The Picket Line

Board Meetings: 3rd Thursday, 6 PM

General Meetings: 3rd Thursday, 7 PM

Springhill Church 4769 West Babcock, Bozeman

OUR PURPOSE:

Shall be to perpetuate the common sense use and enjoyment of horses in the back country and assist the various government agencies in their maintenance and management of the resource and to educate, encourage and solicit active participation by various members of the general public in the wise and sustaining use of horses, commensurate with our heritage and the back country resource.

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

BOARD MEETING : NOVEMBER 20, 6:00 PM Springhill Church, West Babcock General Meeting : November 20, 7:00 PM Springhill Church, West Babcock Horse and Bike Safety Clinic : November 23, 8:00 AM Circle L Arena, Belgrade Christmas Party : December 6, 4:00 PM Broken Hart Ranch

BCH STATE MEETING : DECEMBER 6

Guesthouse Inn, Missoula



PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Hello Everyone:

Hope you have enjoyed the beautiful Fall. We have the cows out of the mountain permits and the calves sold. A good year for moisture means a good year for heavy calves.

We are once again offering a safety clinic this year and by popular request, we are including the bicycles to desensitize the horses to meeting bikes on the trail. See details elsewhere in the newsletter. We will also be supporting the 4H packing and horsemanship clinics in 2015 so please come out and volunteer. The dates are set and are published in this newsletter.

Please be thinking about where you can serve the club in 2015 we are in need of officers and directors. The Christmas party is set for December 6th at Broken Heart Ranch. Social hour starts at 4pm and dinner at 5pm.

This issue is dedicated to Chick Hale and his service to the Gallatin Valley Back Country Horsemen.

May God Bless the Trails you Ride.

Henry

BOARD & GENERAL MEETINGS MINUTES OCTOBER 16

Meetings called to order by Henry Glenn, president, also present were officers and directors Rich Inman, Sharon Fraser, Larry Thomas, Dan Porter, Jim Wing, Jim Allbright, John Mutter.

CORRECTIONS made to September minutes. The time for the Christmas Party on Dec 6th is 4 pm not 2 pm as printed in the newsletter. Approval for an expenditure of \$7.36 was to fix the latch on cooler belonging to the club, not Rich Inman's cooler as printed in newsletter. A motion from Sonya Berg moved to accept the corrected minutes, Dan Porter seconded. All voted aye.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Checking account balance: \$7,948.24.

News:

Christmas Party is at 4 pm on December 6th. It will be held at Hart Ranch located on Gallatin Rd near Gallatin Gateway. All are invited. Bring a dish to share, meat will be provided. This wonderful facility is generously donated by Lee Hart for the party.

There will be a Safety Clinic on November 23rd at Circle L Arena located on Spain Bridge Road. Saddle and pack stock are welcome. Look for the email with information about time. Call Clark Kinney (599-4430) or Greg Benjamin (580-9574).

The dates for the 2015 4-H Horse Packing Project are Thursday Jan. 22nd, Thursday Feb. 12th, Saturday March 21st and Saturday April 11th, and Saturday, May 9th, 2015. Call Clark or Greg (phone #s above) to get involved in this project.

Thank you to Carl Blaskovitch and John Mutter for re-roofing the trailer.

The Nominating Committee is looking for officers and directors for next year.

New Business:

Jim Allbright motioned, John Mutter seconded and the board voted to approve renting Circle L Arena for the Safety Clinic on November 23rd.

OLD BUSINESS:

Carl and John completed the re-roofing project on the trailer.

Jim Allbright motioned to adjourn meeting, Rich Inman seconded. Meeting adjourned.





JAN. 22, THURSDAY FEB. 12, THURSDAY MARCH 21, SATURDAY APRIL 11, SATURDAY MAY 9, SATURDAY

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CHARLES WALTON "CHICK" HALE

A GREAT GALLATIN VALLEY BACK COUNTRY HORSEMAN AND LONG TIME TRAIL MASTER PASSED AWAY OCTOBER 22, 2014.

Charles W. "Chick" Hale, Jr. June 24, 1927 ~ October 22, 2014



Charles Walton Hale "Chick" was born June 24, 1927 in Wayne, Pennsylvania, and died October 22, 2014 in Bozeman, Montana.

Chick was a member of the US Forest Service and served in Idaho as a high school student. He was a seaman in the US Navy during World War II. Chick spent most of his adult life in Wayne as a co-

founder of Wolfe and Hale Company, a contractor and general carpentry business. For many years Chick was a volunteer for the Radnor Fire and Ambulance Company, progressing to chief engineer. He was also a member of the Rotary Club of Wayne and rode with the Doc Addison Hunt. Chick and his wife, Jean Scott Hale, "Jiffie", were 46ers, having hiked all of the Adirondack peaks and traversed the Northville-Lake Placid Trail in both summer and winter. Chick also served as Assistant Scout Master in Paoli 1 Boy Scout Troop, leading expeditions to the Adirondacks and Grand Tetons. They retired first to St. Peter's Village and then to Gallatin Gateway, MT.

In their retirement, Chick and Jiffie lived an outdoor life of horseback riding, serving as officers in the Montana Back Country Horseman Association. Chick skied in to his 80's. He also volunteered for the US Forest Service, packing in hand tools on horseback to maintain wilderness trails.

Chick is survived by Jiffie (Jean Scott Hale), his wife of 64 years; four children, Robert (Sandra), Barbara Hamilton (James), Steven (Marilyn), and Thomas (Pamela); and five granddaughters and two great-granddaughters.



Jiffie & Chick





Jiffie, Janice, Chick & susan



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