

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:

FIRST AID/CPR COURSE : APRIL 9, 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

3710 Fallon Street Bozeman

NOTE: First Aid/CPR on 4/9 is full.

WINTER TRAIL HIKE : APRIL 23 (TENTATIVE)

Contact Dan Porter, 539-0879

Contact Chris Nygren to be put on the list for the next class.

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Thanks to everyone who participated in the Defensive Horse Safety Class on March 5th. We had about 25 people present at Eagle Mount and we definitely want to thank Eagle Mount for letting us use their facilities for the event.

Speaking of events, the Bozeman Ranger District is putting on a 1st Aid /CPR class on April 9th, another training requirement to participate in this summer's trail crews. I need all **RSVP's by this Friday, April 1st**. We may have to get another session scheduled due to space limitations at the Ranger Station. We also had a USFS presentation on March 17th and the volunteer service agreement was signed by all trail crew participants. If you did not sign the agreement, please contact Lew or Dan Porter to get signed up. Also in May there will be chainsaw/crosscut saw certification training, but we do not know the date for it yet. Stay tuned.

Poker ride is coming up on July 9th and we will need all the volunteers we can get from the chapter. It is probably the best attended Poker Ride in the Montana with numbers capped at 250. Trail work crews will be starting toward the end of May and continue through September. Once again, a busy summer season for the Chapter and more information will be coming out soon.

See you at the next general meeting on April 21st.



—Chris

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 17**

ROLL CALL

Henry Glenn, Sid Boswell, Rich Inman, Laurie Connelly, Chris Nygren, Marianne Meyer, Kathy VanDyke, Vern Campbell, Tom Lamb

MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 2022 MEETING

Kathy moved to approve the minutes as published in February newsletter; Sid seconded the motion; the motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Chris reported the checking and savings accounts update provided to him by Jim; Henry motioned to approve; Laurie seconded the motion; the motion passed.

STATE CONVENTION

The Convention held in Dillon was a great success. Our Chapter will be hosting the Convention in 2026.

POKER RIDE

Kathy VanDyke has agreed to be the Coordinator once again. Thank you, Kathy

GIFT MUGS

Marianne presented an idea to have insulated mugs with our logo on them presented to members as a gift at their 2 or 3 year anniversary. She will look into the cost of buying these and get back to the Board.

PROGRAM

Tonight's program is a presentation by the Forest Service and, of course, our Wild Feast PotLuck.

—Respectfully submitted by Laurie Connelly



New World Gulch

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MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 2022 MEETING

Stacie motioned to approve the minutes as published in the February newsletter; DC seconded the motion; the motion was approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Jim reported on the checking and the savings accounts. Delegates who attended the Convention will be reimbursed \$105 each for their registration. Henry motioned to approve the report; Sid seconded the motion; the motion passed.

DEFENSIVE HORSE SAFETY COURSE

Janice did an excellent job presenting the course. Thank you! She has your certification cards here tonight. Be sure to get them.

POKER RIDE

Kathy VanDyke has volunteered to once again be the Poker Ride Coordinator. Thank you, Kathy!

STATE CONVENTION

Our Chapter will be hosting the State Convention in 2026. So there is lots of time to get great speakers and fun events lined up.

FYI

Janice Cartwright has been trialing a 4 year old well-trained gelding for her lesson program. She is going to pass on him as a lesson horse but if you are looking for a young, well-trained horse give her a call, 579-3445.



PROGRAM

Tonight's program was a presentation by the Forest Service (Josh and Wendi). All present who want to volunteer with trail maintenance this year signed the volunteer agreement. Those interested in applying for a permit to carry a gun on trail maintenance trips gave their information to Josh Kinsel so that process could be started. His email is joshua.kionsel@usda.gov if you want to apply for this permit.

CERTIFICATIONS REQUIRED BY FOREST SERVICE

First Aid/CPR course:

For all volunteers, on April 9 from 9:00am to 1:00pm.
Bozeman Ranger District
3710 Fallon Street Bozeman

If you can't make this date there may be another set up at a later time but please try to get to this one.

Chain Saw/Cross Cut:

For any volunteer who has never been certified, there will be a course the first or second week in May. We will let you know ASAP. If you have a certification in these now they will be good through December of this year.

WILD FEAST POTLUCK

If you didn't make the meeting...you missed an incredible banquet of wild meat presentations, wonderful sides and scrumptious sweets!! And of course lots of interesting GVBCH members to meet and visit with. This only happens once a year so you best not miss it next year.
Haha

—Respectfully submitted by Laurie Connelly

Defensive Horsemanship workshop, getting ready for another season of work. A big shout out to Janice Cartwright and Eagle Mount for making this possible.



SKININER TRAIL GET IN SHAPE RIDE—MARCH 19

Four members met at the Dry Creek Church, to ride the old Skinner Trail, thru lots of mud and plenty of snow we rode over hill and dale.

We saw lots of antelope and some good fresh elk sign, a golden eagle, lots of broken barbed wire, no baling twine.

One took a tumble, the horse, in the mud sideways slipped, One found a skid block, when he packed it his horse nearly flipped.

Otherwise just a nice easy 4 hour ride we had, all the horses, for the first ride, didn't do so bad.

—DP



NEW WORLD GULCH—MARCH 26



Marianne, Catherine and I hiked in approximately 2 miles, clearing encroaching brush and small trees and enjoying several short snacks at sunny locations along the trail on a beautiful Spring day.

—DP

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