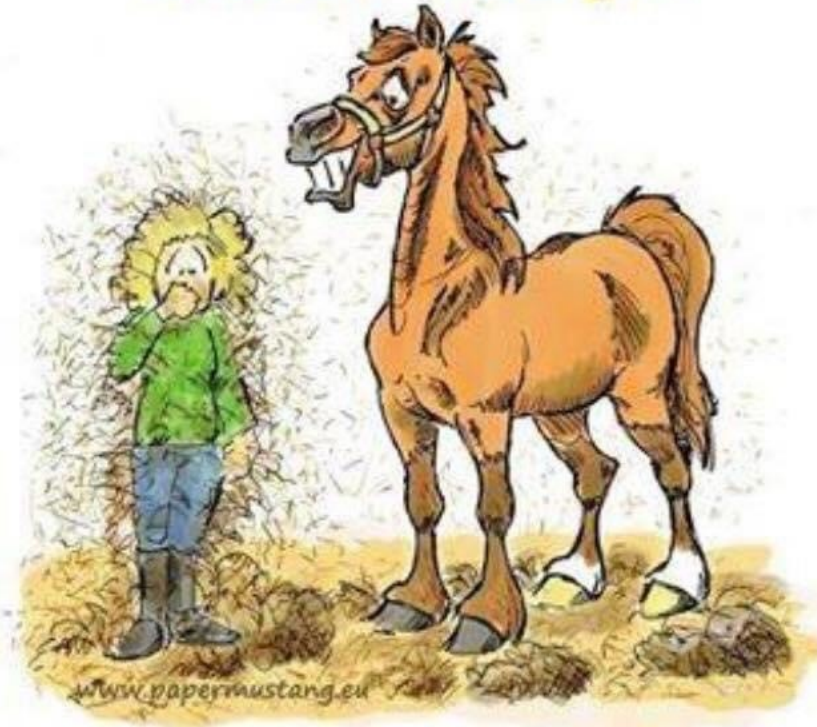


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There is a thin line  
between "hobby"...



...and "mental illness".

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## The mission of this organization shall be:

- I. To perpetuate the common-sense 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.
- VI. To Foster and Encourage new Chapters in the State Organization.

## NEXT MEETING:

**July 10TH 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

REPORTING PERIOD	DUE TO JUDY NO LATER THAN...
1st Quarter (Oct 1—Feb 29)	Feb 25th
2nd Quarter (Mar 1-May 31)	May 25
3rd Quarter (Apr 1-Aug 31)	Aug 25
4th Quarter (Sep 1-30)	Setp 25

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## From our Director

Hello all

Well it's sure been a busy spring so far. A few work parties, a few rides some nice weather and of course meetings. Speaking of which the BCHW Board of Directors meeting is the 17<sup>th</sup> in Ellensburg. The work of the Executive Committee will be reviewed and approved or not. The 2024 calendars will be there. I'll be bringing home a box of 50 to sell to anyone who wants one or more. They will be \$10 each.

The chapter regional work party went well in spite of the low snow level and not being able to work on the burnt section of the Cinnamon Trail. The Falls trail is logged out and the first 1.5 miles of the Fossil, Toutle and Ski trails. The switchback on the Toutle trail has been reworked by the WTA. They installed three check steps and a curb railing to hold the edge of the approach. See article and pictures elsewhere in the newsletter.

That's not the end of the trail work at Kalama. As the snow melts out we need to follow it back logging out as we go. Be on the lookout for information for when we are doing these so you can be involved.

Thanks to all for all you do

Jim

### Written for the Sept, 23 THN

This spring at Kalama Horse Camp.

First work party of the season was May 13<sup>th</sup>. Why so late? Too darn much snow. Nine Mount Saint Helens members gathered to repair broken corral rails, get the water troughs installed and get the water running to them, and start preparing to install a new metal corral that the concessionaire bought. Second work party was May 23<sup>rd</sup>. Three Mount Saint Helens members took out the old wood corral from site #3 and installed the new metal corral.

Third work party was May 29<sup>th</sup>. Three Mount Saint Helens members concreted in the legs of the new metal corral.

All of this in preparation for the two day regional work party on June 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>. Members of the Mount Saint Helens, Lewis County, and Grays Harbor chapters and Washington Trails Association gathered to do what the snow would allow us to do. The Fossil trail, Toutle trail, and Ski trail were logged out for the first 1.5 miles before the snow was too deep. The Falls trail being the lowest in elevation, we were able to log it out completely. The Washington Trails Association installed check steps on the big switchback on the Toutle trail and a curb log along the approach to the switchback to help stop erosion. The camp trail was logged out and cleaned up from a hazard tree removal project the concessionaire did. You notice I haven't mentioned the Cinnamon trail. That's because the first two miles of it where the fire went through last fall is closed by the forest service. The area we can work on the Cinnamon was still too deep with snow. A big thank you to the cooks who fed us dinner Saturday night and breakfast Sunday morning. It is really nice when you are working to not have to come back to camp and cook too

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## From our President

### Pictures of the Kalama Work Party



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## ANNUAL FUN RIDE

**Mount St. Helens Chapter of BCHW**

**DATE: Saturday, July 15, 2023**

**WHERE: Kalama Horse Camp**

**LOTS OF RAFFLE PRIZES, including**  
gift cards from national sponsors including Resistol hats and Cinch western wear

Short and long loop rides available along some of the most exceptional trails in this area. Trail maps provided on site.



Campsites have been reserved by the chapter for the Fun Ride. \$41 for Friday and Saturday nights.  
Contact: Brian Jansen to make arrangements for camping at [bjbjgh@aol.com](mailto:bjbjgh@aol.com).

*COMPLIMENTARY BREAKFAST served at 7:00 a.m.*  
*FIRST RIDERS OUT at 8:00 a.m. LUNCH available for \$5.00. PRIZES at 3:00 p.m.*

Liability waiver must be signed at the time of registration.  
Weed Seed Free Hay Required.

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**DIRECTIONS:** Take I-5 to Exit 21-Woodland. Proceed east through town on WA-503 E toward Cougar and continue east for approximately 25 miles (past Yale Park). Watch for road to the left with green road sign to Lake Merrill and Kalama Horse Camp (8100 Road). Proceed on this road for approximately 8 miles and turn right. You will see the entrance to Kalama Horse Camp. There will be volunteers available to help with parking.

**NOTE: If you reach Cougar before turning onto the 8100 road, you've gone too far and missed the turn off.**

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

## Principles of Leave No Trace: Tips from Canadian Leave No Trace (Leavenotrace.ca)

Plan Ahead & Prepare.  
Travel & Camp on Durable Surfaces.  
Dispose of Properly.  
Leave What You Find.  
Minimize Campfire Impacts.  
Respect Wildlife.  
Be Considerate of Others.



**1. Plan and Prepare:** Ensure someone knows where you are going, with whom, and your anticipated return time/date. Carry a communication device with you. Limit your equipment by taking only what you need. Plan your route carefully, keeping in mind the least experienced participant. Familiarize yourselves with the trails, regulations, potential hazards, and climate of the area. Plan meals accurately. Repackage into reusable containers to reduce weight and garbage. Prepare yourself and your animals for the physical requirements of your trip.

**Travel and Camp on Durable Surfaces:** When possible, choose a designated campsite or an area that is well away (200m) from water sources. Hard sand or gravel surfaces are the best.

Horses should be high-lined. Avoid tying stock to trees except for short periods or in an emergency. Put hobbles on livestock that paw while high-lined. Choose a dry, hard area.

Water animals where footing is solid.

Stay on established trails and old roads. Avoid shortcuts through the bush.

During rest breaks, stop off the trail on a durable surface. Tie horses to sturdy trees for short periods. Tie and hobble restless animals to prevent pawing.

**Pack It In, Pack It Out:** Strip off all unnecessary packaging before you pack. Bring out all your litter/trash/cans, etc. If you see litter left by others, consider packing that out, too. Only burn paper in your campfire.

**Properly Dispose of Waste:** -For human feces - dig a cat-hole latrine for your group to use. Locate it at least 100m (300ft) from water and well away from camp. It should be a trench 15 cm (6") deep. (No deeper because the topsoil is where waste is most quickly decomposed.) Sprinkle soil over after each use, and when leaving camp, replace the remaining soil and naturalize it with organic debris.

Horse manure can carry viable weed seeds, so start your horses on pelleted feed the day before leaving. Remove manure piles from camp and scatter them in the bush before you move on. In meadow areas, kick the piles apart so they decompose faster.

It is important to prevent contamination of water supplies from food scraps or soap. Wash yourself, your dishes, and your clothes at least 100m from water sources. Strain out food particles from dishwater and pack them out with the garbage. Dig a 'sump hole' down to mineral soil and pour your greywater into it. Fill in and conceal the hole when leaving camp.

**Use Fire Responsibly:** Consider a portable stove for cooking, rather than an open fire. However, there's nothing like the crackle of a welcoming evening campfire! Respect campfire bans. When permitted, keep campfires small (0.5 x 0.5 x 0.5 m.) and either in established fire rings or on non-flammable soils. Extinguish the fire completely with water before you leave camp and check that ashes are cool with your hand!

**Leave What You Find:** It is illegal to remove or disturb interesting objects like shed antlers, colourful rocks, wildflowers, historical objects. Avoid damaging trees and plants. Take only pictures, leave only hoofprints!

**Be Considerate of Others:** -Respect private property. Be courteous. To reassure worried equines, engage in conversation with people that you meet. Dogs must be under control at all times and on a leash. If your dog might harass wildlife or livestock, leave it at home! Respect wildlife. Use binoculars and telephoto lenses to get a good view. If you are close enough that the animals show signs of distress, you are too close. Be aware of the sensitive times of the year for all wildlife. Enjoy the serenity and keep noise to a minimum.

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## 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**

Haney Meadows is 30 miles north of Cle Elum and 23 miles up HWY 97.

- Take I-5 North to 90 then East to Cle Elum
- Take the last exit out of Cle Elum (or go all the way thru town)
- And head East onto HWY 97 toward Wenatchee and Blewett Pass
- Take FS Road 9716 then 9712 to Haney Meadows

It's also about 30 miles north of Ellensburg off HWY 97 – see above

The Horse Camp and trails are in the Wenatchee National Forest

Trailmeister says there are 19 campsites, fire pits, picnic tables, vault toilet, Highline Posts, and stock water available via a well pump.

Weed free hay required.

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Will happily  
muck 15 stalls.

Refuses to  
clean the house.



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**2023**

**January**

**February**

**March**

**April**

**May**

**June**

30—4 Wilcox/Hayne Meadows

Ken Evans: (360) 263-1529

**July**

10—Chapter Meeting 7pm

15th Fun Ride

**August**

**NO CHAPTER MEETING**

19/20 Kalama w/ WTRA & Lewis

Co.

CONTACT: JIM ANDERSON (360) 835-5719

27th Picnic Rock Creek W/

WTRA

**September**

11 Chapter Meeting 7pm

16th—3rd QTR BOD Meeting

**October**

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/ideal desire to take the lead and sponsor a group outing.....best if drive time approx 5 hours or less.\*\*\**

Submitted by  
Ken Evans

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When selling a horse..  
The most asked question seems to be, "is he kid-safe?"  
**WELL, IT REALLY DEPENDS..**



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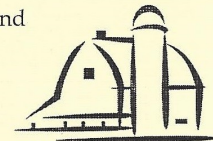
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