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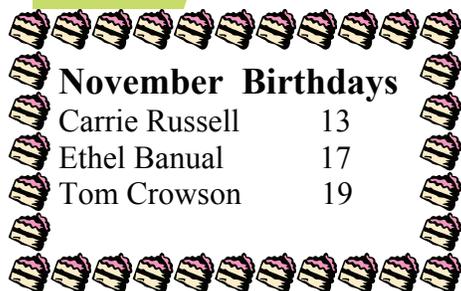
# HOOFBEAT

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Treats for  
November  
Shelly

## Tidbits from Your Prez



### November Birthdays

Carrie Russell 13

Ethel Banual 17

Tom Crowson 19

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Jeff LaBreck

A personal thanks to Cindy for taking over the Hoofbeats from Donna, any we'll be ever grateful to Donna for her hard work these past years. Thanks Donna and Cindy.

Our Web site is looking fantastic, is a very informative and fun to read. A 100% thanks to Ken, it's taken a lot of hard work, time and dedication to get the Web site up to speed. Keep the articles, pictures and information coming to Cindy and Ken. If you have anything to distribute to the membership, send it to Ritz, because the secretary has a new job, which includes distributing to membership anything that is requested.

To all membership: I have the ability to convert almost anything into an Adobe.pdf file, so if anyone wants anything on the Web or in the Newsletter, you can send it to me and I'll convert it.

Also, the club has decided (by a unanimous vote) that we're getting the membership Radios for the trail. They'll be waterproof (for those who like to swim), will cover 26 miles (for those who like to get lost), will work on DC (car) or AC (home) rechargeable or AAA batteries (for those who can't make up their mind. This safety requirement is for all members to carry a radio when on the trail anywhere, anytime, whether you're camping, day riding or doing trail maintenance. So, the club will pay half and you'll pay half, the club will buy the radios and hand them out at trail rides, meetings or campouts. In order to buy the correct quantity of radios, please give me your order via e-mail or phone by no later than November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2007.

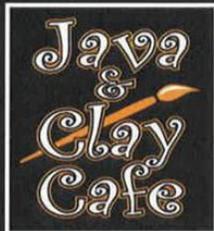
We're now into the holiday season, so let's party while the riding is soggy and cold. This is truly a year of accomplishment, sacrifice and dedicated service from many of the membership. It's time to celebrate.

Ride hard and ride safe,

Your Prez,  
*Eric D. Anderson*

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Minutes for Capital riders Meeting, October 9, 2007

The meeting was called to order by President Eric Anderson. Since Secretary Ritz Duchesne was not present, Barry Russell took notes.

**MEETING**

Approval of Minutes for September 2007 meeting: Minutes were approved as written.

Introduction of Guests: Norman and Deborah Green were visitors.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Nancy Garred reported a balance of \$3557.12, \$20.47 in petty cash, and \$5.00 in the Memorial Fund.

**Director's Report:**

Jeff LaBreck reported that the BCHW general meeting will be called "Jubilee" next year, and will be in March in Ellensburg. Details to follow. As we did last year, Capital Riders volunteers will help with the Auction. Jeff also reported that BCHW is in process of applying for 501C3 status with the state, and that BCHW received \$75K grant for forest work.

**Committee Reports:**

**Trail Rides**

Nothing scheduled for this month. If anyone wishes to go on a spur of the moment Club ride, call Carrie Russell.

**Trail Maintenance**

Jeff LaBreck said there may be a work party at Mima in November.

**Social Events**

Shelley Anderson listed the following:

- Harvest Party October 27, at 5:00, at Merklin's
- Christmas Party December 15 at Anderson's
- Also scheduled: November 17 Breakfast at JJ North's , 9:00 A.M.

**Hoofprints Program**

Jeff LaBreck needs your miles by 10/31/2007.

No other committee reports were given.

Old Business None

**New Business**

"Mail-to" person will be Ritz Duchesne , replacing Gary Thorson effective October 2007. If Ritz is absent, e-mail Eric.

Club purchase of radios was discussed. Gordon and Nina Merklin did research, and the findings were reported. The best choice was decided on: a 28-milerange, water proff radio with rechargeable batteries. The price will be around \$75 -\$85 for a pair. It was moved and seconded that the club would pay half the costs for those interested in getting radios. A sign-up sheet was sent around for those present who would be interested. From the 17 members present, 17 radios were requested.

The club purchase of a long handled, gas-powered pruning saw for trail maintenance was discussed. Information was provided by Karen Johnson. More information was requested on the issue of liability. The subject was tabled for the sake of time until the next meeting.

A rewrite of the club's mission statement will be developed at the Executive Meeting for presentation to the membership. Anyone wishing to participate may attend.

Nominations for next years officers were opened. The nominees are:

- |                     |                            |
|---------------------|----------------------------|
| President           | Eric Anderson              |
| Vice President      | Barry Russell              |
| Secretary           | Ritz Duchesne              |
| Treasurer           | Betty Reichel              |
| Director            | Jeff LaBreck               |
| Assistant Directors | Karen Johnson, Tracy Koch. |

Voting will be by both e-mail and hard mail in November.

Respectfully submitted by Barry Russell.



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September 22, 2007

Directors Meeting

Cle Elum, WA

1. Meeting called to order and roll call taken at 9:10 am by BCHW President Bob Gish.
2. Bob Gish reviewed the agenda, made changes and it was adopted.
3. Conservation NW (Will Patrick), gave a presentation about Wild Lands and Wildlife Preservation and Joe Scott discussed Grizzly Bear Recovery in the North Cascades Recovery Zone. Conservation NW wants the BCHW to have the latest information on Grizzly Bear Recovery.
4. A 501c3 tax status presentation was given by Ken Keddington and Kathy Gilliam. The state BCHW would be the 501c3 applicant and the individual chapters would fall under the umbrella, and would have to follow the same guidelines as the state BCHW does.
5. One third of revenues must come from public support, grants, dues or similar sources for 501c3.
6. Motion was passed to convert to a 501c3 corporation and policies will be formulated and sent to the chapters.
7. All chapters will now have the ability to solicit tax deductible donations from companies and qualify for more grants.
8. All chapters will be required to file a Form 990 Informational Return for 2007.
9. Darrell Wallace talked about how the General Meeting and Auction went at Monroe in June.
10. Sue Branch gave a presentation on the 2008 and 2009 BCHW Budgets and went through all the line items.
11. We received a \$10,000 LNT Grant for 2008, and a \$75,000 Trail Maintenance Grant for 2008 and 2009 that will be split ½ each year.
12. The BCHW will end 2007 in the black and 2008 and 2009 are projected to be in the black.
13. Darrell Wallace brought up a Resolution to mark up BCHW merchandise to include a profit and postage and it was adopted.
14. Teunis Wyers reported that he has drafted a leaned down new version of the BCHW Bylaws which will exclude the members in the decision making process.
15. If a group disbands then the assets would go to a 501c3 or 501c4 depending on which class the group is.
16. Each chapter Mission Statement and Bylaws will have to be a reflection of the state's.
17. Bob Brooke reported that the upcoming session is a short one and suggested that we do not have a full fledged Leg Day.
18. The JLARC Report showed that only 14% of the off road money was going to off road uses and the rest was going to the general fund, which is unconstitutional
19. Jeff Chapman reported that some of the USFS RFQs have been postponed for a year due to public comment.
20. We are going to try to get limited chain saw use in the wilderness to clear out the deadfalls.
21. Wild Sky Wilderness proposal passed in the House but is in limbo in the Senate.
22. We may need an ID to access Federal Lands next year.
23. Dave Swanberg said that the BCHW General Meeting would be in Ellensburg on March 21, 22 and 23, 2008 and in Ellensburg in March, 2009.
24. Jane Byram said that BCHW will continue its LNT program and all certificates will come from BCHW. She needs to know who the LNT Coordinator is for each chapter. She wants to surplus the pyramid tents and the old classroom tent and get a new larger classroom tent.
25. The 2008 \$10,000 LNT Grant ranked #1.
26. Heather Moorman reported that we are down 10% on memberships from same time in 2006. We have 1,873 total memberships of all types and will have new membership cards in 2008.
27. Bob Gish has been nominated for BCHW President and Darrell Wallace for Vice President for 2008. Ballots will be included in the Trailhead News.
28. Vickie Clark said that most of the calendars will be sold and we will make a profit this year.
29. Bob Shonka reported the Right To Ride has been changed to Historic and Traditional use Bill.
30. The new bill is for all users of Public Lands.
31. Bob Shonka suggested that we use BCHA Legislative Funds to send him and Mike Reedy to Washington, DC to lobby for the bill.
32. Traci Koch said that she wants the chapters to work together and plan Trail Maintenance Projects on USFS land to utilize the grant money.
33. She will administer the Grant and will reimburse for mileage, food and supplies and will need receipts for these and the Volunteer Hours spent on the projects.
34. Bob Shonka made a motion to ratify Traci Koch and Jane Byram as Grant Administrators and it was passed.
35. Trygve Culp commented on how long it took to get a report on the finances for the 2007 General Meeting.
36. Michelle Levar read a Youth Membership Resolution that would create a new Youth Group Classification. Resolution was amended to remove BCHA mention, was authorized by Teunis Wyers and passed.
37. Bob Shonka and Randy Darling will take it to the BCHA Annual Meeting to show them what we are doing about including youth.
38. Darrell Wallace reported that BCHW was the only non government attendee at a Noxious Weed meeting in Olympia. We may get involved in the future with control and monitoring of Noxious weeds.
39. Jeff LaBreck suggested inviting the Border Patrol to the November 30, 2007 Public Land Managers Meeting. Bob Gish thought it was a good idea and gave the go ahead to invite them.
40. Melinda Hardin wondered how we can interface more with other user groups, as it will become increasingly more important in the future.
41. Meeting adjourned by Bob Gish at 2:55 pm. A good and productive meeting that was attended by Jeff LaBreck, Karen Johnson and Traci Koch of Capitol Riders.

Jeff LaBreck  
Director

## Equine Dental Clinic Scheduled for November 10, 2007 at the Trails End

8:00	Ritz Duchesne
9:00	Karen Johnson
10:00	Karen Johnson
11:00	Nina Merklin
12:00	Nina Merklin
1:00	Betty Reichel
2:00	Tootie Crowson (vaccinations only) 2 horses
3:00	Diane Gunderson
4:00	Diane Gunderson

Classified Advertising Rates for Hoofbeats Newsletter	
Business Cards	\$40 / year
1/4 Page	\$20 / month <b>or</b> \$75 / year
1/2 Page	\$45 / month <b>or</b> \$135 / year
Full Page	\$55 / month <b>or</b> \$200 / year
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## Capitol Riders 2007 Ride/Activity Schedule

Date of Event	Activity and Location	Trail Boss
November 10	Equine Dental Clinic	Donna Thorson
November 17	Breakfast at JJ North's	
December 15	Holiday Party/Potluck	Shelly & Eric Anderson

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## 2007 Capitol Rider's Meeting Schedule

January 9, 2007	No meeting in July
February 13, 2007	August 14, 2007
March 13, 2007	September 11, 2007
April 10, 2007	October 13, 2007
May 8, 2007	November 13, 2007
June 12, 2007	December 11, 2007

