



# ~Tails & Trails~ DECEMBER 2011



## From the President's Saddlebag

Last Month I asked people to step up and get involved, and as you read the minutes, you can see some folks have done so. We have a new President, Board member and State Director alternate. Plus we have several people who are really into planning the 2012 State Convention.

We sent another long time couple on their way to Montana and presented Gene and Sharon Bruce with a plaque. Our loss, Montana's gain.

Thanks to all of you who made my two years as President easy on me. A special thanks to the Kimball's for holding all the BoD meetings at their house.

Ride when you can and plan when you can't. That will keep you busy till Spring.

Buy and Sale calendars and I'll see you at the Christmas Party.



Boots and Saddles its a stampede! ~ Bob



## DECEMBER EVENTS

3rd – Saturday  
Christmas Party  
Avondale Country Club



**CONGRATULATIONS**  
to our very own  
**Tom Knoll**  
October 2011 Calendar Winner!



**2011 Membership Fees**  
**Are DUE Jan 1st**  
Members not renewing by March 31st will be dropped

Application on Pages 7 & 8  
\$25 Individual – \$35 Family – \$30 Sponsor  
Reminder: We need signed application turned in with you dues.

## PANHANDLE BACK COUNTRY HORSEMEN NOVEMBER 19, 2011 MINUTES

President Bob Williams called the meeting to order at 7:03PM  
 Guests: Shirley DePew, Teri Mourning and Shari Bolander (who joined after the meeting) and New Member Ray Heilman  
 October minutes were read and are now part of the record.

**MAGNETIC SIGNS** - Debbie Samovar reported that the signs have been ordered and will be in by the Christmas Party. The cost was \$3.81 each and she suggested that we sell them for \$5.00. Marilyn Rousher so motioned, Lea Williams 2nd, motion passed

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE** - Karen Kimball read the list of candidates:

Officers: President- Marilyn Rousher; Vice President- Angela Parson; Secretary-Debbie Samovar; Treasure-David Rousher.  
 Board of Directors: Karen Kimball (2 yr term); Bob Funke (2 yr term), Jill Reineccius (1 yr remaining on term); Bill Clarke (1 yr remaining on term), President- Marilyn Rousher and Vice President- Angela Parson.

State BoD: Karen Kimball (2 yr term) and Marilyn Rousher (2 yr term) and Bill Clarke as Alternate.

Executive Direction: Bob Williams who will be available by phone for tie breakers or information.

Continuing appointments are Public Lands-Jerry Shriner; Education-Terry Sverdsten; BCHI Foundation Director-Joni Lueck. Lea Williams made a motion to cast a unanimous vote for the slate of officers and directors, Bill Clarke 2nd, motion passes.

**CHRISTMAS PARTY** - Angela Parson reported that there will be an auction this year (no gift exchange), a slide show, dinner is a buffet of Baron of Beef and Cordon Blue Chicken, and to bring items for the auction. Party is Dec 3rd at the Avondale Golf Club.

**BCHI FINANCIAL STATUS** - Bob Williams got a letter from the state regarding its financial health. Since doing the calendars, the state finally has more money than us.

**MARIE CREEK PROJECT** - Karen Kimball that she has been looking into what we can do fix the boggy area on the trail. She will be meeting with Andy Boggs in December and the work will be slated for 2013. Karen will write a grant for \$10,000 for timber and sand with a 50/50 match on labor. The grant is due by the end of January for the March RTP's. If we do this project 9 Mile will provide the stock and the sand bags. We would do this in late summer and would have to close the trail and work over a couple of weekends. We adopted this trail and Jim Kimball did the surveying for the switchbacks. It's for horses and hikers, not a bike trail. Before Karen proceeds with the grant she wants to know if the chapter will support this project and will we have the volunteers? If you can rake or shovel, you can help. Don't need to have a pack animal. An e-mail will be sent out asking for help. Bill Clarke made a motion to continue with the grant, Jamie Smith 2nd, motion passed.

**ATV'S AT FARAGUTT STATE PARK** - There have been several e-mails regarding this. Contact Randal Butt with your comments and to get on the notification list for the January meeting. Robert Wuest suggested we contact David White, manager of all the parks and Tom Crimmins, who's on the state park's BoD, and ask if they'd come to the meeting and respond. Bob Williams cautioned us to make sure that we don't come across as "Us" against "Them". He mentioned he got an e-mail from Jeff Chapman regarding the Mt Spokane trails and that they want to put in a trail for mountain bikers away from the horses and hikers. It will be put into the newsletter. It was suggested that we let other users know about this, such as Cenex and Kootenai Mounted Posse. Bob asked Al Linscott, Bev Johnson, Julie Vulpine, Wendy Ward and Joni Lueck to be the committee on this and to keep us updated.

**BICYCLE SIGNS** - Karen Kimball reported that since the signs have been posted on the Canfield Trail the bikers have been more courteous and have been asking riders what they should.

**FARWELL TO THE GENE & SHARON BRUCE** - Bob Williams present Gene Bruce with a plaque and thanked him for all the work the two of them have done for the chapter over the years. There were a couple of short stories and a comment that if you want to go into the "Bob", the Bruce's were the people to go with.

**USER SATISFACTION TRAILS SURVEY** - Karen Kimball received an e-mail from Rod Parks regarding the survey. We'll have Jerry Shriner respond for the chapter and is open to all users. The e-mail will be forwarded to the membership.

**LEAVE NO TRACE TRAINER** - The State would like for every chapter to have a certified LNT trainer. Sherri Lionberger was ours. Rather than pay to have one of our members certified we can have Terry Steiner from Priest River come down and do an over nighter. Marilyn will follow up with Terry. Bob Williams said he knows a place in Chewelah. Bob said he was doing an outdoor survival training on Dec 10th if anyone wants to join him.

**BCHI STATE BoD MEETING** - Karen Kimball reported that the November meeting was done via Video Conferencing. Fees will be going up to \$50/hr/site (doubling) The conferencing is hard to understand and see who is speaking and not as much business is getting done, that she would like for our chapter to put forth a proposal that we go to just two meetings per year. Foundation Director Beth Wykle passed away and the state donated \$100 to the Beth Wykle Foundation. BCHA is talking about raising dues. Out of our PBCH dues, \$15 goes to BCHI who sends \$10 of that onto BCHA. This will be voted on in March. Raenette Dittier will be the new state secretary. It was voted to do calendars for 2013. On the Trail Classifications the TMO's are being

# 2012 PBCH MEETING SCHEDULE



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2012 meeting schedule to hang on your refrigerator or bulletin board.



**PROGRESSIVE  
50/50 POT**



**Brian Farley**

was the winner of the  
November Progressive Pot of

**\$52.00**

Which will roll over to DECEMBER.



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worked on and they must be reported on at the March BoD's meeting. The FS is very much aware that this must be done. Avery District has finished theirs and CDA should be done by end of winter. Rod Parks will be the state's new web master. Convention will be Saturday, March 24th at the CDA Inn/Best Western. Flyers are on the web site. BCHI is putting a resolution to BCHA to allow BCHI to use chainsaws in wilderness areas as FS is understaffed. There are other states that already do.

LETTERS OF SUPPORT - Karen Kimball met with Andy Boggs who is going after grants for the Hells Canyon, Independence Creek and Snow Bird Trails, and he would like for us to write letters of support. Robert Wuest said not to for Hells Canyon as it is mostly motorcycles. Independence and Snow Bird will be blocked off to motorized users. Correction crews to work on it. Andy wants a letter of support and for us to do brushing. We put in puncheons and hitch rails about 20 years ago. Also want us to do 20 miles of brushing on Marie Creek and Lost Creek on a cost share agreement and supply a letter of support.

Brian Farley won the drawing for the Progressive Pot of \$52.00. There were 30 members present. Meeting adorned at 8:53  
Respectfully Submitted, Deborah Samovar

**Please visit these IMPORTANT LINKS**

Nov 2011 State BoD Mtg <http://www.bchi.org/minute-archives.html>

2012 State Convention Flyers <http://www.bchi.org/12-mtg-convention.html>

## REPORT FROM RANGER DON

Just a quick note to let you know what is going on with the new trail system here at Heyburn. So far the first loop of the trail which is between the Parkside Road where the trailhead parking lot will be located and Peedee Creek is pretty much roughed in. The second loop which is between Peedee Creek and the Bill Morris Road is roughed in all but two short sections. The third loop between the Bill Morris Road and Cottonwood Creek has been flagged but no work has been done on it. It will be the easiest of the three because much of it is open hill side. All of these will have to be gone over with a pole saw or on horse back to get the higher branches cleared. I will be starting again this spring as soon as the weather permits. The parking lot has been opened up and I will be starting work on it as well this spring. If any of your members want to get involved I will be glad to put them to work!

See you on the trail! Don West, Park Ranger, Heyburn State Park



*Ranger Don*



*View from the trail*

## *FARWELL* TO *GENE & SHARON BRUCE*

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**Gene, Sharon - You will be missed!**



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## Christmas 2011 -- Birth of a New Tradition ? ? ? Food for Thought

As the holidays approach, the giant Asian factories are kicking into high gear to provide Americans with monstrous piles of cheaply produced goods -- merchandise that has been produced at the expense of American labor. This year will be different. This year Americans will give the gift of genuine concern for other Americans. There is no longer an excuse that, at gift-giving time, nothing can be found that is produced by American hands. Yes there is!

It's time to think outside the box, people. Who says a gift needs to fit in a shirt box, wrapped in Chinese produced wrapping paper? Everyone -- yes EVERYONE gets their hair cut. How about gift certificates from your local American hair salon or barber? Gym membership? It's appropriate for all ages who are thinking about some health improvement. Who wouldn't appreciate getting their car detailed? Small, American-owned detail shops and car washes would love to sell you a gift certificate or a book of gift certificates.

Are you one of those extravagant givers who think nothing of plunking down the Benjamin's on a Chinese made flat-screen? Perhaps that grateful gift receiver would like his driveway sealed, or lawn mowed for the summer, or driveway plowed all winter, or games at the local golf course. There are a bazillion owner-run restaurants -- all offering gift certificates. And, if your intended isn't the fancy eatery sort, what about a half-dozen breakfasts at the local breakfast joint. Remember, folks this isn't about big National chains -- this is about supporting your home town Americans with their financial lives on the line to keep their doors open.

How many people couldn't use an oil change for their car, truck or motorcycle, done at a shop run by the American working guy? Thinking about a heartfelt gift for mom? Mom would LOVE the services of a local cleaning lady for a day. My computer could use a tune-up, and I KNOW I can find some young guy who is struggling to get his repair business up and running.

OK, you were looking for something more personal. Local crafts people spin their own wool and knit them into scarves. They make jewelry, and pottery and beautiful wooden boxes. Plan your holiday outings at local, owner-operated restaurants and leave your server a nice tip. And, how about going out to see a play or ballet at your hometown theater. Musicians need love too, so find a venue showcasing local bands.

Honestly, people, do you REALLY need to buy another ten thousand Chinese lights for the house? When you buy a five dollar string of light, about fifty cents stays in the community. If you have those kinds of bucks to burn, leave the mailman, trash guy or babysitter a nice BIG tip.

You see, Christmas is no longer about draining American pockets so that China can build another glittering city. Christmas is now about caring about US, encouraging American small businesses to keep plugging away to follow their dreams. And, when we care about other Americans, we care about our communities, and the benefits come back to us in ways we couldn't imagine.

THIS is the new American Christmas tradition.







# PANHANDLE BACK COUNTRY HORSEMEN, INC.

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## Membership Application

Back Country Horsemen of America... is a nonprofit organization working towards the preservation of the back country. Our primary purpose is to maintain trails, trailheads and opportunities to use stock in the backcountry. We work with Federal and State agencies, other groups and individuals to support proper use and protection of our backcountry. We support education of all backcountry users to reduce impacts on meadows, trails and all resources so that our right to use horses is maintained.

If you believe in our cause, we welcome your membership. We have monthly meetings, with an education session and our members receive a monthly newsletter.

Dues paid after October 1<sup>st</sup> will apply to the coming calendar year.

Please complete the following and mail with your dues to: **Panhandle BCH, PO BOX 1903, Hayden, ID 83835**

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Children's Name(s) Living at your address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

### MEMBERSHIP LEVEL

\$25 Individual       \$35 Family (all members at your address)

\$30 Sponsor – Business Card in newsletter and web site.

\$20 Back Country Horsemen of Idaho 2012 Calendar/Raffle. Support the state and keep our dues low. (Will mail)

We would like to know if you are willing to participate on PBCH projects or if you are becoming a member mainly to support the philosophy of PBCH. Please check the areas that you are interested in:

- |                                            |                                           |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| 1. ____ To support the philosophy of PBCH. | 7. ____ Camp tending.                     |
| 2. ____ Attend monthly meetings.           | 8. ____ Help put on programs at meetings. |
| 3. ____ Receive monthly newsletter.        | 9. ____ Newsletter or Web Editor.         |
| 4. ____ Work on club fund raising events.  | 10. ____ Work to organize pleasure rides. |
| 5. ____ Pleasure rides.                    | 11. ____ Work on trailheads.              |
| 6. ____ Work on trail maintenance.         | 12. ____ Help on club cook outings.       |

### RELEASE OF ALL CLAIMS:

**Back Country Horsemen of Idaho, Back Country Horsemen Foundation, & Panhandle Back Country Horsemen**

### **RELEASE AND WAIVER OF CLAIM**

Effective Calendar Year 2012

## **NOTICE:**

**THIS DOCUMENT IS A LEGALLY BINDING CONTRACT LIMITING YOUR RIGHTS TO RECOVER FOR INJURY AND LOSS!**

**Please read back of application and sign as indicated.**





# BACK COUNTRY HORSEMEN OF IDAHO



## State Board Meeting & Convention

Hosted By Panhandle

March 23 & 24, 2012

Coeur d'Alene, ID



**Friday, March 23**  
8:00am - 4:00pm PST

9:30am PST

**Location**

State Board of Directors Meeting - 2 Directors per Chapter  
(Chapters not able to sent representation, contact State Chairman)

State Foundation Meeting - 1 Representative per Chapter

**Dalton Gardens City Hall, 6360 North Fourth St, Dalton Gardens, ID**

**Lunch - \$7.00**

**Saturday, March 24**

7:30 - 8:30am PST

8:30am - 5:00pm PST

6:00pm - 7:00pm PST

7:00pm PST

**Location**

Annual State Convention hosted by Panhandle BCH  
Open attendance. 8 voting delegates per Chapter.

**Registration, Photo Contest Entry and Chapter Display Set-up**

Annual Meeting

Social Hour

Evening Banquet, Door Prizes, Contest Winners and Auctions

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BCH Rate - \$79 + tax. *Includes breakfast. Rooms at this rate will be blocked till February 21st.*  
*There are no elevators, so if you need a ground floor room, book early.*

*-Remind your chapter to compete for the Chapter Display Traveling Trophy and Cash Prizes*

*-Ask members to bring/send photos for the Photo Contest*

**RETURN BELOW FORM & \$45.00/per person by March 15th. After March 15th/at the door \$50.00.**

Make check payable to PBCH

Send form to - PBCH, c/o Lea Williams, N 918 Christenson Rd, Medical Lake, WA 99022

Registration questions, call Lea Williams, 509-244-9447, leawilliams65@yahoo.com

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I will be attending the following:	<u>Self</u>	<u>Spouse</u>	<u>Dinner</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Friday State Board Meeting	_____	_____		N/A
Friday Foundation Meeting	_____	_____		N/A
Saturday Convention & Banquet	_____	_____	Oven Roasted Pork	\$45.00
			Chicken Florentine	\$45.00

*Registration fee includes Saturday Evening Banquet*

Name \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_ x \$45.00 ea = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed

Spouse's name \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter \_\_\_\_\_

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## CHAPTER DISPLAY & PHOTO CONTESTS

### Chapter Display Contest

Once again, we will have the chapter Display Contest.

Please bring your display and have it set up by 9:00am, March 24th.

Prizes: \$250 and Traveling Trophy for 1st place, \$150 for 2nd place and \$100 for 3rd.

### Photo Contests Rules

1. No professional photos.
2. Entries to be digital or film images
3. Photos may be 4" X 6" to 11" X 14".
4. Photos mounted or matted (*no frames if possible please*).
5. Nothing should be added to the image or taken away.
6. No photos that have *placed* in a BCH photo contest.

### Categories

“Working the Trails” • “On the Trail or in Camp”  
“Wintertime with your Horses and Mules” • “Nature” (scenery, etc.)

### Awards

Awards for “People’s Choice” and “Best of Show”  
Ribbons and award for 1st, ribbons for 2nd and 3rd place in each category.

For questions call Debbie Samovar: 208-245-3041 or dsamovar@gmail.com.

Entries must be received no later than 9:00 a.m. on Saturday morning March 24th at the convention registration desk. Print out and fill two (2) copies of the entry form below. Attach one copy to the back of each photo entered and turn the other copy in at registration.

### Entry Form

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
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E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_  
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NAMES OF PEOPLE \_\_\_\_\_



## 2011 WINNERS

- January – Sandy Mader, Keuterville, ID
- February – Janice Shepherd, Buhl, ID
- March – Heather Dobbs, Emmett, ID
- April – Jerry Meador, Lewiston, ID
- May – Adam Izbicki, Kamiah, ID
- June – Rose Marie Gipe, Nampa, ID
- July – Mary Davis, Kooskia, ID
- August – Tiannya Kneeland, Arlington WA
- September – David Hardy, Otis Orchards, WA
- October – Thomas Knoll, Hayden, ID
- November –
- Grand Prize Winner –**



## 2012 CALENDARS ARE IN!

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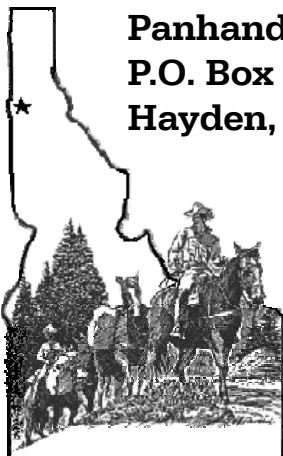
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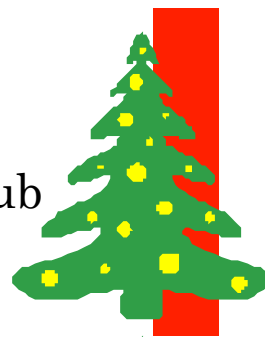
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