



TRAIL TALK Northeast Chapter July 2009

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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.

REMINDER: General Meeting is July 18th ride and potluck @ Christine and Gary Carroll's boots in stirrups at 9:30 am (see page 3 for directions)

PRESIDENTS CORNER: By Leon Sproule



We were fortunate with the weather for our June meeting and ride. There were only hints of rain. We were hosted by a very gracious Karen Riener who led us on a nice easy ride through the woods. We even ended up back

where we started. The lunch was delightful as was the company. I must say that I was the only male rider with 9 women who showed up to ride. I think that everyone had a good time and enjoyed the opportunity to get together.

The idea of having rides and potlucks was suggested as a means of increasing the attendance at summer meetings. We are going to do the same again this month. The ride gives people a chance to interact and bring their animals. This much better than waiting through a meeting. BCH is organized to protect our right to ride our animals on public land. There is no better way to do that than getting out on the public land and riding. The freedom to assemble in groups of our choosing is a constitutionally protected right. We and I am including all of you in this joined BCH because we wanted to accomplish our goal of protecting our right to ride. That is the basis of our mission.

In addition to the rides for the monthly meetings, we are scheduling rides to give people opportunities to use their right to assemble their gear and horses and get out there and utilize some trails. One of the best and perhaps the most beautiful trails is numbered 308. It is about 8 miles going up the Priest River to just below Canada, where you can walk up to American Falls. Because of the travel distance this ride will be an overnight camping trip as well. We need to have committed people who want to go on this ride. The ride will be canceled if no one commits to going. I have been on this ride. There are large cedar trees. There are beautiful wild flowers. There are huckleberries you can snack on as you ride by. There is scenery along the river. It is important to note that all mosquitoes and gnats and biting flies are conspicuously absent from this area and the trail is down hill both ways. Your choice of beverage will be waiting cooling in the stream below the falls. Have I convinced you to join us? Then let me say that the bugs are absent during the months of winter, the trail is also uphill both ways as well level for quite a ways, and your choice of beverages is limited to water, but join in the fun of riding a trail that we have helped to preserve.

I hope you will be able to join in on one of these rides. We are also discussing the Kettle Crest but if you an idea for something fun get in touch with Mike Bryarly and let him know. We can always use good suggestions, so until next time, ride when you can.

-Leon

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Down the Trail
by Mike Bryarly and Michelle LeVar

Maximize Your Fuel Dollar!

With the cost of fuel at high summer levels there are a couple of cheap ways to get the most miles per gallon while towing your trailer and horse. Things to do are be sure your truck is tuned up, oil changed regularly, air filter is clean and tire pressure checked. Then go and have a nice ride ...

Got Water? Some of our longer rides are in the hottest part of the day this time of year. Remember to have you and your horse well hydrated before you start your ride. Drink enough water. Have your horse eat his breakfast and give him water and enough time for him to do what horses usually do – eat their hay and go have a long and a couple of short 'swigs' of water before you saddle up. If you can bring water along in your trailer for your horse to drink after his ride, that's all the better. You can always hang a water bottle or canteen off the saddle for yourself.

Hay Availability: Bottom line – get your hay for the next year purchased and in the barn as soon as possible. With the increase in converting hay pastures to grain crops or houses – it's that time of year to start getting it in the barn while it's available at competitive prices. It's a horse's number one requirement – besides water.

See you down the trail...

Important information:

Notice for all attending the potlucks combined with general meetings for the summer. You will need to bring a food dish for the potluck as well as plates, utensils, napkins, drinks and chairs for your family. The chapter will only be providing plates and utensils when we meet at the grange.

The Ten Essentials + Four in the Backwoods:

1. Map
2. Compass
3. Flashlight / Headlamp
4. Extra Food
5. Extra Clothes
6. Sunglasses
7. First-Aid Kit
8. Pocket Knife
9. Waterproof Matches
10. Firestarter
11. Water / Filter / Bottles
12. Whistle
13. Insect Repellents or Clothing
14. Sunburn Preventatives

Although you may not use all the ten essentials every day, they can be life savers in an emergency. Also, if you shop with prudence, these essential gear items can be lightweight, as well. The most important essential, however, is not on the list--"Common Sense". Having the right gear is one thing, knowing how and when to use it is quite another. Most often, it's not a person's equipment that saves their bacon. It's their experience, know-how, and good judgment.

DID YOU KNOW? Why are they named as Palomino Horses? Palomino is a term that is used to refer to a color or even a wide range of colors. When you mention about Palomino horses today, you would be referring to a horse that has a golden coat, which has a mane and a tail of a light or a white color. The word Palomino is actually a Latin word, which refers to a pale shade. The shades of the Palomino horses can vary from light cream to a shade of blonde. Sometimes the color can range to a shade of copper as well. But the one thing I would like you to note down here is that to get your horse to belong to the category of the Palomino horse, it would have to meet a certain standard or the specific shade, as is followed for authentic

Directions to Ride, Meeting and Potluck on July 18th:

Drive north on Highway 2... go past SR211... 1.5 miles Scotia Road turns right. About 7.5 miles you will see Woodman Road, then Josephine Road ... Slow Down, .10 mile to driveway on left, 2606 Scotia Road, Gathering Place.

More info: Gary & Christine Carroll 466-1106 or 991-5213

HOWDY!

Welcome back to the group Teresa and Sean Owens! Hope to see you out on some rides.



In Clayton

Cowboy rules for life.....

Don't name a pig you plan to eat.
Your fences need to be horse high, pig tight, and bull strong.
Life is not about how fast you run, or how high you climb, but how well you bounce.
Keep skunks and bankers and Lawyers at a distance.
Life is simpler when you plough around the stump.
A bumble bee is considerably faster than a John Deere tractor.
Words that soak into your ears are whispered,,,,,, not yelled.
Meanness don't jest happen overnight.
Forgive your enemies. It messes up their heads.
Don't sell your mule to buy a plough.
Do not corner something that you know is meaner than you.
It don't take a very big person to carry a grudge.
You cannot unsay a cruel word.....
Every path has a few puddles.
When you wallow with pigs, expect to get dirty.
Most of the stuff people worry about ain't never gonna happen anyway.....
Don't judge people by their relatives.
Remember that silence is sometimes the best answer.
Live a good, honorable life. Then when you get older and think back, you'll enjoy it a second time.
Don't interfere with something that ain't bothering' you none.
Timing has a lot to do with the outcome of a rain dance.
It's better to be a has-been than a never-was.
The easiest way to eat crow is while it's still warm. The colder it gets, the harder it is to swallow.
If you find yourself in a hole, the first thing to do is stop diggin'.
If it don't seem like it's worth the effort, it probably ain't.
It don't take a genius to spot a goat in a flock of sheep.
Sometimes you get and sometimes you get got.
The biggest troublemaker you'll probably ever have to deal with watches you shave his face in the mirror every morning.
If you get to thinkin' you're a person of some influence, try orderin' somebody else's dog around.
Don't worry about bitin' off more'n you can chew; your mouth is probably a whole lot bigger'n you think.
Only cows know why they stampede.
Always drink upstream from the herd.
If you're ridin' ahead of the herd, take a look back every now and then to make sure it's still there with ya.
Good judgment comes from experience, and a lotta that comes from bad judgment.
Lettin' the cat outta the bag is a whole lot easier than puttin' it back in.
You can't tell how good a man or a watermelon is 'till they get thumped'.
Never, Never . . . miss a good opportunity to shut up.

and.....

Cowboy rule # 1: Don't squat with your spurs on!

Campfire Recipes:



Muffins

- * 6 Oranges
- * 2 Pkgs. Muffin Mix, any flavor

Directions:

Cut oranges in half and scoop out orange segments (it is the hollowed peel shells that you need, but keep the fruit for use with fruit salad or juice).

Prepare the muffin mix according to package directions. Fill the orange peel cups half full of batter. Wrap each one loosely with heavy duty aluminum foil. Place in hot coals and make certain the batter side stays up. Cook 5 - 10 minutes, until muffins are done.

Rodeo Burger

- * Hamburger
- * Pepper Cheese
- * Jalapenos
- * Onions
- * Lg. Sesame Buns

Directions:

Charbroil hamburger. In a pan, grill and saute onions until soft. Sear Jalapenos on grill until steaming. Melt pepper cheese on hamburger. Put all ingredients together for a yummy Rodeo Burger.

DID YOU KNOW? Your horse's vision is better than yours at night. Horses have a reflective panel on the retina that helps to gather all available light at night. The equine retina has nine times as many rod receptors as cones. These receptors are responsible for vision in low light. This suggests good night vision.

" Sell the cow, buy the sheep, but never be without the horse." ~ Irish Proverb

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- **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.



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 Children's name(s): _____
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 City: _____ ST: _____ Zip: _____
 Phone number: _____ E-mail: _____
 Legislative district (if known): _____ County: _____
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Signature: _____ Date: _____
 Signature: _____ Date: _____
 Signature: _____ Date: _____

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**NORTHEAST CHAPTER BCHW
2009 Calendar Of Events**



July 18 9:30AM boots in stirrups. Ride/potluck/meeting @Christine Carroll's Christine or Gary 509-466-1106
July 25-26 NEBCHW Trail ride @ Trail#308 at Priest River. RSVP required Vicki Gish 509-276-6226
(overnight camping)
Aug. 15 Ride/Potluck/Meeting TBD
Sep. 19 Ride/Potluck/Meeting TBD

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