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March PBCH Minutes

Meeting was called to at 7:06 PM by Pres. Jerry Shriner. The Agenda was approved, motion by Arnie Wilkens and seconded by Karla Van Landingham. Minutes from previous meeting was approved as read, motion made by Diane Shriner and seconded by Bill Clarke.

Treasurer's report was approved as read by Stan.

Progressive Pot Alan Harper's name was called and he was not present.

President Jerry Shriner, thanked Arnie Wilkens, V.P. for filling in at last month's meeting during Jerry's absence.

State BCHI Convention

State Delegate Karen Kimball reported on the BCHI Convention, held March 12 in Priest River. She said \$5 dues increase was approved at the state level, for both individual and family members, and will be effective in 2017. The state directors said that they don't have as much cash reserve as was previously thought.

Insurance costs were up by \$800, the state added \$1000 to the education fund, and they voted to earmark 50% of all calendar sales for the legal fund, she said.

State Senator Shawn Keough spoke about legal issues that affect our group.

Also a veteran of the Korean War from St. Maries, Sgt. Harold Wadley, U.S.M.C retired, spoke about the famous horse, Reckless at the state convention.

This mare ran ammunition across the battle field during the Korean War. The soldiers taught her to lay down when incoming fire was a threat. There is a book "Sgt. Reckless" by Robin Hutton about this brave horse.

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Please go to www.pbch.org and print out 2016 **membership form** and mail in. Please email Stan Smith, treasurer sdsmith7566@yahoo.com if you have questions.

2016 Calendars now available. These make great Christmas gifts: \$20. A great deal for you and the chapter. This year's prizes will be 11 - \$500 gift cards and a grand prize of a \$6000 gift card. This is a great fundraiser for the chapters in Idaho. Call Ray at 660-2907.

Remember to get your PBCH membership card which is good for **10% discount** at the North 40 Store. Get it from Treasurer Stan Smith. **Life Flight memberships.** The yearly dues are \$45 for BCHI members. Diane Shriner has membership applications. Her phone number is 667-2949 or email shriner.diane@gmail.com. Important to have in case of med evac emergency during trail riding or other events.

Calendar of Events Events are subject to change. All events are members only unless otherwise stated.

Farragut State Park Fun Ride. Saturday, March 26. Meet at 10:00 and last rider out at 11 a.m. start. Jill Reineccius trail boss. Meet horse corrals. Email kooy04@gmail.com Ground is soft so non-shod horses ok. May be some trail clearing to get over obstacles. Need state park sticker. You can also renew your PBCH membership at the ride. Either ride a loop or ride in the arena and around the trail obstacles.

Vet Tune Up Clinic, Saturday, April 2. Location Running W Ranch. Start time 9 a.m. Contact Trail boss Angie Parsons. Email angeleyes005@frontier.com for your time slot. Location is Hayden Rd. to Meyer Rd. to Harvest Rd. Can renew membership at this event.

Blue Creek trail clearing and fun ride. Saturday, April 16. Meet at 10 a.m. Foot in stirrup 11 a.m. Bring a lunch for on the trail. Trail boss Joni Lueck. Email jklhorserider@gmail.com This is a well-marked 700 acre trail system managed by BLM. There is a gradual climb and 2 switchbacks to reach the top of the hill. Great views of Wolf Lodge Bay and Blue Creek Bay. May see some wildlife in this rural area. Ride could be about two or three hours. Will have chainsaws with us in case of downed trees. Please bring nippers. Directions: Parking is either in upper parking lot off Yellowstone Trail Road or near boat loading area off Blue Creek Bay Rd. Either take Wolf Lodge exit off I-90 east from Coeur d'Alene. Turn left and go over I-90. At Dumpsters, turn left onto Yellowstone Trail Rd. and continue two miles to upper parking lot. Or to park near boat launch take Mullan Trail exit off I-90 heading east from Coeur d'Alene, then to Sunnyside Rd. turn left and stay left. Follow it to Yellowstone Trail and left and then right onto Blue Creek Bay Rd. to boat launch or go another ¼ mile on Yellowstone Trail Rd. to parking area on left. Room for 4 trailers in parking lot and 2 trailers on road.

PBCH monthly meeting, Saturday, April 16. 6:30 socialize and 7 meeting starts. 6360 4th St. Dalton Gardens City Hall. Diane and Jerry Shriner will give a presentation on their mule trip in Baja, Mexico to the Painted Caves. It is a 1500-year-old historical site. Scenes show hunting, the renewal of life and a profound view of the world. One of the most important historical heritages of its kind in the world.

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Kay Clarke spoke on behalf of the BCHI Foundation. New Chairman Chris Reed and Vice Chair, Dale Schrempp, discussed changing by-laws and revamping the foundation procedures. She expressed concern about the foundation funding grants after the projects and expenditures were already made. PBCH thought that was somewhat of a gamble. The foundation members said that is one of the procedures they would like to change. Thank you Kay for procuring a \$500 grant for the Line Creek Project near Red Ives slated for this summer.

New Business

*Karen explained the meaning of the initials TWG, Trail Working Group, consisting of ATV, bike riders, hikers and horsemen. She will attend a March 25 meeting to be held at Fernan Ranger Station. A non-motorized trail clearing detail is slated for April 29 at English Point. Start time 8 a.m.

Diane Shriner expressed her concern about not being able to quantify the source of advertising about where the new member applicants found out about PBCH. Stan suggested that a space be provided on the application "How did you hear about PBCH."

*Jerry showed the new membership card available starting April 1 for members in good standing. Replaces old yellow card. Diane said she would mail all paid up members a card before the old expires. The card can be used at North 40 for discounts on FEED ONLY.

*The chapter's 30th anniversary was discussed. Karen suggested a big celebration and invite all local chapters. It also was discussed to have it at our annual Dalton Park Pot Luck meeting in July and invite the press to attend.

Arnie Wilkens suggested we celebrate it all year at every event, hang our banner with a sub-banner with the words "Celebrating our 30th Year" and Arnie volunteered to pay for the secondary banner.

Other business

*Karen Kimball asked if anyone knows the whereabouts of the PBCH photo albums please contact her.

*Jerry Shriner reviewed and confirmed the calendar events.

*March 26th Riverside ride CHANGED to Farragut State Park. Start time 11:AM with trail boss Jill Reineccius.

*March 20th Farragut, Alan Harper, TB, received permission from the state park. to use chain saws. Horses and vehicle(roads) only no ATV off-road vehicles allowed in the park.

*April 2nd Tune Up/Vet Clinic will be held at Running W Ranch in Rathdrum. 9 a.m. start. Limited parking so contact Angela Parsons for a time slot.

*April 16th Blue Creek clean up and fun ride. Shouldn't be much clearing so should be listed also as a fun ride. Trail boss Joni Lueck.

*April 23th, Escure Ranch overnight camp trip and ride. Jerry and Diane Shriner, trail bosses.

Karen suggested that a donation of \$50 be made to the Therapeutic Riding Program at the Running W Ranch in Patti Mitchell's name. Patti passed recently as a result of a riding injury. Debbie Stratton and Arnie Wilkens represented PBCH by attending her "celebration" of life memorial on March 19th.

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Diane Shriner suggested that the veterinarians on our recommendation list be members of PBCH. Members voted that the vets be paid up by month's end.

It was noted that we do not need a Coggins but only a health cert to travel to Washington and Oregon.

*Beverly Johnson spoke about the famous John Wayne Trail. She explained it was a total of a 3-week long ride broken up into various sections. Membership Fee is \$30.00 and includes a newsletter. For information go online and Google John Wayne Trail or contact her.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:31 PM, motion by Arnie Wilkens, seconded by Bill Clarke, carried.

Minutes submitted by secretary Debbie Stratton

Calendar of Events All events are members only unless otherwise stated. No dogs.

April 23-24 Escure Ranch campout and fun ride. Trail bosses Jerry and Diane Shriner. Bonfire, good camping and grass for the horses. Highline or electric fences. Recommend shod horses. Email jerryshriner@gmail.com or 667-2949. Diane and I will be there Friday evening. Dogs welcome and kids encouraged. The Saturday ride will be four hours along open rolling plains and crossing one creek. The Sunday ride will be three hours roundtrip to Towell Falls. Need health certificate to travel to Washington. Directions: Google Escure Ranch and several sites come up including photos, maps, info about the ranch, geography, etc.

There are different routes to the ranch. This is the best: from Idaho go west on I-90 to the Sprague exit 245, go south on State Hwy 23 8.1 miles to Lamont Rd, turn rt and go 2.6 mi to a Y and keep left on Revere Rd 8.3 miles, turn rt on to Jordan-Knott Rd 2.2 miles to the BLM Rock Cr Management Area sign, turn rt 2.5 miles to the trail head. There is stock water, pasture (but you may want to bring your own weed-free feed) and ample parking. There are no trees for highlines and only two small pens. We will have coffee in the mornings and have the grill going for folks who want to gather around the fire and share breakfast. Plan on potluck Saturday evening.

April 29 Friday, Work Party at English Point. Meet at 8 a.m. and work with other non-motorized groups to clean up and fix the trails here. Karen Kimball 772-2434.

April 30 Marie Creek Trail Clearing, Saturday. Trail bosses Jim and Karen Kimball. Email jkkimball01@gmail.com Some steep sections. Horses should be shod. Expect very wet conditions including mud, running water and rock. The switchback just above Skitwitch Creek is in bad shape and needs to be rebuilt. It is breaking off badly. Maybe work with Pulaskis and work on the tread. Directions: Take I-90 to Wolf Lodge exit from CDA. Turn north. Then turn right onto Frontage Rd. Go 1.4 miles and turn left at Wolf Lodge Rd. Go 4.5 miles. Turn right onto Marie Creek Rd. After 2 miles turn right onto a one-lane entry road to the trailhead.

May 8, Sunday, Mothers Day. Fish Trap Ride. Sponsored by Inland Empire BCH. Fundraiser. See their web site www.iebch.org for sign-up form.

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Saturday, May 14, Blue Creek Bay Fun Ride. Trail boss Joni Lueck email jklhorserider@gmail.com Meet at 10 a.m. Foot in stirrup 11 a.m.

Sunday, May 15, Chainsaw Safety, Alan Harper, trail boss. email abharper@idfg.com

Wednesday, May 18, PBCH monthly meeting. 6:30 socialize and 7 p.m. start. 6360 4th St., Dalton Gardens City Hall.

Saturday, May 21, Marie Creek Work Party. Details to follow. Jim and Karen Kimball, trail bosses. jkkimball01@gmail.com

Saturday, Sunday and Monday, May 28, 29, 30. Asotin Creek Fun ride and campout. Trail bosses Jim and Karen Kimball, email jkkimball01@gmail.com

June

June 10-15 Line Creek Work Project, trail boss Jerry Shriner email jerryshriner@gmail.com

Wednesday, June 15, PBCH monthly meeting, 6360 4th St., Dalton Gardens City Hall.

Saturday, June 18 4th of July Recreation Area fun ride. Trail boss Bea Christopherson, email christobea@yahoo.com

Sunday, June 19, Trail Clearing Chilco Mtn. Bob Funke and Jill Reineccius trail bosses.

Saturday, June 25, Treasure Hunt, Farragut State Park. Open to the public. More details to follow.

July

July 8-10 Snow Peak Work and fun ride. Jerry Shriner trail boss email jerryshriner@gmail.com

Saturday, July 16-17, Heyburn State Park fun ride and campout. Park Ranger Don West trail boss.

Wednesday, July 20, PBCH monthly meeting. Annual picnic/bbq at the park. 6360 4th St., Dalton Gardens City Hall.

Saturday, July 30, Antoine Peak fun ride. Bev and Chris trail bosses.

August

Saturday August 6, 4th of July Pass Rec Area fun ride. Bea Christopherson, trail boss.

****Work Party News Sunday, March 20, 14 people showed up to work at Farragut State Park. There were many trees down and many of the riding trails were not passable. There were 2 sawyers and 2 groups who worked about 5 hours with nippers and clearing brush behind the sawyers. Another group of members met at Marie Creek and cleared along the bottom section. It was wet and muddy.**

