

BUCKHORN RANGE CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

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OUR MISSION

To work toward the perpetuation of the legal and moral claim by the American people to use horses and mules for recreation on public lands.

OUR GOALS

- **To unite equestrians to achieve the goals and objectives of Backcountry Horsemen.**
- **To encourage citizen involvement in political and governmental actions affecting public lands.**
- **To maintain engagement in regulatory issues and actions regarding use of equines on public lands.**
- **To introduce interested horsemen to the use and enjoyment of trails and the backcountry.**

OUR VISION

Develop and keep trails open for responsible equine recreational use.

May is going to be a very busy month for our little chapter! It starts on May Day with our annual Derby Day Work Party on the Larry Scott Trail. Jeff will be running the picking of the Kentucky Derby participants; of course he always picks the winning horse, so I think it's rigged! We will be putting in the second route rework on the horse trail, eliminating the steep sections. We put in the first section last month but the trail is still unsafe until the final section is completed. Please join us if you can!

Our Chapter meeting this month, featuring a program on *Therapeutic Riding* by Chapter member Aly Stratton, is being held a week early, Friday May 7th, for 2 reasons:

1. It is the night before our big Tack Sale on Saturday, May 8th, &
2. The following Friday is the first day of the Leave No Trace Clinic at Sequim Bay State Park that we are assisting Peninsula Chapter with, May 14-16th.

I hope everyone will join us in these projects if they can. The work party this Saturday will need many hands to complete, so I encourage you to come join in the fun!

See you then.

Bob Hoyle, Chapter President



TRAIL BOSS REPORT

Submitted by Bob Hoyle

The April ride on the Toandos Peninsula was very lightly attended, only Jeff Chapman and Chris MacLachlan joined Judith and I on what turned out to be a decent day. We had a very pleasant ride, wish you could have been there.

May's ride is hosted by Peninsula Chapter at Miller Peninsula, Saturday, May 22nd, at 10 a.m. There will be a potluck following the ride! Tom Mix is the ride host. For more info contact me, or Tom at info@cuttinggarden.com.

Bob Hoyle, Trail Boss



"Longest Day of Trails" Hosts Walk-Run-Bike-a-thon In Support of Local Trail

Larry Scott Memorial Trail, Sunday, June 20, 2010: The "Longest Day of Trails" event will benefit Port Townsend and the greater Jefferson County community. Teams and individuals are encouraged to register for the "Longest Day of Trails" Fundraiser on Father's Day, Sunday June 20. The event will begin at the Port Townsend Boat Haven entrance to the Larry Scott Memorial Trail.

The "Longest Day of Trails" will benefit three local trail building groups including Pacific Northwest Trails Association, Jefferson Trails Coalition, and Quimper Trails Association. The walk-run-bike-a-thon starts at 5:11 AM (sunrise), and ends at 9:11 PM (sunset). Log as many miles as you can during daylight hours on the longest day of the year!

For more information, please visit: www.longestdayoftrailspt.wordpress.com.

A friendly reminder to all of our trail riders. Manage Your Front Country and treat your local trailheads as you would the pristine wilderness.

- At the Trailhead pick up all your manure, hay and trash and pack it home.
- Fill in and repair any disturbed stock area.
- Pick up trash that was there when you arrived.
- Pick up manure that was there when you arrived.

Since the local trailheads are the most accessible to us, as well as other users, the less evidence we leave of our visits the better statement we make of our commitment to Leave No Trace. If all the horse users had performed the above actions at Sandy Shore we wouldn't be shut out now. Lets please make every effort to prevent getting shut out of more areas. If we have to pick up after others so be it. It will be worth it. Respectfully submitted.

Juelie Dalzell
LNT Proponent.

ADVERTISING

The Buckhorn Range Chapter is accepting business advertising in this newsletter. Cost is \$40 for a business card size ad for one year. Backcountry Horsemen members can also advertise (preferably horsey) sale items or want items for free. Non-members pay \$5 per ad.

Contact the editor for info.



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Buckhorn Range Chapter General Meeting Minutes

March 12th, 2010

Location: Chimacum Saddlery and Tack 1091 Chimacum Rd, Chimacum, Wa

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM by President Bob Hoyle. Bob introduced "Nicole" who proposed a fundraising event that could unite all non-profit groups involved in horse and trail agendas.

Bob then did a presentation on "Courtesy on the Trail" a slide show presentation courtesy of the Back Country Horseman of Washington, which was very informative.

Motion to approve the February 11th minutes as published in the March 2010 Newsletter was Approved and seconded unanimously.

Treasury Report by Judith Hoyle: Treasury is solvent.

Trail Boss Report by Bob Hoyle:

Joint ride w/Peninsula Chapter at Sandy Shores on 3/27, access at Beaver Valley Rd and Hwy 104.

Jeff also gave a report on February Trail Ride.

Work Party for April will be April 3rd on the Larry Scott Trail.

Gerry Magnuson gave a report on the Great Gravel Pack In with Capital Hill Forest. It was well organized and successful.

Jeff Chapman stated a special session meeting would be held on the Fee Bill re: DNR users.

May work party will be at Anderson Lake.

Dave Peterson stated the Mule Barn Day would be held on 4/9. Those interested in attending should contact Dave for further info.

Jeff Chapman gave a report on the latest Trail Grants.

Directors Report/Jeff Chapman: Jeff reported that they will be holding the directors meeting next week and he will have further info after the meeting.

Events:

The BRC will be holding a Rummage and Tack Sale at Chimacum Saddlery and Tack on May 8th. Also participating will be a demonstration by the "Equimasters Drill Team", Bethel Moore will present a demonstration of Liberty Work with her Horse Joe, Other attractions will be Tennessee Walking Horse Owners, JEA and the high School Equestrian Team, the Pony Club will sell Luncheon items.

Old Business:

The BRC Sponsorship Sign has been ordered. A discussion was held re: replacing current sandwich board signs w/ new signs and it was decided to refurbish the current signs.

April presentation will be by Jeff Chapman on the local trails in the area.

May presentation will be on Therapeutic Riding by Aly Stratton.

Meeting Adjourned

Respectfully submitted MaryAnn Merrill, Secretary.

Buckhorn Range Chapter General Meeting Minutes

April 9th, 2010

Location: Chimacum Grange Hall 9572 Rhody Drive, Chimacum

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Bob Hoyle who deferred the business meeting until after the presentation by Jeff Chapman - "Where to Ride on Local Trails." The meeting was well attended and Jeff did a very informative and in depth presentation of our local trails. Refreshments were also served.

After the presentation the business meeting was called to order and the following reports were given.

Minutes - were not read due to time restraints.

Treasurer's Report - Judith Hoyle reports the treasury is solvent.

Trail Boss Report - The Sandy Shore Potluck ride was fun and good time had by all.

April 17th ride will be at East Toandos. May 22nd Ride Miller Peninsula, the balance of the calendared rides will be posted as confirmed.

Directors Report - Jeff stated they had a very good meeting in Ellensburg.

LNT - Juelie Dalzell stated there is an ongoing problem of equestrians using the bike/pedestrian path instead of the equestrian trail, further the horse riders are not cleaning up after their horses. Any help in that department much appreciated.

Volunteer Hours - Juelie requested all members turn in volunteer hours to be counted.

Portable projector for presentations - Bob suggested purchasing a projector for use.

Discussion tabled until further research is completed.

Pony Club Rideathon - Fund raiser sponsored by Equimasters on June 27th, pledges per mile and donations to ride, there will also be a potluck. More info to follow.

Old Business:

1. Miller Peninsula project - \$200/year for Sanican, labor commitment. It was moved and seconded and unanimously passed to accept commitment of \$200.00 a year for 5 years.
2. Signs for Chimacum Saddlery and Tack arena. It was voted and approved to sign the 3rd panel with BRC web address and "Keeping Trails Open for You!"

New business/good of the order:

1. Tack Sale will be held on May 5th at Chimacum Saddlery from 11:00 A to 4:00PM

Meeting Adjourned

Minutes submitted by MaryAnn Merrill

Mini-Expo Tack Sale/ Rummage Sale



**Saturday, May 8
11:00 am – 4:00 pm**

**Chimacum Saddlery
1091 Chimacum Road
Port Hadlock**



**Equestrian Demonstrations by:
Equitesse Pony Club Dressage and Jumping
Tennessee Walking Horse Club
Liberty Work with Bethel Moore and Joe
Equimasters Drill Team
Larry Johnson and JeanneWolf-Johnson, Reining
Packing and Knots
Exhibits and informational booths**



Great Food by Equitesse Pony Club concession stand

Sale starts at 11:00 AM

**Benefitting Buckhorn Range Chapter of Back Country
Horsemen of Washington (BCHW)
Hosted by Chimacum Saddlery**



**For information about renting space for your own table (\$10 fee),
or make tax-deductible donations of gently used tack or rummage items,
contact Judith Hoyle 360-732-5042**

**BCHW is a 501(c)(3) organization with 35 chapters across the state dedicated to:
keeping trails open for all users; educating horse users in Leave-No-Trace practices;
and providing volunteer service to resource agencies.**



Calendar

May 1, Saturday, 10 a.m., Derby Day Work Party, Larry Scott Memorial Trail Cape George Trailhead. Bring gloves!

May 7, Friday, 7 p.m., Chapter meeting, Chimacum Saddlery & Tack, 1091 Chimacum Rd. Program: ***“Therapeutic Riding”*** with Aly Stratton.

May 22nd, Saturday, 10 a.m., Chapter Ride: Miller Peninsula, Potluck . call for directions. 360-531-2337

Check the website in the coming weeks for information on upcoming events, at
<http://www.olympus.net/community/buckhorn-bchw/> .



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