



# LAST CHANCE BCH

## ATTENTION \*\*\*

# NO MARCH MEETING \*\*\*

**The LCBCH Officers and Directors were unable to fine a location for the March meeting.**

**Hopefully this will not be a problem once the weather gets nicer.**

**2022 State BCH Convention**

**March 11—March 13**

**Dillon**

Each Chapter is able to send 8 delegates to represent the club.

So far LCBCH has only 5 representatives that volunteered to attend, If this is something you would like to do, be sure to contact Tony by the February meeting.

Each chapter provides a \$100 raffle item with the proceeds going to the State organization

Sherri Lionberger generously donated a quilt for the clubs contribution for the raffle

Check the website [bchmt.org](http://bchmt.org) for details on the convention and the photo contest during the convention.



Hello everyone,

Hopefully, in the near future, we will be able to have a steady meeting place, time, and date but as of now between Covid restrictions and conference rooms packed with an old file clean up project, we did not have a normal place to meet this month so I figured a written discussion would have to work:

**Treasurer's report:** Checking \$3,014.19, Savings \$1,695.43, CD #1327 \$10,234.06 matures 2/07/23, #1335 \$10,520.89 matures 2/07/23 & # 5322 \$10,599.71 matures on 11/18/22.

I renewed the #5322 CD for only 9 months due to interest rates are supposed to rise. #5322 deposit was \$10,599.71. Original deposit was \$10,560.02. I ordered club checks for the amount of \$24.75.

**First Aid/CPR:** Saturday April 23<sup>rd</sup> from 11:30-4:30 at the Helena Ranger District/Supervisors Office in the same room we have been meeting in. Connie Long will be coming from Missoula. We need at least 12 people and so far I have these names that were planning on attending if the date works:

Nicole Anderson

Allen Rowley

Bob Tomaskie

Fred Benson

Merlyn Huso

Tom Weiss

Lynda and Gary Wiles

There is a decently long list of people who are expired, especially since Covid, so if you would like to attend please let me know.

**Tooth floating:** With the recent retirement of one of a lot of our long-time vets and rising costs on everything, some people were concerned about getting their equines teeth floated. Lynda Wiles contacted a long-time equine dentist out of Lewistown to see if he would be willing to come to Helena for a day. He said he is more than willing and just needs a date, number of animals and place. Myself and several other members have used him before and were highly impressed with the way he handled the animals and his old-school no drug method. He charges \$120 per animal. If you have equines that need their teeth floated please contact Lynda at [lyndawiles@msn.com](mailto:lyndawiles@msn.com) so we can get number of animals and try to see what kind of facility we may need. We were thinking early May and maybe we could combine it with some sort of other club activity.

**BCHMT Convention:** March 11-13 in Dillon, MT. We have 6 delegates going but if anyone else is interested in going the club could use 2 more. If you have any raffle tickets could you please get them to Katy, myself, Lyndsay, Sherri, Bud, Merlyn or Linda before the convention.

**BMW F Trips:** The club has reserved several packing trips to help the Bob Marshall Wilderness Foundation. This is something we have been doing on an annual basis. If you are interested in

learning how to pack these may be an opportunity to do that as well as see some beautiful country. We tried to reserve trips that were somewhat close to Helena. If you are interested in helping please look at the list and dates and let Fred Benson or Tony Smith know. The packing list is located here: [Volunteer Packers — Bob Marshall Wilderness Foundation \(bmwf.org\)](http://www.bmwf.org)

**Forest Service saw training and bridge plank packing:** saw training dates will probably be in late May or early June and packing dates and details are yet to be determined and we probably will not know for awhile.

**Search and Rescue training:** still in the planning process for dates and place.

**Mileage reimbursement for LCBCB Projects:** This is just a discussion topic that I wanted to bring up for April. In the past (before my time) it sounds like the Club used to reimburse mileage for projects if we were working under some sort of funding agreement (RAC grant, RTP, etc). I was hoping we could discuss this later and possibly set some sort of reimbursement strategy. This coming year it looks like we will possibly be doing work in the Elkhorns, Gates Wilderness, and Woods Creek Fire area. Wear and tear on vehicles gets expensive and some minor stipend to keep things running while still doing our volunteer work seems appropriate.

The next meeting date will be April Wednesday April 6<sup>th</sup> location to be determined. If MT WILD is still not open maybe the weather will be nice enough to meet in the pavilion at MT WILD or the Forest Service office conference room should be available.

Take care,

-Tony

BMWF projects secured by LCBCB

Name	Location/ Trail #	RD	Trailhead	Miles to Camp	Minimum # Of pack Stock needed	Pack IN Date	Pack OUT Date	IN PACKER (S)	OUT PACKER (S)	notes
BMWF #05	Bear Lake Trail #222	RMRD	Mortimer	9	4	6/28/2022	7/2/2022	Tony Smith & Bob Tomaski	Tony Smith & Bob Tomaski	
<b>JULY</b>										
Partner-Sierra Club Womans	Cabin Creek and Canyon Creek #80 & #16	SLRD	N.Fork Blackfoot	10.25	4	7/9/2022	7/16/2022	Eric Skelton	Fred Benson	Packer could use N.Fork cabin on in & out trip
BMWF #09	Lang Creek #243	RMRD	Mortimer	7	4	7/20/2022	7/24/2022	Tony Smith & Bob Tomaski	Tony Smith & Bob Tomaski	
<b>AUGUST</b>										
WCC #05	WCC #05 Mineral Ck	LRD	Indian Meadows	16	3	8/3/2022	8/10/2022	Fred Benson	Fred Benson	Webb Lake cabin available for overnight on in & out trip

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**APRIL 6TH. NEXT MEETING**



“So when I said ‘hide the gold in an inconspicuous place’, you put it under a frickin rainbow?”

May your glass be ever full.  
May the roof over your head  
be always strong.  
And may you be in heaven  
half an hour before the devil  
knows you're dead.

