## BCHW

### February 2023

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The mission of this organization shall be:

- To perpetuate the commonsense use and enjoyment of horses in America's back country and wilderness.
- II. To work to insure that public lands remain open to recreational stock use.
- III. To assist the various governmental and private agencies in their maintenance and management of said resource.
- IV. To educate, encourage and solicit active participation in the wise use of the back country resources by horsemen and the general public commensurate with our heritage.
- V. To foster and encourage the formation of new chapters in the state organization.
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# THE PHRASE "Sorry, Not Sorry" Was coined by a gray Pony in February.



NEXT MEETING: March 13TH 6PM—9PM ROUND TABLE PIZZA— SALMON CREEK

Volunteer hours: Don't forget to email Judy Smith with your volunteer hours. Trailridenbuddy@yahoo.com

\*\*\*Note \*\*\*\*

The new dates due will allow Judy the time she has to get them in by the 1st of the month

## **VOLUNTEER HOURS**

DUE TO JUDY REPORTING NO LATER PERIOD THAN...

Ist Quarter Feb 25th (Oct I—Feb 29)

2nd Quarter May 25 (Mar I-May 31)

3rd Quarter Aug 25 (Apr I-Aug 31)

4th Quarter Setp 25 (Sep 1-30)

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Hello all

Winter slow down time is here with us. Not too many of us ride in the rain or other foul weather. That said though there have been some real nice days if you feel like digging out all of your gear you put away. This is always a good time to clean up and repair your leather goods to make them ready for the coming riding season.

There are other things that are going on off the trails though. There is the planning of upcoming spring summer work parties and rides. Events to go to such as Legislative Day, Rendezvous, and training such as chain saw and first aid. I almost said the Wash. Horse Expo but that was canceled. That was always a big one for us. I have a couple of committees I'm involved with which require regular Zoom meetings and some home work from them.

## **From our Director**

BCHW is still involved with the Forest Service in turning the old Wind River Ranger Station into a training center. Maintenance work to the buildings is being done and planed for.A cost share agreement is being worked on for the volunteers who will be helping out there. There are some riding opportunities in that area also. The Pacific Crest Trail comes through there and the closed 41 road that comes from the Silver Star area ends there. More info to come.

Thanks to all for all you do. Jim

On the coldest days, take a moment to appreciate that there are no flies.

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### Hello

As I write this, I'm waiting for the next and hopefully last blast of winter. February is such a long month, even with only 28 days in it. Not nice enough to do much outside, but as spring approaches, the list of things to do keeps getting longer! And we have a busy month of March coming soon, so we can't have winter interfering with our plans!

It starts with a work and fun party at Battleground Lake, on March II. The following weekend of March I7-19 is the statewide Rendezvous event. Several members will be attending this year, and I suggest you check it out. You can get all the info about it on the BCHW website <u>https://www.bchw.org/</u>

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The weekend after that we have a Rock Creek Camp fun & work party on Saturday March 25. There is a full slate of things to be done there in the camp and on some trails, so plan to spend the day with us. Info about start times, etc, will be available on the website and in the newsletter.

Next is our first planned ride, the annual ride and camp at Burke Lake near Quincy, WA, April 5-9. A great place to get some welcome spring sun and get back into riding shape (for those of us that need it).

Don't forget to mark July 15 on your

## **From our President**

calendars, our planned annual Fun Ride. Ron Prentice and Claire Fisher have put together a fabulous list of prizes for our giveaway. And we are working directly with the campground managers to be sure we have the camp reserved. We plan to make this year as great as it was pre covid, so make plans to join us.

Lastly, if you have not renewed your membership please do so now. Your support is so important for our mission to keep our riding trails and camps open and in good condition. We don't want you to miss out on any communications and events, so please renew if you have not already.

For those that have renewed, make sure you tell others who should be members about us. Your endorsement of BCH is the best form of publicity that we can get.

Stay warm and safe, and I look forward to seeing you on the trails very soon.

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## 2022 Appointed Chairs

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Leave No Trace Training (LNT.org): A Guide to Minimum Impact Camping and Stock Use Techniques by Noelle Rodolari February 20, 2023

## **Reminder Seven Principles of LNT:**

- 1. Plan Ahead & Prepare.
- 2. Travel & Camp on Durable Surfaces.
- 3. Dispose of Waste Properly.
- 4. Leave What You Find.
- 5. Minimize Campfire Impacts.
- 6. Respect Wildlife.
- 7. Be Considerate of Others.

I know everyone is busy and probably doesn't read the website, LNT.org, so let me summarize some things I read.

## SOCIAL MEDIA:

1. It is not a bad thing to post pictures of the things you see on the trail. It is a great way to share your location and invite others to share your joy. Also, people can use your information to research information to prepare/plan (#1 principle) to go there. You can share safety information, history of the location, and the culture/ what to expect. You might not realize but his encourages people to hit the books and learn more.

2. Be sensitive to what the pictures portray. We don't want to encourage bad behavior. It is best to teach what is proper LNT behavior along with your post. Share what the legal regulations are in the area. You might show the proper place to put your horses poop or trash receptacles. Make sure the audience is appropriate.
3. There are millions of social media users worldwide. This gives lots of power to your post to spread important information. We can be a source to provide protection and care for our environment. Encourage users to participate in a constructive

conversation. Please do not assume their intentions or background.

4. Please be polite and professional at all times. Bullying and shaming is not tolerated in the LNT world. It does not produce a positive environment for learning and sharing. As horse trainers, I hope you all have learned positive reinforcement goes a lot further than negative reinforcement. I encourage you to promote respectful and productive conversations on and off social media.

5. Sharing dates and times to volunteer for improving our trails is great use of social media. There are tons of organizations that need our volunteer hours. Any-

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thing from one hour to 10 hours can show how much we care. You don't have to be strong, you can pass out the free drinks or direct people where to go or make phone calls to find more help. Look up your favorite park or club and ask about the next trail improvement day or how you can help protect our open spaces. Thank you for all and any efforts!

I hope you actually read and understood these concepts. Feel free to contact me if you would like to talk about them, 360-949-2749. I would encourage all of us to promote and share considerate use of our great outdoors. Until the next newsletter ... HAPPY TRAILS!!!





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## 2023

## <u>Janurary</u>

9th—meeting

<u>Feburary</u> 6th Legislation day

7th Meeting 8th Leadership Training

# <u>March</u>

IIth—BG Lake 9am (Safety meeting/coffee 8:30a)

(Contact Tani Bates (360) 902-9231) **17—19 Rendevous** 

17th—1st QTR BOD Meeting

25th—Rock Creek 9am (Safety meeting/coffee 8:30a) CONTACT: BARB THOMAS (360) 773-7672)

# <u>April</u>

5-9th Dave Bishop in Quincy WA <u>10—Chapter Meeting 7pm</u> <u>22nd Kalama Work Party</u> 29 DNR Pick up the Burn

# <u>May</u>

5-7 Sahara Horse Camp 8 Chapter Meeting 7pm 17—21 Cyrus Ride CONTACT: BARB THOMAS (360) 773-7672) 25—29 Escure Ranch—Tower Falls

# <u>June</u>

3 & 4 Kalama WP with WTRA CONTACT: JIM ANDERSON (360) 835-5719 8—11 Little Big Horn 12 Chapter Meeting 7pm 17— 2nd QTR BOD Meeting 16th—18 Glenwood Rodeo Grounds 30—4 Wilcox/Hayne Meadows 8th Kalama work Party

15th Fun Ride

Attention Anyone interested in becoming a Certified Sawyer!!

There will be a Certified Sawyer Classroom Training at Rendezvous in March. The class will be for "A" Sawyers or New Sawyers only!!!! This will be classroom time only on Saturday March 18th from 11:30pm - 4:00pm in Ellensburg.

Instructors will be: Tony Karniss and Ed Letcher

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(You will probably have to copy paste this address)

BCHW Haney Meadow Regional Work and Ride

Ken Wilcox Horse Camp June 30-July 5th

Come and help restore and ride this great and scenic place with Sponsoring Chapters:

Tahoma, Ellensburg Valley, Trail Dusters, Wenas Valley, Mt. St. Helens and Wenatchee

Just a friendly reminder



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## <u>July</u>

8th Kalama work Party 10—Chapter Meeting 7pm 15th Fun Ride

# <u>August</u>

NO CHAPTER MEETING 19/20 Kalama w/ WTRA & Lewis <u>Co.</u> CONTACT: JIM ANDERSON (360) 835-5719 27th Picnic Rock Creek W/ <u>WTRA</u>

## <u>September</u>

II Chapter Meething 7pm 16th—3rd QTR BOD Meeting

# <u>October</u>

9—Chapter Meeting

November 13th Chapter Meeting

December NO CHAPTER MEETING

\*\*\*NOTE\*\*\* Weed Free Hay is required on National Forest Lands.

\*\*\*Always looking for people with a purpose/idea/desire to take the lead and sponsor a group outing.....best if drive time approx 5 hours or less. \*\*\*

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# Come Join Usi

Go to BCHW.org and join or renew online. If online is not an option, please fill out this paper application and sign, (all members 18 and over must sign) enclose your cash or check made out to BCHW and mail to:

BCHW Membership Chair 11404 210<sup>th</sup> Ave Ct E Bonney Lake, WA 98391



# **Mt St Helens**

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