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The President's Saddlebag

Karen Kimball, president PBCH 2014

We want to welcome a new member, Allison Dunn. She didn't hesitate to volunteer to go on the Chilco Mt. work project.

Linda Funke is doing better. She got the hard cast off today and has a walking boot. She has a sore spot on her leg that may heal now.

If anyone in the chapter wants a membership to Life Flight you can contact Cindi Richardson. The helicopter ride for Linda would have cost her around \$20,000 had they not had the membership. Expensive joy ride.

The rest of the outing on Memorial Day Weekend went well and we enjoyed all the members that came up and rode with us.

Thanks to Julie Volpi for Trail Bossing the Farragut outing and to Joni Lueck for leading the Blue Creek ride.

Remember our next meeting on Wednesday July 16th will be a potluck in the Dalton City Park. Bring a dish to share and a meat to grill if you wish. We'll have the coals hot. Bring your own beverage. I'll try to make the business meeting short.

I am planning to have a ride on Marie Creek sometime in July, don't have a date yet, to do some brushing and widening of the trail. I will plan this trip so the people working on the scholarships can go along and help. We'll work on dates so anyone can go. Happy trails, Karen

MEETING MINUTES JUNE 18, 2014

Karen Kimball called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. We welcomed guest Allison Dunn who recently moved to Idaho. She was a previous member in Washington. The minutes were read and a correction was made under correspondence to read Priest River Valley BCH not Inland Empire BCH.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Cindi Richardson read the treasurer's report in Stan Smith's absence. Income \$200.00 from dues. Expenses \$20.00 Bob Williams - Clinic Dutch Oven, \$61.02 George Miller - Clinic Dutch Oven, \$14.00 Deb Samovar - Clinic, banners, \$200.00 BCHA challenge, \$32.00 Joni May/June newsletters, \$45.62 Nickel's Worth clinic ad for a total of \$372.64.

Outstanding bills - \$97.23 for Karen for refreshments and bike signs (materials). Progressive pot \$73.50 Motion was made to accept the report by Marti Fisher and second by Bill Clarke - passed.

OLD BUSINESS: Fund raiser for BCHA was met. The total donation was \$91,467 which included \$25,000 from an organization for matching funds. Farragut outing - We had two people in the backup clinic. We did a lot of chain sawing and trimmed trees and had a short ride. Asotin Creek Outing - Nice ride, saw elk, and bear, however Linda was injured and had to be airlifted to the hospital.

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Calendar July and August

Red Ives campout and work party July 11-13. Members only.

Directions: See www.pbch.org website and then maps/directions give details. Vanessa Edwards will trail boss. email Vanessa@longearoutfitters.com or 208-582-0105. Trails are steep; horses need to be in shape. Ginger Swisher wants to brush out Indian Creek Trail. Potluck. Also call Karen Kimball 772-2434.

July PBCH Meeting and Potluck Wed. July 18 6 p.m. Short meeting will follow. Bring meat to grill and your own beverage. Dalton City Park behind Dalton City Hall. 6360 4th St.

*****Meetings will now be Wednesdays May through Sept. and Saturdays all other months.**

Heyburn State Park fun ride and campout. July 26-27. Open to members and their guests. Bob and Linda Funke, trail bosses. Info 772-5326 or email funkebob@gmail.com. A few corrals available, otherwise highline or bring portable corrals or trailer tie your stock. Potluck. Well maintained trails and some climbing. Directions: See www.pbch.org web site and see maps/directions for details.

Other events

July Dave from Trail Maniacs is currently planning his 2014 season. A 4th of July race 7/5/14 using the cross country ski trails and the north side Forest service trail/road system out of the 4th of July recreation area. He is also working on a Trail Run that would use the Bunco parking lot with the trails and roads incorporating North & South Chilco peaks, Hells Canyon new route: 208-457-2726.
<http://my.viewranger.com/route/details/MjQyOTU=>

Photo at right: Stan Smith, right and Bob Funke, left, work the saw along the trail at Chilco Mtn. during work party. Photo courtesy Lori Jenkins.

Classified Ads: Free for all PBCH members/guests

*Wanted: Truck campers. Call Scott Bengfort 208-964-0755.

*For sale grey Arab gelding, 12 y/o, 1000 pounds, 15.2H, huge legs and feet, vet checked, shots, wormed, teeth floated, \$1,000, come take a look. Call PBCH member Carol Kinsey 659-0776.

*Wanted a 2 horse bumper pull trailer with a tack room. Call Bob 208-280-7796.

*Circle Y Flex saddle, dark brown, some silver. \$1500. Like new. Jan Broxson. Cash firm price. Also other matching tack and supplies with saddle total \$2,000. 208-262-9855 Post Falls email janbroxson@yahoo.com cell 208-777-5464.



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Minutes continued from page 1

Life Flight responded in about 8 minutes. We wish Linda well for a speedy recovery. Blue Creek ride - only Joni and her husband but had a great ride. Chilco Mt. clearing date changed to June 21st. Meet at Albertsons at 8:00 am, 4th of July ride on 6/28 10:00 am in the saddle - 10 miles. Red Ives Work Party - Vanessa Edwards to trail boss. Ginger wants to brush out Indian Creek trail. Will be July 11-13th. Potluck Friday and Saturday. Will work Friday and Saturday. Motion was made to change the monthly meeting to Wednesdays starting May through September. Okay to change per the Standing Rule. Bob Williams made a motion which was second by Bill Clarke - Passed. We will note changes in the newsletter. BLM project was cancelled. Thank you Boy Scouts!! Christmas party - we do not have a place for the party yet. Bike signs, need additional bags of concrete. Motion was made by Bob Williams and 2nd by Bill Clarke - passed.

NEW BUSINESS: Sawtooth Chapter was going to host September SBD meeting. They cannot. Motion was made that our chapter would host the meeting. Meeting to be held 9/27/14. Motion made by Bill Clarke and second by Bob Williams - passed. We need to upgrade our first aid kits. It was agreed to have three kits available with mouth protectors and splints. Motion made by Marilyn Rousher and second by Bob Williams - passed (kits will be available in banana packs which will attach to saddle). Club needs 2 folding tables at approx. \$45.00 each. Motion made by Kathy Beck and second by Judy Linscott - passed. Progressive pot drawing - Bob Lovitt. It was agreed we would give Bob the pot since he did attend meeting but had to leave early. Meeting adjourned 8:15 pm. Submitted by Andrea Anderson.



4th of July ride on 6-28-14

By Bea Christopherson, trail boss

Seven riders came to this fun ride at the 4th of July Rec. area. It did look like rain at first but we ended up having mostly just cloudy weather with some short sun breaks. For a couple of minutes we had a few sprinkles, that was it. The trails were fine even though it had been raining a lot the prior days.

The ride was about ten miles long and all horses did very well. We ate lunch at Ian's Hut and afterwards continued the ride on the eastern side of the ridge along "Making Tracks" where we had great views of the mountains in the St Joe National Forest and looking towards Montana.

We returned to the parking lot around 1:30 p.m. after about three and a half hours in the saddle.

Photo at left: Riders enjoy the view atop trail at 4th of July Pass. Photo by Maddie Baker.

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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

2014 Officers and board members contact information:

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Information Corner-----

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Deadline for submitting information 1st of the month. Please type directly into email and send to me. If you've been on an interesting or beautiful ride or have a photo you want to share, please send the information along. Please identify who is in the photo and who took the photo.

Membership dues for year 2014

Please go to the web site www.pbch.org and fill out membership form for 2014. You must fill out a new form each year. You can sign up to become a member at any ride or event throughout the year. Or mail to PBCH, P.O. Box 1903, Hayden, ID 83835. Business Card Sponsors \$10 in addition to the membership fee. Card will run in the newsletter each month and on the web site.

Classified Ads - Please submit your ad to the newsletter editor by the 1st of each month.

***Calendars: \$20.** A great deal for you and the club. Beautiful outdoor photos and your chance to win! See any member to purchase yours today. For 2014 the State Board of Directors voted to have 12 \$1000 drawings and because of the lottery restrictions all the drawings will be done at one time and that will be in December.

Remember to get your PBCH membership card which is good for a 10% discount at the Big R Store!

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Farragut Weekend

By Karen Kimball and Julie Volpi, trail bosses

Had a good weekend June 7 and 8 at Farragut with perfect weather. Ray Heilman showed up with his chainsaw blade and limbed branches off overgrown trees around the corrals. Some of us stacked the limbs while other people mended corrals on National Trails Day June 7.

Had a nice potluck with lots of chili dogs and chips provided by the club. Of course everyone brought lots of great food. About 10 people and horses camped overnight.

The next morning we had two people that came to practice their backing skills by maneuvering through orange cones. Bill Clarke did a nice job of directing Kathy Baker and her daughter Maddie.

Afterward we had lunch and then all went on a ride. Some went out on their own and six rode together on a three-hour ride.

Thanks to all that attended. Especially our trail workers!

Photo at left: Bill Clarke directs Kathy Baker through the orange cones at Farragut State Park. Photo courtesy Karen Kimball.



Photo Below: Workers enjoy lunch and the view from top of Chilco Mtn. at the work party. At right trail boss Bob Funke gets a saw off his pack mule. Photos by Kathy and Maddie Baker.





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Chilco Mountain Work Party

By Maddie Baker

The June 21st Chilco Mountain Work Party was a great experience for two rookie PBCH members! Bob Funke, Ray Heilman, Lori Jenkins, Stan and Jamie Smith, my mom Kathy, and I enjoyed the ride. We stopped eighteen times for trail clearing. Bob was a real rock star! At some stops, he would already be packing away the chainsaw by the time we caught up.

Thankfully, our "city" horses didn't bat an eyelash at the chainsaw. The trail was quite a bit rocky in places with a good incline. Jamie rated it a 7 or 8 on a scale from one to ten in terms of difficulty. We hoofed it next to our horses for a couple of miles when the trail turned rocky and steep. At that point the rating system changed to "4 Ibuprofen for 2 days." However, the views erased all proceeding muscle stiffness. Chilco Mountain was an enormous chapel on a picture perfect day. We were able to see Hayden Lake and Lake Coeur d' Alene from an elevation of 5600 feet.

Les Erickson and his friend joined at the top with their four mules just as we were finishing our lunch. The group decided to continue on for another three-mile loop with the exception of the Smiths who graciously allowed us to follow them back to the trailers. On the way down, we spotted a couple bicyclists and hikers and passed by a bit of snow pack at the top of South Chilco Mountain.

The weather was great for the whole ride; it was sunny with a breeze and in the 60s. With veteran PBCH members leading by example, it was also an educational experience as we were able to be a small part of preserving our equine heritage on public land.

Editor's Note: Bob Funke said the group took extra time to clear all trees off the trail, not only for horses, but for the many bicyclists who use this trail. The group cleared 16 miles of trail. "It was a long day as we had a lot of sawing to do," he said. The club made an agreement to clear the trail with the US Forest Service. "We made good time, but some rock slides slowed us down," Funke added.

