



Dear Prospective Napa Valley Horsemen's Member:

Thank you for your interest in joining Napa Valley Horsemen's Association. Enclosed is an application for membership. Our regular meetings are on the first Monday of the month with a potluck dinner; unless it falls on a holiday weekend and then meeting is the following Monday.

Please check out our website, [www.napahorsemen.org](http://www.napahorsemen.org), for club history, a current calendar, upcoming events and more. Our club is an all volunteer organization, and as we all know, many hands helping make light work. Let us know your talents and availability, and we will match you up with some kind of contribution. All contributions, large and small, are appreciated and make a difference! The care of our unique 32 acre property, plus our varied activities, create many opportunities a very wide variety of contributions. It's great way to meet new friends and exchange ideas. A copy of our monthly newsletter, "The Hoofprints", will give you more information about our activities and scheduled events.

Before the Board of Directors will take action on your petition for membership, your attendance at one meeting is required. During this event your sponsor(s) should introduce you to as many members as possible so that you can get to know us. Your name will be published in the next newsletter, and your application will be presented to the Board of Directors for a vote at their next regular meeting following the newsletter. Upon membership acceptance, you will receive a membership card, and welcoming email letter with valuable information, a roster and by-laws.

Please return the completed petition for membership along with your initiation fee of \$40.00 per person and dues of \$50.00 per person for a total of \$90.00 per person to the address below. The petition needs the signatures of your sponsors or the N.V.H.A Membership Secretary. The annual dues are \$50.00 per person and are payable by the February monthly meeting of each year. If you have any questions, please call me.

Happy Trails,

Desiree Khun  
2016 Membership Secretary  
Cell (707) 246-5639

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# NAPA VALLEY HORSEMEN'S ASSOCIATION

1200 Foster Road, Napa, CA (P.O. Box 726, Napa, CA 94559)

## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Initiation Fee: **\$40.00**/per prospective senior member. Dues: **\$50.00**/per prospective senior member  
(When applying between July 1<sup>st</sup> and December 31<sup>st</sup>: initiation fee remains the same, but dues are discounted to \$25/person.)

### PLEASE PRINT THE FOLLOWING:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse email \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse cell # \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Your cell # \_\_\_\_\_

1. Prospective senior members must attend at least one meeting as a guest before presenting his or her application for membership.
2. Prospective new members must be prepared to participate at club workdays and/or other work-related activities and should be prepared to volunteer to serve on at least one activity committee each year.
3. When a single Senior member marries, his or her spouse can choose to become a member and pay dues with no initiation fee. When a Junior member reaches 18 years of age, he or she can choose to become a Senior member by paying dues with no initiation fee.

I/We attended and was/were introduced as a guest/as guests at the regular meeting held on \_\_\_\_\_

Do you own a horse? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, what style of riding do you prefer? \_\_\_\_\_

How many children do you have (if any) who are eligible for junior membership status? (Age 8 - 17) \_\_\_\_\_

Names & ages: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsors:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

Note: To be a sponsor, the person must have current Senior membership status and must have been a member at least one year.

I/We hereby agree that if I/we am/are accepted for membership I/we will actively participate in the club's activities. From the attached list, please list what activities you are most interested in participating:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_  
4. \_\_\_\_\_ 5. \_\_\_\_\_ 6. \_\_\_\_\_

I/We hereby agree that, if I/we are accepted for membership I/we will abide by NVHA's Bylaws and Rules.

I/We hereby give permission to have my/our name(s) considered for membership in the NAPA VALLEY HORSEMEN'S ASSOCIATION.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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INITIATION FEE PAID: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ DUES PAID: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Date Paid: \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_

Date printed /Hoofprints \_\_\_\_\_ Date Meeting was attended \_\_\_\_\_

Read at Board Meeting: \_\_\_\_\_ Voted on at Board Meeting: \_\_\_\_\_ Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Denied: \_\_\_\_\_

Member card \_\_\_\_\_ By-laws \_\_\_\_\_ Roster \_\_\_\_\_ Welcome letter sent \_\_\_\_\_



Please make a checkmark in front of the activities/committees you will help with in the coming year. Please feel free to add other things you have a special interest in.

	Horse Shows, Timed Events, Clinics etc.	
	Mustang Days	
	Trail Rides	
	Contribute to website	
	Monthly pot luck dinners	
	Dinner Socials – Ideas for socials; help in kitchen, setting up, cleaning up	
	Telephone members for special events	
	Contribute articles/information for the Hoofprints	
	Junior Club	
	Committees:	
	Grounds	Water system
	Buildings	Arena Renovation
	Audit	Boarding/Land use planning
	Membership	Hall Rentals
	Publicity	Trail course
	Bylaws	Representative to the California State Horsmn's
	Nominating	Assoc –go to Region 1 monthly meetings
	Select topic and find a speaker for monthly meetings	
	Do a “special project” such as:	Adopt a Spot
	Weedeating	Painting projects
	Mowing	Repair
	Organize archives	Fences
	Other ( what do you see that needs to be done?)	

**NAPA VALLEY HORSEMEN'S ASSOCIATION  
RELEASE OF LIABILITY**

I acknowledge that horseback riding is a sport that carries inherent risks of injury and damage to myself, my horse, and property. I knowingly assume all risks, whether known or unknown, of horseback riding.

I hereby release the Napa Valley Horsemen's Association (hereinafter referred to as NVHA) from all liability for any act of negligence or want of ordinary care on the part of NVHA or any of its agents. In consideration of my participation in any events (horse-related or social) organized or sponsored by NVHA I waive, release, and discharge NVHA, its directors, officers, agents, and members, its representatives, heirs, executors, and assigns from any and all claims of liability for injury or damage to myself, my animals, or my property arising out of my participation. This agreement is binding upon my executors, heirs, and assigns.

I expressly waive any rights I may have under California Civil Code 1542, which states A general release does not extend to claims which the creditor does not know or suspect to exist in his favor at the time of executing the release, which if known by him might have materially affected his settlement with the debtor. I agree that I will indemnify and hold harmless NVHA, its officers, directors, members, and agents against all claims, demands, and causes of action, including court costs and actual attorney fees, arising from any proceeding or lawsuits brought by or prosecuted for my benefit, in which this release is upheld.

NVHA, its agents or employees, shall not be liable for any damage that may accrue from any cause or as a result of fire, theft, running away, state of health, injury to person, horse, or property.

This Release of Liability is good for the year 2017

I acknowledge that I have read this Release of Liability and know and understand its contents.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Dated \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's signature \_\_\_\_\_ Dated \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

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Minors DO NOT sign below

**PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN MUST COMPLETE THIS SECTION.**

Please list (print) the names and ages of any children eligible for junior membership (age 17 and younger):

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

I, the undersigned parent or legal guardian of the above participant(s), in consideration of my minor's/minors (junior member[s]) participation in any NVHA event, agree that the terms and conditions of this Release of Liability shall be binding as to damage or injury to my minor(s), their animals, and property arising out of their participation in events.

I acknowledge that I have read this Release of Liability and know and understand its contents.

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_ Dated \_\_\_\_\_