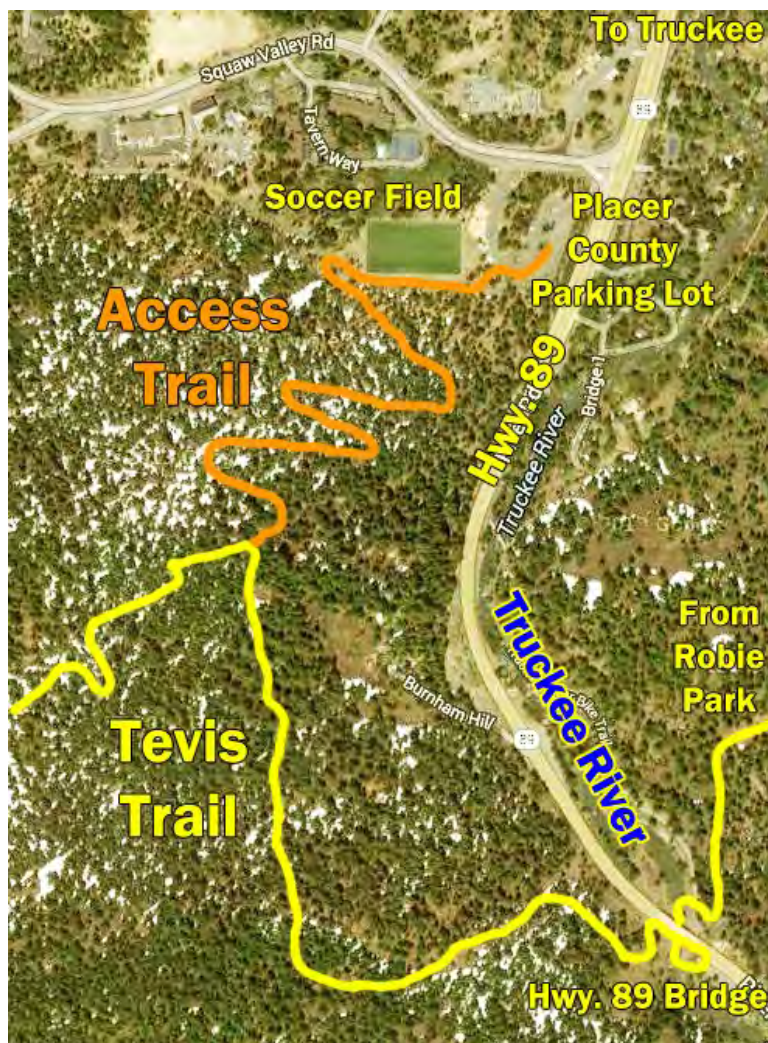




The Placer County parking lot is free. Park horse-trailers only in the eastern lot, far away from the children's playground, the restrooms, and the soccer fields. Be certain to bring a manure fork, and clean-up after your horse while saddling-up. Proceed westward for 150 yards along a paved trail being extra careful with lots of runners, hikers, baby-strollers, skate-boarders, and bikes. At the west end of the green soccer field, turn left onto the trail (shown in orange color below)

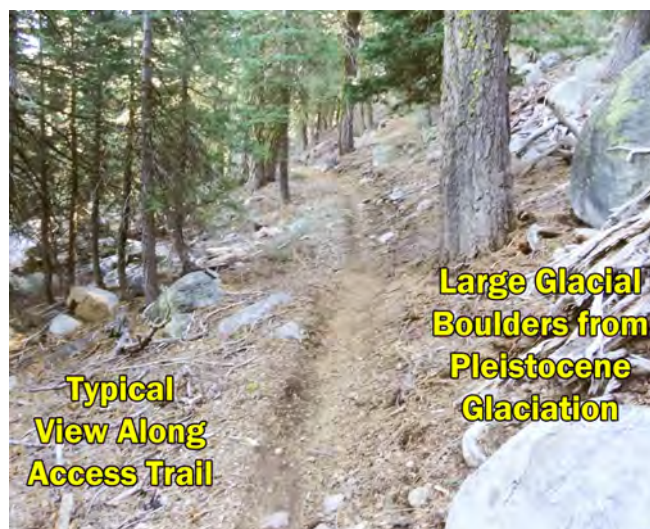
Trail Map

This aerial photograph shows the relationship of the Squaw Valley Park, operated by Placer County Parks Department, the access trail through Tahoe National Forest (shown in orange), the Tevis Trail (shown in yellow), and the Highway 89 bridge over the Truckee River.





At left: There is no signpost or trail marker where you turn uphill from the paved bike-path, so look carefully for this location near the west end of the green soccer fields. *At right:* Typical view along the one-mile connector trail.



Squaw Valley was glaciated during the Pleistocene Epoch. When the glaciers retreated about 11,000 years ago, lots of rounded glacial boulders were left behind in glacial moraines. Some of the glacial boulders are quite large.

The U.S. Forest Service trail-crew had to drill and blast some of the larger boulders (as shown with the blue Tevis baseball hat) to create the trail alignment.



A.E.R.C. Trail Master Mike Shackelford pilots the Trail Machine near Milepost 8

After one-mile and a 600-foot vertical ascent, the USFS connector trail from Squaw Valley Park meets the Tevis Trail, approximately near Tevis Milepost 7½.

Equestrians and their horses will immediately perceive a big change in the trail-bed.

In November 2014, the Tevis Trail was resurfaced and outsloped for proper drainage using the Echo Valley SK-650 Trail Machine. The trail-bed is now about 2½ feet wide, not counting the sidecast loose soil on the down-hill margin.



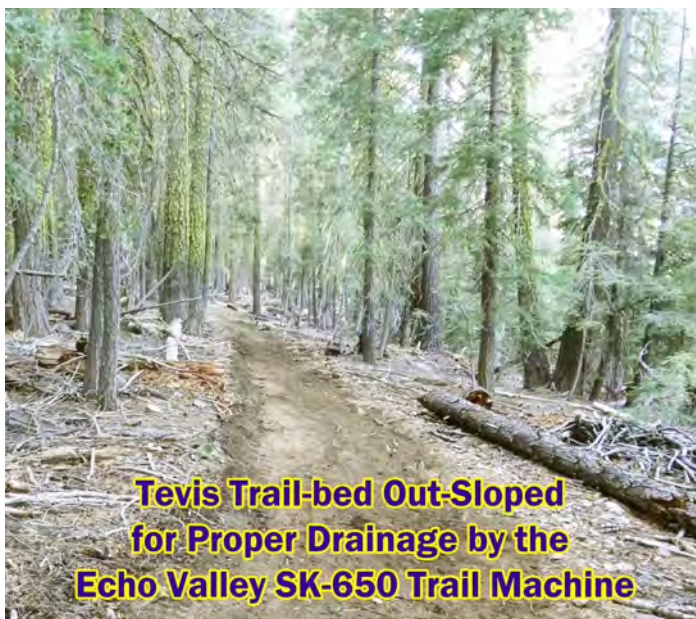
Grooming the Tevis Trail-bed with a Steel Rake

After

Before



A.E.R.C. member Phyllis Keller working on the Tevis Trail November 11, 2014



Tevis Trail-bed Out-Sloped for Proper Drainage by the Echo Valley SK-650 Trail Machine

The Echo Valley SK-650 Trail Machine can efficiently perform one hour of earthwork equaling about 20 man-hours of back-breaking labor. So it is cost-effective at a favorable ratio of 20:1.

After the trail-machine completed 95% of the earthwork, then equestrians groomed the trail-bed using MacLeod hoes and steel-rakes. Dead branches were side-cast to the down-hill margin of the trail. Loose cobbles were raked-out and side-cast.

The final result is shown at left: a safer horse trail for everyone to enjoy.





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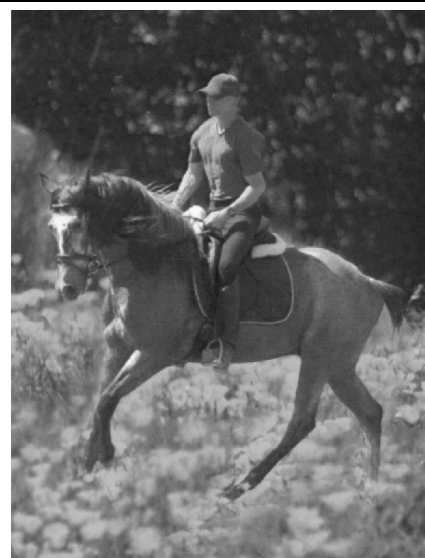
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Exp 1/1/15

Next Meeting.

December 17. Round Table Pizza Parlor. Eat at 6:30, Meet at 7:00 Elections and Christmas Party.
Free Pizza!

January 21. Round Table Pizza Parlor. Eat at 6:30, Meet at 7:00 Go over plans for the coming year
and meeting ideas! Please bring your meeting requests!

Exp 4/1/15

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