

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:

BIG SKY SKIJORING : MARCH 7-8

Big Sky resort

BOARD MEETING : MARCH 19, 6:30 PM

GENERAL MEETING : MARCH 19, 7:00 PM

Springhill Church

GSHC SPRING TUNE UP : MARCH 20 & 28

1655 Harper Puckett Rd, Bozeman

Call Janice Cartwright, 579-3445. \$30.00/session

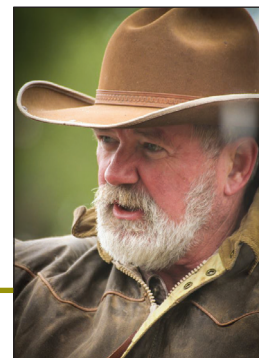
State Convention : March 20-22

Ravalli County Fairgrounds, Hamilton

TRAIL MAINTENANCE : MARCH 21

Contact Dan Porter, 539-4575

2020 MEMBERSHIP REMINDER:
renewals are due and can be renewed
[ONLINE](#)



PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Hello, Horsemen,

Winter is once again fooling with us and is not over yet. I hope everyone enjoyed the wild game feed and fellowship with fellow horsemen.

Thanks to Corey and Cody from the Forest Service for taking the time to visit with us. Saw and First Aid training will be announced soon for spring training. Everyone on a trail crew does not have to have saw training, only the sawyers.

We will need to start planning for the 2020 Poker Ride soon so if you are inclined to volunteer, please let me know.

Reach Air has left the area and so for those that have memberships you may receive a refund or keep your memberships they are still good anywhere in the US where they still have flight bases.

The BCHMT convention is coming up in Hamilton MT, March 20-22. We still have openings for delegates if you are interested.

GVBCH has applied for a grant from RAC and I will make a presentation on Friday, Feb. 28 on our behalf.

I have received several nice notes thanking us for the corrals we have built in the Gallatin Canyon. I have also received notes thanking us for the work we do clearing trails. It was nice to be recognized for our hard work.

Stay Safe; winter is not over yet.

—Henry

BOARD & GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

FEBRUARY 20

Roll Call: Henry Glenn, Chris Nygren, Jim Wing, Kathy VanDyke, Carmen Matzick, Carl Blaskovich, Rod Wilson, Corinne Martin, Lew Goodpasture, Dan Porter, Rich Inman, Dan Marsh, John Mutter; Dan Porter stood proxy for Vern Campbell

Called to order by Henry Glenn.

MINUTES OF JANUARY 2020 MEETING

Dan Porter moved to approve the minutes as written; Corinne seconded; the motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Jim reported on the savings and checking accounts. Carl moved to approve the report; Corinne seconded; the motion passed. Jim informed us that Wayne Frederickson returned both of his RTP checks (a \$500 donation, approximately).

OLD BUSINESS

Buffalo Fork: The log replacement project is "on" for this year from August 3-10. The Slough Creek pasture will likely be a coordinated project between us and other BCH groups, and a date has not been set.

Trailer: Henry has researched trailers and reported it would cost between \$6-7,000 for a 14 or 16-footer. During discussion it was noted that smooth-sided would be preferred, with an added awning, and additional discussion ensued regarding getting 18 or 20-footer. John and Rich will get the interior measurements of the current trailer, Henry and John will do further research at Steer In, and a proposal will be brought first to the board then to the general membership.

Convention: The state convention will be in Hamilton on March 20-22, and there are still at least 2 open delegate positions. Rooms are still available. We need to provide item for silent auction. Henry suggested high-line set (approx. \$100 value), and the group agreed with this suggestion.

NEW BUSINESS

Heroes and Horses: The club received a thank-you letter for its \$500 donation.

Church donation: It's time for our annual \$360 donation to Springhill Church. John moved to make the payment, Rod seconded, and the motion passed.

Adjournment: Carl moved to adjourn the meeting, John seconded, and the meeting was adjourned.

—Submitted by Kathy VanDyke

PROGRAM

Corey and Cody, Forest Service, Bozeman Ranger District, presented their annual report on upcoming projects. Corey said the main priority is the forest plan revision; Bozeman district projects will include a couple of large forest health projects (North Bridger and the Bozeman Municipal Watershed Fuels Reduction project), aspen restoration in Porcupine area (may cause prescribed fire work and related closures), road work on Hyalite Road from the dam to the Grotto split, the Spanish Creek fish project, and the Upper Deer Creek project. Cody said everyone needs to sign the volunteer form; there will be a 6-person trail crew this summer; there will be CPR/1st aid training sessions starting in April and saw training (probably be in May); projects will include upper high lakes trails in the Spanish Peaks (they might need pack support for this), the upper Beehive trail, the upper Swan, and the Hyalite Lake trail.

CALL TO ORDER

Henry Glenn called the meeting to order.

MINUTES

John Mutter moved to accept the January 2020 minutes as written, Carmen Matzick seconded, and the motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Jim reported on the savings and checking accounts. Carl moved to approve the report; Molly seconded; the motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Heroes & Horses: Henry read a thank-you letter for the club's \$500 donation.

OLD BUSINESS

Poker Ride: Henry noted that a committee will need to be formed and we'll do this at the March meeting.

Trailer: Henry reported that the board is researching this and will present details at the March meeting.

Trail crew: The "trail boss" position is open. Please contact Henry if you're interested.

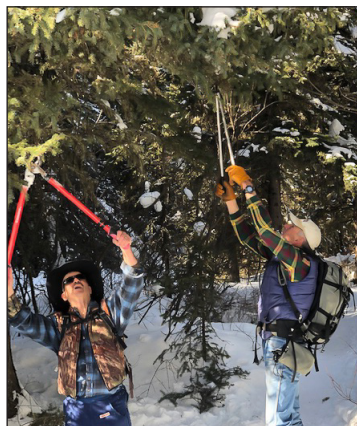
Convention: The state convention is March 20-22, 2020 in Hamilton. We currently have several delegate positions open. Let Henry know if you'd like to attend. The club will pay the registration fee.

Adjournment: Dan Porter moved to adjourn the meeting, Lew Goodpasture seconded, and the meeting was adjourned.

—Submitted by Kathy VanDyke

SATURDAY TRAIL CREW "LOG"

Saturday, February 22, 2020, George Washington's Birthday, turned out warm and sunny with temps reaching into the 40s. Lew, Kenji and I met at South Cottonwood trailhead at 9:30 am armed with loppers and a pack saw. We placed our GVBCH sign at the trailhead and hiked in to the second bridge, catching a few offending saplings that we had missed in January. At the bridge, we took a quick break for coffee, hot chocolate, and snacks. From there, we spent the next 3 hours trimming the trail to the third bridge. Many hikers with dogs passed us on the trail and thanked us for the work we were doing. We had a great time with plenty of laughs along the way and hope more GVBCH chapter members can join us on the March "Spring" trail day March 21st. —Dan Porter; Photos by Kenji



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