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MEETING TIME

Wednesday
AUGUST 20th

Socializing: 7:00
Meeting: 7:30

Enjoy some friendly
conversation, hot coffee
and snacks.

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win the door prize

Held in the Dalton Gardens
City Hall. Ya can hitch yer
hoss at Hanley and 4th.
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to see ya thar.

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& the Ol' Crew



~Tails & Trails~

AUGUST 2008

AUGUST EVENTS

4th of July Pass Ride Saturday, August 2, 2008.

Be ready to ride at 10:00 a.m. This is an easy loop ride. There is plenty of parking at the trail head. Directions: I-90 to 4th of July Pass, at end of off ramp turn South. Follow the PBCH Signs. (trail head is just off I-90)

Lunch will be provided for a cost of \$3.00 per person. (Sub Sandwiches with chips and drink) Please RSVP for lunch by July 30, 2008. April Linscott 208-660-1415 or alinscott@ramsdenlyons.com. THIS IS A MEMBERS ONLY EVENT

COME JOIN US AROUND THE CAMP FIRE

August 8,9,10
at Red Ives

Well, circumstances kept us from doing our usual 4th of July project for the St Joe District at Red Ives, so we have simply moved it to August this year. There is plenty of trail clearing to be done and we need your help as usual.

We plan to arrive on Friday afternoon, August 8th at the campsite across the St Joe River from the Historic Red Ives Ranger Station and do the majority of the work on Saturday the 9th. Hopefully we will have enough folks to make at least two teams for trail clearing. Please bring your own food for meals in order to simplify the logistics of the project. The grill will be available for group cooking however.

I will bring chain saws, nippers, etc, we just need you and your horses/mules to make this a success.

Please RSVP to Bernie and Sherri Lionberger at 208-772-2964, by Monday, August 4th to confirm you will be there. This will assist in planning to get things efficiently done.

Directions to Red Ives: Proceed up the St Joe River road from St Maries about 76 miles watching for a road to the right signed to "Red Ives". It is 10 more miles on from that point. Be very careful on that portion of the road since it is narrow, although about 99% paved. An alternate route to Red Ives would be to go to St Regis, MT and take the "Little Joe" road over Gold Summit. That road terminates on the Idaho side right at the Red Ives junction with 10 miles left to go as stated above.

If you have questions about the project, please give me a call at the phone listed above.
Bernie



Panhandle Back Country Horsemen July 16 , 2008 Meeting Minutes

For those of you who didn't show you missed some great food at the Pot Luck.

The meeting was called to order by President April Linscott at 7:48 PM.

April asked if we want to dispense with the reading of the minutes, there was a general consensus to dismiss.

Treasure Sharon Bruce reported we have a balance of \$3,549.72 in checking, \$2,278.45 in savings, \$6,446.86 in a CD and \$14,506.24 in another CD, for a total cash asset of \$26,781.27

Bills to be paid were: Web Site set-up - \$200.00; July Web Site Maintenance - \$20.00; NicklesWorth for Defensive Horsemanship Ad - \$6.60; St Maries Gazette for June & July newsletters - \$85.86; Gene Bruce for State Directors Meeting - \$284.20.

Bob Williams made a motion to pay the bills, Sherri Lionberger seconded, motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

WEB SITE – Debbie Samovar reported that the site was up and running and looks great. All she has to do is send an e-mail to Mike & Ceara Nourse and within hours updates appear on the site. We got a counter on the front page, and links for the Web Master, PROV.com – our server, and for the site designer.

4th of JULY WORK PROJECT – Was canceled due to lack of response. So Bernie Lionberger is going to set it up for August 8th-10th, and write up something for the newsletter.

AUGUST'S 4TH OF JULY PASS RIDE – April Linscott is trail bossing this. Be ready to ride out by 10:00 am. Lunch will be sub sandwiches with chips and drink. Need to RSVP by July 30th and this event is for members only

HEYBURN RIDE – Lyn Nale and Bev Johnson reported that the parking lot for horse trailers was full of dirt brumes due to the remodeling of the park's HQ's. Lyn said that she had trouble getting through with her high 4x4, and Bev said they barely left room for two rigs. It was decided to let the Saathoff's know and cancel this event.

TRAIL CHALLENGE – Al Linscott reported that Alan Harper and Karen Kimball took a ride at Rider Ranch, but hasn't heard back from them. There is a lot of material at the ranch and we are welcome to use as much as we like to create the obstacles, and we will need a lot of help to do that and we'll begin building the end of Aug. There will be an optional obstacle for earning extra points, by riding up the hill behind Wolf Lodge, creating your own path. It's a challenge but not too difficult to do.

It was suggested that we have an evacuation plan and a

vet on hand incase of accidents, as witnessed at the recent PEE WEE event.

ST JOE TRAVEL PLAN – Bernie Lionberger reported that they went over the Upper St Joe area. There are some in the group who want EVERY trail motorized and just don't get the fact that we are looking for a non-motorized experience. The East Fork Cabin will be non-motorized July 1 – Aug 30 and there will be a sign at the trail head.

CHRISTMAS PARTY – We need a Trail Boss for this Event.

PACK CLINIC – Scheduled for September 20th is still on. Alan Harper is the Trail Boss.

NEW BUSINESS

STATE DIRECTOR'S MEETING – Sharon Bruce reported that the April Outdoor Show took in \$6,000. Mostly due to the raffles. Next year's Outdoor Show will be the last weekend in March 2009 and we will be heading up the photo contest again. This years Dutch Oven Contest was open to the public, next year they will also have a day for just BCH members. With the vote to split the Convention from the Outdoor Show, the next Convention will be this coming November 14th, in Salmon, as it is their 30th Anniversary.

Salmon wants to put on a slide show of BHCI chapters have done over the years, so they've asked us to send in photos. There are also asking for submissions for Chapter Heroes and will also have an "In Memoriam" section. There will be no lunch this year, so you'll be on your own. They would also like a 2-minute yarn about each chapter's best or worst event. The 2009 Calendar fund raiser is coming together well and we've committed to taking 200 calendars. We'll need to supply 4 items for the Bucket Raffle and three \$50 items for the auction.

It was mentioned that the American Hiking Society sued the Inaja Park over the use of commercial pack stock and won. So we need to watch out that this doesn't spread to pleasure users.

The McCall Group has put forth a proposal to NAIS to eliminate horses, as they are not in the food chain. The National Thoroughbred Racing Association is for this proposal.

Gene Bruce made a motion to adjourn, Serena Carlson seconded, meeting adjourned at 8:20 P.M.

There were 21 members in attendance and guest Nancy Witte, who joined.

Respectfully submitted by,

Deborah Samovar, Secretary



Calendar of Events



TO BE RESCHEDULED

Trailer Inspection

Trail Boss Terry Sverdsten—208-682-2308

Escure Ranch or Fly Trap

Trail Boss Bernie Lionberger—208-772-2964

Heyburn Trail Ride

Trail Bosses Perry & Genia Saathoff—208-691-6452

AUGUST

2nd – Saturday

4th of August Pass Ride

Trail Boss April Linscott—208-245-0409

8th, 9th & 10th – Friday, Saturday & Sunday

St Joe Work Project at Red Ives

Trail Boss Bernie Lionberger—208-582-0105

20th – Wednesday

Regular Meeting

“Leave No Trace”

presentation by Bernie & Sherri Lionberger

SEPTEMBER

20th – Saturday

Regular Meeting

20th – Saturday

Kootenai County 4-H Poker Ride

Packing Clinic

Trail Boss Alan Harper—208-687-1968

at Farragut Park

27th – Saturday

PBCH Fund Raiser – Trail Challenge

Trail Bosses Alan Harper—208-687-1968

Gene Bruce—208-687-0152 & Karen Kimball—208-772-2434

at Rider Ranch, 6219 S. Wolf Lodge Creek Road

OCTOBER

4th – Saturday

Linscott Steak Ride

Trail Bosses Al Linscott—208-682-4918

& April Linscott—208-660-1415

18th – Saturday

Regular Meeting

NOVEMBER

15th – Saturday

Regular Meeting

DECEMBER

6th – Saturday

Christmas Party

Trail Boss Needed

Avondale Country Club



Welcome New Member



Nancy Witte, 1622 E CDA #B, Post Falls, ID 83854, 208-964-0433, 745@quickservice.com

TRAIL CHALLENGE

Saturday, September 27th

at Rider Ranch,

6219 S. Wolf Lodge Creek Road

Trail Bosses

Alan Harper—208-687-1968

Gene Bruce—208-687-0152 Karen Kimball—208-772-2434

Volunteers and Sponsors Needed



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Bernie Lionberger

**2008 PBCH Trail Challenge June 3, 2008 Panhandle Back Country Horsemen
Operations and Safety Plan**

I. Purpose of the Plan

This plan is to help provide an organized planning effort as well as execution of the 2008 Trail Challenge to be held Sept. 27th, 2008 at the Rider Ranch. This plan should also help provide the safest riding conditions by placing responsibilities with competent individuals, as well as informing them of their duties. The plan will be thoroughly reviewed with all volunteer workers prior to the event and distributed as needed.

II. Areas of Responsibility

- | | | |
|----------------|--------------------|------------------------------|
| A. Trail Boss | D. Registration | G. Sponsors |
| B. Advertising | E. Stations-Judges | H. Safety and Communications |
| C. Parking | F. Food | I. Outriders |

III. Individuals and Duties

A. Trail Boss - **Alan Harper** will serve as trail boss for the Trail Challenge with the Trails Committee to assist him. They will assure that trail preparation is complete and safe conditions exist on the course. An attached map outlines the course. The **Committee** will also:

1. Choose trail course and obstacles.
2. Assure the trail is well marked prior to the event.
3. Choose entry fee, time for event, ages of riders.

B. Advertising _____ has primary responsibility for advertising. He/she will:

1. Print and distribute flyers to retail stores.
2. Ensure flyers are sent to other chapters newsletters and included in our newsletter.
3. Place advertisement in local papers, i.e. Nickelsworth.
4. Provide a timetable for advertising.

C. Parking - _____ has responsibility for parking. Parking should be coordinated and under the instructions of Rob and Linda Rider. He/she will;

1. Plan the parking configuration.
2. Set up directional signs leading from the main road to the parking locations.
3. Provide parking attendants to direct traffic flow to ensure maximum use of parking space.
4. Clean the parking area after the event, (other members will assist)

D. Registration - _____ are responsible for registration. Duties include:

1. Mail a map and registration confirmation to pre-registers.
2. Obtain insurance certificate.
3. Receive rider registrations in the mail.
4. Set up and take down the registration area.
5. Bring \$300 in cash for change.
6. Establish a crew for horse-holding.
7. Provide PBCH membership information at the registration table.
8. Provide summary of # of riders.
9. Draw for the door prizes after registration is complete and post the results, (optional)

E. Stations-Judges 1-10

1. To judge obstacle in course that is assigned.
2. Have assistant to alter obstacle if needed and assist in scoring.
3. Report to trail boss' periodically on progress of riders. Radios will be provided.

F. Food - Rider Ranch will handle the cooking.

1. Assist if needed.

G. Sponsor

1. Acquire donated door prizes or money (See letter on page 7. Print and take to your favorite retailer.)
2. Maintain list of those donating.
3. Assure those donating are recognized (letter, sign, newsletter article)

H. Communications and Emergency Planning _____

1. Provides radios to judge assistant
2. Assures cell phones available to contact **Kootenai County Sheriff** or air ambulance at (800-422-2440, Spokane).
3. Assures first aid for horses and humans available at operations for the ride.
4. Assures "rules of the ride" are read and acknowledged by participants as part of the registration process.

I. Outriders -Al Linscott + 2

1. Assist judges and judges assistant.
2. Provide drinks or food for judges and assistant.

**IF YOU CAN ASSIST
IN ANY WAY,
PLEASE CALL
ALAN, MARIAN OR
KAREN
AT THE NUMBERS
LISTED BELOW**

2008 PBCH TRAIL CHALLENGE

DATE: September 27, 2008

PLACE: Rider Ranch, 6219 S. Wolf Lodge Creek Road

TIME: 8am-9am walk thru. Start 9am with course closing at 3:30pm.

INFORMATION: Alan Harper-687-1968, Marian Crumb-772-2763, Karen Kimball-772-2434

AGE GROUPS: 12-14, 15-18, Adults

COST: Youth \$15.00, Adults \$25

AWARDS: First Place and Reserve in each age group

PRE-REGISTRATION: Is recommended, limited to first 75 riders



PANHANDLE BACK COUNTRY HORSEMEN, INC.

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The Panhandle Back Country Horsemen are putting on a Competitive Trail Challenge September 27, 2008 to raise funds for our organization. We are looking for sponsors to donate prizes to the winners in this competition. Any sponsors will be included in our advertising for the Trail Challenge.

The Back Country Horsemen is a national organization dedicated to three main objectives:

- 1) To perpetuate the common sense, use and enjoyment of horses in America's back country.
- 2) To assist the various government and private agencies in their management of lands and resources.
- 3) To educate, encourage and solicit active participation by various members of the general public in the wise and sustaining use of horses and people commensurate with our heritage and the back country resource.

In meeting the goals of our mission statements, Back Country Horsemen in the state of Idaho have spent thousands of volunteer hours on trails, trail heads, campsite maintenance and construction. We have effectively lobbied government agencies for the continued upgrading of facilities and have successfully secured grants from both public and private sources for this purpose. We have established education chairs in each chapter in Idaho who work to bring the messages of low impact and "Leave No Trace" techniques to both members and the general public. This fund raiser will help us continue on with this mission.

The Competitive Trail Challenge will be an event open to adults and juniors (two separate categories for prizes) and include numerous obstacles for the horse and rider to negotiate, such as water crossings, logs, through gates, etc.

If you would like to consider donating to this effort, please contact Karen Kimball at 772-2964 or Gene Bruce at 687-0152. We are a non-profit organization, so donations are tax deductible.

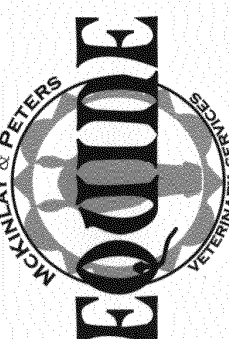


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MONTHLY MEETINGS
For June, August and August
will be held on the
THIRD WEDNESDAY
of the month
Next meeting
AUGUST 20th

Message from the Editor:

DEADLINE for the AUGUST Newsletter is AUGUST 23rd.

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