

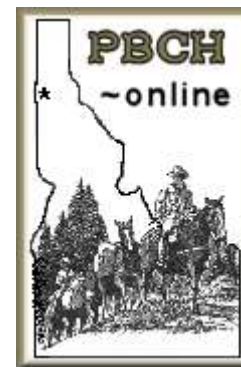
PBCH Newsletter November, 2024

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Tails and Trails

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President's Letter

Hello Backcountry Horsemen as we wind down another year there's a lot of business at hand. Joni is taking orders for t-shirts. Calendar sales are good. We need a final push to get them sold. Contact Karen to get your calendars. We need people to step up for board positions and officers in our group if you have any interest let me know. Serving in these positions is a great opportunity to help further the cause of our organization. I know there's some good ideas out there, don't be afraid to take on one of these positions.

I managed to get an 18 mile ride in, have not done one that long in quite some time. It was good for me and my bone crushing mule. Tom McIntyre and I did this ride together on the Independence Creek Trail, happy to report that it was clear the road into the trailhead was better than it has been in the past. There's some motorcycle activity on this Trail but all the Riders were respectful.

Mark your calendars for the year end party January 18th Athol Community Hall 5:30 p.m.

Backcountry Horsemen of America secretary Michelle Wade will set up our new Facebook page and we need an administrator to take this new page under their wing. This could be a very rewarding position and give our chapter a new look please contact me and we will get you with Michelle. Also need pictures for this new Facebook page.

Karen is working on a new outing to sell calendars at one of the local businesses. Please contact her if you have time to put into this effort. I like to encourage everyone to get out and vote. Thank you for all the support throughout the year. Here's to good friends and good trails, all the best Thomas Knoll

Membership

Please go to www.pbch.org and print out the 2025 membership form and mail in. Please email Bea Christopherson, treasurer christobea@yahoo.com Mail to PBCH, P.O. Box 1903, Hayden, ID 83835. Pay your dues now. Encourage others to join.

**PBCH Calendar of Events:

November 16, PBCH monthly meeting, Saturday, 6360 4th St. Dalton Gardens City Hall. Officer and board member elections for 2025 year. Please attend the meeting and vote your favorite person for an officer seat or board member seat. Socialize 6:30 and meeting starts at 7.

January 18, 2025 end-of-year party. Athol Community Center. Starts at 5:30 p.m. Awards banquet. Trail boss Karen Kimball. Please RSVP.

2024 PBCH Officers

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Karen Kimball

Education co-chairs Joni Lueck and Russ Rantz

The Treasure Valley BCH will host the 2025 convention on March 14, 2025. It will be held at the Canyon County Fair Event Center, Caldwell, ID.

Calendar Winners drawn Sept. 30, 2024

PBCH chapter won a \$500 won gift certificate

Member Betsy Walker won a \$500 gift certificate

Treasurer's Report October 19, 2024

Income

Calendars \$960.00

Hats \$160.00

Dues \$100.00

Donation

S. Eachon Family \$650.00

Silent Auction \$ 20.00

Raffle Tickets \$ 57.00

Interest \$ 0.02

Total \$1,947.02

Expenses

Bank Stmt \$ 2.00

Insurance for
Steak Ride \$45.00

Bear Design
WEB Site \$76.80

Total \$123.80

Meeting Minutes October

Panhandle Backcountry Horsemen General Meeting Minutes October 19, 2024

Meeting called to order at 7:01 by President Tom Knoll

8 members in attendance and 1 on zoom

Pledge

Minutes- minutes approved as written

Treasurers report-Bea Christopherson read report. Motion made to accept by Julie Volpi. 2nd Betsy Walker and approved by members.

Tom Knoll announced the passing of long time Backcountry Horsemen member Gary Sylte. Chapter will send condolences.

Betsy Walker won \$500 in calendar drawing. PBCH also won \$500

Karen Kimball reported on BCHI board of directors meeting. Robin will be doing the calendars and the state got her a new computer to do the work. Karen Bailey to be new education chair. The state is asking if everyone is getting the Broom Tails. The BCHI is considering and dues increase. The next convention will be in Caldwell. BOD in Lewiston.

End of the Year party- Karen Kimball is looking at locations.

Chainsaw certification- will be in Spring 2025 probably April will 1st aid to preclude that in March.

Banner- Karen is looking at getting a new PBCH banner. Smaller than the one we have.

Trail Creek- Tom Knoll reported that he and Tom McIntire drove out to the trail head and road 9 miles

Line Creek project- the project was in the National Letter. The forest service is looking for a letter of support to keep the Copper Creek trail. There is a group, Trout Unlimited that is trying to close the trail.

FONIT- Karen Kimball reported on the FONIT meeting. The grant for improvements on the English point trail is \$50,000 with \$10000 in matching funds. Representatives set up in the parking area and collected matching funds and collected \$2100 in pledges punching the total matching funds to the goal.

Joni Lueck proposed donating to the Backcountry Horsemen groups in North Carolina for disaster relief. Julie Volpi made motion to donate \$250 from the general fund and 2nd by Tom Knoll. Motion carried.

Joni also reported on the Steak Ride- 16 members attended, T-shirts orders are being taken now, and Michele from Lakeside ad service is going to help us get our Facebook page back.

Calendars- about 50 left to sell. Plans to sell at North 40.

Life Flight donation- Life Flight donated 1 year membership and a box with some other items to raffle off.

Robert Wuest suggested to buy Stihl battery operated chainsaw/weed eater from the Calendar raffle winnings. The unit breaks down making it easy to pack. The chapter is to table this item till next meeting for more review.

Karen reported Susan Walker is having hip surgery. Heal fast!

Motion to adjourn by Tom Knoll and second by Betsy Walker. Meeting adjourned at 8:18. Respectfully submitted, Julie Volpi

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Hats, magnetic signs, t-shirts and bumper stickers



PBCH hats are now in! Get yours today from salesman Tom Knoll. \$20. 208-651-4600. Magnetic signs are available at \$7.50 each. These are great advertising for the chapter and can be put on your vehicle or horse trailer. Bumper stickers available at no cost. Stick one on your vehicle today!



2025 Calendars

The 2025 Back Country Horsemen calendars are in and ready for the new year. This is a fundraiser for all the Idaho chapters. These retail for \$20. Inside each calendar is a raffle card which needs to be mailed in for the Sept. 30 drawing each year.

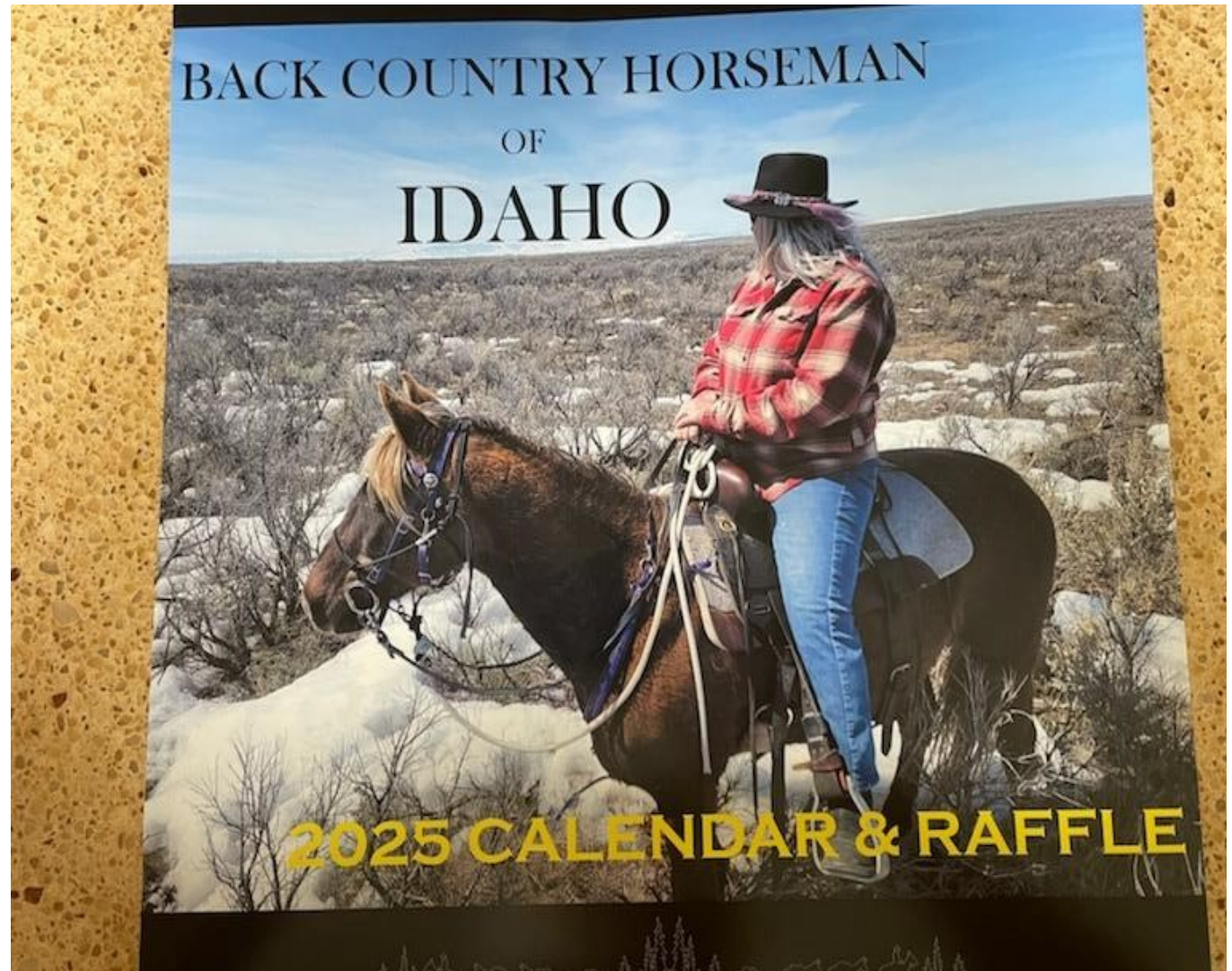
Each chapter can keep 20% of their sales and the rest is sent to support the efforts of the state organization.

This year the Panhandle chapter has elected to take 175 calendars to be sold.

Each year we set up at different stores in the area around holiday time to sell the calendars.

The prizes include 11 gift cards worth \$500 each. The grand prize is a \$3,000 gift card.

Help support the Back Country Horsemen by buying a calendar today.



Fall Hunting trip



Tom Knolls' hunting partner Randy Moore harvested a nice mature 6-point bull elk. Tom McIntyre harvested a Spike. We saw several elk, three wolves and several moose. It was a great trip. Also saw colorful Fall foliage. Photos courtesy Tom Knoll.



Rides and Events

These are some past rides, work parties, campouts and other events for our chapter of PBCH. Plus a few new ideas. If you want to trail boss or help out on a ride or event please let us know!

- *Early Season warm-up ride and donuts and coffee, Farragut State Park
- *Escure Ranch in Washington fun ride and campout.
- *Obstacle Course Dalton Garden Arena Event open to the public.
- *Marie Creek trail clearing. Limited parking, bathroom available.
- ***Marie Creek fun ride. This road going into the parking area is rough.**
- *Asotin ride and campout in Washington at Fordyce Trail. Memorial Day Weekend. Good turnout.
- *Chilco Mt. trail clearing. Past work party. Area currently closed.
- ***Farragut State Park Hot Dog fun ride open to the public. August 18, 2024, trail boss Julie Volpi.** Corrals, fire rings, bathroom.
- *4th of July Pass fun ride. Bathroom available.
- *Antoine Peak ride and potluck in Washington. Plenty of parking, water at trailhead.
- ***Blue Creek Bay Recreation Area fun ride.** Bathroom and lots of parking.
- *Squaw Valley near Priest Lake.
- *Liberty Lake horse park in Washington fun ride. Bathroom available.
- *Red Ives work party and campout in Idaho.
- *McKenzie Conservation Area fun ride in Washington. Bathroom available. Limited parking.
- *Pee Wee Creek fun ride and campout in Idaho.
- *Heyburn State Park work party and fun ride. Corrals and bathroom available. Work party/campout May 3-5, 2024. Trail boss Julie Volpi.
- ***Bernard Peak fun ride. Go in on Twete Rd. Limited parking. No bathroom.**
- *Lakeshore Trail Priest Lake. Ride with Priest River Valley BCH.
- *Stateline Trail near Superior, MT.
- ***Rustler's Gulch fun ride near Deer Park, WA. Bathroom and plenty of parking.**

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

Autumn Leaves Are Falling



Leaves falling at
Bea
Christopherson's
place.
Photo courtesy Bea.

Steak ride/potluck event



Workers at the annual steak ride/potluck event at Farragut State Park October 5. Above photo of Bea Christoperson, Betsy Walker, Linda Wuest and Shari Bolander. Photo at left Robert Wuest. Weather was perfect. Sixteen people participated in the event. There were door prizes and auction items as well as sales of calendars, t-shirts, hats and 2025 memberships. Several people enjoyed a two-hour ride. The BBQs were set up with cook Russ Rantz, along with several tables and chairs. A special thanks to all the volunteers. Photo courtesy Joni Lueck

NAISMA CERTIFIED WEED FREE Grass Hay 2024. Premium quality weed free certified with tags. All bails approx. 60-70 lbs. Two string bails, high quality mixed grass hay. Mixture of Brome, Timothy, Orchard Grass. Certified to North American Standard by Idaho State Department of Agriculture with bail tags. Highest rating allows for transport and use in all areas and out of state. can be taken into National Forest and BLM land. Conveniently located between our d'Alene, St Maries and Kellogg. Kootenai, Benewah and Shoshone Counties. Call, text or message \$350 per ton and \$200 per 1/2 ton ... 30 bails to a ton. Kaye 208-661-9445

2026 Calendar Submissions Due December 2024

BCHI funds the state organization by collecting money raised by chapter dues and by the sale of high quality raffle calendars. Calendar photos are submitted by BCH chapter members and a subset is selected for inclusion in the annual raffle calendar. Please participate and submit as many as you like. To BCHI secretary Robin Pilkington.

****See attachment**

Photo Contest

The photo contest takes place at the annual state convention in March each year.

This is different from the calendar submissions.

There will be different categories to submit a photo for this photo contest. The photos should arrive at the annual convention on the Friday before the start of the convention to be judged.



