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OLYMPIA, WA.

# HOOFBEATS

## MARCH 2013

Next meeting March 5th 7 pm  
Karen (Coffee), Sue Koch (Treats)



The next general meeting is scheduled for March 5th, 7 pm at the Littlerock firehall on Littlerock Road.

March 6th is an opportunity for you to provide input to the Olympic National Park planning process.

Olympic National Park invites the public to participate in developing a Wilderness Stewardship Plan to help protect and manage the designated wilderness lands within the park.

Superintendent Sarah Creachbaum  
Attn: Wilderness Stewardship Plan  
Olympic National Park  
600 East Park Avenue Port Angeles, WA 98362

Spring Animal Care Seminar March 16th in Rochester - 1-3 pm. The Old Gate School, 16925 Moon Road, Rochester. Free workshop includes coffee and refreshments.

“The Olympic Wilderness was designated by Congress in 1988 and has become one of the most popular wilderness destinations in the country,” said Olympic National Park Superintendent Sarah Creachbaum. “We are excited to be moving ahead with a comprehensive plan for how we protect and manage this area and are looking forward to hearing thoughts and ideas from our public.”

The plan will be developed in accordance with the Wilderness Act of 1964 and analyzed through an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) process. In the coming weeks, a Notice of Intent to Prepare an EIS will be published in the Federal Register. The public comment period begins today and will continue for 60 days after the Federal Register notice is published.

More information about the Olympic Wilderness Stewardship Plan and planning process, including a public scoping newsletter, is available online at <http://parkplanning.nps.gov/olywild>. Comments may also be submitted at that website.

Public workshops will be offered around the Olympic Peninsula and are scheduled as follows.

March 6, 2013, 5:00-7:00 pm, Shelton Civic Center, 525 W. Cota Street, Shelton, WA 98584

Public comments may also be mailed or delivered to:

Spring Livestock care including vaccinations, changes in animals diets, proteins of new pastures, skin condition and bone growth, preparation for breeding and other topics. Dr. Everett Macomber, DVM.

April 13th is the Great Gravel Haul in the Capitol Forest. Meet at 9 am at the Margaret McKenny campground off Waddell Creek Road. Don't worry if you don't have a Discover Pass. A day pass is available for volunteers. Work will consist of hauling and spreading gravel on the new winter equine loop trail and general cleanup of the campground itself.

BCHW is looking for photos for the calendar. It does not matter when they were taken.

BCHW CALENDARS.... by Vicki Clark: The BCHW Calendar committee is in need of your pictures....we are looking for a wide variety of categories and are in special need of work party and winter scene pictures. I have created a new e-mail account for digital submissions: [bchw.calendarpictures@gmail.com](mailto:bchw.calendarpictures@gmail.com) (without the hyphen)

The submission date deadline for the 2014 calendar is March 1st, 2013. We are accepting submission all year long and have created an archive for all pictures received in order to use them at a later date.



## **Events - partial for 2013**

### **March**

- 5 - General meeting, Littlerock firehall 7 pm
- 6 - Olympic NP Wilderness Stewardship Plan workshop, Shelton 5-7pm, Shelton Civic Center
- 15 - BCHW Directors Meeting - Ellensburg
- 16 - BCHW General Meeting - Ellensburg
- 16- Spring Farm Animal Care Seminar, Rochester 360-280-5313
- 15-17 - BCHW Rendezvous - Ellensburg
- 15-17 - LNT at Rendezvous, Jane Byram LNT@bchw.org
- 28 - DNR User meeting 6 pm, 801 88th Ave Tumwater

### **April**

- 2 - General Meeting Littlerock fire hall 7 pm
- 6-7 - Lewis County Chapter Basic Skills Class wesselius@wildblue.net
- 13 - Capitol Forest Great Gravel Haul 9 am Margaret McKenny Campground
- 13 - Large Animal Extraction Class, 9-2, Rochester
- 20 - Olympic National Park "Barn Day" 9am Elwha Ranger Station 360-565-3178
- 22 - Earth Day
- 26-28 - Methow Valley chapter Spring Ride

The resolution of the pictures should be high and a minimum of 300 x 400 pixels for the small pictures can be used but 600 x 600 pixels is much better. Always choose the high resolution selection when e-mailing any submissions. Please check your camera settings to make sure that your resolution is not set on thumbnail or e-mail settings.

Submitting pictures implies a release of the copyright to those photos submitted. Please make sure that you have permission from the person who took the picture that you are submitting if it is not your own. Chapters frequently make a disk of chapter pictures to use for slide shows and we would love to receive a copy of those pictures. You can send digital pictures or hard copies which can be scanned, a 4x6 picture is large enough to use for the large picture after it has been scanned in at a high resolution.

Please send information with each picture which includes where the picture was taken, a short description of the event and who took the picture. Submission do not have to be new pictures but can be from any year.

Please mail submissions to:

Vicki Clark  
211516 East Cochran Road  
Kennewick, WA 99337

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at hrrleerydr@gmail.com or call (509) 551-0551

Capitol Riders meeting minutes  
Littlerock Firehall  
2/5/13

President Laura Kingman called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

There were 21 people present with four guests: Debbie Wilder, Gloria Bauman and Norman and Debra Green.

The January minutes were approved.

Treasurers Report – Traci Koch

Traci said she now has everything in Quickbooks so next year when the new person takes over it should be easy. The chapter is solvent. Traci said that the chapter should be paying Chris Enrico since he does so much.

Web site/Newsletter – Chris Enrico

Chris said that Mountain Springs Lodge featured on page 26 of the Horse Source magazine passed out at the meeting is listed on the Horse Camps on the chapter web site.

Work Parties – Jeff LaBreck

Jeff said that the chapter has adopted Mima Campground and some trails. We still have Trail 6 up to Trail 20 (editor note – these are the old trail names). Jeff asked for someone to go out on a regular basis and monitor the trail status. Barry and Carrie Russell volunteered to do this through the county sheriff mounted patrol. Carrie will get the sheriff office okay. Jeff will then notify DNR that we have someone going out to monitor.

Laura Kingman mentioned that DNR has the Mima Mounds cleanup on February 23rd.

Karen Johnson asked if anyone was willing to volunteer for Legislative Volunteer as BCHW wants each chapter to have someone. Dean Hartman volunteered.

Karen mentioned the Leave No Trace class coming up in Randle. She said there are places to stay including bunkhouses at the ranger station.

The chapter garage sale is May 4th. Dean Hartman said to start getting your sale stuff together. He has a pile in the middle of his garage already. Joyce Nelson said Chris Enrico would send out information on her address. She also asked that people price their items ahead of time and bring it out on Friday evening the day before the sale. The sale officially starts at 9 am but show up at 8 since some people do come early to buy and we'll sell to them as it's money.

Karen Johnson mentioned the table decorating contest at Rendezvous. Jeff LaBreck asked for a show of hands on who is going and said it looks like the chapter can fill two tables of eight. Further discussion of the contest ensued and Chris Enrico mentioned the email he sent to officers with links to toys. No decision was made.

Karen Johnson mentioned that it is BCHA's 40th birthday. She also said BCHW is looking for award nominations by February 15th. And that BCHA has other award nominations coming due as well (Double

Diamond entry due April 17 and the Legacy Award)

Sue Koch gave a Legislative Day recap as did Barb Follett and Karen Johnson.

Speakers Carrie and Barry Russell gave a very nice presentation with a slide show of their month long trip to Arizona with the horses.

Sue Koch offered to bring treats to the March meeting.

President Laura Kingman adjourned the meeting at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Enrico  
Secretary

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**The chapter thanks Barry and Carrie Russell for sharing photos and the story of their month long trip to Arizona.**

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#### **USED TACK SALE AT RENDEZVOUS!**

The Mount Saint Helens Chapter has graciously offered to man the booth this year. 15% of all sales goes to BCHW. MSH isn't tacking on any fee for running the booth so sellers get more of the profit. Have your tack and good quality western or riding clothing at the booth clean and with your price marked on it. They will not be doing any dickering for you so make your price what you will sell it for. The booth will open at 10:00 AM Friday the 15th, it is in the Manastash Room along with the Registration booth.

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From: Lofflin, Diana (DNR)  
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2013 12:32 PM  
Subject: RE: DNR's Forest Watch Program

Good afternoon,

Thank you so much for your enthusiasm and participation in the Forest Watch Program.

We have just released a Blog ( <http://washingtondnr.wordpress.com/2013/02/26/join-forest-watch-and-become-a-better-friend-of-the-forest/> ) with your stories on what it is like to be a Forest Watch Volunteer.

Currently, DNR is trying to offer more Forest Watch opportunities and build a volunteer base. Would you mind sharing this blog with individuals or organizations who may want to participate in the Forest Watch program?

Thank you so much for your support.

Sincerely,

Diana Lofflin

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## **Yakima basin water plan funding request doubles**

\$23 million sought for Teanaway land purchase

By MIKE JOHNSTON senior writer

A request for state funds to kick start the Yakima River basin water resource management plan has more than doubled, going from more than \$22 million to more than \$45 million.

Members of the state House of Representative's Capital Budget Committee learned Friday in a public hearing that the additional funds are sought as a down payment to purchase more than 46,000 acres of wooded lands in the Teanaway River watershed northeast of Cle Elum. The lands are privately owned, mostly by American Forest Land Company.

The request from the state's capital budget includes funding to take action on water supply improvements related to the Yakima River Basin Water Enhancement Program's Integrated Water Resource Management Plan.

The plan aims to stabilize, increase and conserve water supplies in the three-county Yakima basin and protect the environment of watershed lands and boost fish runs.

The funding bill also has \$2 million to purchase water rights in Kittitas, Yakima and Benton counties.

Kittitas County Commissioner Paul Jewell said he testified in support of the funding on Friday in Olympia as a member of the water plan's implementing committee.

He said state capital budget committee members had several questions about the higher amount sought, and several conservation groups spoke in support, indicating the Teanaway lands will be preserved from development and environmentally improved, thus protecting the watershed and water quality.

### **Support**

Jewell said he continues to hear support for the legislation, despite the amount requested going up significantly.

State House Bill 1414 and Senate Bill 5367 call on the state Department of Ecology to use the funds to begin implementing aspects of the plan, some of which have previously been approved by the federal government.

Environmental and conservation groups supporting the \$5 billion, 20-year basin water plan say it would strengthen fish runs, protect the timberland northeast of Cle Elum from development and preserve shrub-steppe lands in the Yakima River Canyon.

Conservation groups in opposition to aspects of the plan object to expanding the Bumping Lake reservoir northwest of Yakima and creating a new reservoir in a side canyon to the Yakima River Canyon southeast of Ellensburg.

They said more water can be made available in the Yakima River basin through aggressive conservation projects.

The next step

State House Bill 1414 will be the focus of an executive session of the House Capital Budget Committee set for 8 a.m. Thursday, a session closed to the public.

The state Senate version of the bill, SB 5367, is currently before the Senate Ways and Means Committee.

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**It's not too late for Rendezvous.** The dinner may be sold out but you can still attend the auction.

A partial list of auction items:

Cascade Mountain Grilling, Dinner for 12.

Capitol Riders will be donating a nice 24" trail saw with BCHW stamped scabbard.

A Stihl MS180 24" bar chainsaw and carry case from Methow Valley Chapter and Bill & Jan Ford

A piece of handcrafted mirrored metal artwork and a handcrafted birdhouse from Inland Empire Chapter

A Stihl FS 45 trimmer from Harbor Saw & Supply

Patio Fire Pit from Wenas Valley Chapter

Two Western Dream Ride Tickets for all meals and the ride from the Olympic Chapter

Mule cookie jar - Northeast Chapter

Island County Chapter will donate a basket of "Made in Whidbey" goodies; including latest from Whidbey Distillery, Lavender Wind Farm, and Whidbey Chocolates amongst other Treats, approx. value: \$100

A small wine carrier with a bottle of wine, and a GlassyBaby candle. Approx. retail value: \$75 - Buckhorn Range Chapter

A Road Kill Cafe gift basket to include adult beverages, food items and treats with customized labels carrying through with the "road kill cafe" theme (Confetti of Collie anyone? Slab o' Lab? Flat Cat Crackers?..) Approx. retail value: \$80 - Buckhorn Range Chapter

Metal Silhouette Art, approx. 2'X 4' - Rattlesnake Ridge Riders



## And the best for last

The 2013 ride schedule: (subject to change)

DAY RIDES: “At a moments notice” rides can be scheduled at anytime to ride at Fort Lewis, Scattercreek and/or Capitol Forest

April 6: Nisqually Mashel : Annual Chili Dog Ride

May 18: Elbe Hills/Optional overnight camping

June 8: Kennedy Creek/Shelton

July 27: Pack Forest/Eatonville

August 10: Beach Ride /Grayland

August 17: Danville Georgetown Trail System/Maple Valley

August 31: Green Mountain/Belfair

## CAMPOUTS

May 9-13: Beaver Creek/Twisp/ Methow Valley

May 23-27: Nile/Chinook Pass /Memorial Day Ride

June 13-16: Wenas/BBQ Flats/Naches (Alternative: Joe Watt/Thorp)

June 27-30: Indian Camp/Bruce Tropple Horse Camp/Cle Elum

July 11-14: Green River Horse Camp/Randle

July 19-21: Western Dream Ride/ Flying Horseshoe Ranch/Cle Elum

August 1-4: Mt Adams Horse Camp

August 22-25: Les Hilde/ Sedro Wooley

September 5-8: Keenes Horse Camp/Randle

We thank the ride committee for their efforts to compile this list.



NOVEMBER 10-12-2011

# Come Join Us!

To join or renew your membership with BCHW, complete this application:

- Please PRINT LEGIBLY.
- Sign the LIABILITY RELEASE (all members over 18).
- Make checks out to CAPITOL RIDERS.
- Give or mail the application to Chapter Treasurer:

Traci Koch  
61 SE Craddick Road, Shelton WA 98584-9236



## Member Info

New Member       Renewal – Membership number(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Adult's name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

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### STATE MEMBERSHIP

#### Basic Membership

- Single \$36.00
- Family \$49.00

#### Optional Membership (includes family or single from above)

- Contributing \$65.00
- Sustaining \$100.00
- Patron \$250.00
- Benefactor \$500.00
- Lifetime (Single) \$1200.00

State dues paid online (attach receipt copy)

Additional State Donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Subtotal A \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP

Chapter Name (or Independent): \_\_\_\_\_

#### Capitol Riders

Chapter Dues - Single \$10.00  
- Family \$15.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Chapter Donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Subtotal B \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Grand Total (A+B) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## 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.

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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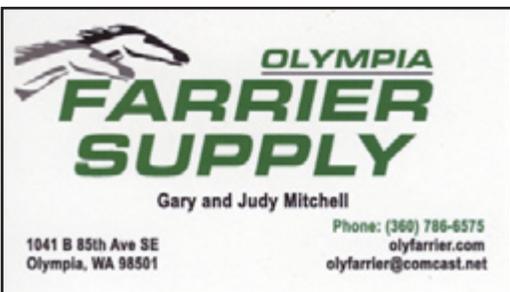
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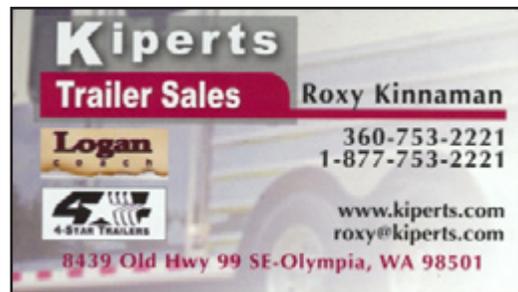
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