

Back Country Horsemen
High Sierra Chapter

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Wednesday, March 19, 2008, Black Bear Diner, Reno

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Meeting called to order at 7:02pm

Established Quorum.

Visitors introduced themselves.

Approved last month's minutes.

This Sunday ride at Lahontan, Scout camp 10am ready to ride. Jerry will send directions.

Officers/ Board Reports

- VP - Volunteer hrs – none reported since last month
- Sec - current active members: 9 family, 11 single.
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Committee Report

- Trail Clinic - Paula L. or Joel
Paula updated everybody about the trail clinic and handed out stacks of flyers to post at feed stores and other boards. Need to email other horse clubs, horse friends. We still need more volunteers, such as to unload the wagons which is heavy work.
Sabine will scan the flyer and email to all. Will also add to Craigslist and nvequest.

Old Business

- CPR Class - Jerry: Class is held the 3rd Sat each month. Updated procedures are taught which are much easier. \$25.00. Location: Fire Station 2 on Sutro just south of Hug High School. To get enrolled contact Stacy at CPR hot line 328-6125.
- Logo's - Petra - all was received. Sabine is still working on magnets.
- \$500 Donation to National for the National Convention in Elko
If sufficient funds are raised, National will return donation to chapters.
Voted - All in favor to donate \$500.
- Merchandise for raffle at Nat'l Mtg (Tax ID #: 88-0493731) / Question on individual chapter raffle item. - Don
Members: Email Don what item you will bring - needs to have it by the coming meeting in April.
- Need volunteers to work at Nat'l Mtg - Don
- BBQ Ride with CC Chapter (May 10th) - Jerry
Trudy will talk to their chapter and let us know.

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g. Carson Valley Trails Mtg - Joel

Joel attended the meeting. The goal is to create trail between Carson and Reno following the Carson River. Need to get permission. Carson River goes to Lahontan but also plan access from Reno. The trail will be open to hiker, bikers and equestrians. All agreed to dirt trails, not black tops. Joel will continue to visit their meetings and is on their email list.

h. CA BCH Rendezvous (3/21-3/23) Turlock. Don might go for 1 or 2 days.

New Business

a. Tahoe Rim Trail Mtg. - Jerry/Petra

Try to re-establish working relationship with TRT. In 2 months we will get a presentation from Bob at TRT at our meeting. TRT needs equestrian help to maintain more remote trail sections. Ophir Creek trail will connect from TRT to Davis Creek. This summer the plan is to build a trail from Reno to TRT.

b. Ophir Creek Trail Repair (4/7) - Jerry

Monday prior to 4/7 Don and Jerry will ride trail. If the snow allows we will meet at the trail head 4/12 around 9am. The drainages are full of rocks and need to be cleared. Emails will be sent with update after Monday 4/7. Most work will be moving rocks. Contact Jerry at thomas.williams@nvreno.ang.af.mil. Alternate location that day might be Lahontan, but the organizer in charge of Lahontan needs preparation time.

c. Task/Duties of Officers (Info for members) - Don

Was discussed at 6pm board meeting, work in progress.

d. Sequoia/Kings Canyon Pack Trip - Don

Criteria – participants need to have first aid training, one pack animal at least per each 2 people. Limit 20 stock including riding + pack animals. This is a pleasure trip, no work. New dates : Sat 7/19 travel to starting location, 7/20 ride into back country, stay there 4 nights until 7/25 ride out. Cottonwood Pass near Bishop has equestrian camp.

Carson group is putting together first aid class for horses and riders.

Don will go to 5 day school for Leave No Trace middle of May - will become master instructor.

A membership committee needs to be established.

Debbie Balsinger, Jan Koval and Mary Pollard volunteered to be committee.

Favorite Ride - Petra

Petra shared some information about Euer Valley. The BCH ride is the 7/4 weekend

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15pm

Sabine McCowen
Secretary BCHNV