# 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. President's message for February

First of all please let us all thank Bob Hoyle for stepping up as our <sup>3</sup>Chapter President for the last couple of years. I think all of us agree <sup>3</sup>he did a great job and never lost his cool! This year he has stepped into the director's position which carries as much commitment and <sup>3</sup>even more work and travel. All of this on behalf of trail riders. Bob <sup>4</sup>you are the best.

Back Country Horsemen of Washington is the only organization that works to prevent trails from being closed to equine use. There has been a big push across the country to close public land to horseback riders. The efforts have included very powerful groups with many thousands of members which translates into lots of money and power to advocate for their goals.

A trend has also begun in Washington State to close out horses from public trails. Right now on the Olympic Peninsula for example the federal government is once again attempting to limit horse use on the Dungeness Spit area. Several years ago they

stopped horses from going on the spit itself. Now they are saying that horses may only use the upper area during certain seasons. This seems to be a federal modus operandi, at least with the Fish and Game Department. They start by shutting down only one part of a trail. seems right to officials they shut down a little more until finally there are no horses allowed where they used to be welcome. For more information go to: Below is information on the meeting and a link for more details.





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http://www.fws.gov/pacific/planning/main/docs/wa/docsdungeness.htm

# **Comprehensive Conservation Plan**

# Status of Dungeness NWR's CCP Process: January 2012

Our planning process continues for Dungeness NWR. We have published a second planning update summarizing public comments we received and summaries of three preliminary draft alternatives, as well as providing the date and location of our next public meeting.

Two additional public meetings will be held on Thursday, February 2, 2012, at the Dungeness Schoolhouse. The first meeting is from 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., and the second meeting is from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. We will present preliminary versions of management alternatives for the refuge. Click the link to our news release for more

Linformation.

I think it is clear that as recreational trail users horses are in the minority. There are many more hikers and bicyclists than there are horses. It is imperative that we as trail riders make our opinions known to those who manage public land. Please donate your voice, your time and your energy as you have so willingly

(Photos Dosewallips trail 2010 by Sara Novack)



# TRAIL BOSS REPORT

There was no January ride due to weather.



Fellow Buckhorn Range members;

I discovered a leather cleaning product that I love. It is called Skidmore's Leather Cream. As an amateur horse owner for over fifty years this is the best leather cleaner I have ever used. I bought it at the Puffin Shoe repair place in Port Townsend. It is made in Laramie, Wyoming. If this family business ever goes public I am buying stock! Some of my tack is over 30 years old and this stuff made it pliable and soft and clean! <a href="http://www.skidmores.com/products.asp?cat=14">http://www.skidmores.com/products.asp?cat=14</a> Respectfully submitted Juelie Dalzell

#### 2006 MORGAN-BUILT HORSE TRAILER:

2006 Morgan-built (3) horse slant, with warmblood package, extra height, extra width, with built-in 40 gallon water tank, front dressing area, (3) saddle racks, halter and bridle storage rack, Bush and hoof pick storage on dressing room door, spare tie, lined interior walls, feed bags, opening windows all around with screens, Drop down windows on left side with vertical bars, (3) roof vents, drop down loading ramp. Outside tie-rings. Used (3) times. Stored inside the barn. \$11,000.00, Newberg, OR. For pictures & information please call Sally Thomas (360)765-3280



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# Buckhorn Range Chapter Meeting Minutes -- January 13, 2012

Meeting held at Tri Area Center in Chimacum and called to order at 7pm by President Juelie Dalzell.

Guest Speaker Chris Cerna gave a very interesting presentation on how to keep fit during the winter for riders. He showed us 5 main exercises to do daily for leg strength and flexibility.

Treasurer's Report- We are solvent.

Trail Boss Report- January ride scheduled for Larry Scott Trail.

Work Projects- None scheduled for January.

Directors Report- A big Thank You to Jeff Chapman for all his hard work as Director. Welcome to new director Bob Hoyle. March 16-18 is the Rendezvous in Ellensburg. We are planning to donate a 3 burner stove for the auction. A \$10,000 grant was received by Buckhorn and Peninsula Chapters for the Olympic Trail. Any member who uses H&R Block will ensure a \$25 donation to BCHA.

Old Business- Time to renew your membership.

New Business- MMSC to continue rental of Tri Area room for our monthly meetings. MMSC for our chapter to become a founding member of JEA.

Tom Mix is looking for members who want to be certified as a sawyer.

We now have a Yahoo group for our chapter. You can email the group at <a href="mailto:buckhornrange@yahoogroups.com">buckhornrange@yahoogroups.com</a>.

Linda Mattos from JEA gave us an update on what is happening. She also asked members to write or email our county commissioners about the Horse Park

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm

#### EXTRA GAITS OF THE HORSE

#### --The Boink

One-beat gait with suspension, often exhibited by horses ridden into a field of white-tailed deer.

#### --The Lateral Swoop

A sudden sideways leap with shoulder horizontal to the ground, leaving the rider hovering briefly over where the saddle used to be before descending to the ground. Can be precipitated by a tractor starting up outside the arena, snow sliding off the arena roof, a large rock that magically turns into a bear or a green plastic garbage bag.



# -- The Whirling Dervish

Advanced version of the Lateral Swoop in which the horse spins like a top, frequently launching the hapless rider a long distance by centrifugal force. Specialty of certain Arabians, often caused by viewing a 4-wheeler approaching on the trail ahead.

# --The Yahooey

One of the natural Airs Above the Ground, a highly suspended movement exhibited when turned out or during the first canter in an open field. A variation is the Jet-Assisted Buck & Fart, in which the horse achieves maximum height and momentum aided by the loud expulsion of exhaust gas. Occurs on cold, windy days when the wind goes up the horse's tail and blows his brains out his ears.

## --The Omigod

Sudden backwards movement accompanied by loud, rolling snorts, ears stiffly forward and eyes bugging out, exhibited by a horse that has spotted a monster (invisible to the human eye) advancing on him from the front. Can be precipitated in visible form by riding up to a large blue tarp, which the wind then moves slightly.

#### --The Hot Wheels

Speed gait in which all four legs rotate at high speed, often leaving rubber strips on the ground. Frequently exhibited by runaway ponies, rushing jumpers and horses returning to the barn.

# -- The Shark Circling the Rowboat

Characteristic movement of lesson horse in ever-decreasing concentric circles around the instructor, until the horse is in the center standing on the instructor's left foot and further progress is impossible. (Old school horses tell new school horses how to do this.)

#### --The Sloth

Typical gait of school horse who has perfected the art of laziness. No perceptible forward movement, in spite of encouraging kicks, clucks, flapping reins, ineffective crop swats, shouts and jumping up and down. (Note: the Sloth can be transformed into Hot Wheels by the sight of the instructor advancing with lunge whip in hand.)

# --The Flapper

Movement in which the horse shakes like a wet dog, totally terrifying the beginner rider. Horse then grins an evil grin and eats grass.

#### --The Wallow

Rotational movement performed on the ground, especially in mud, sand or water. Always performed when the instructor is at the other end of the trail ride or not looking.

# --Followed by the Upsie Daisy

Which always occurs before the arrival of the instructor. Horse perfects the Wallow by rolling in

mud, sand or water, usually defiling the purity of the perfectly clean saddle regardless of screams. --The Snail Rocket

The two walking gaits of experienced trail horses on the trail. Going out, the walk is so snail-like, time perceptibly slows. Coming back, trotting horses can barely keep up with the rocket walk. Essentially, horses perfectly understand physical law; the speed of the walk is directly proportional to the direction on the trail.

--The Bobber

Gait which old experienced trail horses proceed with child or beginner on back. Walk a few feet, stop, horse pulls reins through hands of beginning rider and eats grass. Repeat 50 times.

Submission from Mary Ann Merrill |



## Ivermectin deadly for some dogs....

Siince just about everyone who has horses have dogs thought this might be something to pass along. They mention Sentinel as being safe which I believe is a dog heart worm med. However most of us use some type of Ivermectiin for our horses and even though we always try to be totally careful sometimes a small amount hits the floor or dirt. We have always cleaned any drops up, unknown if dogs would be attracted to the paste to the point we should not just discard the syringes in the barn trash??

Dog breeds with a certain mutation are at risk...

Dogs And Ivermectin Dr. Deb Eldredge, Horse Journal Contributing Veterinary Editor, says some dogs are highly sensitive to ivermectin, so much so that licking up a drip or two could result in blindness, health problems or death."

Read more: <a href="http://email.equisearch.com/t?ctl=A3BD9:F77F55A01BD773894FE5A5AA577F0B64&">http://email.equisearch.com/t?ctl=A3BD9:F77F55A01BD773894FE5A5AA577F0B64&</a>
The article says that some dog breeds can have the MDR 1 mutation Here is a list:

Dog Breeds With MDR 1 Mutation Great care should be taken with equine ivermectin products around these dogs:

Australian Shepherds (regular and mini), Border Collies, Collies (both rough and smooth), English Shepherd, German Shepherd, McNab, Old English Sheepdog, Shetland Sheepdog, Silken Windhound, Whippet (long-haired), Mixed breeds including known crosses with the above breeds. The full list of breeds can be found at <a href="https://www.vetmed.wsu.edu/depts-VCPL/breeds.aspx">www.vetmed.wsu.edu/depts-VCPL/breeds.aspx</a>

The list of drugs that can trigger reactions is lengthy (see) <a href="https://www.vetmed.wsu.edu/depts-VCPL/drugs.aspx">www.vetmed.wsu.edu/depts-VCPL/drugs.aspx</a>

Test kits to check your dogs (\$70 each) can be ordered from Washington State at <a href="https://www.vetmed.wsu.edu/">www.vetmed.wsu.edu/</a> depts-VCPL/test.aspx or 509-335-3745.



# Calendar

February 10th, Friday, 7 p.m. Chapter meeting at Tri-Area Community Center, 10 W. Valley Road, Chimacum.

March 9th Friday, 7 pm Chapter meeting at Tri-Area Community Center, 10 West Valley Road, Chimacum

March Ride will be March 24th info to follow

# HAPPY VALENTINE DAY

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



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