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### PARADES

In 2009 the club participated in two parades. The Pollock Pines 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade and the Placerville Christmas parade. All of the horses and riders did such a great job in both of these parades and I was very proud to be a part of the group.

The six riders that participated in the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade were Penny Bross, Martin Bross, Jessie Davison, Janet Kampf, Dean Freitas and Pam Dixon. Gary Moore was also there as our handy ground crew to help us out with flags. We couldn't ask for a nicer day for the parade or a more excited crowd. This parade has wide streets and is nice for those first time parade horses and riders.

The five riders that participated in the Placerville Christmas parade were Dean Freitas, Jessie Davison, Janet Kampf, Susan LaFrance and Pam Dixon. A warm and welcome breakfast was served by Gary Moore and other members of the Cosumnes River Horsemen's. The day was very cold as the snow greeted us prior to the start of the parade. As true Pony Express riders we bundled up and proceeded down the parade route despite the snow and cold. The parade fans in Placerville were not about to let a little snow keep them from coming down to watch the parade and the large crowd cheered for the Pony Express through the historic streets of Placerville.

We are planning on three parades this year. They are the Pollock Pines 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade, the Sacramento Christmas Parade on November 27<sup>th</sup> and the Placerville Christmas Parade on December 5<sup>th</sup>. Mark your calendars now because we would love to have as many riders as possible.

Pam Dixon

**Remember:** Article submission cut off is:  
Monday March 01, 2010 @ 9:00 PM

### Pony Express Events

Feb 28	Sunday	Board Meeting - 3 PM Denny's Cameron Park, CA
Feb 28	Sunday	General Meeting - 6 PM Denny's Cameron Park, CA
Mar 01	Monday	Membership is Due to: Elizabeth Davis
Mar 03	Wednesday	150th Committee Meeting Rich's Club House - 6PM
Mar 06	Saturday	Qualifying Ride Rancho Cordova Coordinator: Rich Tatman
Mar 27	Saturday	Qualifying Ride Rancho Cordova Coordinator: Rich Tatman

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## 2010 Pony Express Calendar of Events

- Feb 28** Board Meeting 3:30 PM – Denny's CP
- Feb 28** General Meeting 6 PM – Denny's CP
- Mar 01** XP Membership is Due
- Mar 03** 150th Committee Meeting - Rich's Club House
- Mar 06** Qualifying Ride - Rancho Cordova  
Coordinator: **Rich Tatman**
- Mar 27** Qualifying Ride - Rancho Cordova  
Coordinator: **Rich Tatman**
- Mar 28** Board Meeting 3:30 PM – Denny's CP
- Mar 28** General Meeting 6 PM – Denny's CP
- Apr 03** Train Ride from Old Sac to Folsom
- Apr 25** Board Meeting 3:30 PM – Denny's CP
- Apr 25** General Meeting 6 PM – Denny's CP  
Ride Selection for Re-Ride
- May 08** Clarksville Days - Clarksville (EDH)
- May 13** Kennedy Mine School Days - Jackson  
Coordinator: **Gary Moore**
- May 15** Coloma Days - Coloma
- May 15** Essay Contest - Old Sacramento
- May 22** Pony Express 2010 Re-Ride Dinner  
Coordinator: **Gary Moore**
- Jun 06 - 08** 2010 150th Re-Ride Starting in California  
Ride Captain: **Rich Tatman**
- Jun 27** Board Meeting 3:30 PM – Denny's CP
- Jun 27** General Meeting 6 PM – Denny's CP
- Jul 01 - 04** Folsom Rodeo XP 150th Celebration  
Coordinator: **Gary Moore**
- July 04** 4th of July Parade - Pollock Pines  
Coordinator: **Pam Dixon**
- July 14 - Aug 01** California State Fair - Sacramento  
Coordinator: **Pam Dixon**
- Jul 25** Board Meeting 3:30 PM – Denny's CP
- Jul 25** General Meeting 6 PM – Denny's CP
- Aug 22** Board Meeting 3:30 PM – Denny's CP
- Aug 22** General Meeting 6 PM – Denny's CP
- Sept 03 - 06** Gold Rush Days - Old Sacramento  
Coordinator: **Gary Moore**
- Sept 17 - 19** National Pony Express Convention
- Sept 25** Apple Hill Ride - Denver Dan's Camino  
Coordinator: **Martin Bross**
- Sept 26** Board Meeting 3:30 PM – Denny's CP
- Sept 26** General Meeting 6 PM – Denny's CP
- Oct 02** Pony Express Poker Ride  
Coordinator: **Pam Dixon**
- Oct 09** Tack Swap - Double Diamond Feed Store  
Coordinator: **Gary Moore**
- Oct 10** Apple Hill Ride - Denver Dan's Camino  
Coordinator: **Martin Bross**
- Oct 24** Board Meeting 3:30 PM – Denny's CP
- Oct 24** General Meeting 6 PM – Denny's CP
- Nov 27** Santa Parade - Sacramento  
Coordinator: **Pam Dixon**
- Nov 28** Board Meeting 3:30 PM – Denny's CP
- Nov 28** General Meeting 6 PM – Denny's CP
- Dec 05** Placerville Christmas Parade  
Coordinator: **Pam Dixon**
- Dec 11** Christmas Card Ride - 9 AM Folsom to Old Sac  
Coordinator: **Rich Tatman**
- Dec 11 - 12** Christmas in Coloma - Coloma



## Trails

Happy New Year:

Another year has past; it is time to think about getting ready for our trail work. Thinking about what needs to be done for our ride coming in June. If you think that you might need help working on any part of the XP trail or if the Forest Service can help, let me know. I will try to work with the Forest Service to get help if at all possible. Thank you for your participation and I look forward to working with you in the new year.

Cindy Honn  
Trails Rep

P.S. Don't forget that we need to fill out our trail time report form and educational form also. By filling out these forms, it will help us and the Forest Service to keep our trails open for everyone to enjoy.



## Kennedy Mine School Day

Our date will be Thursday May 13, 9 AM to 1 PM in Jackson at The Kennedy Gold Mine. I have a few volunteers, but if you would like to come out and have fun with us please give me a call (530) 409-9393. There are pictures on the website below that will give you an idea of what's going happen. We need to meet at the Mine in Jackson at 8AM **sharp** to setup before the kids get there. I hope to see some of you that day.

<http://www.kennedygoldmine.com/>

Thanks  
Gary Moore



## Quarter Master Ron Norton

Some of you might not know that we have a Quarter Master Ron Norton (916) 933-4983, who has Pony Express Logo items for sale. He also has items of interest, like books, maps, re-ride letters, and other goodies. Right now Ron has jackets for sale (Brown wind breaker with Pony Express on the back). I will have mine at the next meeting if you would like to see it. If you are a new member you really need to see Ron at the next meeting to order XP Logo items for your vest and trailer.



## Qualifying Rides March 6 & 27 2010

Rich Tatman is the Ride Captain and will be having two qualifying rides. If you have not been qualified to ride for Pony Express you need to be at one of these rides. It is mandatory to be a rider for XP. Please give Rich a call (916) 362-1902, so that you can ride with us in all the events this year. For members, if you know someone that wants to join the Pony Express let Rich know as soon as possible.

Thanks  
Gary Moore



## The 150<sup>th</sup> Committee Meeting

March 3, 2010

There will be a committee meeting for the 150<sup>th</sup> - Anniversary of the Pony Express on Mar 3 @ 6PM. We would like all members that would like to be in some, or all, of these events, to be at this meeting. We need your help in planning and putting on these events. Come find out where you can help support your club and have fun. The meeting will be held at the Club House. Rich Tatman 3112 Federalist Lane, Sacramento CA 95827. If you need directions call Rich or myself.

Thanks  
Gary Moore  
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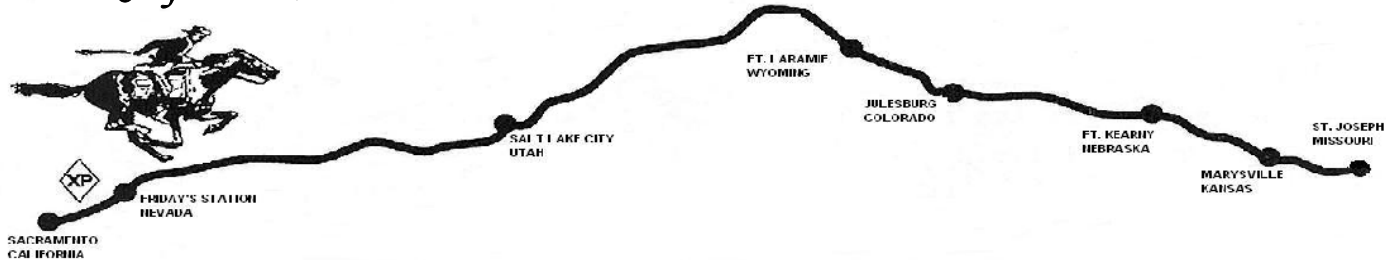
## Pony Express Train Ride

April 3, 2010

On April 3 in Old Sacramento, there will be a horse and rider taking mail from the Pony Express statue to the train station. The mail will then be put on a train bound for Folsom. In Folsom there will be a rider waiting for the mail, that rider will then take the mail to the History Museum. Come join us in this historic event. You can be a part of it at several locations or just come to watch, either way you will have fun. I hope to see all of you there.

Gary Moore

*National Pony Express Association  
California Division*



**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

Please print legibly and complete the entire application.

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse's Name: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Gender:  Female  Male
4. Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_  
State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_
5. Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_
6. e-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_
7. Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

**Membership fee: Please indicate one only.**

- New Member:**  Rider \$40.00  Associate (non-rider) \$30.00  
**Renewal:**  Rider \$35.00  Associate (non-rider) \$25.00

Accepted applicants will abide by all National Pony Express Association, Inc. and Individual State by-laws. Approved riders will also be administered the Pony Express oath prior to their ride.

The undersigned agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the National Pony Express Association, its State Divisions, and their officers and members from and against all claims, damages, losses and expenses arising out of any action, omission, or event which causes bodily injury, illness, or death, or for property damages caused in whole or in part by the applicant's participation in events and functions sanctioned in whole or in part by the Association or its Divisions. Your membership dues are tax deductible by the Internal Revenue Code 501 (C) (3). Any applicant under the age of 18 shall provide written permission from a parent or guardian to participate in any event sanctioned by the Association or its Divisions.

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Guardian or Parent:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ALL RIDERS MUST READ AND SIGN REVERSE SIDE  
MAIL APPLICATION TO 2000 Bear Rock Road, Placerville, CA 95667**

# INSTRUCTIONS TO RIDERS

In accordance with Article VI of the By-laws, governing the National Pony Express Association: We do hereby establish these instructions concerning official riders of the National Pony Express Association.

## Rider must abide by the Pony Express Oath.

### Horse & Tack

- A. Hooves must be trimmed or shod suitable for the terrain.
- B. Horse must be in reasonable condition for assigned ride.
- C. Tack must be in safe condition.

### Rider

- A. Must be able to mount and dismount horse without assistance.
- B. Must be at designated location 2 hours prior to starting time of assigned ride and complete ride in allotted time.
- C. Must be familiar with designated ride.
- D. Must wear appropriate attire. Blue jeans, long sleeved red shirt, brown vest, yellow neckerchief, brown western hat, brown boots.

### Eligibility Requirements

- A. Those applying for Rider membership will not be accepted until the Ride Captain makes an appointment for the applicant to demonstrate their ability to:
  - 1. Control their horse.
  - 2. Ride 2-5 miles at a pace necessary to meet re-ride requirements.
- B. Must be at least 14 years of age
- C. Members must be at the Re-Ride sign-up to pick a ride, or due to extenuating circumstances, acceptable to the Board, you can not attend, you must call a Board Member prior to the meeting or prior to the ride to discuss ride selection
- D. Renewal membership can be denied for any Rider who selects a ride, does not show up for that ride and did not show good cause to the Ride Captain prior to the ride.

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Guardian or Parent:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(age 14-17)

I am interested in participating in the following events during the year:

**Parades**  **Trail Rides**  **Special Events**

**National Pony Express Association  
California Division  
2010 Survey and Comments**

Happy New Year and welcome to the year of our 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. 2010 will be an exciting and event filled year for the California Division of the National Pony Express Association.

During the last two years the club has experienced a drop in attendance at the monthly meetings and special events. In 2009 in an effort to increase participation we changed the meeting day so it would not be in the middle of the weekend and brought in speakers for the monthly meetings. Unfortunately, attendance continues to drop.

To assist the board in planning future events and increase member participation please complete the survey/comment form below. If you need additional space for comments please attach additional pages.

You do not have to put your name on the Survey and Comments form. All comments will be presented to the board as anonymous. ***Please mail completed forms directly to Pam Dixon - 2524 Michelle Drive Sacramento, CA 95821 or you can email them to me at [psimmons@calstrs.com](mailto:psimmons@calstrs.com) by February 24, 2010.***

Thank you for assisting the Board in making the club the best it can be.

**General Meetings**

**Please circle one answer for each question.**

What day of the week is best for you? MON TUE WED THU FRI SAT SUN

What week in the month is best for you? First Second Third Fourth

How often should there be general meetings? Monthly Bimonthly

What time would be best for meetings? 6:00 PM 6:30 PM 7:00 PM

Would you like a meeting **without** food service? Yes No

What location would work best? Sacramento Folsom Cameron Park Placerville

Would you like raffles at the meetings? Yes No

Would you like speakers? Yes No

Additional comments you may have on general meetings

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**Special Activities**

**Please provide any comments you may have to improve the following activities.**

Parades

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Gold Rush Days

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Re-ride Dinner

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Re-ride

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Trail Work

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Rider qualification rides

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Additional activities you would like

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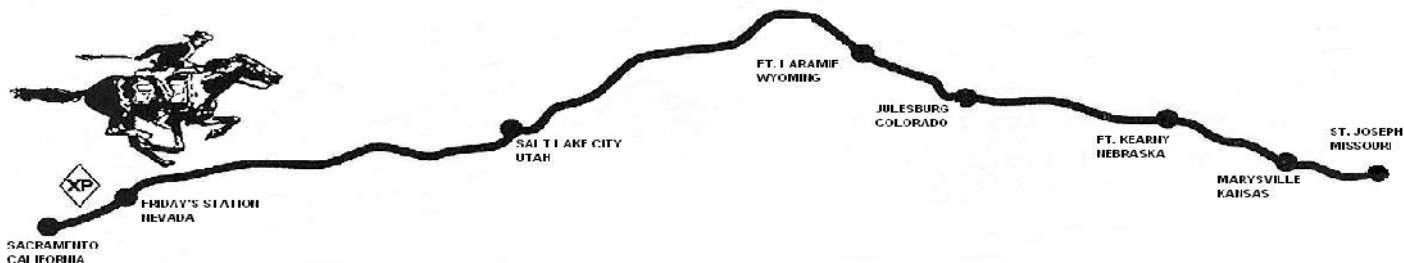
Additional comments

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	TIME			TIME	DISTANCE
	<b>June 6, 2010</b>				
1	8:00 AM	San Francisco			
	8:45 AM	Baylink Pier			
		Boat Ride			
2	8:00 PM	OLD SACRAMENTO DOC			
		OLD SACRAMENTO STATUE			
	<b>June 7, 2010</b>				
3	11:00 AM	OLD SACRAMENTO	1.5	15	1.5
4	11:15 AM	DISCOVERY PARK	4.0	30	5.5
5	11:45 AM	I-80	3.0	21	8.5
6	12:06 PM	H ST	3.5	25	12.0
7	12:31 PM	ESTATES DR	3.2	24	15.2
8	12:55 PM	ROD BEAUDRY	3.5	24	18.7
9	1:19 PM	ROSSMORE	3.0	22	21.7
10	1:41 PM	SUNRISE	3.0	22	24.7
11	2:03 PM	HAZEL AVE (FISH HATCHERY)	2.5	18	27.2
12	2:21 PM	WILLOW CREEK	2.5	18	29.7
13	2:39 PM	**FOLSOM MUSEUM	3.0	22	32.7
14	3:16 PM	FOLSOM DAM RD	3.0	22	35.7
15	3:38 PM	GREEN VALLEY CTR	2.8	20	38.5
16	3:58 PM	MALCOLM DIXON/RED SCHOOL	3.0	22	41.5
17	4:20 PM	PLEASANT GROVE HOUSE	4.0	30	45.5
18	4:50 PM	RESCUE P.O.	2.7	20	48.2
19	5:10 PM	AMBUSH PASS	2.5	18	50.7
20	5:28 PM	SHINGLE SPRINGS CORRAL	3.4	30	54.1
21	5:58 PM	EL DORADO Y	1.3	8	55.4
22	6:06 PM	**HWY 49/MOTHER LOAD DR	2.2	14	57.6
23	6:35 PM	DIAMOND SPRINGS P.O.	3.2	35	60.8
24	7:10 PM	**HANGTOWN CHAMBER OF COM.	3.5	30	64.3
25	7:55 PM	UNION RIDGE (ABLES ACRES)	4.4	35	68.7
26	8:30 PM	CAMINO P.O.	4.0	30	72.7
27	9:00 PM	**SPORTMANS HALL	2.7	20	75.4
28	9:35 PM	BULLION BEND	2.8	25	78.2
29	10:00 PM	FRESH POND			

	June 8, 2010				
30	5:15 AM	Fresh Pond	2.8	30	81.0
	5:45 AM	BROCKLISS BRIDGE CROSSING	400 yds	30	
31	6:15 AM	BROCKLISS BRIDGE	4.0	35	85.0
32	6:50 AM	WHITE MEADOWS RD	3.5	35	88.5
33	7:25 AM	CLEVELAND CORRAL	3.5	27	92.0
34	7:52 AM	PONY EXPRESS CREEK	3.5	27	95.5
35	8:19 AM	WIRE GATE	2.2	22	97.7
36	8:41 AM	KYBURZ BYPASS AT WEBER MILL	4.0	75	101.7
37	9:56 AM	KYBURZ DUMP	2.4	30	104.1
38	10:26 AM	EAGLE ROCK	4.0	40	108.1
39	11:06 AM	XP CORRAL	4.0	35	112.1
40	11:41 AM	STRAWBERRY	2.0	20	114.1
41	12:01 PM	SLIPPERY FORD	4.0	40	118.1
42	12:41 PM	SIERRA SKI RANCH	4.0	44	122.1
43	1:25 PM	OLD US 50 & US 50	4.0	25	126.1
44	1:50 PM	SHAKORI	4.2	30	130.3
45	2:20 PM	FOREST SERVICE/LUTHER CORRAL	3.0	25	133.3
46	2:45 PM	LUTHER PASS	3.0	25	136.3
47	3:10 PM	PICKETTS JUNCTION	3.0	25	139.3
48	3:35 PM	PICKETTS + 3	3.0	25	142.3
	4:00 PM	ARRIVE WOODFORDS			
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\*\* Special Event Location

# WANTED

## Pony Express Riders



### Types of Activities We Do:

Annual Pony Express Re-Ride  
Parades  
Poker Ride  
School Days

Clarksville Days  
Gold Rush Days  
Fun Rides  
Monthly Meetings

**Monthly meetings held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday  
at Cameron Park Denny's 6:00 PM**

**Become a Member and Join in the Fun!**

More information can be found at [www.xphomestation.com](http://www.xphomestation.com)

**Pony Express Newsletter**

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