

The President's Saddlebag

Karen Kimball, president PBCH 2013



Activities are happening and people are getting out on the trails. We have several people to thank for trail bossing and trail clearing. Thank you Angie Parsons for organizing the Tune-Up Clinic. A big "Thank you" to Bob and Linda Funke and Les Erickson for clearing Marie Creek trail. They did the complete loop in one day. The Fish Trap was a good ride and several of us put our heads together to keep on the right trail. Jerry and Diane Shriner went out to Escure Ranch a day early and scouted out the area for the rides. We actually found Wall Lake without getting lost. They did a great job. Thank you for leading the rides and setting everything up in camp. I had a good time. At the last meeting we approved two \$500 scholarships for student members. The rules will be added in the newsletter and also on our website or you can contact Jamie Smith at 755-4490. Thank you Jamie and committee for the work done on it. We have PBCH membership cards that can be picked up at our meetings. We get a 10% discount on everything in the Big-R Store if you show the card. Welcome to our new members Pat Graham and sons, Greg Scorsone and Kathy LaFortune. Be sure and visit PBCH and BCHI websites. The minutes from the state board of directors and the state convention are on the state website and I hope everyone will read them. We all need to know what is going on within our state and keep involved. Come ride with us and Happy Trails. Karen

April Meeting Notes

PBCH Minutes of 4/20/13 - Meeting called to order at 7:00 by Karen Kimball. Old members welcomed after returning to the meetings; Brian Farley and Fred & Peggy Cecil. Minutes were read and stand approved as read. **Treasurers report** - Stan Smith paid out \$10.75 for membership cards to be used for Big R discount, \$104.20 paid to McKinley & Peters for first aid supplies for the horses, \$20.00 for Ormus website, and \$9.66 for Joni Lueck for the newsletter. Revenue - \$300.00 from BCHI 10, \$165.00 memberships and \$400.00 for calendars. Outstanding bills \$35.96 to Karen Kimball for refreshments for meeting and first aid supplies for people. Motion to pay made by Joyce Bissell and 2nd by Andrea Anderson. - Passed. Membership cards were passed out so members could obtain Big R 10% discount. Correspondence received from Kootenai Fairgrounds regarding sponsorship for horseshow. We previously donated \$100.00. Motion made by Bob Williams to contribute \$100.00 this year and 2nd by Kay Clarke. - Passed. Karen Kimball will look into ordering additional shirts and baseball caps. Cindi Richardson will make up new membership badges and Karen Kimball will purchase a new gavel. These items were apparently left at the Christmas party. **OLD BUSINESS** Tune-Up Clinic - Many thanks to Angie Parsons who arranged the clinic and thanks to Angie and Karen K. for making the burritos. The clinic was a success and 24 horses participated. Scholarship - PBCH Board of Directors discussed and do not want to go with NIC (North Idaho College) this year. We will be doing two \$500.00 scholarships - Motion made by bob Williams and Kay Clarke 2nd the motion - Passed.

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Calendar Jan., Feb., June and July

May 18 Blue Creek Bay trail ride. East on I-90 to Wolf Lodge exit. Call for directions and RSVP. Bring lunch. 11 a.m. Marilyn Rousher. Phone 755-8112 or Joni Lueck cell 659-9066. Members only.

May 25-27 Jim and Karen Kimball are planning an outing on Memorial Day weekend, May 25-27, at Fordyce Trailhead up Asotin Creek out of Asotin Washington. **Ride starts at 10 a.m.** It is a nice trail head with fire pit and several trails out of parking lot. Horses will have to be tied to trailers or high-lined between two. Trails will climb to a ridge top, good trails and gradual climb, but horses should be in shape and shoes are recommended. We will be riding 4+ hours Saturday and Sunday. A Discover Pass (parking pass) will have to be purchased from Fish and Game in Washington for \$35, good for a year, or you can get a one-day pass for \$11. They can also be purchased online or at the Jiffy Stop in Asotin. The store is one block south from Asotin Creek Rd., which is where you'll be turning. The store is open 24 hrs a day. Directions to trail head: After going down the Lewiston grade, drive through Lewiston City Center and cross bridge into Clarkston. On the bridge stay in left lane. After crossing bridge take diagonal street to Clarkston City Center and Asotin. At next stop light turn left following same signs. It will take you approximately 2 to 2 1/2 hrs from CDA to Clarkston.

From Clarkston continue on same road Hwy 129 going , South through town and then along Snake River 5 miles to Asotin. As you come into Asotin, turn before bridge, first road in Asotin, on (Beaumaster Drive) Asotin Creek Rd #110. When you come to a "Y" Keep right and stay at creek level. Road will go back and forth from paved to gravel. After the third time it changes to paved and gravel go right at the next "Y" intersection. A few miles you will go past a couple barns on the right and a cattle guard. After the second barn, look for a sign along the left side of road (Fordyce Trail Head), hitch rail, and large grassy area with a parking lot. You are there. It is about 45 minutes from Asotin. Saturday and Sunday nights will be potluck. We'll have the Chapter BBQ and a couple of stoves to cook on for your meat or breakfast. We can all bring food to share. We are inviting Twin Rivers BCH to join us. BCH MEMBERS ONLY.

Jim and I will be going up on Friday morning and put up signs. Please RSVP, we'd like to know how many will be going. Karen Kimball [208-772-2434](tel:208-772-2434)

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Leave No Trace Clinic - Ginger Swisher will be attending the clinic in Nine Mile in May - Board would like to give her gas money - Motion was made by Andrea Anderson and 2nd by Lea Williams - Passed.

Farragut Packing Clinic - Jerry Shriner will head up the clinic on June 8th. There will be a ride on June 9th headed by Julie Volpi. - Details to follow.

Basic 24 hour Survival List was e-mailed to members. If anyone needs a copy, please see Karen Kimball.

NEW BUSINESS

Congratulations to Karen Kimball! She is now Chairman of the State of Idaho. Karen can no longer be on the PBCH Board of Directors. Motion was made for Jerry Shriner to be a director and Bob Funke to be an alternate. Motion was made by Matt Richardson and 2nd by Jamie Smith. Passed.

Membership list is needed for Broomtales. Stan Smith will e-mail to Debbie Samovar after May meeting.

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June 8-9 Farragut packing clinic, campout & trail ride. Julie Volpi, trail boss. Members only. Saturday there will be a packing clinic by Jerry Shriner. Saturday night we will have the BBQ out and everyone can bring their own meat and a salad, side dish or dessert to share. Anyone who wants to spend the night can camp out in the parking area. There are some corrals and tie lines. Sunday at 10 a.m. there is a 3-hour trail ride. The park requires an Idaho Parks Pass or a \$5 a day pass on your vehicle and there is an camping fee. Julie will have a flyer and sign up sheet at the meeting. Anyone with questions can email her at cjvolpi@dishmail.net or call [208 683 9802](tel:2086839802) before 7:00 pm .

June 22-23 Fun ride at Heyburn State Park. Members w/guests. Bob and Linda Funke, trail bosses.

July 12-14 Red Ives trail clearing and camp out. Members only.

July 27 4th of July Recreation Area ride Ginger Swisher 691-5402& Bea Christopherson 651-6748 trail bosses. 5-mile and 10- mile loops plus lunch. Food trail boss needed.

Other Rides and Events

****Inland Empire Back Country Horsemen Poker Ride at Fishtrap Lake May 11th** - This is the 19th year for this popular ride on beautiful BLM land west of Spokane. Enjoy riding with friends, door prizes and playing poker hands. Attached information concerning the poker ride includes an information sheet and registration form. For more information see www.iebch.com.

****Koerner Furniture** sponsors Dutch Oven cook-off Mountain Men vs. River Rats June 1 . Fundraiser for Community Action. 1st prize \$250 or come and taste entries. Sign up early. Call Tim 666-1525. Show off your mountain cooking skills in this 1st time event and promote horses in backcountry.

****Gentlemen on Horseback ride June 9th to 14th** - This ride started in 1948 and is open to all "gentlemen" of any age for all or a part of the week. This year the ride will be SW of Nyssa, OR on Succor Creek. For more information see www.gentlemenonhorseback.com.

****July 13 BCH Montana ride at Gold Creek, MT.**

All the information is available at www.bchmt.org/clarkfork.

Click on the wording "FUN RIDE" July 13 at the bottom of the page. Contact Joyce and Angelo Bissell 208-689-3356 horsedapples@frontier.com

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Directors Report can be found at the BCHI website for complete minutes of SBD and Convention under "Minutes Archives."

Bob Funke, Jill Reineccius and Karen Kimball attended meeting for "Partners on Trails". Discussed what has been done last year and upcoming projects. Motorcycles want to make Chilco Mt. a motorized trail again. We need to continue to do maintenance on the trail to maintain it to be a horse trail and hiking trail only.

Chainsaw Class - The Forest Service in Smeltonville will be doing a chainsaw class for certification this spring.

North Idaho Horsemen made up "Wanted posters". Motion was made to make up 100 posters. Motion made by

Kay Clarke and 2nd by Joyce Bissell. Passed

Joni Lueck discussed Koerner Furniture is having a Dutch Oven Cook-off on June 1st as a Fundraiser for local food bank. Winner to receive \$250.00.

Challenge Ride scheduled for September 28th at Farragut. Jamie Smith advised we need a \$100.00 deposit which is refundable. Additional cost of \$125.00 non-refundable for garbage pickup, etc. Motion was made to approve

by Cindi Richardson and 2nd by Marian Crumb. Passed

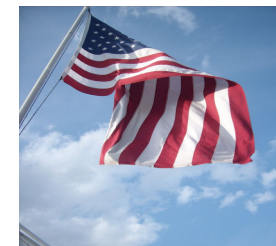
TRAIL RIDES

Fish Trap - April 21st at 9:30. Escure Ranch Ride - Jerry Shriner to e-mail directions. 4/27-28/13. Marie Creek Clearing - Ride cancelled. Thanks to Bob & Linda Funke and Les Erickson who completed the clearing in one day. Asotin Ride - Memorial Day Weekend - Discover passes can be purchased at any Walmart. Saturday's ride will start at 10:00 am. Heyburn Work Party - Don West would like us to bring picnic tables to the viewpoint. Dates to follow. Red Ives - July 12 - 14. 4th of July Pass Trail Ride - July 27th. Ginger Swisher to be trail boss for long ride - Bea Christopherson will do short ride. Still need someone for food.

Bill Clarke is sick today and Karen Kimball reports on the BCHI Minutes. State Lottery Commission stated that the reporting was incorrect. BCHI had apparently been reporting as a single drawing rather than a multiple drawing. The issue is that money cannot be given out monthly. It must be a gift card for merchandise not cash. BCHA requested a dues increase submitted by the National Board. Approved.

It was voted that Broomale would not be e-mailed.

Meeting was adjourned 8:40. Slide show of members by Karen Kimball.



-Work Party at Marie Creek Trail in the month of April -----

“The Marie Creek Trail is in as good as shape as I have seen it. No high water and very little mud. We have had a lot of wind so who knows if more trees are down. I would not ride up there in the wind.” Bob Funke.
Editor’s Note - Bob and Linda Funke and Les Erickson cleared the full loop trail in one day.

Scholarship Information

Panhandle Back Country Horsemen will grant two individuals with a \$500 scholarship each. They must meet the below requirements and be selected by the Board of Directors. The goal of the scholarship is to assist young people in the rising cost of tuition. Individuals must be willing to be involved in trail conservation, education and horsemanship through PBCH membership. Below are requirements to be eligible:

1. **Membership in PBCH chapter. You can download the membership application from www.pbch.org web site.**
2. **Attend 3 meetings throughout the year.**
3. **Participate in two club-sponsored activities such as work parties and fund raisers.**
4. **Complete a 500-word essay entitled “ What it means to be involved in PBCH.”**
5. **Maintain 2.7 GPA or above in school.**
6. **Must be age 16 or older or be a graduate of 2013 or 2014.**

The above requirements must be completed from Jan. 31 to Jan. 31 of the following year.

Eligibility and determination of individuals to be awarded the scholarships will be decided by PBCH Board of Directors.

Scholarship may only be used for the following items unless authorized by the PBCH BOD.

1. **College or other higher education tuition.**
2. **College textbooks.**
3. **Computers and other school equipment.**

For more information please contact Jamie Smith at 208-755-4490 or email jkimball2331@yahoo.com

Classified Ads

TWO QUALITY GELDINGS FOR SALE:

Toby: Registered quarter horse, bay, 11 years old this month. Tall, lanky, good looking. Used for trail rides. Asking \$1500 or best offer.
Jack: Previous owner died. His papers were not found. He is a beautiful chestnut quarter horse, tall, very muscular, gorgeous. We were told he was a working cattle horse. We have used him as a trail horse. Asking \$2000 or best offer.

Please call [208 683-2154](tel:2086832154) or 208 661-6476. Jan and Gary Sylte.

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Membership dues for year 2013

Please go to the web site www.pbch.org and fill out membership form for 2013. You must fill out a new form each year. Send to PBCH, P.O. Box 1903, Hayden, ID 83835.

May PBCH meeting, Dalton Gardens City Hall, 7 p.m. May 18.
Socialize 6:30 p.m.

***Calendars: \$20.** A great deal for you and the club. Beautiful outdoor photos and your chance to win a monthly \$500 card. See any member to purchase yours today. **April Winner Rick Savage, Hayden, ID.**

Legacy Award Winner Val Johnson, Salmon River chapter member, won the Legacy Award at the 2013 BCHA Board Of Directors meeting. This prestigious award is not awarded lightly. As fellow Idahoans and BCHI members we should be proud and aspire to do as much, so well, for so long. See more on www.bchi.org site.

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Fun rides in the month of April

The ride at Fish Trap, on 4/21/13 turned out very nice. The weather forecast had been for 40 mph gusts, but we did not get too much wind on the ride which was a pleasant surprise. We had 12 riders and had no remarkable incidents, or accidents, for such an early spring ride. I think the animals wanted to go out for a ride as much as we did. We also did not get lost! We rode to a nice spot on the lake that had trees for tying up, and had lunch. The clouds were moving in after lunch and some of us decided not to continue the 2 miles to the falls, and headed back to the trailers. Alan Harper and his gang rode on to the falls and it turned out they were less than a 1/4 mile ride from the lake. Oh darn it!

Greg and Kathy, new members from the Moscow area joined us and said they enjoyed the ride with the club.

Stan and I really appreciated the mild weather on the trail ride especially when we returned to Coeur d'Alene and into a down pour of rain.

Write up by Jamie Smith. **Photo below: Riders at Fish Trap take a break. Photo Karen Kimball.**



Photo at right: Dr. Peters works on a horse during the tune-up clinic in April at Red Top Stables. Photo courtesy Angie Parsons.

Escure Ranch Ride Write Up by trail boss Jerry Shriner.

The weather may have been a little cooler on April 25th than we wanted but 21 riders enjoyed the 13 mile ride on BLM's Rock Creek/Escure Ranch site. We headed out through the ranch buildings, made a short stop at Wall Lake. After another mile or two and a short stop for lunch we looped back to Rock Creek and down the valley back to camp.

We were back in camp in plenty of time to enjoy some rest and refreshments before moving into our usual unbeatable potluck supper.

Sunday morning 15 riders made the 6-mile roundtrip to Towell Falls following the trail down and returning cross country on a route that kept us closer to the creek and added some variety to the ride. The falls are quite pretty and well worth the short trip. The intrepid 11-year-old CJ

Caruso jumped into the pool below the smaller of the falls and with the help of a line thrown to him climbed back up the cliff to make the return trip.

Around the campfire at Escure Ranch Ride in late April. Trail bosses were Jerry and Diane Shriner. Photo courtesy Stan Smith.

