

TRAIL TALK

Northeast Chapter November 2007

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Mission Statement – The purpose of Backcountry Horsemen of Washington is to perpetuate the legal and moral claim by the American people to use horses and mules for recreation on public lands.

PRESIDENTS CORNER

by Jim Hudkins

ELECTIONS:

Once again it is that time of year. Your ballot is enclosed in the newsletter. Vote and bring it with you or mail it so the chapter receives it by Saturday's meeting. There is a place to vote for which person you think did an outstanding job for the chapter this year. Think long and hard and write that persons name in the area provided. Even though many offices are unopposed it's important to vote otherwise the chapter may as well let the board appoint the officers. Everyone was contacted about running for an office and these are the ones that said yes, maybe just a little arm-twisting.

The Christmas party is next on the order of importance list. The board members will bring the desserts and everyone else gets to bring a side dish. A side dish consists of casseroles, salads, scalloped potatoes and whatever will go with baked ham and turkey. The chapter pays for the ham and turkey and we need four (4) volunteers to bake the meat. You get out of bringing another dish if you do this. We have some vegetarians in our chapter so maybe keep them in mind too. This year will be a gift exchange so put pink ribbon on girl presents and blue ribbon on boy toys. Bring yourself and the whole family as Santa may stop by and have goodies for the young UN's.

The biggest item on my agenda is to encourage everyone to attend the NEBCH Planning Retreat at Jeanne Koester's house on January 27, 2008. Think of what you would like to see this chapter doing that maybe we aren't. How to get others involved and make the chapter grow. If you have the choice between right and kind choose kind always.

A dessert social precedes this General meeting and I'm bringing vanilla ice cream if that helps.

Happy Thanksgiving to everyone!

I have started to ride my Mustang – what a great horse she has turned out to be!

General Membership Meeting

November 17, 2007

7:00 p.m.

Williams Valley Grange

SATURDAY Meeting

Bring a dessert – Ice Cream Provided

Barb Taylor to speak on the barefoot

trim for your horse – don't miss it!

VOLUNTEER HOURS

Volunteer Hours need to be into Cyndi, Volunteer Hour Coordinator, by November 30. If you have questions or would like to send your hours by email please send them to gracyn2@peoplepc.net. You may also bring them to the November General Meeting.

Remember, you will need the following: date you volunteered, where you volunteered, what you did, if you used equipment, travel time, total miles traveled, number of stock used, hours stock used, preparation time and tear down time. It is very important to this chapter as well as the BCHW that volunteer hours are compiled. They provide documentation and a past history of accomplishments, which is a valuable asset for getting donations, grants and other funding for BCH. It only takes a few minutes of your time.

Cyndi Johnson



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Looking for advertisers for the newsletter and web page. If you would like to have your business listed please contact a Board member. The cost is \$30 per year for a business card size advertisement in the newsletter and on the web page.

Newsletter Submission Information

Trail Talk is published monthly. Deadline for submission of articles is the 1st of each month. Non-copyrighted submissions are welcome, subject to space limitations. Opinions and views expressed in letters or personal articles are not necessarily the opinions of BCH or NEBCHW. The newsletter editor reserves the right to edit for content, space and language.

If you have a newsletter article or advertisement send it to cathy015@centurytel.net or call Cathy at 796-4950. No cost for an article or advertisement. If you would like to advertise your business for one year in the newsletter or on the web page contact anyone on the Board for information.

If you're not getting your BCHW or BCHA Newsletters please contact Bob Gish at 276-6226.

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Purple Sage Riders Wine Tour Ride

This was the first Wine Tour Ride I have been on. My mare was lame and Bob & Vicki allowed me to ride one of their mules, Maggie. Maggie is about 6 inches taller than my Paso so getting on her was interesting to say the least. She took good care of me the entire day so I couldn't complain too much about how tall she is. There were six wineries on the ride and all of them were horse friendly. The sun was shining all day with only a light breeze to keep everyone cool. There were several original costumes: a knight, a harlequin, a cheerleader, football players, and a pony. Each winery was set up with places to tie your ride, with volunteers to watch the horses/mules while the riders went in to taste the wine. The ride was set up so no more than 6 or 7 riders went out at a time. Even though there were about 300 riders the groups were actually pretty small. There was a wagon for non-riding wine tasters being pulled by one of the finest pair of Belgians I've ever seen. These horses weighed in at 2400 & 2500 lbs. After sampling several wines and buying a few bottles riders got back to camp just in time for a catered dinner and some cowboy poetry and music. It was a beautiful crisp evening with a moon shining so bright and looking close you could almost reach up and touch it. I found this ride to be a nice fall ride everyone should try at least once. The Purple Sage Riders did an excellent job of picking out nice trails and safe tie ups, with great views to sample the wines. If you are thinking of going next year be sure you register early. This ride fills up fast

Cyndi Johnson

REMINDERS:

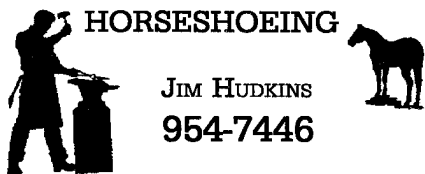
It is time to renew your dues! Fill out the enclosed membership form and get it sent in for 2008.

2007 Chapter Christmas Party is December 15, 2007, 5:30 p.m. at the Williams Valley Grange. The meat will be provided. General Members to bring a side dish (salad, spuds, stuffing, etc.) and the Board members will supply the dessert. There also will be a gift exchange. So bring a wrapped gift that is \$15 or under.

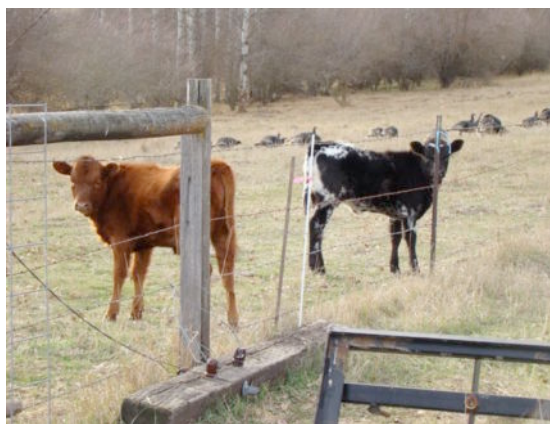
Bring your BCHW ballot to the next General Meeting and we will get it mailed off to the State. It is important to send in your votes.

ENCLOSED in this newsletter is the Chapter 2008 Ballot. Please complete the ballot and bring it with you to the General Meeting –or mail it in. It is also important to vote for your 2008 Board!

**HAPPY THANKSGIVING EVERYONE!
ENJOY YOUR TIME WITH FAMILY
AND FRIENDS.**



NEXT APPOINTMENT _____



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BACKCOUNTRY HORSEMEN OF WASHINGTON 2008 JUBILEE CELEBRATION CELEBRATION TABLE AUCTION

The 2008 Jubilee activities will include the opportunity for 8 people to dine in high style at the head "Celebration" table. This privilege will be sold by an e-mail auction and is available to any chapter, corporation or group of 8 friends wishing to bid for the honor of being seated at the best table in the house.

The CELEBRATION TABLE will be placed near the Master of Ceremony podium, close to all the action of the live auction and the dance floor. By placing the winning bid for the CELEBRATION TABLE, you will be recognized as dedicated supporters of BCHW. Other special amenities will include complimentary appetizers and wine, a free beverage of your choice from the no host bar, menu of prime rib and prawns, dinner service from your own attentive waitperson, a special dessert and other small tokens befitting your status at the head Celebration table.

The winning bid is for the dinner and extras for 8 people so your bid represents the total amount you will pay.

Bid on this opportunity by e-mail at davenpeg@qdimail.net place the words **Celebration Bid** in the subject line and then your name and the amount of your bid in the body of your e-mail. I will notify you via return e-mail of the status of your bid and also keep you apprised of the status of any other bid amounts if you become outbid by another group.

The beginning bid amount is \$350. Bidding begins immediately and in order to make final arrangements, will end at midnight, February 22, 2008.

Remember, this is for the good of the organization, and your eager participation will be rewarded by VIP treatment at the Celebration Table so gather your friends and send your bid to davenpeg@qdimail.com

Thanks,
Bob Gish
BCHW President

TRAIL BOSS 2007 RECAP

- 1.1 New Years Ride hosted by Jim Hudkins at Missile site.
- 2-17 Pack Clinic and Potluck instructors were Trig Culp, Dave Swanberg (OVBCHW) and Bruce Foreman.
- 3-17 Rancho Ogle Ride and Potluck hosted by Dana Ogle.
- 3-31 Bear Lake Play Day, Ride & Work Party hosted by Debbie and Jim Nelson with A Chili Feed donated and prepared by Burke Owens' North Town Insurance Co.
- 4-1 Pond Oreille Park Ride and Trail Clearing hosted by Bob Gish
- 4-7 Greenhorn Ride on Five Sisters hosted by Karen Reiner in Big Foot Valley.
- 4-21 Escure Ranch Ride and Potluck with the Purple Sage Riders.
- 4-22 FishTrap Buttercup Ride hosted by Bob Gish.
- 5-2 Dutch Oven Potluck, Ride and Camp Over hosted by Julie and Jack Lamb (NIBCHI) at the Lloyd Hughes Trailhead just North of Naples.
- 5-18-20 Ride the West
- 5-25-29 Priest Lake District (F. S). Annual Memorial Weekend Work Party at Reynolds Creek Campgrounds.
- 6-8-11 Asotin Ride and Campout hosted by Christine and Gary Carroll
- 6-30 Mt Spokane Ride hosted by Judy and Vicki
- 7-14 Wild Women in the Woods Pack Trip at Dominion Mtn hosted by Nancy Harshman.
- 7-14-16 Shoe Tree Trail Head Cost Share Agreement NEBCHW Fund Raiser built puncheon.
- 7-18-24 Haney Meadows Campout and Ride Jeannie Koester
- 7-28-29 Salmo-Priest Work Party Thunder Mtn Loop trail clearing with Conservation N. W. Spaghetti Feed (chef Derrick Knowles) and pot luck.

- 8-11-13 Shoe Tree Trail Head Cost Share Agreement NEBCHW Fund Raiser built turnpike and installed a culvert.
- 9-8-9 Salmo-Priest Work Party Thunder Mtn Loop clearing with Conservation N. W.
- 9-22 Scotia Ride and Campout hosted by Christine and Gary Carroll on Little Spokane River.
- 10-6 Colors Ride at Loop hosted by OVBCHW.
- 10-27 Costume/Wine Ride and Dinner at Tri-Cities hosted by Purple Sage Riders.
- 11-07 We have been riding in Virginia Carter's backyard (all that land in front of Mt. Spokane). And scouting riding areas up north.

I would like to thank the folks that hosted a ride for our Chapter this year. We had a good time. Those of you that missed out, I hope you can make it next time. We would love to have you. Some of the campovers could have been day rides if you couldn't spend the night. If you have a place to ride and would like to share it with us, please give the Trail Boss a call. I hope you all can make it to the Chapter Planning Retreat at Jeannie's house in January. You will be able to help plan our activities, rides, campovers and pack trips for 2008. Join in! Your ideas are welcome.

Nature's Hoof – Barefoot & Balanced

"The Barefoot & Balanced Equine is a bare hoofed equine. It is hoof care without the use of horse shoes. It's about owner education and hoof care coaching. Having a partnership between the equine owner and their hoof care practitioner works in the best interest of our equine friends."

"Now is the perfect time of year to explore bare hoof care for your horses and mules. Most folks tend to pull shoes for the winter months and let's face it, lot's of us just don't ride as much in the winter." Says Barb Taylor, of Clayton, WA. "A winter/spring break provides a much needed break for the hooves. With bare hoof care throughout the Winter 2007/Spring 2008 you can help your horse develop a stronger tighter hoof wall connection, remove flare, develop a clean healthy frog, build sole & promote proper hoof mechanism. Come Spring 2008 you can continue conditioning their hooves to build thick callused soles to further protect the coffin bone and support the boney structure. "

As a Natural "Bare" Hoof Care Practitioner, Barb is committed to helping you help your equine friends become healthier athletes. She has been actively caring for her & her husband's two saddle mule's hooves since March 2007 and graduated from the Oregon School of Natural Hoof Care in May of 2007. She landed her first client inquiry in early September. That client is now a repeat client with two regularly trimmed horses. Barb currently has five clients on the books totaling eight horses, plus her own two mules. You can read more about her and the services she offers on her newly launched website: www.NaturesHoof.com or call her direct at 509.220.9385.

Barb will be giving a presentation at our November 17th meeting called, "Proper Hoof Form – Does your horse (or mule) have it? 7PM



Come Join Us!

To join BCHW, complete this application, sign the liability release (all members over 18), and enclose payment:

- **Chapter members**, return completed form to Northeast Chapter BCHW, PO Box 3094, Deer Park, WA 99006 or bring it to a meeting and give to the Chapter Treasurer.
- **Independent members**, make check out to "BCHW", and mail application and payment to: BCHW, ATTN: MEMBERSHIP, 110 W. 6th Ave., PMB 393, Ellensburg, WA 98926.



MEMBER INFO:

New Member
 Renewal – Membership number(s): _____
 E-mail my newsletter _____

Adult's name(s): _____

Children's name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ ST: _____ Zip: _____

Phone number: _____ E-mail: _____

Legislative district (if known): _____ County: _____

STATE MEMBERSHIP

Basic Membership

- Single \$36.00
 Family \$49.00

Optional Membership *(includes family or single from above)*

- Contributing \$65.00
 Sustaining \$100.00
 Patron \$250.00
 Benefactor \$500.00

Additional State Donation \$ _____
 Subtotal \$ _____

CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP

Chapter Name (or Independent): _____

Northeast _____

Chapter Dues (determined by chapter) \$ 10.00
 Additional Chapter Donation \$ _____

Subtotal \$ _____
Grand Total \$ _____

LIABILITY RELEASE

ALL ADULT members MUST sign!

Recognizing the fact that there is a potential for an accident where ever horse use is involved, which can cause injuries to horses, riders and spectators and also recognizing the fact that Backcountry Horsemen of Washington, Inc., including Chapters, officers, directors, or members cannot always know the condition of trails or the experience levels of riders or horses taking part in trail rides or other BCHW events, I do hereby release and hold harmless the above named from any claim or right for damages which might occur to me, my minor children, or horses.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

The information on this membership application will be shared with BCH of America, and if so designated by the applicant, the appropriate local chapter of BCHW. Otherwise, the information will not be divulged to any other person or organization without the express permission of the applicant.



**NORTHEAST CHAPTER BCHW
2007 Calendar Of Events**



Date	Event	Details	Contact
11/17	Membership Meeting	7 p.m. Willms Valley Grange	Jim Hudkins 276-8876
11/30	BCHW/USFS and State Land Managers Meeting @ Cle Elum		Bob Gish 276-6226
12/1	4 TH Quarter BCHW Board of Directors Meeting		Bob Gish 276-6226
12/4	Board Meeting	6:30 p.m. Pizza Factory	Jim Hudkins 276-8876
12/15	2007 Christmas Party	5:30 p.m. Willms Valley Grange	Jim Hudkins 276-8876
1/19	Leadership Training in Cle Elum		
1/27	Northeast Board Planning Session	Jeanne's house	members welcome Jeanne 238-2367
March 21-23	BCHW Membership Convention, Auction, Dinner, Dance, Vendors		

**All dates, times and events are subject to change.
Be sure to telephone the contact person prior to the scheduled event.**



IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO FILL ONE OF THE APPOINTED POSITIONS FOR THE CHAPTER – NEWSLETTER EDITOR; ACTIVITIES AND PUBLICITY; WAYS AND MEANS; OR JR. BCH – PLEASE CONTACT A BOARD MEMBER TO EXPRESS YOUR INTEREST. THESE ARE NOT ELECTED POSITIONS – BUT THEY ARE AN IMPORTANT PART OF THE CHAPTER!!

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