



English Point Trail System Nature Walk-Plant Identification

Come join us Saturday, June 10 for a nature walk along the English Point, Red Loop Trail. Two walks are scheduled, the first walk is at 11 a.m. and the second walk will be at 1 p.m.

PBCH, along with Idaho Native Plant Society, Calypso Chapter of Coeur d'Alene, will host the event.

Derek Antonelli of the Calypso Chapter will lead the trail walk identifying the beautiful spring plants along the trail.

The Idaho Native Plant Society is a statewide non-profit organization dedicated to promoting interest in native plants and communities, collecting, and sharing information of Idaho native plants and fostering an understanding and appreciation of our native flora. PBCH volunteerism is one of the most important activities Back Country Horsemen can use in our effort to perpetuate enjoyable common-sense use of pack and saddle stock in the back country. A central point of our mission statement is to assist government agencies in maintenance and management of public land. PBCH in working with the U.S. Forest Service clearing and maintaining many of the non-motorized trails used by hikers and bicyclists everyday.

For additional information phone John Galdi, president PBCH.

Newsletter Editor
Joni Lueck
jklhorserider@gmail.com

Membership

Please go to www.pbch.org and print out the 2023 membership form and mail in. Please email Bea Christopherson, treasurer christobea@yahoo.com You can also sign up at any ride or event throughout the year! Mail to PBCH, P.O. Box 1903, Hayden, ID 83835.

PBCH Calendar of Events:

Wednesday, May 17 PBCH monthly meeting.

Location is the church, 9485 N. Maple St., Hayden. Socialize at 6:30 p.m. and meeting starts at 7 p.m.

May 27, Saturday Fun Ride at Farragut State Park.

Foot in stirrup 10 a.m. Bring a lunch to have after the ride. Ken Thomas, trail boss. Email jklhorserider@gmail.com for information.

Sunday Ride in the Park

By John Galdi, president

Sunday April 30, 2023, turned out to be a beautiful sunny spring day at Farragut State Park, for what may have been the first ride of the year for most of our horses plus the trails were in very good condition.

There were 13 members in attendance for coffee and donuts. Then we rode just a little over an hour around the southeast park trail system. I would like to thank “everyone” that attended for their participation.

Farragut Riders: Scott & Rene Sullens, Jamie Smith, Jill & Pat Graham, Arnie Wilkins, Joni Lueck, Ken Thomas, Tom Knoll, Rich & Dee Simpson.

Hosted by Audra & John Galdi

Safety Tip for this Month: Switch Positions

When you ride with a group, change your order in the lineup allowing another horse-and-rider pair to take the lead. You’ll teach the lead horse to slow down and follow; you’ll also help horses that usually



Calendar of Events continued from page 1

June 10, 2023 Nature walk and plant identification at English Point. See attached flyer. Open to public.

July 22 4th of July fun ride. Trail bosses Bea Christopherson and Arnie Wilkens. Open to public.

August 13 PBCH Annual hot dog feed and fun ride at Farragut State Park. Trail boss Julie Volpi. Open to public.

Other events Non PBCH sponsored

***May 19-21.** Sponsored by Priest River BCH chapter. Upcoming trail clearing that they would like other chapters to participate. Camping available at Reynolds Creek. They will potluck for dinner. Waylon will be doing Chainsaw certification and crosscut for members that need it. PRVBCH president Janna Ostler. Her phone number is 208-627-8893 if you have any questions. She also suggested that 1st aid training can be available for nominal cost through PRVBCH. See attached flyer for this Trail clearing Extravaganza.

***May 21 Poker Ride.** Riverside State Park. Sponsored by Ponderosa BCH of Washington. Go to www.pbchw.com for more information.

***Scavenger Hunt September 23rd** at Chipmunk Rapids. More information later. By Priest River BCH.

Farragut Ride



It was a lovely day for a group fun ride. Lots of different colors of horses!
Photo courtesy Rene Sullens.

2023 PBCH Officers

President John Galdi
Jgaldi6047@hotmail.com

Vice-president Arnie Wilkens
Ajwilke@gmail.com

Secretary Julie Volpi
Charlieandjulie01@gmail.com

Treasurer Bea Christopherson
Christobea@yahoo.com

Board members

Ray Heilman 208-660-2907;

Jim Kimball 208-772-2434

Tom Knoll 208-651-4600

**State Board of Directors

Karen Kimball & alternate Tom Knoll
Chapter Foundation Dir. Jim Kimball

Facebook Wrangler
Audra LaBelle
Audralabelle@hotmail.com

Joni Lueck, newsletter editor and
website coordinator
jklhorserider@gmail.com

Volunteer Hours, education chair
and past president
Karen Kimball
Jkkimball01@gmail.com

PBCH Meeting April 19, 2023

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Arnie Wilkens, filling for John Galdi

Pledge of Allegiance lead by Russ Rantz

No guests were present, 13 members attended , 4 via Zoom.

Secretary Report approved as written.

Treasurer's report was read by Bea and motion made by Jim Kimball and seconded by Betsy Walker, approved. A hard copy will be sent under separate cover.

Arnie Wilkens submitted receipts for AED carry case, printing ink for grant copies and miscellaneous AED signage. Motion made by Karen Kimball to approve payment and seconded by Susan Walker, motion carried.

The first aid class was discussed and three members confirmed attendance and they are Rich Simpson, Tom McIntyre and Russ Rantz.

Class is scheduled for April 22, starts at 10 AM at the Priest River fire house.

It was mentioned that trail bosses are needed for a variety of future events, please refer to the newsletter which has a list of events.

Also the near future calendar events were discussed including:

Saddle cleaning April 23 at Arnie's, 12-4

Church clean up April 26, 11:30 RSVP Karen

Pack Clinic at Bat Masterson's house, April, 29. 89 E Remington Athol, limited to 6 people with pack stock and/ or want to learn to pack or brush up on packing skills.

Contact Tom Knoll 208-651- 4600

April 30th members only ride, Farragut. coffee and pastries, 9:00 am, ride after breakfast.

May 19-21 at Reynolds Creek , Priest River campground, chainsaw certificate class (need first aid cert) and trail cleaning. Also In Reach training. Combined outing with PRVBCH Pot luck Friday night the 19th. Tom Knoll contact.

Nature walk June 10, English Point contact John Galdi.

Meeting notes continued on page 5

Meeting notes continued from page 4

There are more upcoming events, please refer to the newsletter.

Karen Kimball reported on the future Lost Creek trail project that will be launched in 2024.

However Karen thought a start on the project would be great for PBCH to sharper our skills and introduce new qualified members. Trails haven't been cleared in seven years so hold on to you hats. Sometime in July was discussed, Karen will be the contact.

It was voted and approved to return our rebate portion of the calendar sales to the Foundation BCHI as a donation. Karen motioned it and seconded by Tom Knoll, motion carried.

Tom spoke on the calendar count increase for this up coming year, we now will receive 150.

Hats will be available by the next meeting. A brief discussion was had about IN Reach, satellite communications. Karen is contacting Life Flight with more discussions to follow.

Submitted by Tom Knoll, for Julie, typed by Arnie Wilkens



**Tack Cleaning Party
Hosted by Arnie Wilkens.**
Some ten members showed up to clean and oil their saddles and other tack last month.

The event, the first of its kind, heard stories told about where their saddles have taken their rides, which bridles and bits fit on which horse, and the best way to clean and restore your leather and other synthetic materials for your tack.

The weather held and lots of food, including chili, sweet rolls and coffee, was enjoyed by all.

Rides and Events

These are some past rides, work parties, campouts and other events for our chapter of PBCH.

- *Escure Ranch in Washington fun ride and campout.
- *Obstacle Course Dalton Garden Arena Event open to the public
- ***Marie Creek trail clearing**
- *Marie Creek fun ride
- *Asotin ride and campout in Washington at Fordyce Trail
- *Chilco Mt. trail clearing
- *August Farragut State Park Hot Dog fun ride open to the public
- *4th of July Pass fun ride and lunch open to the public
- *Antoine Peak ride and potluck in Washington
- *Blue Creek Bay Recreation Area fun ride
- *Squaw Valley near Priest Lake
- *Liberty Lake horse park in Washington fun ride
- *Red Ives work party and campout in Idaho
- *McKenzie Conservation Area fun ride in Washington
- *Pee Wee Creek fun ride and campout in Idaho
- *Heyburn State Park work party and fun ride
- *Bernard Peak fun ride
- *Riverside State Park day ride and campout in Washington

If anyone wants to trail boss a ride or event please let any chapter officer know!

PBCH Monthly Treasurer's Report

April 19, 2023

Income

Dues \$170.00

Calendars \$ 40.00

Interest \$ 0.06

Total \$210.06

Expenses

Bear Design \$ 33.60

Bank Stmt \$ 2.00

Total \$ 35.60

Current Balance

Checking \$ 976.59



