

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:

MSU RODEO GALA : MARCH 3

GALLATIN COUNTY RALLY FOR OUR PUBLIC LANDS : MARCH 3, 11:00 AM

Gallatin County Fairgrounds [LINK](#)

BOARD MEETING : MARCH 15, 6:00 PM

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GENERAL MEETING : MARCH 15, 7:00 PM

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HORSE / BIKE SAFETY CLINIC : MARCH 17

Diamond E Ranch, Belgrade



PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Hello All,

Winter is sure in full swing here in Sedan, snow is piling up and no place to put much more. We had a fun meeting in February with the wild game potluck and a visit from Wendi and Cody of the Bozeman Ranger District.

We will be offering First Aid/CPR and saw training as needed so if you need these classes please let me know. Reminder that not everyone on a trail crew needs these classes only the Sawyers.

Again thanks to Nanci and Dave Marx for volunteering to coordinate the poker ride. Please contact them as where you can volunteer to help.

Carmen is coordinating the 4H packing clinic and if you can help on a Saturday in May. Please see Carmen and let her know that you can help.

Everyone stay safe and warm I don't believe that Winter is done yet.

May God Bless the Trails you Ride.

Henry Glenn, President

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 15**

ROLL CALL: Henry Glenn, Chris Nygren, Carl Blaskovich, Dan Porter, Carmen Matzik, Rich Inman, Dan Marsh, Rod Wilson, Kathy VanDyke, and Jim Albright were present. Carmen Matzik is standing proxy for Tamara Erickson; Jim Albright is standing proxy for David Crisp; Rich Inman is standing proxy for Marianne Meyer.

Called to order by Henry

MINUTES OF JANUARY 2018 MEETING

Jim moved to approve the minutes as written; Dan Porter seconded; the motion carried.

FINANCE

Carmen reported on the club's checking and savings accounts.

OLD BUSINESS

4-H

Carmen has been in touch with the 4-H club. There are 13-15 kids interested in the packing clinic, and they would have some money available. They need a commitment from BCH to have one-day clinic and are looking at mid-May at the fairgrounds. The arena is available 5/5, 5/12 5/26; our 1st choice is May 5 and 2nd choice is May 12; Carmen will work on this. BCH will need to provide people to help set up and do the program. We also discussed whether to do the OTO weekend. Carmen indicated that Mike Haugan is not interested in doing it, and it would constitute a significant expense and lots of work. Carmen suggested that the club on focus on 1-day clinic and forego the OTO, and those present agreed.



MARCH PROGRAM

Rich is working on it. Dan Marsh noted that Connie Long has mannequins reserved in March and would be able to do a 1st aid/CPR demo. Discussion followed, and it was noted that the Forest Service will provide the necessary training for us because they require it.

UPDATE ON GARDINER FOREST SERVICE OFFICE

Jeremy will be back which is good. The tentative dates that were put on the calendar in January (i.e., late August and early September) are the correct ones for the projects. Henry is working with the Forest Service to determine if there are additional projects they'd like the club to take on.

NEWSLETTER

Henry noted that there was a smooth transition to the new board. He asked that members please submit articles to Dan Marsh, Henry or Brant.

NEW BUSINESS

Dan Porter met with the Montana Wilderness Association regarding two trails they plan to work on this year, one of which was Cliff Creek. Dan will stay in communication with the Association regarding this possible project. He noted that the Association also holds 1st Aid/CPR training and he will see if we can do it at the same time.

Carmen made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and the meeting was adjourned.

— Submitted by Kathy VanDyke

**GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 15**

PROGRAM

Cody Yeatts and Wendi Urie from the Forest Service provided the club with an update on various projects and programs. Cody talked first about the volunteer program and gave a heart-felt thank-you to BCH for our trail, lobbying, and packing work. He also talked about the projects that were completed last year. He asked that everyone who will participate in any of the projects in 2018 sign the volunteer sheet. Wendy then gave a district update, including personnel changes and projects planned for this summer.

Call to Order: Henry called the meeting to order.

MINUTES

Jim made a motion to pass the January minutes as written; Chris seconded; the motion carried.

FINANCE

Carmen reported.

4-H

Carmen reported that the club will hold a one-day packing clinic in May and 12-15 kids have expressed an interest. She asked that anyone who's interested in helping get in touch with her, and that it will be an all-day commitment. She also noted that the anticipated date is May 5.

GARDINER UPDATE

The tentative dates placed on the club calendar in January are now the confirmed dates for the AB/cabin work. Members should let Henry know if they're interested in taking part.

NEWSLETTER

Henry noted that the GVBCH has a good newsletter, and it is made so by articles, info and photos from the members. He asked that members provide items to him, Dan Marsh, or Brant.

CONVENTION

Dan Marsh noted that each chapter has been asked to provide 20 photos to exhibit at the state convention. Given that the due date is Feb. 15, Dan stated that he will choose them on behalf of the club.

HORSE/BIKE SAFETY CLINIC

The clinic will be held on March 17 at the Diamond E Ranch in Belgrade. Those interested will need to sign up for it and schedule a session. Please call Debbie at (509) 999-6561 to schedule your session.

MONTANA WILDERNESS ASSOCIATION

The Association has a trail stewardship program and Dan Porter is working on a joint packing project with them.

POKER RIDE

The process has been started to obtain the necessary permit. The first meeting will be on Feb. __ and Nanci Marx is the chairperson. Nancy, Carmen, Dan Marsh, Dan Porter and Robin agreed to be on the committee, and anyone else who's interested would be most welcome.

STACIE BOSWELL

Stacie is a new member, and a veterinarian at Hardaway Vet Hospital. She invited members to a "Meet & Greet" on Feb. 27 at 6:00 p.m. at the Holiday Inn in Belgrade, where she will talk about lameness and PPIID. Anyone interested should RSVP to (406) 388-8387.

PROGRAMS

Janice stated that she's working on programming and asked for suggestions for future meetings. She also expressed thanks to Henry and Molly for setting up the Wild Game Feed that everyone enjoyed.

Janice made a motion to adjourn the meeting and the meeting was adjourned.

— Submitted by Kathy VanDyke



Wild Gme Feed
Photos by Janice Cartwright



HORSE/BIKE SAFETY CLINIC

March 17, 2018

Diamond E Ranch & Horse Boarding; 100 Willem Way; Belgrade, MT 59714



HOSTING:

Elite Kubota, LLC and **Back Country Hikers, Bikers & Equestrians, Inc.**

If you want to get your horse more comfortable meeting bikes and hikers on the trail or a biker/hiker that wants to know what to do when meeting horses on the trail, JOIN US!! Jon Ensign, professional horse trainer, will be available if you need assistance with your horse.

We will be having 3 sessions in the morning and 3 sessions in the afternoon. Fee: \$0

Call Debbie at 509-999-6561 to schedule your session.

Horses coming to the facility must have proof of 5-way vaccination .

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