



Are there any Native Cutthroat Trout in Nash Lake?

Submitted by Emily Elias

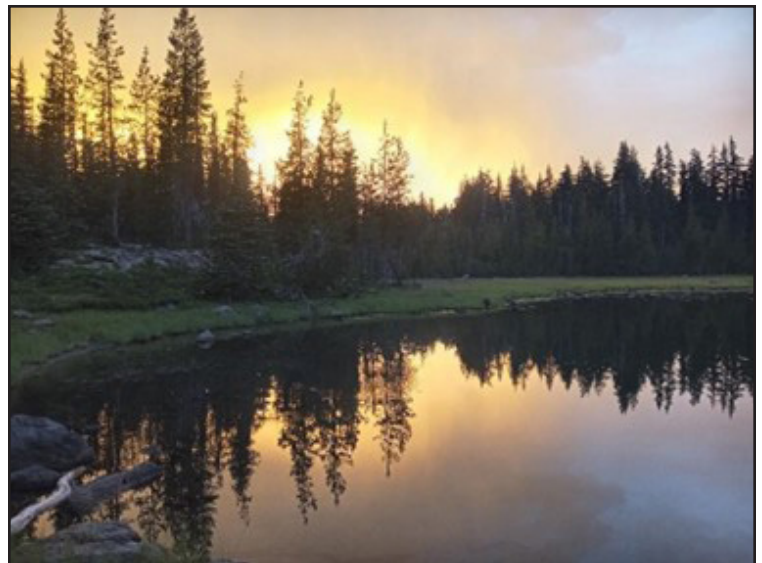
Are there any Native Cutthroat Trout in Nash Lake? This is what Jeff Ziller of ODFW (Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife) wanted to know. Jeff presented to our Emerald Empire chapter a wonderful overview of the lakes of the cascades and how they were stocked and why in January of 2022. His real purpose was to get help in July fish packing into North Waldo area and in August getting his research equipment to Nash Lake in the Sisters Wilderness to find out if there were any Native Cutthroat Trout left.

Lots of folks wanted to pack fish but four of us raised our hands for Nash Lake and the planning began. What started out as a simple “let’s pack Jeff’s crew and their gear into Nash Lake for them” turned into “let’s all bring pack horses and practice all that we’ve learned from our mentors at Emerald Empire Chapter”. So, nine horses and 4 packers made the trip to the Sisters Mirror trail head to meet with 4 of the ODFW crew.

The trail head was A LOT smaller than it looked on the satellite image, but we got all the rigs in and realized quickly that we needed to get most of them moved to the larger Devils Lake trail head. With the gear laid out that was to be packed onto 5 pack stock, the stock tack up and moved into the woods we then we moved three of the four rigs to the other trail head. (I could mention here the keys that got locked in trucks and a few other hitches that got in the way, but why spoil a great story).

There were many firsts that came with this trip. Although all the horses had done some packing, including fish packing for ODFW just a few weeks before, this was the first time for all the participants to be fully responsible for their own pack animals. It was also the first time for one packer to have a string (ok it was only two but that is still a string.) To some of you this might sound so simplistic but just remember the first time you went packing? It was a big deal for all of us.

Our plan was for a 12-mile day: 8 to Nash Lake, drop them off, 4 back to camp near Sisters Mirror. Yea, right... We did know there had been a trail crew into the Nash Lake trail, what we didn’t know is that they didn’t make it all the way to Nash Lake. The first 2.5 miles from the junction of the PCT and Nash Lake Trails was cleared, and it was a good thing. Turns out it took the crew 4 days to make it even that far. We were presented with huge piles of 36” trees that we were very grateful had been cut.



Sisters Mirror Lake

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To WORK to insure that public lands remain open to recreational stock use.

To ASSIST the various government and private agencies in their maintenance and management of said resources.

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Continuation of cover story

The last 1.5 miles had another 30+ trees for us to navigate over and around (we did have to cut one). Our trusty dog led us through a few places as it was hard to see the trail for all the overgrown huckleberries. We got there, but the thought of climbing back out at 330 in the afternoon and finding a camp was overwhelming. So, we stayed, which was ok, but Nash Lake is not great for horse camping. What looked like a huge field for grazing was across a creek with steep sides turned out to be a giant Marsh! Not LNT approved by any means. Hardly a flat space in site so it was a good thing at least one member of the team had a hammock (which she loves, but in this writer's opinion you've got to be special to love the hammock.) 11pm and we managed to finally settle down and get some sleep.



*The Nash lake packers,
Nash Lake trail, the good part!*



Nash Lake trail, the cleared logs



Gear all laid out



Arrival at Nash Lake

In the morning one of the ODFW crew borrowed our saw to take out a tree just above the camp which was very helpful as it was a big one and up hill so some of our shorter leg stock were going to have a bit of a struggle to get over it. By the time we were packed and ready to leave the tree was out and a trail better marked for us. Truly the ODFW crew was so grateful to us for getting their equipment there they were ready to do just about anything for us! We wished them luck in finding the Cutthroat and off we went. The climb out wasn't too bad as we knew what was ahead, but we did manage to find a nest of yellow jackets! Getting to Sisters Mirror and finding a most amazing spot for camp was the best part of the day. Plenty of flat ground, lots of highline space, graze for the stock and most of all NO MOSQUITOES!

Our next two days we spent investigating the area around Sisters Mirror. We didn't ride but maybe 2 miles total because the lakes were way too inviting to go far. We enjoyed being a team and did a bit of cross country investigating since we knew we'd run into a lake sooner or later in the area. It was great to use our navigation tools to find our way around and so much fun to discover hidden meadows and beautiful glens. We could have done without the cricket meadow, so many crickets jumping it concerned several of the horses!



Lancelot Lake with swimmers

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End of the 12 mile day!

Pack out Day: Plan was for two packers to go fetch the ODFW crew with three stock and two packers to take all the camping gear back to the trail head with the other two. The fetching crew got going super early as we had that 12-mile day we spoke of at the beginning. At least we knew what we were headed into and of course our rigs waiting for us at the end of the day.

I am here to report that all the packers graduated this day and the trip out was completely successful in all respects. I was so proud to be part of this crew and witness the amazing growth everyone accomplished. Oh ...are you wondering about the success of the ODFW crew?

YES, there are still Native Cutthroat trout in Nash Lake!



The full crew!

Partnering with PGE to Maintain Trails

Submitted by Dan Dahlke

Each year the Territorial Riders chapter maintains a section of the Pacific Crest trail from the Trailhead of Little Crater Lake to Joe Graham Horse camp. The trail runs the east side of Timothy Lake. This is done in conjunction with the Forest Service and the PCTA. (Figure 1).

Timothy Lake area campgrounds are one of several campgrounds in the State of Oregon the PGE operates. Over the last several years, we have worked with the Forest Service and Portland General Electric (PGE) to clear trails around the Timothy Lake area in addition to the PCT trail.



Figure 1. Timothy Lake area map



Figure 2. Sign at one of the trailheads at Timothy Lake

Last year, PGE started an Adopt-a-trail program to promote stewardship of the trails. As we already had a relationship with PGE and Forest Service, as well as already worked the area trails, we were asked to consider formalizing an agreement.

The Chapter agreed to formalize the agreement and adopted 4 trails totaling over 19 miles. On each of the trails, PGE has or is placing a sign at the start of the trail noting that the Territorial Riders Back Country Horsemen of Oregon has cleared and maintained the trail (Figure 2).

We have built a good working relationship with PGE over the years and they help us get access to areas that are still closed in May, which is when we start our trail clearing at Timothy Lake. We routinely have discussions regarding equine activities and support at Timothy and they are happy to take our input to ensure that concerns are addressed.

As a result, PGE is working to create a specific horse trailer parking area at Timothy Lake, which may be ready in 2023.

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Please be sure to visit <https://www.bcho.org/resources-forms/member-resources/> for printable resources like 'Share the Trail' and 'LNT' brochures but also check out the 'Horse Sense' booklet, 'A beginners Day Ride' check list and 'What a Horse Sees' poster. If any chapter needs assistance with obtaining the link or can't afford the print cost, please reach out to the Publicity coordinator at publicity@bcho.org with what you need and how many. The Publicity Coordinator also has the 'BCHO Business' Cards that can only be procured by emailing publicity@bcho.org. We are really excited to offer these items for your events, please check them out.

The Highline
 A promotional newsletter of the Back Country Horsemen of Oregon

Back Country Horsemen of America
 Dedicated to keeping America's trails open for all

Who Are We?
 Back Country Horsemen of America (BCHA) are men and women who belong to a national non-profit organization. We are a 501(c)(3) serving 174 local and state chapters across the country. Our grassroots members—responsible leaders who help to carry forward our organization's mission and values—lead BCHA organizations throughout the United States. BCHA chapters are active in 31 states consisting of roughly 13,000 members who are dedicated to keeping trails open for all on our public lands. Our chapters work closely with trail partners and local land management agencies to clear and maintain those trails.

What Does BCHA Do?
 In 2015, Back Country Horsemen of America volunteers spent 304,244 hours working to maintain trails on public lands. That equates to a value of \$11.2 million in trail work donated to local and federal land managing agencies. Since 1990, BCHA members have contributed a total of \$126.47 million in volunteer hours.

What Do We Need?
 We need in active participation by young leaders in the wild and sustainable use of wilderness and Back Country Horsemen of America. We coordinate with conservation corps and youth groups, United States Forest Service, National Park Service, and Bureau of Land Management to ensure hikers, equestrians, and other outdoor and wilderness experiences. As youth groups work with us and our partners, they learn about themselves and about stewardship of our most treasured resources. BCHA, its youth partners, and other volunteers leverage funds nearly tenfold over in delivering projects to clear and maintain trails.

Are you a hiker, hiker, or horseback rider who gets out and enjoys trails? Do you work in the outdoors? Do you care about the safety and continued enjoyment of your outdoor experience? You, much of our work, does include "horsepower" as well as human power. The majority of our public lands with horses and mules assist trail crews get foot, camping gear, and trail maintenance equipment into areas where four-wheeled vehicles cannot go. We help two-wheeled trail workers get more done by packing in what they need.

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Working to Maintain Access to Public Lands & Encourage Wise Use of Back Country Resources through Education
www.bcho.org

Who We Are
 We are 9 local chapters in Oregon, and one of 23 recognized State Organizations of Back Country Horsemen of America. We promote and teach Leave No Trace ethics (LNT) and lobby for continued access of pack and saddle stock in Oregon's backcountry. Back Country Horsemen of America was started in 1973 in Montana by a group of concerned horsemen. Our founders were concerned about horsemen being able to continue to have access to public lands. Back Country Horsemen was founded and adopted the following five principles on which everything we do is based:

- To perpetuate the common sense use and enjoyment of horses and mules in America's back country and wilderness.
- To work to ensure that public lands remain open to recreational stock use.
- To assist the various government agencies in their maintenance and management of said resources.
- To educate, encourage and solicit active participation in the wise use of the back country resource by horsemen and the general public commensurate with our heritage.
- To foster and encourage the formation of new state Back Country Horsemen's organizations.

What We Do
 Back Country Horsemen understands that we have to actively work with all city, state and federal government agencies to maintain equestrian access to public lands. Back Country Horsemen accomplishes this by attending and speaking at public meetings, writing letters, and working with our government agencies to maintain many wilderness and non-wilderness trails in the state of Oregon. Our local chapters work, with the blessing and support of the public agencies, all over the state. We provide training in LNT principals and techniques to minimize our equestrian impact on the backcountry. Each year Back Country Horsemen of Oregon does volunteer work in the state of Oregon valued at \$500,000.00.

It's not just all work
 Back Country Horsemen also engage in fun, family activities! All chapters have various rides, fundraisers, speakers with equestrian interests, campouts and social gatherings throughout the year. If you are seeking people to ride with in your area, coming to a chapter meeting is a great place to meet people with common interests.

How you can help
Join. The voice of one person standing alone is not often heard. As a State and National organization, 16,000 members strong, working with land managers, law makers and other user groups we can help preserve the horsemen's rights to the recreational use of stock on public lands. Back Country Horsemen of Oregon invites you to become actively involved in preserving your backcountry stock use by joining the BCHO Chapter nearest you. No Chapter exists in your area you may join independently, or create a new chapter.

Donate. Any and all donations go to helping maintain access to public lands.

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Business Card

Share the Trail
 Expect Others
 Respect Others
 Connect with Others

Meeting other people on the trail can be a good experience...or a bad one.

- Expect to see others on the trail
- Respect their right to be there
- Be friendly

You can make the trails a nicer place to be!

Be Cool. Treat the people you meet on the trail just like you'd treat a friend. They're out to have fun, just like you, and you can make their day just as much as you can with a smile and a cheerful hello. Being friendly can reduce trail confrontations before they begin.

Share the Trail Means More Trails for Everyone. The more trail users there are, the more the public will support the effort to keep the outdoors, but not just all that, but also the law for trails. It means that, we ensure the riding and hiking opportunities for everyone.

Share the Trail
 Stop Spread Smiles

Share the Trail Brochure

LEAVE NO TRACE
 A Guide to Minimum Impact Camping and Stock-Use Techniques

The Seven Principles

- Plan Ahead and Prepare
- Travel and Camp on Durable Surfaces
- Dispose of Waste Properly
- Be Considerate of Others
- Respect Wildlife
- Leave What You Find
- Minimize Campfire Impacts

KNOW YOUR IMPACTS AND PLAN AHEAD

- Check with the appropriate agency for rules and regulations.
- Check these regulations on group size if it's a group activity.
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AT THE TRAILHEAD

- Choose to visit the trailhead first if there is one.
- Register at the trailhead first.
- Plan, schedule, and pack your gear before you arrive.
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Back Country Bear Encounters

Submitted by Jean Clancey

September 2018, Grand Teton National Forest, Huckleberry Trail, elevation close to 9000 feet. What a dramatic setting! A huge meadow full of red and gold huckleberry bushes and bare tree sticks from a burn sometime back whistling in the wind. Our trail wandered up to Huckleberry Lookout. We (EEBCHO adventurers) thought we saw a bear disappear into surrounding woods, but we weren't sure.

So, we climbed up a rugged section to the top and enjoyed a lunch with a view of the entire Teton Range. Getting on to late afternoon we headed back, all eyes cast down on the trail, watching our horse's step through the challenging rocks. Once down to the open meadow and a chance to look up, there he was. An enormous Silvertip Grizzly bear was staring right at us from the edge of the tree line!

Four of us grabbed bear spray and got ready to fire, horses on high alert, hearts pounding. I skipped the bear spray and grabbed my small camera. Shot after shot, hands shaking, not even sure what was in the lens. The giant ambled back into the trees and followed us from a distance as we slowly backed away. We figured he was so fat-full of huckleberries he was more curious than aggressive.

Once back to our trailers there was time to take a look at the pictures: MONEY SHOT! Here you go, Friends, he wasn't more than 100 feet away. A bear encounter to remember for sure.



September 2022, Yellowstone National Park, Bechler Valley, elevation 6000 feet. What a trip! Rivers, waterfalls, grand meadows, trail loops, vast views of the Tetons from the west side. But not the wildlife we had expected.

Not until the last two nights, that is. After a 14 mile ride and some challenging river fords, we arrived late afternoon at our third designated camp. Two of us tied our horses

at the edge of the campsite and we both noted what we thought was a large boulder in the trees, maybe 30 feet away. When the boulder moved, we understood why our horses were uneasy.

Bear!! The shout went up and again the hearts of animals and people alike began to pound. All camp preparation came to a halt as we stood staring at a female black bear. Once again, the defensive sprays came out, and we were ready.

She moved to the base of a large conifer and stared up toward the top until two cubs came racing down the tree into the brush. The mother stood up on her hind quarters and huffed at us. Just what are these intruders doing by my huckleberry patch?

Whoever said you can't outrun a bear was correct. That mother bear and her cubs finally raced like bullets across the edge of our campsite and disappeared into the deep forest behind us. We continued setting up camp, hoisted the bear panniers good and high after dinner, walked very carefully to the toilet, and hoped for the best.

Early the next two mornings she was back feeding peacefully next to camp. She was not about to be shorted any berries because of us, and came right up to the edge of the campsite. But she left our things entirely alone, never crossed into our area for the two days and nights we were there. Surely, she was accustomed to people and horses at the site designated as an equestrian camp by the National Park. We wished her and her family well as we packed up and rode out for home.

Bears! These were peaceful encounters, but we were fully aware that things could have turned out differently. Perhaps knowing that is what made these experiences so exciting and memorable.



Rides Taken by Emerald Members This Summer

Mtn Washington Wilderness (no permit needed) Robinson Lake Trailhead to Hand Lake, Scott Mtn, Tenas Lakes loop around to Deer Butte trail back to Robinson Lake trailhead about 25 mile loop depending on how you approach Scott Mtn. With Wilderness camping, food, and water available at Hand and Scott Lake Corncob Ranch (welcomes folks with their own horses), Fossil OR. 27 Pull through RV spots with Poles corrals, 25 miles of trail with FS lands adjacent. For additional information www.Corncobbranch.com



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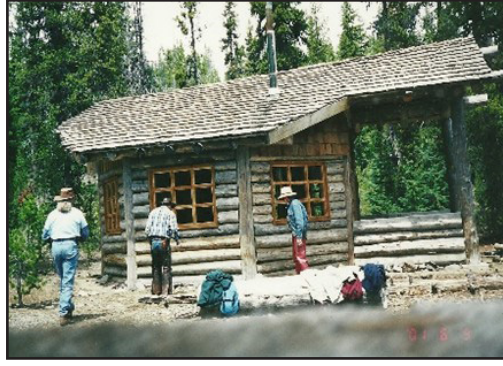
Diamond Peak Wilderness for the Pengra Pass Trail Head

No permit needed, you can ride the PCT either direction, will have a nice loop in near future. Will pass 6 lakes and smaller frog ponds heading south. Camping at a Log deck with plenty of turn around room just west of the trailhead. No water, or picnic table though.



Rosaries Lakes, Bechtel Shelter heading north from Willamette Pass with beautiful lakes, great views. Park in the Sand area right next to the Rosary Lakes Trailhead.





Reserve Meadows, Goose Lake, Mink Lake and Mink Lake basin (Will need wilderness permit if going in from the Six lakes Trailhead). Multiple meadows for grazing with Stock with springs, lakes. We camped next to Sandhill Cranes this summer.



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Hot Shot Saw Team in Badger Creek Wilderness

Submitted by Bert Morris

In May of 2022, the Saw Team became aware of a need for log-out on the Badger Creek Trail from the Columbia Gorge BCH.

The Columbia Gorge Chapter has historically maintained this 11-mile trail that goes from the trailhead near Bonney Crossing CG off NF-2710 to Badger Lake near the West boundary of the 29000-acre wilderness. After a significant wind event of the 2021-22 winter, there were numerous trees and limbs down on the trail, many of which were not passable by equines. The trail follows closely along the meanderings of Badger Creek under a thick old growth canopy.

After a recon visit to the lower part of the trail by members of the Hot Shot Saw Team and Columbia Gorge members, a work party was recruited and plans made for a mid-July log out. The work party included Norm Kaser, Liz Mulkey-Read, Drew Leininger (non-BCH member) and Bert Morris. Also helping during one of the days was Columbia Gorge members Sue and Jim Forsman. Cook support was provided by Becky Wolf. The saw team put in 4 long days, but ate very well, thanks to Becky.

It has been waiting patiently hanging on a shop wall until its services were needed. That need finally arose on the Badger Creek Trail #479



About 9 miles of trail was opened to pack and saddle stock which included one old growth tree and root lying lengthwise in the trail that the saw team spent a full 8 hours to clear. About 50 feet of the tree was cut into three pieces including the root. Then the challenge of moving them out of the trail. To cut the root wad from the butt-cut log required the use of a 7-foot crosscut. This was the inaugural wilderness logout for the “new” 84-inch Atkins crosscut. The saw had been originally filed by legendary saw filer Martin Winters for the world champion double-buck team of Corey and Corey back in the 1970’s, but never used. The saw was “lost” in the wall of a saw filing shed until found a few years ago and refurbished.

Financial support for truck fuel, stock feed and groceries were provided by a generous grant from the BCHO Grant Committee and BOD.

Post scrip – the final 2 miles of the trail was cleared in September by Jim and Sue Forsman



Ramblings from High Desert Trail Riders BCH

Submitted by Betty Applebaker

We've had a pretty good summer here. The smoke has held off except for a few days which has been a blessing. Fall is beautiful in the high country now with the huckleberry turning red and aspen putting on a show. Summer seems to be hanging on into the fall with temperatures warm and nights cooling off. Soon it will change.

We started off the summer with a playday getting animals tuned up and later had several fundraisers. Our raffle with Ron's famous BBQ's and Cowboy Dinner Tree package was popular. This was followed by a fun treasure hunt poker ride. The Marble Mountain Wilderness is relatively close to us near Yreka, California so we took advantage of that with a chapter pack trip. It was a great trip with some new people who had never experienced that with their stock. In September we had our annual picnic which was hosted again at Hilbert's Lonesome Duck resort with a good crowd. We welcomed several new members into the fold and look forward to including them.

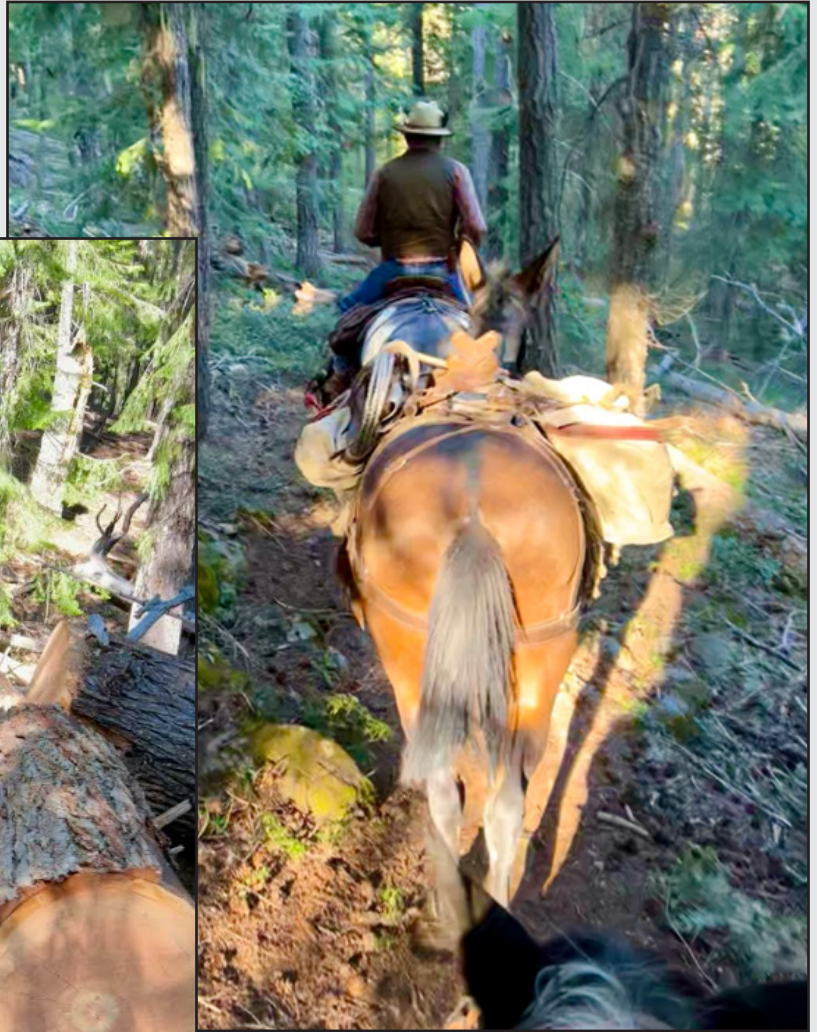
There weren't many pack support trips as the PCTA was unable to get a crew together and our Forest Service trails program only had one pack in camp. So, we did some day trips helping logout and overhead pruning from horseback. Anthony, our trails specialist, and several volunteers cut out a big 42" tree and winched it off the trail which it had been blocking for several years. You have large trees on the west side of Oregon, but this was a big one for us. It is fun to watch the grip hoist do its work!

Enjoy your fall riding as the seasons change. It can be the prettiest time of the year in the mountains before the rain starts.



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HDTR Chapter Pack Trip into the Marble Mountains

Submitted by Ed Contreras

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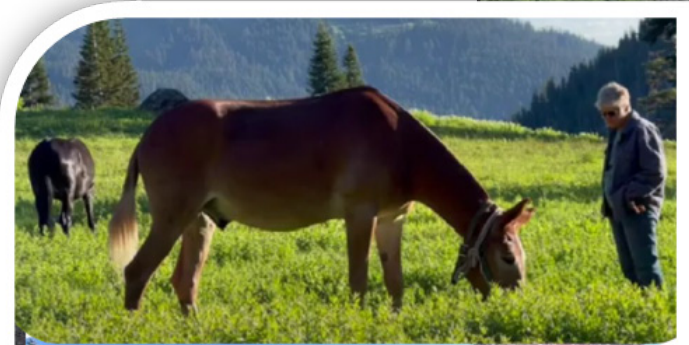
HDTR members participated in a chapter pack trip into the Sky High Lakes of the Marble Mountain Wilderness in California, July 7-10. The trip was an excellent opportunity to expose new members to horse packing and a great warm-up for stock and owners to backcountry packing for the season. The Lovers Camp trailhead has pens, water, and trailer parking for equine users. Betty Applebaker organized the trip and led the group into a camp that was well suited for stock. The camp was nestled in the shade of pine trees and surrounded by meadows for grazing. The nearby placid lakes were backdropped by sheer rock cliffs which provided impressive views. The group enjoyed hiking, swimming, and fishing near camp. Part of the group also took a day ride on the Pacific Crest Trail high above the camp and explored the neighboring basin. All participants helped with camp chores of bringing water, cooking, and cleaning up camp.

During the trip two horses experienced colic, and although concerning, all stock made it out safely. This situation was a good reminder to ensure that stock is conditioned physically to extended trail riding and exposed to the feed being provided before a trip. It is also important to bring medication and supplements like electrolytes to address medical emergencies that may arise with stock.



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October					
Date	Time	Chapter Cal.	Event Title	Location	Description
Oct 27-30		Public Equestrian Events	Oregon Outdoor Trails Summit	Mt. Hood Oregon Resort, 68010 E Fairway Ave, Welches, OR 97067	The 2022 summit will bring together Oregon's outdoor community to learn, build relationships, and find solutions to the challenges we face in developing and elevating outdoor recreation opportunities to best serve Oregon communities and celebrate and protect our natural, cultural, and historic wonders.
November					
Nov 3	07:00PM - 08:00PM	BCHO State Calendar	BCHO President Call		BCHO President Call
Nov 12	08:00AM - 02:00PM	Public Equestrian Events	Salem Saddle Club Tack Sale	Salem Saddle Club, 7005 Lardon Rd NE, Salem, OR 97305	ssc.saddleclub@gmail.com or phone 503-569-1225 7005 Lardon Road NE, Salem. Sale 8 AM-2 PM. Booths (approx 12 x 20) \$20 each. Payment will be collected when you set up. Set up Friday night between 6:30-8:00 PM (at your own risk, no security) or after 6:00 AM Saturday morning. All items to be removed from arena by 3:00 PM. Crafters welcome to reserve booths. Bring your own tables and chairs. Food available for purchase.
December					
Dec 10	02:00PM - 05:00PM	Columbia Gorge BCH Chapter	Columbia Gorge Christmas party	Hood River Saddle Club, 4384 Belmont Dr, Hood River, OR 97031	
January					
Jan 5	07:00PM - 08:00PM	BCHO State Calendar	BCHO President Call		BCHO President Call
February					
Feb 2	07:00PM - 08:00PM	BCHO State Calendar	BCHO President Call		BCHO President Call
March					
Mar 2	07:00PM - 08:00PM	BCHO State Calendar	BCHO President Call		BCHO President Call
Mar 10-13		Hight Desert Trail Riders	HDTR Klamath Home Show door monitoring shifts for fundraising	Klamath County Fairgrounds, 3531 S 6th St, Klamath Falls, OR 97603	contact person: Cindi Boehner 530-260-8121
Mar 18	08:00AM - 01:30PM	Public Equestrian Events	Clackamas 4-H Tack Sale	694 NE 4th Ave, 694 Northeast 4th Avenue, Canby, OR 97013	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.
Mar 24-27		Public Equestrian Events	NWHF Northwest Horse Fair & Expo Albany	Linn County Expo Center, 3700 Knox Butte Rd E, Albany, OR 97322	
April					
Apr 6	07:00PM - 08:00PM	BCHO State Calendar	BCHO President Call		BCHO President Call
May					
May 4	07:00PM - 08:00PM	BCHO State Calendar	BCHO President Call		BCHO President Call
June					
Jun 1	07:00PM - 08:00PM	BCHO State Calendar	BCHO President Call		BCHO President Call
July					
Jul 6	07:00PM - 08:00PM	BCHO State Calendar	BCHO President Call		BCHO President Call
Jul 7-10		BCHO State Calendar	BCHO State Ride	Allen Creek Horse Camp, Oregon	
August					
Aug 3	07:00PM - 08:00PM	BCHO State Calendar	BCHO President Call		BCHO President Call
September					
Sep 7	07:00PM - 08:00PM	BCHO State Calendar	BCHO President Call		BCHO President Call
October					
Oct 5	07:00PM - 08:00PM	BCHO State Calendar	BCHO President Call		BCHO President Call
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ANNUAL MEMBERSHIPS

Membership Reminder

Fellow Back Country Horsemen of Oregon

It is that time again to renew our annual memberships. September 1st marked the date when renewal began for the 2023 year! Please note, BCHO now encourages members to either join BCHO or renew your membership online at <https://www.bcho.org/membership-form/>. A Single Membership will be \$35, and a Family Membership will be \$45 for 2023. Still a bargain though for everything Back Country Horsemen does to keep riding accessible to our members!

If you would still like to join or renew for 2022, your 2023 membership will be retroactive for 2022 too! Membership in a BCHO Chapter helps keep you in touch with folks who are doing rides and projects in your area. In addition, please know that we at the BCHO State level have plans for ongoing education, projects and opportunities to get together that make membership in BCHO so rewarding. Also asking that you take a moment and make what we want to do possible by considering making a Tax-Deductible donation through the Website.

WWW.BCHO.ORG

If you find it easier, you can also still join or submit your renewal through your local chapter as well. Also, chapter specific dues will not be collected during the online registration process. If your local chapter has any chapter specific dues, that amount will still need to be paid to your local chapter in addition to dues paid online to BCHO.

Thank You, Tim Lagasse, BCHO Membership Coordinatorr

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Back Country Horsemen of Oregon, Inc.

Membership Application

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

(Print Name)

(Address)

(City) (State) (ZIP)

(Telephone) (E-Mail)

New____Renewal____ (Please check)

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Patron \$100 ____

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The membership dues collected here are paid to the state and national organizations. Please select the Chapter nearest to you. Note: Some Chapters have additional dues, please pay them directly. [See Map of Chapters, www.bcho.org/chapters/.](http://www.bcho.org/chapters/)

__ Columbia Gorge, Hood River

__ Steens, South East Oregon

__ East Cascades, Bend

__ Sourdough, South West Oregon

__ Emerald Empire, Eugene

__ Territorial Riders, Oregon City

__ High Country Wilderness Packers

__ West Cascade BCH, Salem

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__ High Desert Trail Riders,

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For questions email membership@bcho.org

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Signed _____ Date _____

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*Must be signed by all chapter members 18 years and older.

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