SUPERSTITION HORSEMEN'S ASSOCIATION

Pony Tracks

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Darryl Cross
(602) 820-9583

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Pam Gaston

Membership Chair
Jan Kramer

Director-at-Large
Peggy Wilson
Lisa Rogers
Judy Hood
Roger Luth

SHA4HORSES@gmail.com

BOARD MEETINGS:
First Wednesday of every month
at 7PM at "BREAKFAST AT TINA'S"
N. Apache Trail next to Hitching Post

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Political - Darryl Cross

Equine Welfare
Jeff Watson (480)-628-6454 or
Chip Wilson (602) 361-6135
walterchip@aol.com

Bylaws, Rules, and Conduct
Chip Wilson

SHA Store - Open Position

Parade - Liz Eason

AJ Rodeo Grounds - Jeff Watson

Road Cleanup - Roger Luth

Program Director - Sheila Shattuck

Trail Ride Committee - Jeff Watson

Editor - Lisa Rogers
SHAPonyTracks@yahoo.com

Superstition Horsemen's Association

☑ Elections



Join our Board of Directors

Submit your biography for 1 of 4 open board member committee positions by September 1st, 2026.

*You must be an SHA Member. Please join today.





SHA Board Meeting Minutes of August 5, 2026

The SHA Board Meeting was held at Tina's on Wednesday, August 5th, at 7:01 pm. Board members present were Peggy Wilson, Roger Luth, Lisa Rogers, Darryl Cross, Judy Hood, and Jeanne Kennedy. Jan Kramer, Sheila Shattuck and Pam Gaston were absent. Other SHA members were Bob Diroff and Chip Wilson.

- **SECRETARY** – The Secretary's minutes from June were approved. Lisa Rogers made a motion for the minutes to be accepted, and Jeanne Kennedy seconded it. All were in favor.
- **TREASURER** –
  - JUNE: The regular checking account balance is $10.059.20. The Equine Welfare Account balance is $3297.99. Pony Track stamps were $32.76 and printing was $144.63. Rangers check for $200.00. June total withdrawal $377.39.
  - JULY: The regular checking account balance is $15.059.20. The Equine Welfare Account balance is $3297.99. AJ Parks and Recreation check for $5,000.00 for Legends Partnership.
- **MEMBERSHIP –** There are forty-three individuals and twenty-nine families plus five honorary memberships. We have one hundred six total members currently.
- **POLITICAL** – Darryl Cross was re-elected as Apache Junction City Council member. Lots of discussion on various topics including city population expanding, Public Works expanding and developing projects, and Pinal County direction on flock cameras.
- **EQUINE WELFARE** – There was nothing.
- **PARADE –** There was nothing.
- **STORE DIRECTOR -** Ann Adkins has resigned as the Store Director. Anyone who is interested in being the Director of the SHA Store needs to contact Pam Gaston.
- **PROGRAM DIRECTOR** – There was nothing.
- **TRAIL RIDE**– There was nothing.
- **PONY TRACKS EDITOR** – Need to fill position starting October 2026, Lisa Rogers is stepping down at this time. Discussion of school newspaper student, AI newsletter, also Jeanne will ask Kara.

OLD BUSINESS

- **PONY TRACKS -** There will be 150 Pony Tracks printed this month. New stand needed at museum as that one was destroyed by weather, so if you see one available, please pickup for this location.
- **6TH ANNUAL SHA PONY EXPRESS -** Darryl has sent email to ground crew & ridders about expanding the Pony Express to start in Superior was supported with replies. Darryl will set up web meeting for next week Wednesday at 6PM. Permits for AJ & Superior will be needed. Event and planning will bring communities together along with horse community. Discussed possibly including Queen Valley.

NEW BUSINESS

- **SHA Committee Election** – September is election time, 3rd week in September is online voting. Need list of upcoming positions and post in August Pony Tracks, with Bio's of those running for open positions for September Pony Tracks. Arrangements needed for election gathering/meeting with discussion of potluck on Sept 19th, which is 3rd Saturday at MGC, volunteers bring dish to pass and club provides chicken. Jeanne to schedule now, with possible location changes. Online voting to be setup by Kara.
- **New Gun Raffle** – 45 long colt riffle, lever action, traditional horsemen's gun, with custom laser engraving. Discussion on number of tickets and ticket price.
- **Prospector Park Hitching Post** – Roger Luth is arranging fix and improvements of this hitching post, will provide before and after photos. This hitching post location has Nancy's plaque by SHA .

Jeanne Kennedy made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Judy Hood seconded the motion. All were in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 7:59 PM.

ATTENTION! IMPORTANT

ELECTRONIC ELECTIONS

By Pam Gaston

We will be having elections this year and they are staggered so this year only four positions are open.

The only positions open for election are:



- ★ VICE CHAIRPERSON
- ★ DIRECTOR-AT-LARGE
- ★ DIRECTOR-AT-LARGE
- ★ DIRECTOR-AT-LARGE

The Election will take place **Online** on **September 18th, 19th and 20th.** Electronic ballots will be sent out by email on the 18th, and voting will stop on the eve of the 20th at midnight.

If you want a **Paper Ballot,** please send your name/address to Pam Gaston, Secretary, at 7523 North 177th Ave, Waddell, AZ, 85355, and a paper ballot will be sent to you. You must have your request in for a paper ballot by the 5th of September, or you will not be allowed to receive a ballot/vote. Your ballot must be mailed and postmarked no later than September 15th and it needs to be returned to the SHA Mailbox, Box 2120, AJ, AZ, 85117.

OPEN POSITIONS

Our most recent SHA Store Manager, Ann Adkins, has resigned and **we are looking for somebody else to run the SHA Store.**

Some of us have been thinking about an online presentation of jackets, shirts, t-shirts, hats, caps, and anything else some might want to purchase.

Please contact Pam Gaston if you are interested in this position.

We are looking for a Pony Tracks Editor—this is a paid position!

Lisa Rogers has been our editor for the past 4 years and is taking a break at this time.

We will need an Editor or September may be your last Pony Tracks newsletter.

Please contact Pam Gaston if you are interested in this position.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

AUGUST 2026

Submitted By: Jan Kramer
Membership Chair

Our current roster is holding at 106 individual members in the following categories:

- Single - 43
- Family - 29
- Honorary - 5

It's hard to believe it's already August; I hope everyone has been enjoying their summer.

Our membership year will be coming to a close at the end of September, so it won't be long until it's membership renewal time!



Please feel free to contact me regarding any membership questions or concerns.

You can email me at:
imareadertika@icloud.com

Jan Kramer
Membership Chair

SHA Committee - (4) OPEN POSITIONS

Electronic Voting – September 18, 19 & 20, 2026















SUPERSTITION HORSEMEN'S ASSOCIATION

Membership Renewal

Please join or renew today!

SHA Membership Year

OCT 1, 2026 — SEPT 30, 2027

SINGLE membership *only* **$20.00**

FAMILY membership *only* **$30.00**

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SHA PONY EXPRESS

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Darryl Cross

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6th Annual

PONY EXPRESS

MARCH 6, 2027



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*** MEMBERSHIP FORM ***

OCTOBER 2026 – SEPTEMBER 2027

I hereby make application/renewal to the Superstition Horsemen's Association, Inc., and in so doing agree to abide by SHA's Mission Statement.

Mission Statement

The Superstition Horsemen's Association, Inc. is a group of concerned citizens formed to ensure the rights and privileges of horsemen; to promote humane treatment of horses; and to actively pursue favorable legislation concerning the above.

I further agree to abide by the bylaws of the Association (copies are available upon request). I strongly desire to maintain the western lifestyle in this community.

INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

For and in consideration of my/our Membership and participation in all events sponsored by the Superstition Horsemen's Association, Inc., (SHA) of Apache Junction, Arizona, the undersigned hereby releases and forever discharges the SHA for any claim or demand for personal injuries or property damage occurring while participating in any event sponsored by SHA, and the undersigned hereby further agrees to indemnify the SHA (including all officers and members, and all property owners upon whose property the various events take place), and save them harmless from any claims, demands or judgements which may be asserted or rendered against them by any person whatsoever for death, personal injury or property damage occurring during any event sponsored by the SHA, including the reasonable value of the services of attorneys retained by the SHA in defense of any claim of action arising there from.

Date of Application: _____ **New Applicant:** _____ **Renewal:** _____

Name(s): (1) _____ **(2)** _____
Print Name Print Name

Signature(s): (1) _____ **(2)**_____

Winter Address _____
Dates: _____ Street (Please include apartment and/or space number.)

_____
City State Zip Phone

Summer Address _____
Dates: _____ Street (Please include apartment and/or space number)

_____
City State Zip Phone

Email Address:

☐ I would prefer to receive my Newsletter via Email.

Areas of Interest: *I am interested in the following committees:*
☐ Trail ☐ Activities ☐ Parade ☐ Road Cleanup ☐ Political ☐ How can I help? Please call me.

MEMBERSHIP FEES: $20 Single Membership, $30 Family and Associations

Calendar of Events

Are you running for a Board Member position:

Please have Bio sent in before September 1st.

If re-running for position, you must submit Bio to be on the ballot.
Please turn them in during August 2026.
See front page for more details.

Paper Ballot request –

If you do not want to vote electronically, then you must request a paper ballot by **September 5th** and return by **September 15th.**

See page 3 for details

Electronic Voting –

Will take place
September 18, 19 & 20, 2026.

See page 4 for more detail.

Saturday, September 26th –

Mark your calendars for Election gathering potluck.

More details to follow.

6th Annual Pony Express meeting (online)

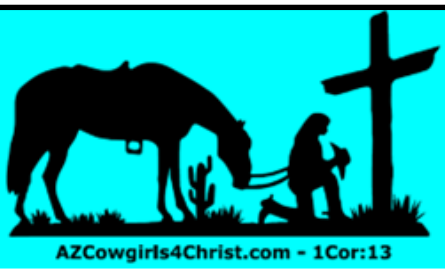
to be scheduled soon.
Please reach out to Darryl if you would like to be included.
Email: darrylcross.local669@gmail.com

TRAIL RIDE COMMITTEE

Questions?

Please email Jeff at:
jwconnected@hotmail.com

SHA



COWBOY CHURCH - *Every Sunday @ 10 AM*

Services are held at the Superstition Mountain Museum

See Arizona Cowgirls for Christ website and Facebook for schedule

Website: AZCowgirls4Christ.com

Facebook: click on this link

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Apache Junction, AZ

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Important Dates to Remember



- September 1, 2026—Board Member Bio's due in August of 2026
- September 5, 2026 - If requesting paper voting ballot, must be before 9/5, returned before 9/15
- September 18, 19 & 20, 2026 - Electronic voting takes place
- September 26, 2026 - Election potluck gathering
- September - Online Pony Express meeting , date to be determined

UPCOMING BOARD MEETING: SEP 2, OCT 7 and NOV 4. The Board meets promptly at 7pm. Anyone is welcomed to attend and hear what they are working on and planning for the yearly events. You may volunteer to assist with upcoming events or be part of a planning committee! In person meetings are being held at *Breakfast at Tina's* next to the Hitching Post Saloon in Apache Junction.

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