

WHATCOM CHAPTER



Newsletter of the Whatcom Chapter
Backcountry Horsemen of Washington

TRAIL TALES

March 2019

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2019

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Notes from the President

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I hope everyone is surviving this wintry weather, we have had to canceled our Feb meeting, work parties and one of our rides. Next comes the mud and cleaning the trails.

Our mission to perpetuate to keep our trails open is never ending.

We had 9 members attend the Leadership training in Ellensburg on Jan 26th . Bill McKenna rented a van and drove us back and forth. Thank goodness the weather was good and roads clear. Thank you Bill again for driving us and making homemade Apple Strudel for the trip.

We learned a lot of new information and got updates from Kathy Young our State President. We started with the review of Roberts Rules of order. We found out the we do not have to approve the minutes of the last meeting. When we take pictures of our work parties make sure we are wearing our hard hats and using our safety equipment. Also hard hats are only good for 5 years, We need to be mindful that we can not have pictures of kids at our work parties. It was also brought up when a motion is made to state your name and address the motion and then hand a written motion to the Secretary so if there is any question she will have the correct information for the minutes. It was wonderful to round table with other clubs and hear what helps their chapter to succeed.

I know some of our members do not have social media to be informed of *cancellations or rides and work parties that come up unexpectedly. If you know a member who just has their newsletter mailed to them please reach out to them and let them know of events that just rise up.*

Come to a meeting and enjoy the fellowship and if you want to help with a fundraiser, bring refreshments or organize a ride/work party reach out to those committees because the membership, "yes" YOU that makes our club shine.

Our Auction is just around the corner thank you Auction committee making it a success. Do not forget Rendezvous is March 15th -17th see the flyer in the newsletter.

Stay safe and hope we get a chance to ride.
Cindy

Quote Winston Churchill "No hour of life is wasted that is spent in the saddle"

Sunshine Committee

If you know someone that needs a little ray of sunshine, please contact Shirley Todhunter at 360-966-5206 or send her an email at: hermater09@gmail.com.

Shelia Eckhardt: Thinking of you card sent to Shelia, her husband George, a former BCH member passed away on Jan 15th.

Melinda Smull: Thinking of you card sent to Melinda, her Mother in law---Georgia passed away on Feb 17th

Marvin Heeringa: Thinking of you card sent to Marvin, his wife Evie passed away on Feb 20th. They donated to our auction for several years.

Debbie & Leroy Lagerwey: Thinking of you card sent to Debbie and Leroy—their friend, Evie Heeringa passed away on Feb 20th.

**2019
TRAIL BOSSES**

Cindy Piccolo
360-966-4082

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360-599-2675

Joe Remenar
360-818-4481

Roger Nelson
360-599-2461

**WORK PARTY
COORDINATOR**

Roger Nelson
360-599-2461

2019 Membership Due!

It's time to turn in your membership for 2019. Remember you can mail the membership form attached to this newsletter, just complete and send with your check attention to Helen Almojera, PO Box 28607, Bellingham, WA 98228 or you can rejoin online.
Fran

A Special Thank You to:
Laurel Farm & Western Supply
America's Horse Country
Weylin & Amy Eldred
325 W Laurel Rd., Bellingham 360/398-1216 *
360/398-8050 fax
Hours: Mon– Fri: 8:30am. to 7 pm; Sat: 8:30am.to
6:00 pm. and Sun 9 am. to 5 pm.

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1/2 Page.....\$90.00 for 6 months or \$150.00/Year

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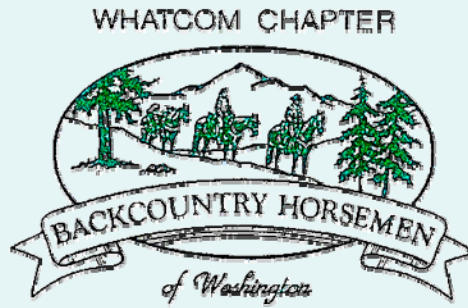
Business Card....\$30.00 for 6 months or \$50.00/ Year

Classifieds.....\$3.00 per month

Free Classifieds for members!

CLASSIFIEDS

** Place your classified ad here. Classifieds are free to Whatcom BCH members, or just \$3.00 for anyone else. Send your ad and money to the newsletter editor by the 2nd Wednesday of the month.



Whatcom BCH Annual Auction

Join Backcountry Horsemen, Whatcom Chapter for our 22nd. Annual fundraiser Auction on Friday, [March 1, 2019](#) at the [Everson Auction Barn](#), located at 7291 Everson Goshen Road, Everson. Silent auction starts at 5:30pm to 7:00 p.m. [Live auction starts at 7:15 p.m.](#) The Café will also be open. Come early and check out all the items! New items, gently used items, baked goods, etc.!



Some of the items received:

Gift cert for helicopter ride
Gift cert. for concrete products
Feed
Reins, easy boots, stirrups, etc.
Gift cert. for berries, potatoes, etc.
Gift cert for bark or topsoil, gravel
Gift cert. for 1 ton hay
Gift cert. for alignment
Gift cert. for various restaurants

Gift cert equine dental and float
Assorted kitchen basket
Saddle horn bags with first aid
Several riding saddles
Cert. for transmission services
Gift cert for Rental of tractor
SRM battery
Household items
Assorted horse books

And Much More!

Back Country Horsemen have been teaching our *Leave No Trace Principles* by example while helping to maintain thousands of miles of multi-use trails. Volunteer members ride and pack in supplies by horseback on maintenance projects to benefit many users. Funds raised buy equipment and supplies to help preserve our right to ride and access public lands for future generations. As a local nonprofit organization, we rely on community support of our efforts on behalf of all trail users, including riders, bikers, runners, walkers, and naturalists.

For more information contact Melinda Smull 360-595-2137, Sam Miller 360-325-2833 or Nancy Giordano at 360-961-0822.

Sorry, we can only accept Cash or Check at this time!



CALENDAR



March 1st.—Friday

Annual Auction at Everson Auction Barn, silent starts at 5:30pm and live starts at 7:10pm.

March 4th—Monday

Board meeting at Roundtable Pizza, dinner at 6:00pm, meeting at 7:00pm

March 9th—Saturday

Small Farm Expo at NW Fairgrounds. Contact Sharon if you can help or have ideas

Mar 15th—17th—Fri—Sun

Rendezvous in Ellensburg—see flyer in newsletter for more information.

March 13th—Wednesday

General meeting at Laurel Community Grange, Meeting at 7:00pm. Treats: Is someone willing to bring treats/beverages? Let me know.

March 23rd—Saturday

Ride at Stewart Mtn. —More info at the general meeting.

Check out our new and improved
Website:

<http://www.whatcom-bch.com/>

2019 COMMITTEE CHAIRS:

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360-599-2526

LEAVE NO TRACE:

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TRAIL HEAD COMMITTEE

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SCRAPBOOK

Debbie Lagerwey
360-354-2804
Need Pictures!

Re: Small Farm Expo in Lynden March 9th

At the January meeting there were several people that volunteered to help out at the Small Farm Expo, unfortunately the names were not written down so Sharon does not know who you are, so if you could send her an email that would be helpful.

She also would like some ideas on displays, any suggestions or if you have large photos, please send her an email at: Shoof734@aol.com

Thanks
Fran

EDITOR'S POLICIES

Trail Tales is published monthly. Deadline for submission of articles is the 15th of each month. Non-copyrighted submissions are welcomed (subject to space limitations). Opinions and views expressed in letters or personal articles are not necessarily the opinions of BCH. Send submissions to: Editor, Fran Van Diest, 723 Van Wyck Rd, Bellingham, WA. 98226. Email to: fvandiest@msn.com.

THE WHATCOM CHAPTER OF

BACKCOUNTRY HORSEMEN of WA.

**INVITES YOU TO OUR 22nd.
ANNUAL FUNDRAISER
AUCTION!**

**Friday, March 1, 2019,
EVERSON AUCTION BARN
7291 EVERSON-GOSHEN RD.**

**5:30-7:00 pm – Silent Auction
7:15 pm – Live Auction**



Packing in for PNT at Ross Lake
August 2018, several trips done.

Back Country Horsemen have been teaching our *Leave No Trace Principles* by example while helping to maintain thousands of miles of multi-use trails. Your local Whatcom County Chapter of Backcountry Horsemen works with

- City and County Parks Departments
- US Forest Service
- Washington Trail Association
- Dept. of Natural Resources
- Pacific NW Trail Association

to protect Multi-User Trailheads and trail facilities in remote areas of our region.

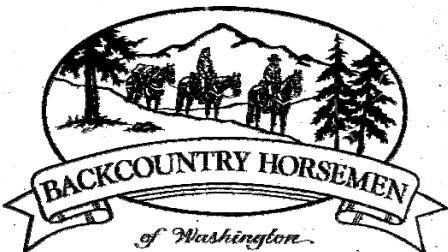
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(Cash or Check only)



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Sam Miller at 360-325-2833 or
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TRAILS FOR THE FUTURE RENDEZVOUS March 15 - 17, 2019

OPEN TO
THE PUBLIC



COME JOIN THE FUN!!!!

- ♦ **BCHW GENERAL MEETING**
- ♦ **USED TACK SALE**
- ♦ **VENDOR BOOTHS**
- ♦ **PACKING COMPETITION**
- ♦ **AUCTIONS**
- ♦ **PUBLIC LANDS DAY**
- ♦ **DUTCH OVEN COOKING**
- ♦ **CROSSCUT COMPETITION**
- ♦ **FRIDAY LUNCH POTLUCK**

BACK COUNTRY HORSEMEN'S STATEWIDE CELEBRATION

FREE CLASSES & DEMONSTRATIONS

- **Andy Breland**
- **The Trailmeister**
- **CPR/1st Aid Training**
- **Insurance Underwriters**
- **Back Country Riding for the Faint of Heart**
- **Communication in the Back Country**
- **PCT/BCHW Joint Projects and more!!!**



Saturday Night:

DINNER

&

AUCTION

Register at BCHW.org

Come see BCHW's displays:

HARD HAT DECORATING COMPETITION

CHAPTER DISPLAYS

PHOTO DISPLAY

TABLE DECORATING COMPETITION

FRIDAY & SATURDAY:

9 to 5

SUNDAY: 9 to NOON

For more information go to BCHW.org
Or contact Nicole Sedgwick
bchwexec@bchw.org



KITTITAS VALLEY EVENT CENTER

512 N Poplar , Ellensburg, WA

NOT A MEMBER? VISIT OUR APPLICATION PAGE NOW

Come Join Us!

Go to BCHW.org to join online its easier and faster! If online is not an option then print, fill out and sign the liability release (all members **18 and over**), and enclose your cash or check:

- **Chapter members:** You can renew online. If paying by check, make it out **Whatcom BCHW**, fill out an application and turn in to the Chapter Membership Chair—**Helen Almojera, PO Box 28607, Bellingham, WA 98228.**
- **Independent members** (folks who are **not** joining a chapter), make check out to "BCHW", and mail application and payment to:

Dana Chambers ATTN: BCHW MEMBERSHIP, 11404 210th Ave Ct E, Bonney Lake, WA 98391



Member Info

New Member Renewal – Membership number(s): _____

Adult's name(s): _____

Children's name(s): _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ ST: _____ Zip: _____

Phone number: _____ E-mail: _____

Legislative district (if known): _____ County: _____

Check if you DON'T want a MAILED newsletter: BCHW (Trailhead News) Chapter Newsletter

STATE MEMBERSHIP

Basic Memberships

- Single \$41.00
- Family \$54.00

Levels below include Single or Family

- Contributing \$75.00
- Sustaining \$125.00
- Patron \$250.00
- Benefactor \$500.00

Lifetime (Single) \$1200.00

State dues paid online (attach receipt copy)

Additional State Donation \$ _____
 State Subtotal \$ _____

CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP

All chapter members must also be a member of BCHW. However, BCHW dues only need to be paid **once** each year. Joining additional (secondary) chapters only requires paying chapter dues.

Chapter Name (or Independent):

Whatcom

If joining a secondary Chapter, provide the Chapter name where BCHW dues have been paid for 2019:

Chapter Dues	<u>\$10.00</u>
Additional Chapter Donation	\$ _____
<i>Chapter Subtotal</i>	\$ _____
Grand Total (State+Chapter)	\$ _____

LIABILITY RELEASE & NOTICES

All ADULT members MUST sign! Adult's signature covers minor children.

Recognizing the fact that there is a potential for an accident wherever horse use is involved, which can cause injuries to horses, riders, and spectators, and also recognizing the fact that Back Country Horsemen of Washington, including Chapters, officers, directors, or members, cannot always know the condition of trails or the experience levels of riders or horses taking part in trail rides or other BCHW events, I do hereby release and hold harmless the above named from any claim or right for damages which might occur to me, my minor children, or horses.

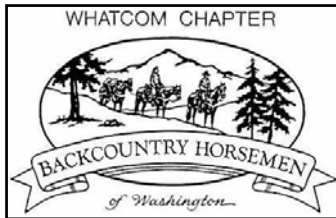
By signing this application I agree to receive notices from BCH by electronic transmission at the above email address.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Back Country Horsemen of Washington (BCHW) is a public charity as defined in Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c) (3). Accordingly, membership dues paid to BCHW may be treated as deductions characterized as "charitable contributions" when computing federal and state income tax obligations.



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Next
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Meeting:
General Meeting: March 13, 2019
Laurel Community Grange
6172 Guide Meridian, Lynden, WA
Meeting at 7:00pm.
Treats: ?

Check out the BCHW
Website at:
<http://www.bchw.org>

