

# The 1969 High Trip

## (The 64<sup>th</sup> High Trip)

The opportunity to enjoy the beauty of the High Sierra with only a jacket on your back and lunch or camera in hand is the unique offering of the traditional Sierra High Trips. On moving days, stock carry the duffel, food and commissary equipment while you hike at your own pace from one camp to the next. There's no hurry, just arrive in time for dinner. In camp, the big jobs of setting up, cooking and pot washing are efficiently and cheerfully handled by a college-age crew. Reed for more leisure activities, you spend the day as you choose; well-led hikes, rock climbing and nature study are available, or you may plan your own activities.

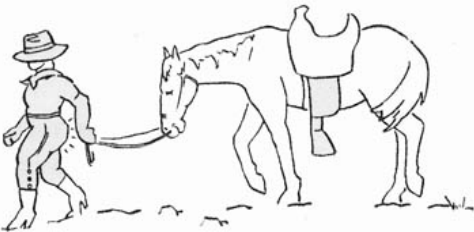
The Family High Trip differs from the regular High Trip mainly in the length of moves and location of camps. On the Family Trip, moves are short and more than half of the days are layovers. Whenever possible, camps are placed well off the beaten track. We hope that you will interpret "family" rather broadly; we welcome children and adults of all sizes and ages. It is important, however, that all applicants have some camping experience. The staff includes a doctor.



### Family High Trip, Humphreys Basin Loop – July 12 - 25

Leader – Phil Berry

This year's Family High Trip will explore the scenic John Muir Wilderness Area located on the eastern side of the central Sierra. This is an area noted for its superb alpine terrain and unique opportunities for climbing, photographing and fishing. Our trip will begin at the North Lake roadhead and end two weeks later at Pine Creek. There will be a total of five moving days with no moves over seven miles or involving more than 1,000-foot gain in altitude. All camps but one will be located well away from traveled trails at especially scenic, alpine (over 10,500 feet) sites. This trip will provide plenty of leisure time and close access to the breathtaking Glacier Divide, upper French Canyon and Granite Park. Children of five in good condition can make this trip comfortably.



### High Trip, Sequoia National Park – Franklin Pass, Big Arroyo, Sawtooth Pass – July 27 - August 9

Leader – Ted Grubb

Mineral King, site of the proposed Walt Disney Ski Area, will be the roadhead for this year's High Trip. Our route will follow a circular path through the country along the Big Arroyo and under the spectacular Kaweah Peaks. From the high ridges, we will look out to the spectacular country of Mount Whitney and the Sierra crest. We will camp in the open pine forests of the high Kern country – at Nine Lakes Basin, Little Five Lakes, Foerster Lake, and Lost Canyon. Camp elevations will be as high as 10,500 feet. Moving



days will range from seven to twelve miles, and two passes – Franklin and Sawtooth (both 11,700 feet) – will be crossed during the trip.

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