

CAPITOL RIDERS



OLYMPIA, WA.

Hoofbeats - September 2012

Next meeting September 4th 7 pm
Karen (Coffee), Laura K (Treats)

From President Laura -

I love learning and I love free stuff and I bet you do too. Join me for a unique opportunity for both. On September 7th at 6:30 p.m., there will be a free demo prior to the September 8th and 9th Trail Competitions A-Z Clinic taught by Trail Champions Mitch and JoLinn of Oregon's MJ Rising H Ranch and local trainer and Trail Champion Tawnya Elrod.



The 'FREE Open House and Q & A' (Friday 9/7) and the clinic (Saturday and Sunday, 9/8-9/9) will be at Eros Bordeaux Stables in Olympia. Visit www.mjrisinghranch.com for demo and clinic details. I just received a note from the clinic organizer that someone had to cancel so there is one opening to ride Saturday and Sunday. For directions, you can visit: www.erosarabhacks.com/boarding. Who knows? You just might see someone you know riding in the free demo on September 7th. Come and watch for free and get your questions about trail competitions answered. Apparently Mountain Trail is a combination of traditional western trail classes with more challenging obstacles. I hope to see you Friday night. We can learn together.

On a club business note, be thinking about which officer post you would like to fill in 2013 and think about who you know who would be good in another officer position. Sometimes your confidence in another person can boost theirs. Thank you to all of you. Every member makes a difference and helps us achieve success. With each person doing a small amount it makes a big difference toward keeping trails open to enjoy with our beloved horses and mules.



See you at our next meeting on Tuesday, September 4th, at the Littlerock Fire Hall. Give your horses (and mules) a kiss from me.



Happy Trails,



Laura

In addition to the chapter officers Laura mentioned, we are looking for someone willing to lead the majority of our rides. Carrie Russell has become burned out and would like to take a break. Knowledge of the area is a plus. Otherwise it means you know who all is going and coordinate any carvaans.

The Suiattle Road Revised Environmental Assessment has come out and we have until September 10th to comment.

The road is in the Darrington Ranger District. The river enters the Sauk River north of Darrington and flows east to west draining the area west of Stehiken (at the head of lake Chelan). It had several sections wash out in the winter of 2003 and again in 2006. Suffice it to say the road is a major route into the wilderness.



Comments can be emailed to Denise Steele at wfl.suiattleriverroad@dot.gov or mailed to Federal Highway Administration, ATTN: Denise Steele, 610 E. Fifth St., Vancouver, WA 98661-3893. Suggested talking points:

SUBJECT: Suiattle River Road Environmental Assessment

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1. I am a stock user with the Back Country Horsemen of Washington. We maintain trails throughout the state with pack and saddle stock support. We cannot sustain this effort without road access to the trailheads along with having suitable parking areas for trailer towing vehicles.
2. Stock use on the Pacific Crest Trail and on connecting trails accessed from the Suiattle River Road FR 26 provides the only way to bring in supplies and materials to crews maintaining trails

Bonus FUN at ACTHA ride!!!

A gal should not have so much fun! LOL

I tend to have a lot of fun at the ACTHA rides but wow throw in meeting Bob and Laura of Equine Wellness Services from Toledo, Wash (360-864-6842) equinep@toledotel.com. Now that was over the top fun for me.

They are the nicest folks, super knowledgeable in boots and will be a great asset to EasyCare, they are new dealers for us. Bob is also a trimmer so what a perfect fit for EasyCare. Bob shared how they went to the Dr. Teskey clinic that was held in our state. We started talking about trimming,etc.. I mentioned needing to soak Curly's feet to soften them up so I could get the bars trimmed better. Well, sweet Bob offered to trim them for me with his much sharper knife. We had fun discussing what he saw in Curly's feet. He pointed out a few things my untrained eye did not know. Now remember Bob was fresh from a Teskey clinic so I was all ears.

Bob has a very calm energy about him, so I am sure he is loved by his clients and their horses! Adding him to my list of trimmers I refer folks to, never know I may be asked if I know of a good trimmer in the Toledo area.

Most of the time I was out on the trails competing but I did get to see Laura and Bob in action helping and advising folks before the awards. What a pleasure meeting them!

On the ride- The judging gods shined on us again and we won Open by one point.(105 out of a possible 120) Curly's now has 117 points towards his gold medal, which is 150 points. That is my last goal with ACTHA, for Curly to earn his gold. Then it would be best to step aside but until then 'we ride'.

Martha and Curly
Buckley, Wash



The Les Hilde Horse Camp in the Harry Osborne State Forest is a new favorite riding destination. We travelled north on I-5 to Burlington and then took Highway 20 through Sedro Woolley. Twenty minutes out of town, the camp is huge, with plenty of camping spaces and day parking and more trails than you could count---beautifully maintained by the local BCH chapter. The camp includes highline poles around the perimeter, vault toilets and a large picnic shelter. The only thing this facility lacks is a water source in camp. The weather was awesome for August and the trails rate easy to moderate through diverse vegetation. Can't wait to get back there again and explore more trails---in fact, I only wonder how we have never made this area a camping destination before this---we've been missing an awesome camping and riding opportunity. It reminds me of Capital Forest---before they logged it. - Dean Hartman







BCHW Capitol Riders

Meeting minutes

Littlerock fire hall 8/7/12 7 pm

Call to Order: Laura Kingman, President, called the regular meeting of BCHW Capitol Riders Chapter to order at 7:00 PM on 08/07/2012, in the Littlerock Fire Hall.

Introduction of Guests: Angelle Hickman - four guests.

CJ Buri, Deb Hall, Jan Huntley, and Laura Shillam. CJ & Jan were Connie's guests and Laura and Deb were Micki & Cindy's guests. All our guests signed up to join BCHW & the Chapter.. Laura facilitated 'around the room' members introductions for our guests.

Attendance : 15 (4 guests)

Approval of minutes: Connie Bailey

Membership approved June 6th, 2012 minutes as read.

Treasurers Report: Traci Koch was absent

a) Petty Cash - Angelle Hickman is in charge of petty cash.

Newsletter-Web: Chris Enrico

Chris reported that he is adding more horse camp sites and maps to the web site.

Activity Committee: Vice President Dean Hartman.

Ride Committee: Carrie Russell, Martha Kesting and Susan Hartman

Carrie reported day rides are on even numbered Saturdays. Call Carrie on 360-438-1873.

The Green River ride is canceled as is the outing to Panhandle Lake. Les Hilde was moved up to 8/9-8/12.

Reminder: Always bring plenty of human drinking water on campouts and Weed free feed.

Work Parties: Jeff LaBreck

September 29th is Public Lands Day and DNR will have a work party.

Members brought up concerns over trails not marked properly and people getting lost.

Jeff mentioned that the new DNR maps will be online. DNR is working on this. Date TBD.

Karen Johnson mentioned an August 12th work party in Capitol Forest. Meet at Mima Trailhead at 10 AM. She will send an email with details of what to bring.

Ways & Means: Dean Hartman & Tom Crowson

Advertising: Jeff LaBreck: Currently 8 sponsors. Note: Advertising revenue will be submitted to petty cash fund.
(Ed. now 7)

Garage Sale: Dean will check with Evergreen Sportsman Club asking to use their facility in May. Chris was asked to send an email to the membership asking for a location off Littlerock Road.

Raffle Tickets: Angelle Hickman not present

iGive: Connie Bailey: quarterly reports - nothing.

Social Events: Anita Rustvold, Connie Bailey, Loretta Watkins

Need volunteers and ideas for social events. .

Please call or send email to Connie 360-273-5552 with any ideas you may have for a social.

Membership Correspondence: Chris Enrico, Connie Bailey

Angelle Hickman oversees various personal events with our membership.

Legislative: Judy Francis & Dean Hartman.

Current Information posted on the web site and emailed to the membership.

Director: Karen Johnson

2013 Calendars coming out soon (Ed. there have been printing issues) - \$20.00. Jeff will go to Eastern WA and pick up 100 calendars.

Volunteer's to sell calendars: Ron H., Jeff L., Connie B., Laura K., Karen J., & Dean H.

ALT Director: Jeff LaBreck:

Picking up the calendars for the next meeting.

Old Business:

Adopt a Trail. Dean mentioned we do Mima Camp & help other groups. Motion was made and carried to adopt a trail: Mima - Greenline 6 to Trail 20. (note that this is a reminder from June)

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New business:

Chapter Christmas party - December 1st at Rob Keyser's barn, Mark your calendars!

2013 Officer elections. Looking for volunteers to run for office. Offices open: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer.

2013 Committee Volunteers: Membership/Communications, Trail Boss, Work Parties, Awards, Social.

Good of the Order:

Carrie Russell leaving for Wickenburg, Arizona on November 1st for a ride at Horsepitality.

Karen brought a sample in of 'false dandelion'. Connie sending email of information on horses contracting strin-ghalt with videos.

Bordeaux Clinic with Mitch & Jolinn Hoover. Sept. 7th @ 6:30 Free demo. Clinic on September 8-9. Connie to send email with the links to MJRisingRanch and Bordeaux facility location.

Aug 18th ACTHA Trail Challenge at Mossyrock. You now can join in on the ACTHA rides without being a member. Go to their website (www.actha.us) for information. Laura Cohen will be there with EasyCare Boot display.

August 18th, Felicity Farm Sale- They are closing down. 360-273-7384. Tack, Horse Sale and Trail Ride. Connie will email directions.

Treats & Coffee for August 7th Meeting:

Karen (Coffee) & Laura K.(Treats).

Adjournment : President Laura Kingman adjourned the meeting at 8:08 PM.

Minutes submitted by: Connie Bailey

Minutes approval by: Membership on _____

Chapter events recap -

September 9 - Buck Creek in the Greenwater area of SR 410. Overnight at Echo Ranch if you wish or hang out at the airstrip (camp sites are available.)

September 29 - Capitol Forest work party on Public Lands Day. More information at the meeting.

Other events/Clinics -

September 8-9 - Trail Competitions A-Z Clinic taught by Mitch and JoLinn of Oregon's MJ Rising H Ranch and local trainer Tawnya Elrod. (See page 1 for more information.)

Cowgirl wisdom -

Ride Like the wind.. Never look back.

Cowboys are proof that cowgirls can take a joke.

If you ain't makin' dust, yer eatin' it!

Silly cowboy, trucks are for girls!

If you don't like the taste of dirt, don't ride the bull!

Don't Squat With Your Spurs On.

When playing hard to get, it's better to have a fast horse.

Good horses are partners, not pets.

When it comes to life's adventures never pull back on the reins.

God made men to be there for women. Then he made the horse because he knew men couldn't do it.

One good turn deserves another.

It's a lot like nuts and bolts. If the rider is nuts the horse bolts.

Never let your saddle out run your butt.

Don't hate me cuz my horse is fast. Hate me because yours isn't fast enough.

A cowgirl that rides good horses is usually a good COWGIRL!

Mares are from Mars, Studs are from Venus, Geldings are from Heaven.

Golf courses are a waste of good pasture land.

If Your horse ain't sweatin', u ain't goin' fast enough!

You can have my boyfriend, but stay away from my horse.

Some of the best Cowboys aren't boys.

Don't think of it as losing- think of it as being beaten by a cowgirl.

Speak your mind, but ride a fast horse!

There's nothing better for the soul of a man than the outside of a horse...

A cowboy is a man with guts and a horse.

God forbid that I should go to any Heaven in which there are no horses.

Poverty is another word for owning a horse...

If every child had a horse, what's the point a getting a car?

In 20 years you'll reget the things you didn't do more than the things you did.

Behind every successful rancher is a wife who works in town.

Riding – The art of keeping a horse between you and the ground.

Wisdom is realizing you're riding down the wrong trail...again.

When you realize you ain't perfect, life eases up.

Those that ain't been thrown, never rode.

After weeks of beans and taters, even a change to taters and beans is good.

AND

Cowgirl: A better-looking cowboy with brains.

NOVEMBER 2013 APPLICATION

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): _____

Children's name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ ST: _____ Zip: _____

Phone number: _____ E-mail: _____

Legislative district (if known): _____ County: _____

STATE MEMBERSHIP

Basic Membership

- Single \$36.00
- Family \$49.00

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- 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: _____

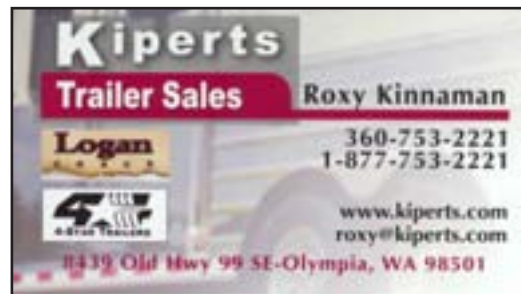
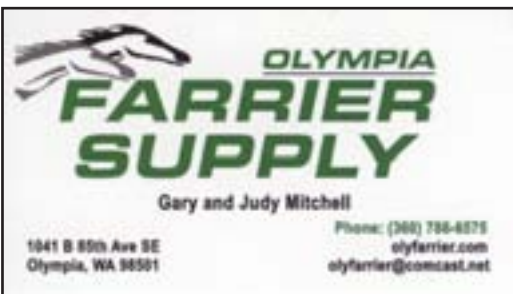
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