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Happy St. Patrick's Day!



A message from President Karen Kimball

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Information Corner

Newsletter Editor Joni Lueck

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Please go to www.pbch.org and print out 2019 membership form and mail in. Please email Susan Purdy, treasurer finegansfarm2@gmail.com with questions. You can also sign up at any ride or event throughout the year! Mail to PBCH, P.O. Box 1903, Hayden, ID 83835. Please send in membership dues!

Calendar of Events

March Speaker and monthly meeting, Saturday March 16. Member Susan Walker and her friend Cheri King will present a PowerPoint presentation and speak about large equine rescue and their trip to Paradise, CA to help after a wildfire destroyed much of the town. Speaker starts at 6:30 and business meeting starts at 7 p.m. At the business meeting, upcoming events and trail rides will be discussed. 6360 4th St., Dalton Gardens City Hall. Bring a friend.

March BCHI State Convention March 23, 2019. Idaho Falls. "Sharing the Adventure" is the theme. Photos for the 2020 calendar are due at this time. Please see instructions on page 4 and 5. To submit your photos.

April 17, third Wednesday, monthly PBCH meeting. 6360 4th St., Dalton Gardens City Hall.

April Ride and campout Escure Ranch. TBA. Located in Washington.

May 15 meeting. Trailmeister Robert Eversole will speak at 6:30 on "Sharpening the Back Country Brain." Monthly business meeting after his speech. 6360 4th St., Dalton Gardens City Hall.

Memorial Day Weekend, May 24-27, Asotin, WA campout and ride. Trail bosses Jim and Karen Kimball. More information to come.

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Work party Chilco Mtn. **Work party Marie Creek Work party Farragut** State Park

Campout Trips

Asotin, WA Memorial Day Weekend Farragut State Park/Potluck/Camp Riverside State Park **Heyburn State Park**

Rides w/other BCH chapters

Escure Ranch, WA -April TBA Missoula, MT chapter fun ride-TBA

If you are interested in trail bossing any ride or event please email Trails coordinator Jill Graham or attend a monthly **Business** meeting. See Trail Boss worksheet On web www.pbch.org

Some ideas for upcoming fun rides this riding season Nearby In Idaho

Blue Creek Bay 4th of July Recreation Area Farragut State Park **English Point** Hevburn State Park Bernard Peak Marie Creek Canfield Mountain Chilco Mountain Red Ives Ranger Station Lookout Pass Pee Wee Creek McCroskey Park

Nearby In Washington

Antoine Peak Liberty Lake Horse Park Mt. Spokane State Park Escure Ranch and Fish Trap McKenzie Conservation Area Riverside State Park Fishtrap Recreation Area Columbia Plateau Trail State Park Slavin Conservation Area Palisades City Park





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Karen Kimball, president 772-2434; Arnie Wilkens, vice-pres, 755-2193; Julie Volpi, secretary 805-674-6807; and Susan Purdy, treasurer, 772-4210. Board members: Bob Funke 660-7919; Bill Clarke 687-1968; Ray Heilman 660-2907; and Jill Graham, 660-5549. Jerry Shriner, public lands coordinator. Joni Lueck, newsletter editor, 659-9066. Jill Graham, trail committee chair email kooy04@gmail.com

Your business card could go here each month for \$30 for non-members and \$10 for members. Now this is a yearly price; not a monthly price. What a great deal! Also the business card is put on the website www.pbch.org This is a fundraiser for the chapter!

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Top of the Irish to ya





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BCHI CALENDAR CALL FOR PHOTOS

Photo criteria

Must be of BCHI members, take by a BCHI member or taken for BCHI (such as a newspaper) Can be taken in any state and the cover photo will be selected from Idaho submissions. Must have a horse/mule in the shot.

Or be a work project with members wearing safety gear:

(hard hat, safety glasses/goggles, gloves, chainsaw chaps).

Heads and faces preferred over tails and backs.

Kids photos welcome: If using saws they must have safety gear on.

Do not resubmit photos that have been used in previous calendars.

Photos are placed by seasons - winter, spring, summer and fall.

Winter photos: can have non-equine shots that show the effects of cold and snow.

Please submit as many photos you wish from your chapter on a CD, DVD or USB drive. NO PRINTS.

USB drives will be mailed back to you. If you want your CD/DVD back please let me know.

Photos need to be in JPEG Format. Set your digital cameras to the highest size settings possible.

Please do not resubmit photos that have been used in previous calendars.

PHOTOS ARE DUE AT THE BCHI CONVENTION.

If you only have a few photos or no way to burn them to CD or a USB drive, you can e-mail them directly to me. USB drives will be returned after calendar is printed.

Thanks for your help and submissions,

Debbie Samovar, 9176 E Soaring Hawk Ln, Saint Maries, ID 83861, 208-245-3041, dsamovar@gmail.com

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Chapter name:	
Contact person:	
(Name, phone number, email address)	

Photo file name	Location Trail name, park/wilderness name and state.	Identify names of people in the photo List names : Left to Right	Photographer, including phone and email
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February PBCH meeting minutes

February meeting of Panhandle Back Country Horsemen was held February 16, 2019.

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Vice-President Arnie Wilkens.

There were 12 members present; and one guest who turned in her membership papers. Welcome Trisha Hawker!

Minutes were accepted with no corrections as read by members in their emails.

Treasurer Susan Purdy reported on both January and February incomes, expenses/ bills, current balances and progressive pot level. Vice-President asked for a motion to pay all the bills. Debra Stratton made the motion; Angie Parsons seconded the motion. Members voted all in favor.

Treasurer reported that all 2019 BCHI Calendars were sold. It was reported as a very successful year to get the calendars sold this early. Member volunteers sat at North 40 and Tractor Supply selling calendars. Sales at Tractor Supply were the most successful. Thank you to Arnie Wilkens, Susan Walker, Betsy Walker, Joni Lueck and Connie Gill joined up. The sales team said gift-wrapped calendars sold for Christmas gifts very well.

Vice-President asked for a motion to pay for calendar expenses. Motion was made by Angie Parsons, motion seconded by Debra Stratton. All members voted in favor.

Vice-President asked members for input on how many calendars should be ordered for 2020. It was decided to stick to the same number as 2019 - 150 calendars. There has been some discussion with the state to give individual clubs maybe a 10% commission on sales; but nothing definitive yet.

Two individuals, Treva Eismann and Angie Parsons volunteered to audit and review the treasurer's books by March 1st as required each year. Members recently received an email from National BCH. They are encouraged to contact their Land & Water conservation fund and Recreation Trail Fund to show support.

The Sawyer Certification Program needs volunteers to train at the State level to become Master Trainers in order to help train our individual members. Those interested need to contact Karen in early March. She has more information on this.

T-shirts and jackets were passed out at the meeting. Still not picked up: Kathy Johnson, Susan Purdy, Betsy Walker, Susan Walker, Cindi Richardson, Myrna McMain and Julie Volpi.

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A list of Panhandle Rides and Trail Projects for members was presented.

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List of rides and trail projects:

Escure Ranch Weekend Campout with Ponderosa BCH. April. TBA Vice-President Arnie Wilkens gave this Ranch Campout great reviews! Marie Creek Clearing – May TBA weather permitting.

Asotin Creek Campout – Memorial Day Weekend Jim and Karen Kimball Trail bosses.

Farragut Work Day and Campout – June TBA

(This date was decided at this February meeting)

Chilco Mountain Clearing – June TBA

Myrna McMain Campout – June TBA

4th of July Trail Project - TBA

Dalton Gardens Picnic – September 7

Other rides to be determined with Trail Bosses: Liberty Lake, Bernard Peak, and Antoine Peak.

No one won the progressive pot.

Vice-President reminded members that the meeting in March is the third Saturday, March 16, The meetings change to Wednesdays starting in April. Vice-President Arnie Wilkens called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion was made by Angie Parsons; Treva Eismann seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Connie Gill, acting secretary

Winter Fun



PBCH member Renae Buck pulling her granddaughter's sled by horseback. Photo courtesy Renae Buck.

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Editor's Note: These are excerpts taken from a BCHA email on the passing and permanent reauthorization of the Public Lands Bill by the U.S. House of Representatives.

Congress Overwhelmingly Supports Public Lands Bill Contact Your Member Today to Say "Thanks!"

Arnie Wilkens was one PBCH member who called to support this bill.

Dear Arnie,

You helped do it! This week, the House of Representatives voted to permanently reauthorize LWCF by a vote of 363 to 62. In a rare turn of events, Congress displayed overwhelming bipartisan support for America's most important conservation and recreation program, the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF). See how your representative voted here.

Earlier this month, the U.S. Senate passed LWCF on a vote of 92-8. LWCF is one of nearly 100 public lands-related provisions in Senate Bill 47, the Natural Resources Management Act. See how your senators voted here.

Please take time to call your representative and senators to thank them for supporting the Public Lands bill (S. 47) and the Land and Water Conservation Fund.

Thanks to your calls and emails, S. 47 will now be sent to the President's desk for signature. This is the culmination of a years-long effort by Congressional champions on both sides of the aisle, and by stakeholders across the country, to preserve this critical conservation program.

First signed into law on September 3, 1964, LWCF established a dedicated means for the conservation and protection of America's irreplaceable natural, historic, cultural and outdoor landmarks. LWCF is the only federal program dedicated to the continued conservation of our national parks, forests, wildlife refuges, wilderness, civil war battlefields, as well as creating and developing state and local parks, and building or expanding over 1,000 trail projects across the country.

LWCF is rightly characterized as America's most important conservation program. It does not use any taxpayer dollars - it is funded using a small portion of revenues from offshore oil and gas royalty payments.

