

PBCHA

June 17, 2026

Meeting started at 6:15 by President, Karen Kimball who led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes for May have been posted on the website. No corrections were made. The minutes stand as written.

Bea gave the Treasurer's report. Robert Wuest made the motion to accept the Treasurer's Report; Stan Smith seconded the motion and all agreed to accept the report.

Karen gave updates on the following:

Calendars

We have 50 left over from last year. We had ordered 125. The cards will be mailed in representing our club and be entered into the drawing.

We have ordered 75 for this year; so hopefully will avoid having so many left over.

This is a major fundraiser for the State BCH Association.

English Point

The timber sale is scheduled for 6/23. Then the Forest Service will need to do clean up and bridge repair before opening the trails for horses.

Heyburn

Julie Volpi gave the update: They already held their timber sale and are now working on clean up. It is likely going to be quite a while as there were a multitude of trees down. They are focusing on the south side; may not even get to the north side.

There was a discussion about organizing another work party to assist with trail clearing, possible during the week as the weekends seem to be busy.

Marie Creek

Brushing needs to be completed. Karen and Stan will coordinate a work party, likely during the week rather than on weekends.

4th of July (trail)

The lower trail (Jeannette's Jaunt) is mostly clear; just a short distance to finish. The pole with the information sign regarding trail right of way protocols needs repair. Karen asked for volunteers to take on this task.

National Trails Day

Karen reported that National Trails Day was a week ago and there was a trail clearing event on Canfield Mountain. Karen and a representative from the Priest River BCH club were there with a display. There were several other groups there as well. There was an opening ceremony and Tom Schultz, Chief of National Forest was the speaker. He is from Hayden, his office is in Utah. Forest Service staff were present. There was a good turnout and several work parties did clearing of trails.

Dutch Oven Cooking

Joni Lueck reported that she, Betsy Walker and Shari Bolander attended a Dutch Oven Cooking class in Sandpoint. The class was very informative and inspiring. They reported that it was like having a professional kitchen set up to work in – everything they needed was

readily available and the process was easy in comparison to what it would be like for the average amateur with limited supplies. They learned that the coal life is about 45 minutes so it is important to have several chimneys and to have batches staggered in order to have hot coals ready to replace the dying ones.

July's meeting is a Dutch Oven potluck and will be held at the Dalton Community Park. Allen and Jessica Harper plan to do a demonstration on cooking – they have a great deal of experience. Beth Parsons plans to contribute but not sure what she will be making. Betsy, Shari and Joni will collaborate to contribute as well. This will be a great opportunity to see the equipment up close and to watch the process. There will be recipes to hand out. Karen will coordinate with the various contributors and an email will be sent out to members regarding menu items and suggestions for side dishes.

Chilco Mountain

Brushing needs to be done. Stan will plan to go sometime during the week – let him know if you are interested in assisting.

Chilco Mountain Trail

There are a lot of smaller trees down and it needs to be cleared. Stan may plan on going during the week. Let him know if you are interested in assisting.

Palouse ride

Karen Kimball and Jill Graham went to the Palouse Poker Ride. One person was bucked off and had to be helicoptered out, but other than that, the day went well. A beautiful ride with great company.

Bear Spray Training

Rob Morris, works for Fish and Game. He is doing a training at Farragut State Park on July 25th at 6:00. Any one is welcome to attend; will need State Park Pass to access the park, or pay for parking. He does not know the exact location yet, but expects the park will have the location readily available upon arrival.

Stan Smith made a motion to adjourn. Linda Wuest seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:33.

Next meeting is July 15th. This is the Dutch Oven Potluck at Dalton Community Park. 6:00 start time.