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#### **Newsletter Editor Viewpoint**

Everyone is busy I am sure riding in this Idaho summer riding season.

The gnats have been bad off and on at my house. My horses get to wear their fly masks most of the time. Some folks have complained about mosquitoes at their places.

I have been riding some at the local riding spots such as English Point, Farragut State Park, Antoine Peak, Blue Creek and 4<sup>th</sup> of July Rec Area.

Many of these trailheads are multi-use. We must share these trails and be good stewards. We could do a better job of cleaning up after our horses at these trailheads. Why not pack your horse poop back into your trailer and take it home? Clean up any hay left from feed bags in the parking lot. Carry your pitch fork.

In the past few months I have only run into one disgruntled jogger at English Point who thought I should move my big horse out of her way so she could get by. Another two friends ran into, almost literally, a bicyclist at Antoine Peak who was very irate about the horses being on the trail and sharing the trail, etc. Remember that horses have the right of way. Maybe better signage at the trailheads to remind people of this right of way. Mentioning these incidents to the park ranger might be helpful too.

Many folks know about what to do when encountering animals such as stepping off the low side of the trail, talking to us, stopping their bicycles. But some folks don't know what to do. There are many different types of users on the trail such as bicyclists, hikers, families, hikers with dogs. We all have to share the trail. Maybe some of the more popular trails need to be split to accommodate different types of users as I saw happen in Oregon's Mt. Hood National Forest many years ago. It worked pretty well in the popular areas. Be safe and enjoy your ride. Joni

#### **Information Corner**

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membership form and mail in. Please email Bea

Christopherson, treasurer <a href="christobea@yahoo.com">christobea@yahoo.com</a> or

call 208-651-6748 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!

### **Membership Cards**

If you would like your PBCH membership card please contact Karen at 208-772-2434.

### **Hay Testing**

If you want to have your hay tested give Bryant from Country Store in Spokane a call. 1-509-951-3058.

#### 2020 BCHI Calendars are In!

#### Calendar of Events

**August 3** Fun ride 4<sup>th</sup> of July Recreation Area. Foot in stirrup 10 a.m. Trail bosses Ken Thomas, Bev Syslo and Joni Lueck. Bring lunch to have on the trail or after the ride back at the trailers. Bring something to share. Organized easy two-hour loop and/or three-hour loop or ride on your own. Contact Joni 208-659-9066 or Bev 208-818-4829. Members only. No dogs. Plenty of parking. No water at trailhead. I-90 at 4<sup>th</sup> of July exit.

Wednesday, August 21 meeting. Third Wednesday. Location 6360 4<sup>th</sup> St., Dalton Gardens City Hall. Bring a friend. Pick up a 2020 BCHI calendar.

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## **Upcoming events** Third Annual Riverside State Park Saturday,

September 28 campout and participate in Ponderosa BCH of

Washington scavenger hunt. Pre-register for the scavenger hunt fundraiser on their Website

www.pbchw.com/events.

### Classified ad - Puppy for Sale



Miniature Australian Shepherd Red Tri Male for sale. 8 weeks old. Very friendly, sociable, and calm. Loves to snuggle but also has a enough spunk and personality to play all day.

For more info contact Autumn at autumnlambert89@gmail.com

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

Blue Creek Bay 4<sup>th</sup> of July Recreation Area Farragut State Park **English Point** Heyburn 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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If you are interested in trail bossing any ride or event please email Trails Coordinator Jill Graham kooy04@gmail.com or attend a monthly business meeting. See Trail Boss worksheet on website www.pbch.org to learn more about it.

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**September** 7 Service Project. Help with Dalton Gardens annual picnic. Trail boss Karen Kimball. 208-772-2434 to volunteer.

**September 14 Saturday** Third annual Fun ride and potluck, Antoine Peak, WA. Trail boss Bev Syslo email codeySophie@hotmail.com . Driving instructions on www.pbch.org Please bring your chair, drink and a dish to share. The BBQ will be on.

September 22 Sunday Fun ride Bernard Peak. Trail boss Julie Volpi email charlieandjulie01@gmail.com

**Saturday, September 28** Ponderosa BCH of Washington annual scavenger hunt fundraiser. Pre-register by visiting <a href="https://www.pbchw.com">www.pbchw.com</a> Free pass into the Riverside State Park that day!

### **July 17 Meeting Minutes**

Annual potluck meeting for PBCH

Annual potluck meeting at Dalton Gardens Park started at 6:00 pm.

Short business meeting to follow

Meeting was called to order by President Karen Kimball at 7:08 pm

No pledge

No minutes

Work party needed for 4th of July Pass Trails. Tuesday July 23rd . Volunteers needed. Joni Lueck is to send out email request. Diane and Jerry Shriner available to attend.

Heyburn: trees reported blocking trails on South and North side of park. Karen contacted Park and offered to help clear trail but was told the trees blocking trails have already been cleared.

Spokane County Parks still need people to patrol Spokane County Trails. Work sheet available. Volunteers need to fill out work sheet with hours notated for parks to possibly get paid positions.

June 22nd. Chilco mountain trail clearing. PCBH got mentioned in the local paper as trail clearing group came across an active camp fire left by hikers. The work party extinguished the fire with drinking water they packed in.

Storage trailer: chapter purchase new storage trailer and has been customized by Arnie Wilkens and is going to work out well. Discussed trying to sell old trailer for a couple hundred dollars.

New members introduced: Michelle Martin, Dave Parker, Kristi Marshall

2020 calendars available: grand prize raffle \$3000 in gift cards, 11 \$500 prizes of gift cards

Chainsaw certification: Forest Service can do certification after fire season. 1st aid class 6 people from chapter got 1st aid certification. 5 members through Forest Service and 1 member through Kroc center.

The chapter received \$900 payment for work done last year from the forest service.

Arnie Wilkens encouraged members to follow up with political action. He is following up on s500 funding bill for Trails.

Meeting adjourned 7:35

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# 4<sup>th</sup> of July Work Party



PBCH members dig out around the bridges on the snowshoe trail Jeannette's Jaunt last month at 4th of July Rec Area. Photo courtesy Karen Kimball.

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# Potluck in the park

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The July meeting and potluck was attended by some 25 people last month in the park behind Dalton Gardens City Hall. The weather was nice and everyone had a good time. The bbq briquettes did the job nicely! File photo.

### Cowboy poetry on a summer's evening



PBCH member and local cowgirl Connie Gill entertained on a nice summer's evening last month at Farragut State park with her cowboy poetry reading. Photo courtesy Joni Lueck.

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### Smile Amazon/Smile BCHI

Help the state Foundation; help BCHI (Back Country Horsemen of Idaho.) Smile Amazon/Amazon Smile, a little confusing, but what it does is helps 501 © 3 organizations such as our Foundation. The Foundation has raised money that the chapters can apply for to use for education and trail head maintenance by each chapter.

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