



The Wisdom of the Wilderness

Submitted by: Nicole Cleland



Collapsed in the grass, head spinning and heart racing, I look up at the stormy sky. My eyes are teary, feet are bleeding, mind and body exhausted, yet my soul never more awake. The sky above me is huge, something that Montana is famous for. I'm in the Bob Marshall Wilderness on the Continental Divide Trail. I have survived for six days, with four remaining until I return to civilization. On my right is the trail, following the grooves of the steep mountainside. To the left I see the Chinese Wall, an anomalous geomorphic feature that can only be described as an insurmountable barrier of rock, adorned with light specks that could be patches of white mountain heather or white mountain goats, the two indiscernible without binoculars.

I am no mountain goat. I cannot navigate these stony steps quickly and carelessly as they can, nor can the horses surrounding me. I am not alone on the trail. My companions, a group of back-country horsemen, are experienced survivalists and riders. The first few days we rode our trusty steeds. However, my horse became sore-footed, and by riding him I would only cause him more pain. So I am on foot. Keeping pace with the animals proves to be a challenge, especially when fording rivers or making a steep, dangerous, and grueling climb. One such trek is what led me to be staring up at the sky.

These were not the only challenges of this trip by far, but each challenge taught me something about endurance and life. The wilderness is my classroom, and it is quite different from the traditional one I am used to. I have a new kind of teacher as well. My group supplied me with endless lessons from their own experiences. Aside from myself, the youngest in our group was my senior by forty years, and the eldest by nearly seventy. However, people were not my only teachers, nor were the many challenges.

I learned from the mountain goat, bounding up the insurmountable barrier: quick thinking and self-confidence are vital to conquering the impossible. I learned

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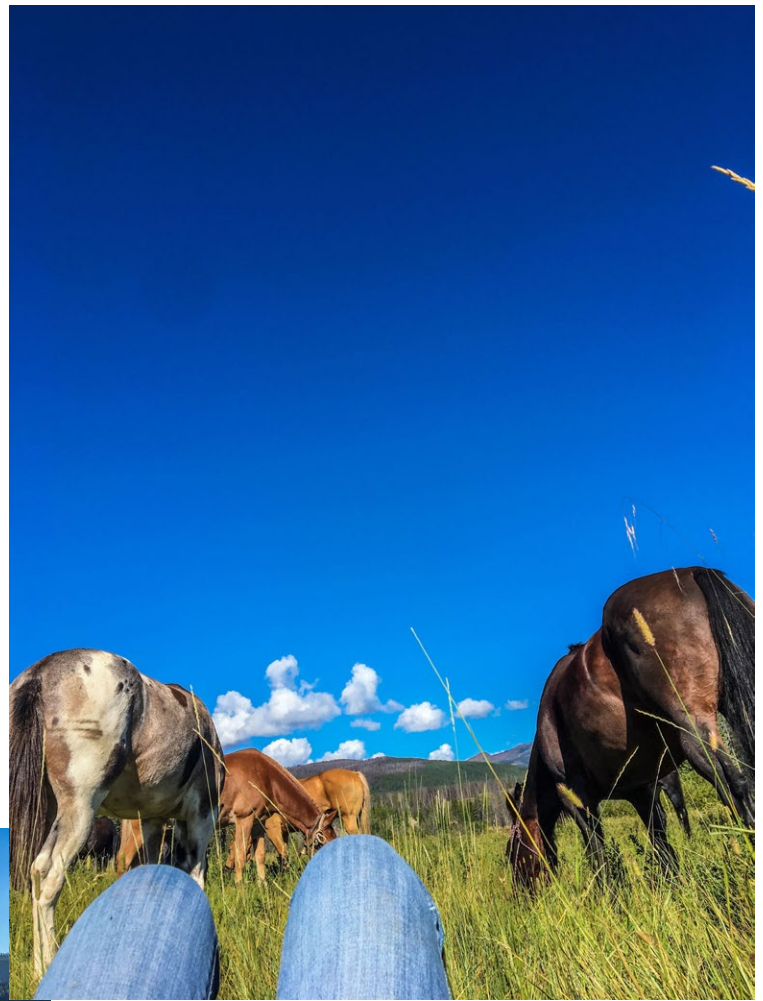
Meets: Held by conference call every other month

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Continuation of cover story

from the flowers which, while at lower elevations were long wilted, were blooming magnificently on the high mountain tops: different circumstances can cause people to bloom before you even begin to bud, but the outcome will be just as beautiful and appreciated. I learned from my own horse that sometimes the weight you bear can be too much, and it is okay to lighten your load in order to heal. I learned from the areas seemingly destroyed by fire that new and glorious growth comes from sometimes painful endings.

This year marks the end of my journey at a school I have been attending for ten years. Soon, I will be leaving the town I have been in my entire life. This most definitely will be a painful ending, but it will trigger a period of beautiful self-growth. I hope that next year I will begin college, and I am aware of the many peaks, valleys, barriers, and challenges I will face. But if I carry any lesson I learned from this adventure with me, it will be that a classroom does not have to consist of four walls and a chalkboard. Instead, life is my classroom, and experience is the best teacher.

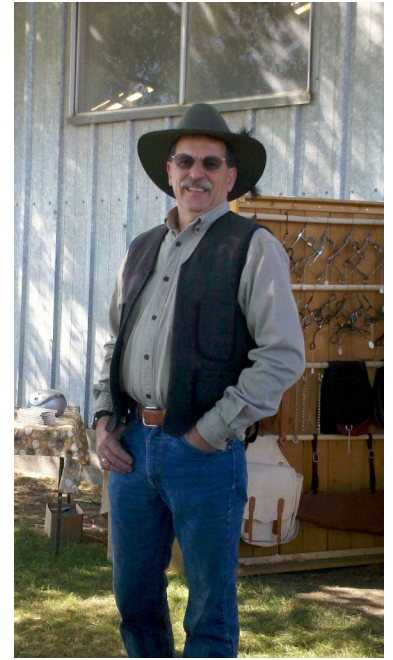


From the President

Submitted by: Duane Miller, President BCHO

Spring is approaching and everyone is getting ready to hit the trails. This year has already become challenging with the spread of the Corona (COVID 19) virus. Many events have been canceled already and many more may have to be canceled. I hope everyone can work through this in rational ways and be safe making decisions moving forward. We will have to make decisions on a day-to-day basis as more news develops concerning this health event. In the coming weeks, I will work with the officers to decide if BCHO will have or not have different events such as the BCHO Rendezvous the first weekend in May. With that said I would encourage everyone to make decisions based on what is best for you.

As we move forward into summer I would like to remind everyone to wear all of your personal protective equipment at trail work events and everything we are involved in. I sent out the BCHO trail report to everyone, this is also available at the following link https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdlUeydi3dSSgbEJq4kn9LZ8_Idms5tdbeoG6zARVkaqs1B2Q/viewform to fill in or print out. Please use this so we can start collecting information and data to use moving forward dealing with the Limited Access Permit System.



I have sent out the proposed requirements for people to receive permits for the Limited Entry Permit System in the Central Oregon Cascades Wilderness areas of the Deschutes and Willamette National Forests. I would like people to give feed back to their Chapter Presidents to forward to me. Once I have feedback there will be a letter sent to the Forest Service and a meeting to discuss this proposal further and try to get more advantage for us in this proposal.

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I have talked with Central Oregon Community College about the possibility of finding a student intern to hire as a public relations person. The position would have the responsibility to develop Marketing and Publicity programs to make the public aware of who we are and aware of the need for donations and members. I hope to have information and details to present to the Board at the May meeting. I believe this is the way we need to proceed to grow our Grant and Scholarship Funds, also our membership.

Hope to see everyone at the BCHO Rendezvous in Prineville May 1, 2 and 3. Everyone have a fun and safe summer.

BCHO Rendezvous

Submitted by: Duane Miller, President BCHO

Everyone should have heard by now we are having the first annual Back Country Horsemen of Oregon Rendezvous in Prineville at the Crook County Fairgrounds May 1, 2, 3 2020. I hope everyone is considering coming.

The following schedule will let you know what is taking place:

Friday, May 1

10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. - Board Meeting, Prineville Library
After board meeting set up at the Fairgrounds

Saturday, May 2

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Annual Membership Meeting
Silent Auction opens
12:00 p.m. - Lunch
2:00 p.m. - 1 Hour Demo
 High Cascades - Packing Demo
 High Desert Trail Riders - Fish Packing
 Emerald Empire - Stove Cooking
 Territorial Riders - Field First Aid
 Rebecca Heron - The Trail to Success
6:00 p.m. - Dinner Potluck or Dutch oven (your Choice)
 and Verbal Auction
7:30 p.m. Music

Sunday May 3

9:00 a.m. - Saw recertification
Bring your own saw and personal safety equipment
9:00 a.m. - Leave for trail ride Dry Creek Horse Camp

As at past Annual Meetings we ask that each Chapter donate items for the silent auction and the verbal auction we will be having.

This schedule is what to look for if we do not have to cancel the Rendezvous due to the Coronavirus outbreak taking place. Myself and the Vice Presidents will look at the current situation on April 15th and make a decision to go forward with it or cancel.

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Baker Beach Pre-Solve Cleanup

Submitted by: BJ Keele

Leap year was a perfect beautiful sunny day at the coast for our 20th annual Baker Beach cleanup! We expected RAIN so folks were over-dressed for a cold wet day. Over-heating is a great problem!

A total of 20 Emerald Empire BCHO members and friends, who both rode and walked, participated. We welcomed the guests that Becky & Matt Hope and Emily Elias brought along to enjoy the beach cleanup and beach ride. We picked up 380 pounds of trash this year. When I first started reporting annual Pre-Solve cleanup in 2007, we were picking up 900-1000 pounds of trash in 3 hours. In 2014 we collected to 300-600 pounds of trash. I'm hoping people's trash-tossing habits have improved.



Matt & Becky and friends collected the most notable piece of trash this year, a hunk of a huge fishing net used for deep water fishing. It was on the south side of Sutton Creek, so of course they had to ford the creek on their fjords. It was a big job as the net was partially buried under the sand. Neighbors had called Or State Parks to come and remove it. But the Hopes got what they could from the sand: 2 large plastic Solve bags of rope.

When I started recording the Plover sightings in 2007 during the clean-up, we were seeing 2-6 Plovers. In 2014 we saw 10 Plovers, in 2017 we saw 14, and in 2019 there were 15-20 Plovers. This year we saw flocks of Plovers. Cindy Burns, USFS staffer who supervised the event, said that while they are increasing in numbers in Oregon, they are disappearing in California.

A big thanks to the Forest Service and Cindy Burns, Wildlife Biologist from the USFS, for getting the path (roadish) bulldozed from the parking lot through the dunes to the beach. Once it was opened, the FS could get their trucks down to the beach to collect our SOLVE-provided trash bags.



Again I want to thank Cindy Burns for her continued support for this really fun beach activity each year. Thank you to Jamie Harrison, USF Wildlife Pathways Intern, for also carrying out our trashed-filled SOLVE bags. And thank you to both Oregon State Parks and to SOLVE for supplying the bags and for their administrative support all these years.

Our chapter enjoys this annual event in which we combine community service with fun riding on the beach in the late winter/early spring. As always, the clean-up was followed by a delicious potluck.



Equestrian Use of Wilderness Trails

Submitted by: Jean Clancey

There are common misconceptions about the use of horses and mules on public lands, particularly in wilderness areas. Art Pope's editorial, printed in the Register Guard December 3, cites impact of equines on trails as deleterious, requiring policies to mitigate their use. In response, I submit the following information for readers' consideration.

Visitation by horsemen and women to wilderness areas has been on the decline for decades. The Forest Service acknowledges that pack and saddle stock use in wilderness areas is no more than 1 to 3 percent of overall visitation. Horses are not the cause of wilderness overuse.

The Forest Service and other management agencies do, however, rely heavily on horse and mule pack support for their backlog of trail building and maintenance projects. There is really no other method. Chain saw use is not allowed in wilderness areas, and stock are able to carry large cross cut saws, heavy tools, timbers for construction, and camping supplies in and out of wilderness worksites.

Our local chapter of Back Country Horsemen of Oregon has topped 450 hours of volunteer work in 2019 alone supporting trail projects in the Middle Fork Willamette and Crescent Ranger Districts, and the Waldo, Three Sisters, and Mt. Washington Wildernesses. We employ Leave No Trace skills for low impact stock use in all our wilderness endeavors. Consider the work our volunteers and their equine friends have accomplished in local forests, in conjunction with government agencies, at no cost to the public:

- Packed tools for Scorpion trail crews who cleared Six Lakes Trail in the Waldo Wilderness
- Packed safety, water, and food supplies to stops along Waldo Lake trails for the last three Waldo 100K Trail Runs
- Packed in boards to rebuild a broken bridge on Erma Bell Trail, Three Sisters Wilderness
- Packed and cached tools for Foley Ridge Trail reconstruction over a two year period, Three Sisters Wilderness
- Provided packing trips into the forest for disabled youth, Three Sisters Wilderness
- Packed in trout fingerlings to High Cascade lakes with ODFW
- Packed supplies for trail crews into Diamond Peak Wilderness for new trail construction project
- Packed out timbers from multiple damaged and unsafe bridges on the North Fork Willamette Trail
- Pack supported FS crews and supplies for endangered frog research in Goose Lake area of Three Sisters Wilderness
- Logged out and maintained 8 miles of Pacific Crest Trail, Diamond Peak Wilderness, for over 15 years
(This trail section is in great shape, not damaged by our repeated presence. We also maintain yearly at least 8 miles of feeder trails to the PCT.)
- Logged out and maintained 20 plus miles of trails in the Mt. Washington Wilderness each year for over a decade
- With SOLVE, packed out hundreds of pounds of garbage off Oregon beaches each spring for over 15 years
- Restored wilderness campsites that others have left damaged, and regularly pack out garbage

This is only a partial list. Add to these volunteer efforts all the work of 8 other chapters of Back Country Horsemen of Oregon and statewide chapters of Oregon Equestrian Trails, and you begin to get a picture of how indispensable horses are for trail work on wilderness and all public lands. The USFS does not have sufficient funds to budget for adequate trail maintenance. Thousands of hours put in by horse people across Oregon go a long way to keeping trails open for public use, trails that would otherwise have remained neglected.

As a wilderness user group, equestrians are also faced with the limited access restrictions and fees proposed by the Willamette and Deschutes National Forests. Mr. Pope makes points in his column that confirm some of our own misgivings about these new policies. What we wish to correct, however, is the idea that horse and mule use is a detriment to wilderness areas. Equestrians join all other users as passionate protectors and maintainers of our common heritage of wilderness and public lands.

(Jean Clancey lives in Eugene and is current president of Emerald Empire Chapter Back Country Horsemen of Oregon, contributor to BCHO Public Lands Committee, and trail crew leader through High Cascades Forest Volunteers.)

Building Confidence Through the Backcountry Experience

Submitted by: Sonya Margerum

I've been a member of Emerald Empire Backcountry Horsemen (BCHEE) for 3.5 years. In that time I have enjoyed some amazing trips as well as heard about some epic trail experiences. I have followed and learned from experienced folks about pack animals, backcountry camping and Leave No Trace (LNT). However, it's time to change things up a bit. As you may already know, to become a confident leader on the trail, it takes a particular skill set. Learning skills is a fun way for me to make sure I am well prepared for adventure in the backcountry. I want to share with you my desire to become a confident knowledgeable leader so I can enjoy stunning places with awesome folks who share my love of the backcountry.

I have always planned and accompanied folks with excellent leadership skills, and I feel confident in my ability to start the planning process, playing less of the role of student and more of the role of teacher/guide. Bridging this gap between student-teacher, I find both challenging and scary but doable. Three BCH members and I are planning a three night trailhead camping trip that is all about learning skills and not just follow experienced others. During the initial planning, it became apparent that we wanted to start with a small group consisting of a blend of skillsets. We each have had the LNT training and been out on trailhead camp trips with our Chapter, however coordinating a group trip is a new skill set. One of our members is a seasoned BCH member, trained in first aide/wilderness first aide and versed in many of the skills learned from years of experience. I feel this is an important safety measure.

Included in our experience are: map reading with navigation, safety for ourselves and horses, set up base camp at the trailhead horse camp, highline the horses, choose a horse camp with water, get a topographic map of the area, bring map reading equipment, share potluck food, implement backcountry LNT (Leave No Trace) camping, research the history of this area to enhance our trail experience. Our goal is to have a LOT of FUN and use the skills we would use in the backcountry, but have the security of trailhead camping to start with.

I look forward to writing a follow-up with our experience which I know will reflect my growth and confidence putting together a group horse camping and trail riding experience in the mountains!



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IT'S A WONDER OF A TRAIL!

Submitted by: Cate Bendock, President, BCHO Sourdough Chapter

It's a wonder that equestrians are on the Wonder Trail in the Ashland Watershed Trails. Thanks to many years of advocating for keeping equestrians on those trails, Joy Trevey Lowell, Sourdough Chapter's Public Lands Chair, has us on it again.

With the rapid increase of population in the Ashland area, and an increase in mountain biker and runner usage on the trails above Ashland, equestrians were finding themselves excluded from many of their traditional trails. The Ashland Trails Project participants was made up of runners and mountain bikers. Their idea was to give equestrians a disjointed access that often put them on unsafe multi use trails. Additionally, parking access was a long way in and inadequate.

Joy, who had moved to that area, quickly became involved in the Ashland Watershed Project and the Safe Trails Plan for the Ashland Watershed in 2012. Joy did hours of research and attended countless meetings, often advocating in hostile situations for equine accessibility. She even took the Head Supervisor and her daughter on a trail ride to show them the opportunity that exists. By requesting it be made 'directional', equestrians could safely be added and recreate with other users. Because of her efforts, and the support of equine individuals and groups, equestrians were finally included in the plan. The trail is currently under construction. Work began in 2019 and is continuing this year.



There are many BCH members who take the time, energy, and dedication to keep us on trails, in horse camps, and in the back country. It is our mission and our passion. Your Chapter most likely has a 'Joy' as a member. We can prevail and keep us on the trails. Ride on Joy!

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- 1 ½ Lb. of ground beef
- 3 packets of enchilada seasoning
- 3 10 oz. cans of Tomato soup
- 12 oz. Can of evaporated Milk
- 6 Tbsp. of water
- 18 oz. of shredded cheddar
- 6 oz. tortilla chips
- Serves 12-15
- Use about 49 coals



- 1) Cook meat and add all the enchilada seasoning packets
- 2) Add soup, milk, water and ½ of the cheese and stir.
- 3) Add tortilla chips and push them down into the mixture so they are covered sprinkle with the rest of the cheese.
- 4) Bake 10- 20 minutes.

Diamond-Hitch Award Presented to Jim and Sue Forsman

On Saturday, February 29th 2020, Dana Hendricks with the Pacific Crest Trail Association (PCTA) presented Jim and Sue Forsman, from our BCHO Columbia Gorge Chapter, an award called the "Diamond-Hitch Award." The award was given to Jim and Sue in appreciation of the tremendous amount of volunteer time and effort donated to PCTA.

The volunteer efforts provided by Jim and Sue are too numerous to list but include: pack support hauling equipment and tools, hauling gravel wherever needed, and providing equine/pack related training to PCT crew leaders and other non-equine people in the Mt. Hood National Forest, Columbia Gorge National Scenic Area, Gifford Pinchot National Forest, and the Three Sisters area. Jim and Sue literally wrote the course PCTA uses during the Trail Skills College classes that educates PCTA volunteers about how work around equines and pack strings on the trail.

The efforts put forth by Jim and Sue demonstrate what BCHO is all about. BCHO would like to congratulate Jim and Sue on this trail-wide recognition award from PCTA. Way to go Jim and Sue!



Book Recommendation

Submitted by: Becky Hope

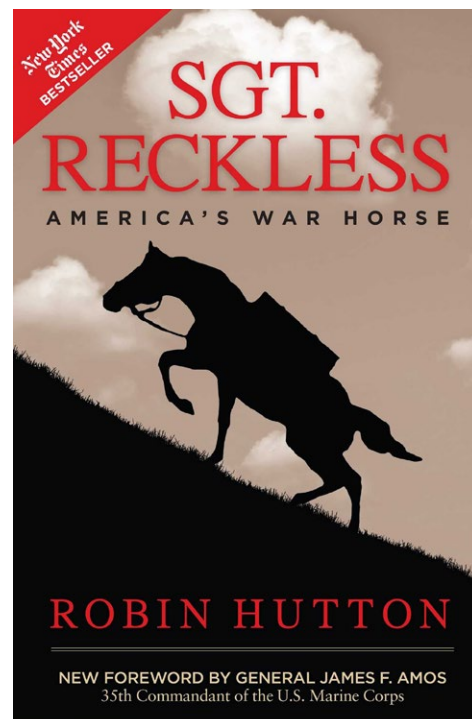
Folks: I am recommending a delightful story. Staff Sargent Reckless. War Horse in the Korean War.

A detailed story of a hardworking pack horse and her contribution during battles of the Korean War. We know how hard working and steady many of our horses are, this is a story of such a horse going way above and beyond. If you love horses and especially pack horses you will enjoy this real-life story. You can get the book, listen to the book on Audible, or review a brief version of the story on YouTube. You will be missing out if you don't either read or listen to the following book.

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Adapting

Submitted by: Betty Applebaker

Our world has suddenly changed our lives, but we hope for improvements soon. One thing of value to horsemen is that our recreation is self-distancing in a healthy environment.

As everyone knows, High Desert Trail Riders cancelled the Packing Expo but had the opportunity to continue with our message and demonstrations at the Klamath Basin Home and Outdoor Expo slated for March 13-15. We were at the door ready to move in and had speakers scheduled for their presentations when we were informed the event could not go on. Such a disappointment and scramble to make the notifications and changes. We have three raffles that we will continue as soon as we get set up on Facebook. We have dinner and lodging for 2 at the Cowboy Dinner Tree near Silver Lake, a great Firepit/BBQ combination of items and a Dutch Oven Cooking Center with table, chairs, lighter, etc. all for \$10 a ticket each. Pictures and info are on our website www.hdtrbch.org. Look for us next year for a March outing to Klamath Falls.

Plans are on the calendar for our annual Spring Tune Up at Klamath Equestrian Center, clearing downfall from the Rye Spur trail, a small bridge replacement project, packing support for the Forest Service trail crew and fish packing into Blue Lake. Our Chapter cooks for the PCTA Skills College in Southern Oregon held the end of July this year.

The Gearhart Wilderness is located between Klamath and Lakeview and experienced a 500,000 acre pine beetle infestation several years ago. The snags have been coming down in great volume and clearing the trail has been a tremendous endeavor. The Forest Service clears the trail each year to Blue Lake so we can pack 3,000 fingerling trout to the lake. The trail originally continued over the top of the mountain to the west side but has not been open for years. Two years ago, youth crews worked from both ends trying to find and open it but still couldn't get through after two weeks. This year we will replace a bridge on that trail and help the Forest Service trail crew with packing support. Lookout Rock trailhead is one access point on this trail, but the road is terribly eroded. Our Chapter is financing the grading of this road so equestrians can haul trailers safely on it. Just a short ride in you encounter the Palisades, which is a group of amazing rock pinnacle formations. It is worth seeing.

A weekend campout and rides will be fun activities too. We have been doing a little early riding when the weather permits. The Wood River Wetlands ride is about nine miles around the area. On a beautiful day, several of us rode the loop and saw a large variety of waterfowl. The Lava Beds National Monument is another area we can ride in the early season.

Hope our health situation ends quickly and all you Back Country Horsemen are not impacted so that we can enjoy this beautiful country we have and help keep access to our trail system.



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News from East Cascades

Submitted by: Duane Miller

East Cascades is preparing for another busy season of activities. With the current Coronavirus and occasional snow events coming through it may be a while before we can start trail clearing on our higher levels of the Metolious-Windego trail. We will also be doing needed work at Todd Creek Horse Camp especially with work leveling inside corrals. Many members have been working with the Ochoco Trails Group to develop new trails in the Ochoco National Forest and Crooked River Grasslands. Hopefully within the next months we will be able to sign trails in the endurance trails at Corral Flat and new trails from Allen Creek Horse Camp.

As with everyone East Cascades will have to work through the current health event to make decisions about having meetings and doing various activities. Hopefully things will get back to normal before the summer season is over. The Chapter will be engaged with the Limited Entry Permit System in the Deschutes and Willamette National Forests since this is in our back yard and does impact our ability to have fun wilderness overnight experiences. Hope everyone can have a fun and safe summer.

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Event Start	Event End	Event Hours PST	Event Title	Event Description	Event Location	BCHO Calendar Name
4/24/20	4/27/20		Camp Out Location TBD	Joint OET and BCH campout	Cyrus Horse Camp, Prineville, OR 97754, USA	Emerald Empire BCH Chapter
4/24/20	4/27/20		Trail Skills College/Cascade Locks		Cascade Locks Marine Park, 355 Wa Na Pa St, Cascade Locks, OR 97014, USA	Columbia Gorge BCH Chapter
4/26/20	4/27/20		Sourdough Packing Clinic 1 of 2	Classroom, packing equipment, practice onbarrels, tying practice	Prospect, OR	Sourdough BCH Chapter
5/1/20	5/4/20		BCHO Rendezvous- Kelly Behr 541-892-4844			Hight Desert Trail Riders
5/1/20	5/4/20		BCHO State Rendezvous		Prineville, OR 97754, USA	Emerald Empire BCH Chapter
5/3/20	5/4/20		Sourdough Packing Clinic 2 of 2	How to pack a load, weighing a load, leadingover obstacles, safety	Rogue River, OR	Sourdough BCH Chapter
5/7/20	5/7/20	07:00PM - 08:00PM	BCHO President Call	Dial 712-451-1093 to join the monthly presidents call, a recorded voice will ask then for a Access Code, enter 736109 pound sign.		BCHO State Calendar
5/9/20	5/9/20	10:00AM - 02:00PM	Spring Tune Up - Cindi Boehner (530) 260-8121		Klamath Equestrian Center, 779 Miller Island Rd, Klamath Falls, OR 97603, USA	Hight Desert Trail Riders
5/15/20	5/18/20		Columbia Gorge Campout	Campout/ride, work party. Contact Dave Peterson 541-806-1402	Cyrus Horse Camp, Prineville, OR 97754, USA	Columbia Gorge BCH Chapter
5/15/20	5/18/20		Cyrus Springs		Cyrus Horse Camp, Prineville, OR 97754, USA	Emerald Empire BCH Chapter
5/16/20	5/18/20		JCHA & BCHO Joint Trail Work & Campout	Details TBA	Willow Prairie Horse Trail System, NF-3735, Butte Falls, OR 97522, USA	Sourdough BCH Chapter
6/4/20	6/4/20	07:00PM - 08:00PM	BCHO President Call	Dial 712-451-1093 to join the monthly presidents call, a recorded voice will ask then for a Access Code, enter 736109 pound sign.		BCHO State Calendar
6/5/20	6/8/20		Sam Brown Horse Camp Corral Repair Completion	Completion of corral repair and rebuild. Trail clearing. Camp out opportunity	Sam Brown Horse Camp, Oregon, USA	Sourdough BCH Chapter
6/7/20	6/7/20	09:00AM - 03:00PM	St Paul annual Ride	This is a horse lovers dream.....this is a public ride and there are often over 200 horses parading down the street, through the fields and along trails -a large loop. Depending on your horse's feet you may or may not need shoes. There are some rocky areas and you do ride on the street for a little stretch.	St Paul Rodeo Grounds, St Paul, OR 97137, USA	Public Equestrian Events
6/19/20	6/22/20		BCHO State Ride and Work Project	Becky Wolfe mailto:wolfdend@molalla.net https://hangouts.google.com/?action=chat&pn=%2B15039702894&p:hl=en&authuser=0 >503-970-2894	Allen Creek Horse Camp, Oregon, USA	BCHO State Calendar
6/20/20	6/21/20	09:00AM - 09:30AM	Deming Creek - Ron Stewart 541-892-0547	Bridge work and trail brushing. Be there by 9:00am, please.		Hight Desert Trail Riders
6/22/20	6/26/20	09:00AM - 05:00PM	Pack Support In-Out Deming Creek Ron Stewart 541-892-0547			Hight Desert Trail Riders
6/26/20	6/29/20		Diamond Peak/PCT trail work		Pengra Pass, Oregon, USA	Emerald Empire BCH Chapter
6/26/20	6/29/20		Columbia Gorge/Senger campout	Contact Joy Senger 541-544-2023	Wamic, OR 97063, USA	Columbia Gorge BCH Chapter
6/27/20	6/29/20		Pacific Crest Endurance & 10 Miles Fun Ride	Pacific Crest 35 & 50 miles AERC Endurance Ride & 10 miles Fun Ride hosted by Rogue Riders	Lilly Glen County Campground, Ashland, OR 97520, USA	Sourdough BCH Chapter
7/1/20	7/1/20	08:00AM - 04:00PM	Upper Rye Spur trail clearing - Ron Stewart 541-892-0547			Hight Desert Trail Riders
7/2/20	7/2/20	07:00PM - 08:00PM	BCHO President Call	Dial 712-451-1093 to join the monthly presidents call, a recorded voice will ask then for a Access Code, enter 736109 pound sign.		BCHO State Calendar
7/13/20	7/17/20	08:00AM - 05:00PM	Pack Support In-Out Mt. Lakes Ron Stewart 541-892-0547			Hight Desert Trail Riders
7/16/20	7/20/20		Columbia Gorge campout		Gibson Prairie Horse Camp, Oregon 97055, USA	Columbia Gorge BCH Chapter
7/17/20	7/20/20		Scott Mtn area trail work	Trail Head Camping with Days rides to trail work. No water in Camp, no Bathroom	Robinson Lake Trailhead, McKenzie Bridge, OR 97413, USA	Emerald Empire BCH Chapter
7/23/20	7/27/20		BCHO LNT Training Camping and Packing	Contact George Johnson	TBD	BCHO State Calendar
7/31/20	8/3/20		Hyatt Lake PCTA skills college - Kelly Behr 541-892-4844			Hight Desert Trail Riders
7/31/20	8/3/20		Emerald Chapter Pack in		?	Emerald Empire BCH Chapter
8/6/20	8/6/20	07:00PM - 08:00PM	BCHO President Call	Dial 712-451-1093 to join the monthly presidents call, a recorded voice will ask then for a Access Code, enter 736109 pound sign.		BCHO State Calendar
8/13/20	8/14/20		Camp Walani			Emerald Empire BCH Chapter
8/19/20	8/19/20	08:00AM - 04:00PM	Pack Support 7 mile Trailhead Ron Stewart 541-892-0547			Hight Desert Trail Riders
8/21/20	8/24/20		Where's Waldo Run		Willamette Pass Resort - Ski Area, Highway 58, Crescent, OR 97733, USA	Emerald Empire BCH Chapter
8/28/20	8/31/20		Rye Spur Horse Camp out/ride Jim Collins - 541-591-9428			Hight Desert Trail Riders
9/1/20	9/9/20	08:00AM - 04:00PM	PCTA resupply 7 Mile Trihd Ron Stewart 541-892-0547			Hight Desert Trail Riders
9/3/20	9/3/20	07:00PM - 08:00PM	BCHO President Call	Dial 712-451-1093 to join the monthly presidents call, a recorded voice will ask then for a Access Code, enter 736109 pound sign.		BCHO State Calendar
9/12/20	9/13/20		Trail Challenge Billie Patrick 209-617-4664			Hight Desert Trail Riders
9/14/20	9/19/20		Pack In/Out Support Lost Creek Ron Stewart 541-892-0547			Hight Desert Trail Riders
9/18/20	9/21/20		Columbia Gorge campout		Cyrus Horse Camp, Prineville, OR 97754, USA	Columbia Gorge BCH Chapter
10/1/20	10/1/20	07:00PM - 08:00PM	BCHO President Call	Dial 712-451-1093 to join the monthly presidents call, a recorded voice will ask then for a Access Code, enter 736109 pound sign.		BCHO State Calendar
10/17/20	10/17/20	08:00AM - 01:30PM	Clackamas 4-H Tack Sale	The Clackamas County 4-H Tack Sale is a fundraiser for the 4-H Horse Advisory Committee. It is held twice each year at the Clackamas County Fair and Event Center in Canby, on the third Saturday of March and October. The sale includes new and used tack as well as other horse-related items. Parking 5\$, admission is \$1 per person.	694 NE 4th Ave, 694 Northeast 4th Avenue, Canby, OR 97013, USA	Public Equestrian Events

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Yes! I would like to help preserve Horsemen's rights
to use stock on public lands.

(Print Name)

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New ___ Renewal ___ (Please check)

BCHO Membership Dues

Single \$30 ___
Family \$40 ___
Patron \$100 ___
Benefactor \$250 ___
Sustaining \$500 ___

Select Chapter and add additional Chapter dues, as determined
by individual Chapters, see below.

See Map of Chapters, www.bcho.org/chapters/.

___ Columbia Gorge, Hood River \$10	___ Steens, South East Oregon \$10
___ East Cascades, Bend	___ Sourdough, South West Oregon \$5
___ Emerald Empire, Eugene \$5	___ Territorial Riders, Oregon City \$5
___ High Country Wilderness Packers	___ West Cascade BCH, Salem \$5
Chapter	___ Member At Large
___ High Desert Trail Riders, Klamath Falls area	

Total Enclosed: _____

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Signed _____ Date _____

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