

BOARD MEETINGS:  
3rd Thursday, 6:30 PM

GENERAL MEETINGS:  
3rd Thursday, 7:00 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:

WEDNESDAY TRAILS DAYS : JULY 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

call Larry Thomas at 586-6878

POKER RIDE FLAGGING : JULY 5, 9:00 AM

POKER RIDE SETUP : JULY 5, 4:30 PM

POKER RIDE : JULY 6

Bridger Bowl

POKER RIDE DE-FLAGGING : JULY 7

KAY TATE'S 80TH BIRTHDAY PARTY : JULY 14, 2:00-4:00 PM

Bozeman Senior Social Center, 807 N Tracy Ave

BIG SKY COUNTRY FAIR : JULY 17-21

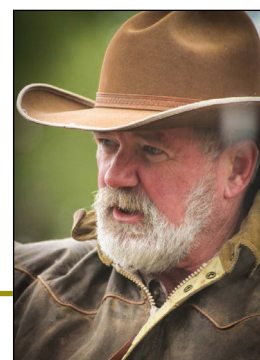
Gallatin Fair Grounds

BOARD MEETING : JULY 18, 6:30 PM

Springhill Church

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#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

##### Back Country Horsemen

Hope your Summer is going well! We are in the final stages of prep for the Poker Ride and need all hands on deck.

If you haven't volunteered for a job at the Poker Ride then show up at Bridger Bowl and we will find you one. Flagging is on Friday morning starting at 9am and we will have the set up and potluck starting at about 5pm, July 5th. I have it on good authority the someone is bringing a smoked pork butt for pulled pork sandwiches. We need lots of help to set up the tents for our Headquarters.

Larry is running at full steam with the trail crew every Wednesday. Call Larry for info on location and carpooling.

We now have info on the A-B Wilderness trips if you are interested please see me for details.

Summer will be half over before you realize it so get riding!

Remember why we celebrate the 4th of July and be thankful for this great Country we live in!

—Henry

BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
JUNE 20

June 20, 2019

6:00 PM

Springhill Church, Bozeman, MT

Gallatin Valley Backcountry Horsemen -- Board Meeting

Secretary: Kathy VanDyke

Roll Call: Henry Glenn, Chris Nygren, Carmen Matzick, Rich Inman, Lew Goodpasture, Dan Porter, Dan Marsh, Rod Wilson, Tamara Erickson, John Mutter; Dan Porter stood proxy for Vern Campbell; Carmen stood proxy for Carl Blaskovich

Called to order by Henry Glenn.

Minutes of May 2019 meeting – Chris moved to approve the minutes as written; Dan Porter seconded; the motion carried.

Treasurer’s Report -- Carmen gave the current checking and Savings amounts. Carmen received a \$10.15 check from the Good Coin Foundation. Tamara moved to approve the report; John seconded; the motion carried.

New Business

Rich reported that Beth Merrick gave donation of equipment and tack to BCH. Some will be auctioned at the Poker Ride silent auction, then the rest will be disbursed to Four-H and Eagle Mount.

Old Business

Poker Ride: The general meeting will be focus on finalizing the details. Trail clearing will be on Wed., June 26 (or June 27 in the event of bad weather).

Challenge at Challenge on August 22-25 – Per Dan Marsh, if you plan to attend you should complete the on-line form.

Adjournment: Tamara moved to adjourn the meeting; Chris seconded; the motion carried, and the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Kathy VanDyke

On June 23 three GV BCH members Lew Goodpasture, Mark DeOpsomer, and Dan Porter volunteered with the MWA Adopt a Trail volunteers to work on the Cliff Creek Trail in the Gallatin Range. Twelve volunteers in all worked a full day trimming, draining, and building tread where needed. It was a perfect day weather wise and a lot of progress was made to reopen more of the trail which leads to the Gallatin Crest trail between Windy Pass and Hyalite. Another work day is planned in September and more volunteers are welcome.



**GENERAL MEETING MINUTES  
JUNE 20**

June 20, 2019

7:00 PM -- Springhill Church, Bozeman, MT

Gallatin Valley Backcountry Horsemen -- General Meeting

Program – Stacy Boswell presented a program outlining “What’s in your [emergency] Go Bucket”

Call to Order – Henry Glenn called the meeting to order.

Several new members were welcomed.

Minutes – Janice moved to accept the May 2019 minutes as written, Rich seconded, and the motion carried.

Treasurer’s report – Carmen gave the current checking and Savings amounts. She paid expenses for state board meeting and has gotten some Poker Ride registrations via PayPal. Rich moved to accept the report, Larry seconded, and the motion carried.

Old Business

Trail Crew: Larry reported that the crew has gone out several times. There’s still lots of snow in the high country. He expressed thanks to everyone involved.

Poker Ride: Carmen and Dan Porter went over Poker Ride details. If you have prizes call Dan. Janice and Rich will do a news segment next Monday. Trail clearing is planned for June 26 beginning at 9:00 a.m. Flagging will be done on July 5 beginning at 9:00 a.m. Set-up and potluck will be on July 5 beginning at 5:00 p.m.

July meeting: The meeting will be held at Janice’s and the program will cover bear spray usage in the event of a “grizzly attack.”

Stacy moved to adjourn the meeting and Janice seconded.

The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Kathy VanDyke



Our own Dr. Stacie Boswell hard at work here. If you forgot to get your horse’s teeth floated last November, now’s a good time to remember to get them checked. More frequent equine dental care can help your horse’s digestion, maintain their weight, feel comfortable while bridled and many other benefits. —Janice Cartwright

## WEDNESDAY TRAILS DAYS

On National Trails Day June 1, 2019 the trail trimming crew of me, myself, and I celebrated the day at Spanish Creek. Starting at the bridge “they” worked up the 401 trail using the 8’ wide by 10’ high spec as a guide and clearing everything in their path including saplings, brush, and previously cut logs to make the trail safer and create more passing opportunities when needed. The BCH trail clearing sign was posted at the trail head to alert other users that BCH was at work. It was a beautiful sunny day with clear skies. A large “Pine Drops” remnant from last year’s growing season was noted along the trail.

—Dan Porter



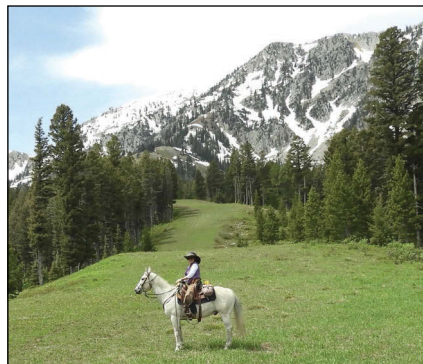
Before



After

Rancher ingenuity - gate extension.

Janice scouting the Poker Ride/Bridger Bowl



On May 29th, Larry Thomas, Vern Campbell and Rich Inman kicked off the 2019 GVBCH trail maintenance season with a trip up the 407 trail in Spanish Cr. Only had one log to cut but we spent most of our time cleaning water diversions from Pioneer Falls back to the trail head. Made good use of the combies. We started at 9:am and arrived back at the trailhead about 4:pm. Beautiful day to start the season.



On June 5th the Wednesday crew led by Larry Thomas along with Rich Inman, Dan Marsh, Vern and Mary Campbell, Wayne Frederickson, and new members Kenji Aoki, Connie LeHocky and Clint Schwalm starting at 9AM cleared the Spanish Creek #401 trail. We saw elk, deer, and bison on the way in. We took the #401 trail up to the #409 junction where we split up the crew and Larry took a few folks toward the wilderness boundary while Rich led the other half toward Cherry Creek and turned around when we hit Turners property and went back to the junction of #409 to meet up with the rest of the group. They were nowhere to be found so we headed up the trail where we found them eating lunch. Of course they ran into more trees than we did and we had the chain saws! We cut out about 17 trees all together. On the way back Rich and Vern cleared water bars for the first stretch. We ponied their horses a mile or so and tied them up. Then Larry and Wayne cleared for the next stretch while we ponied their horses to the beginning of the trail down the hill. Kenji and I cleared water bars until we met up with Larry and Wayne then headed back to the horses. Rich and Vern met up with us and we all headed back to the trailers. A couple of us took the trail to the walking bridge to view Dan Porters brushing he did on June 1st. We got back a little before 5 and Rich and I both realized we forgot to bring refreshments so we headed home.



On June 12th the Wednesday crew led by Larry Thomas along with Rich Inman, Dan Marsh, Vern and Mary Campbell, Wayne Frederickson, Clint Schwalm and Connie LeHocky starting at 9 AM cleared the Spanish Creeek #407 and #410 trails. Since we were clearing wilderness this time we left the chainsaws and took in our crosscuts. We ended up clearing about 20 trees and most of them were large diameter and lots of limbs. We had one tree that fell down the length of the trail and another couple that had fallen across the trail twice in a steep switchback area. We dropped off a few folks to clear out the heavy brush on the switchbacks and the rest went ahead and cleared trees. We got back up the #410 trail about 5.5 miles from the trail-head until we hit snow and had turn around. We got back a little after 4 PM and had some cold drinks and headed home.

On June 19th Larry's crew cleared trail 34 from the trail head in Porcupine to Onion Basin. Only had 11 trees to cut the biggest of which was about 16 inches. We were stopped about 2:pm by snow drifts in the upper end of the basin. 7 people on the crew today. Rode 17 miles. Had some new horses on the trail this trip. They did not know much about stream crossings and bogs but they were well seasoned by the time we got back to the trail head.



**HORSEMEN MANNERS & ETTIQUETTE**

**TRAILHEAD PARKING**

As Back Country Horsemen, how the public views us can begin at the trailhead!

When pulling stock trailers into the trailhead, think ahead of how you can park smart so others have room and you will have an easy exit. Always try to be turned and headed out with a clear path. Remember, we are not the only users and are usually the biggest rigs!

Also, leave room behind other trailers so they can swing the rear end open and load their stock.



**DID YOU KNOW?**

**Sawing World Records**

The Lumberjack World Championships are held annually in Hayward, Wisconsin. The event began in 1960 and is held at the Lumberjack Bowl. There are 21 events for both men and women to compete for over \$50,000 in prize money. Contestants come from the United States, Canada, Australia, and New Zealand. The events include sawing, chopping, logrolling, and climbing to test the strength and agility of over 100 competitors. Timing begins when the signal to 'GO' is called, and ends when the log is completely severed. A starting cut arc is allowed.

**Double Buck** (20" white pine): Jason Wynyard and Dion Lane with a time of 4.77 seconds set in 2005.

**Jack & Jill** (20" white pine): Set in 2005 by Jason and Karmyn Wynyard with a time of 6.17 seconds.

**Jill & Jill** (20" white pine): Winning time of: 11:59 set by Andrea Furber Card and Denise Ott-started in 2015

**Men's Single** (20" white pine): Dion Lane in 2006 with a time of 10.78 seconds.

**Women's Single** (16" white pine): Time of 11.61 seconds was set in 2006 by Nancy Zalewski.



**USFS INFORMATION**



**HORSE HEALTH**

**Equine Pleurisy/Pleuritis**  
A Silent Killer in Horses

Pleurisy is a painful inflammation of the membrane that lines the inside of the horse's chest cavity and covers the lungs. The condition results in fluid accumulation and affects the horse's breathing. It is often a complication of equine influenza, pneumonia, guttural pouch infection, or lung abscess.

**Symptoms:** coughing, rapid, shallow breathing, fever, loss of appetite, weight loss, initially a grunting sound with each breath changing to diminished or absent breath sounds as condition worsens

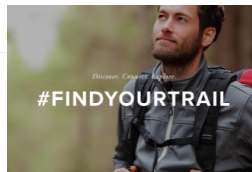


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And you're invited to the party!

In 2018, America will be celebrating the 50th anniversary of the National Trails System Act as well as the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act. Join the celebration by sharing your stories, photos, or favorite memories, or by simply getting out on the trail – and maybe bringing along a friend.

[www.trails50.org](http://www.trails50.org)



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