



# PONDEROSA

Back Country Horsemen of Washington  
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April 2021



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Doug Bailey offers a  
buttercup for the  
newsletter spring flower  
contest!

## CALENDAR

*All event dates subject to  
change or cancellation: Watch  
facebook and emails.*

**April 6, 2021 PBCH  
Meeting, 6 pm. In person  
at Riverside State Park, or  
at Hayford Community  
Church if weather is poor.  
Watch emails for more  
information.**

**April 17 and 18, Escure  
Ranch Work Party.**

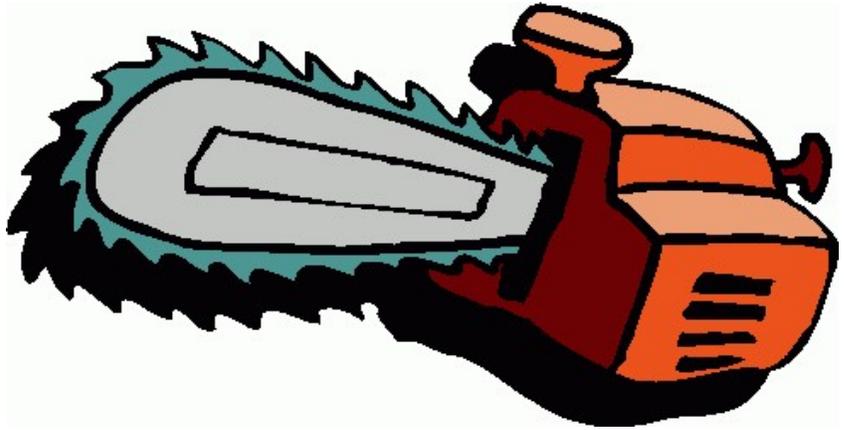
**April 23-25th, Ladies  
campout @ Ancient Lakes**

**Note from the President**  
**By Tom Birge**

Congratulations to Larry Grinstead, Doug Frederick, and Chuck and Karen Rice as they join Doug Bailey as certified sawyers for the Ponderosa chapter.

Welcome to new members Brian and Meral Painter!

We still have Maps of Riverside State Park for \$10, we still have 2021 calendars for \$10, and T-shirts for \$5. At the Poker ride, these will be sold for \$12, \$5 and \$5 respectively.



**Spring has Sprung!**

**By Michelle Eames, Newsletter Editor:**

The newsletter theme is Spring! Several people sent in flower and shedding pictures, they are tucked here and there throughout the newsletter. Cindy Miller sent in the earliest buttercup pictures, but thanks to everyone else that sent spring flower pictures. Patty Wright sent in the best shedding pile pictures! Thanks to everyone else who sent pictures.

Check out Trailhead News online! The March/April edition can be found here: [https://www.bchw.org/the\\_trailhead\\_news.php](https://www.bchw.org/the_trailhead_news.php). See especially p.7 and p.8 for some PBCH specific articles. I won't spoil the surprise by telling you what is there, you need to look for yourself. Are there any other ideas for Trailhead news articles?

Our friends at S.C.O.P.E. Mounted Patrol are hosting a Prize Ride on May 1, 2021, at the Riverside 7-mile Airstrip. See the flyer at the end of the Newsletter for more information and how to sign up. PBCH Member Karen Rice can also answer any questions.



## **PON4 – What is this?**

**By Ken Carmichael**

*This article is a repeat of the email that went to all members on March 24, 2021. We want to ensure that all members are aware of the new group email address for the Ponderosa chapter. If you did not read the emails or had issues, please contact me. As of March 29, we are working to make sure everyone has access.*

For the last several years the Ponderosa chapter has used a group email address of [PON3@GROUPSPACES.COM](mailto:PON3@GROUPSPACES.COM). By emailing to [pon3@groupspaces.com](mailto:pon3@groupspaces.com) we could send an email to every member of the chapter. This is particularly important for sending out the newsletter, announce meetings and provide information about important issues, work parties and rides.

Effective April 1 Groupspaces will no longer be available. Because of this I asked Chuck Rice to explore options for the chapter. Through his research we have developed [PON4@PBCHW.COM](mailto:PON4@PBCHW.COM). This provides us the same capabilities.

Now it is important that we verify the accuracy of the new email address. Unfortunately, things can go wrong, and we need EVERY MEMBER TO VERIFY THE ACCURACY. First, did we enter your email address into the new program correctly. Second, are you receiving the email in your in basket or is it going to spam or junk mail?

I am sending two emails. One will go to PON3, this email. I will follow it up with an email to PON4. You should receive both. If not please contact me.

For you to use [PON4@PBCHW.COM](mailto:PON4@PBCHW.COM) you simply need to send an email to that address and the email will go to all chapter members. As we get new chapter members, they are added to the database so individual chapter members do not need to update a database. Remember this tool is for use by PBCH members for PBCH business. Please do not share it with others.

Communication within the chapter is very important. Please everyone, take the time to verify that this tool is working for us.

Thanks for your help.

## **Ponderosa Chapter Bylaw Revision**

**By Ken Carmichael**

When the Ponderosa chapter was chartered in December 2015 we created a set of bylaws that met our needs at the time. As the chapter has more than doubled in size and situations at the chapter and BCHW have changed we see a need to amend the bylaws. It is a good practice to review the bylaws periodically to be sure they reflect what we are doing and comply with various regulations.

I recently sent all members, via email, a copy of the proposed revisions. We will be able to discuss this at the April membership meeting and vote on them at the May meeting.

Please read them prior to the meetings, and if you have questions please contact me.

## 2021 PBCH Calendar

*All dates subject to change due to COVID or other reasons.*

April 6, Membership meeting.

April 17 and 18, Escure Ranch Work Party. **[more info at end of newsletter]**

April 23-25<sup>th</sup>, Ladies campout Ancient Lakes.

May 1, 2021 SCOPE Mounted Patrol Prize Ride at Riverside 7-mile Airstrip **[more information at end of newsletter]**

May 4, Membership meeting

May 31, volunteer hours

June 8th – Membership meeting

June 12-13- Mountain Trail Clinic at Rendezvous Ranch

July 6th – Membership meeting

July (date to be determined) Open House/Poker ride rehearsal

July 10th-11th Open House/Poker ride @ Riverside State Park

July 31 – Volunteer Hours

August 3\_ - Membership meeting

September 7, - Membership meeting

September 10, – Volunteer Hours preliminary hours

September 30, – Volunteer hours final report due

October 1, weekend Escure Ride

October 5, - Membership meeting – Elections

October 30, – BCHW Wine Ride at Zillah

November 2, - Membership meeting

December 7, - Membership meeting

Other events can be found here: [https://www.bchw.org/upcoming\\_events.php](https://www.bchw.org/upcoming_events.php)

## **Poker Ride**

**By Ken Carmichael**

We are closer to the date of the Ponderosa poker ride on **Sunday July 11, 2021**. This is our big fundraiser for the chapter and requires all hands-on deck. Some work is already being done. **Linda White** is gathering prizes for the raffle, **Louise Walton** is helping with advertising, I have many of the forms created, permits and equipment ordered, and pre-registrations are starting to come in. **SCOPE** is agreeing to be our outriders for the day. A big thank you to them for this great help.

It is not too early to commit to being at the event on July 11. We have jobs for everyone. To give you an idea of the opportunities to help here is a list:

- Camp Hosts – it is nice to have 1 or 2 of our people camping Friday and Saturday night. People not familiar with the campground are pulling in and we can be of help.
- Parking – we have 4 people showing people where to park on Sunday. **Doug Bailey** is chairman of this committee.
- Registration – **Sheila Dyer** will chair this committee. It will take 5 people to register participants effectively and efficiently.
- BCH/LNT booth – **Patti Carmichael** will be setting up the booth. We need help to promote BCH and tell our story
- Raffle – **Linda White** will need help laying out raffle items, selling raffle tickets and monitoring the raffle tables. This is a big part of our fundraising.
- Volunteer Hours – **Carol Klar**, and a helper, will be managing this function as well as handing out supplies to the volunteers. We receive volunteer hours for this project.
- Music – **Cindy Miller** will make sure that we have music through the public address system.
- Photographs – **Gary Miller** is our official chapter photographer. Others taking pictures, especially out on the trail, should provide those to Gary.
- T-shirt and Map Sales – **Tom and Diana Birge** will be selling items to the participants and managing the use of the Square Card for credit sales.
- Game Stations – There are four locations where people play the game of poker. One is at registration and 3 are out on the trail. We need people to man these and **WE NEED A COMMITTEE CHAIR**, to organize the people.
- Horse Holders – When people are not busy, we need people to watch over participant horses when they are doing registration and raffle.
- Saturday Set Up – On Saturday we will be putting up garages, etc. and laying out the trail. We will need help with this.

As you can see, we need lots of people. Some will be performing multiple tasks just to get the work done. Please plan on helping.

## **Escure Ranch Work Party**

**By Ken Carmichael**

Much has already been said about this upcoming work party. We are now set to go for April 17 and 18. Some of us will be there Friday night. Others can come either Saturday or Sunday, or both. **Attached to the end of the newsletter I am providing the details of what you need to know.**

We appreciate all the help.

If you have questions, please call me at 509-466-2225.



### **Note from Louise Walton:**

I saw the following brochure about ticks on the web site for the State Parks. It is pointed towards hikers but who among us never gets off our horse in a grassy area? Thought it might be good for a newsletter article. I had a couple jump on last year. Just love the comments about how the ticks like to roam around before they decide on a nice cozy place to bite you! Yuck. And you can't stop feeling that crawling bug where you can't reach it, whether there is one or not! 😊



## Prevent Tick Bites

While it is a good idea to take preventive measures against ticks year-round, be extra vigilant in warmer months (April-September) when ticks are most active.

### Avoid Direct Contact with Ticks

- Walk in the center of trails, rather than through the brush.
- Control the brush around your home.
- Avoid wooded and bushy areas with high grass and leaf litter.



### Repel Ticks with DEET or Permethrin

- Products containing permethrin can be used to treat clothing and gear, such as boots, pants, socks and tents. It remains protective through several washings. Always follow label instructions.
- Repellents containing 20% or more DEET can be applied to the skin, and they can protect up to several hours. Always follow product instructions! Parents should apply this product to their children, avoiding hands, eyes, and mouth.
- Other repellents registered by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) may be found at: [cfpub.epa.gov/oppref/insect](http://cfpub.epa.gov/oppref/insect)

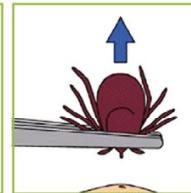
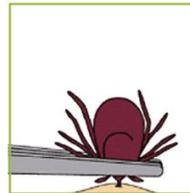
### Find and Remove Ticks from Your Body

- Wear light colored, tightly woven clothing which will allow the dark tick to be seen more easily. The tight weave makes it harder for the tick to attach itself.
- Tuck your pant legs into socks or boots and shirt into pants. This can help keep ticks on the outside of your clothing where they can be more easily spotted and removed.
- Conduct a full-body tick check using a mirror to view all parts of your body upon return from tick-infested areas. Parents should check their children. Look for ticks under arms, in and around ears, inside the belly button, behind knees, between the legs, around the waist, and especially in their hair.
- Examine gear and pets. Ticks can ride into the home on clothing and pets, then attach to a person later, so carefully examine pets, coats, and day packs. Tumbling clothes in a dryer on the highest heat for at least one hour may help kill remaining ticks.
- Shower soon after being outdoors. Showering within two hours of coming indoors has been shown to reduce your risk of being bitten by a tick.

## How to Remove a Tick

If you find a tick attached to your skin, there is no need to panic. However, prompt and proper tick removal is important to prevent possible disease transmission.

1. Use fine-tipped tweezers and protect your fingers with a tissue, paper towel, or latex gloves. Avoid removing ticks with your bare hands.
2. Grasp the tick as close to the skin surface as possible and pull upward with steady, even pressure. Don't twist or jerk the tick; this can cause the mouth-parts to break off and remain in the skin. If this happens, remove the mouth-parts with tweezers. If you are unable to remove the mouth easily with clean tweezers, leave it alone and let the skin heal.
3. After removing the tick, thoroughly disinfect



*AVOID home remedies such as burnt matches, nail polish or Vaseline. These methods may increase the chance of disease transmission.*

## Environmental Controls

- Keep lawn mowed
- Yard clean-up: remove leaf litter, trim trees, keep compost bins far away from house, remove brush & leaves around stone walls and woodpiles
- Move children's swing sets & play structures away from wooded edge
- Install tick barrier around yard (3' wide of mulch and/or wood chips)
- Eliminate places where rodents can hide
- Consider hardscape (decking, gravel, tile) for high traffic areas
- Pesticides should be applied by a licensed pest control operator

## Follow-up

If you begin to experience a rash or fever within several weeks of removing a tick, see your doctor. Be sure to tell the doctor about your recent tick bite, when the bite occurred, and where you most likely acquired the tick.

For more information about tick-borne diseases, symptoms, and how submit a tick for identification, go to: [doh.wa.gov/ticks](http://doh.wa.gov/ticks)

# Use of Bounce

**By Ken Carmichael**

Some people like their clothes to come out of the dryer nice and fluffy soft so they use Bounce. There are other uses of this product. Here are some suggestions that I received from my brother:

- It will chase ants away when you lay a sheet near them. It also repels mice.
- Spread sheets around foundation areas, or in trailers, or cars that are sitting and it keeps mice from entering your vehicle.
- It repels mosquitoes. Tie a sheet of Bounce through a belt loop when outdoors during mosquito season.
- Attach a sheet to you or your horse to keep bees away.
- Put a bounce sheet in your sleeping bag and tent before folding and storing them. It will keep them smelling fresh.
- Wet a bounce sheet, hose down your car, and wipe love bugs off easily with the wet Bounce.
- Eliminate static electricity from your television (or computer) screen.
- Use to freshen air in suitcases, closet, vacuum cleaner bag, car.
- Collect cat hair
- Clean baked-on foods from a cooking pan. Put a sheet in a pan, fill with water, let sit overnight, and sponge clean.

These are just a few of the great ideas for using Bounce.



## **Safety Note**

**By Doug Frederick**

### **My 10 essentials, and more.**

When I go into the outdoors as an individual, I carry a small backpack with my ten essentials. I try to avoid inclement weather, but you never know what you might be up to in the mountains mushroom hunting, fishing, or hiking in the woods. I carry water with me and dress appropriately for the forecasted weather.

- The first thing in my bag is extra gloves.
- The next thing is parachute cord, about 20' or so. This can be used to set up a shelter.
- The next item is a plastic poncho and mine is 50" by 80" which can be worn as designed or used in the shelter.
- The next item is a portable water filtration kit.
- I also carry a bit of fishing line with hooks.
- I have a flashlight that I test every spring.
- I carry an "after bite" pen for bee stings and mosquito bites.
- I carry a whistle with a built-in compass.
- I have a baggie of wood chips that are coated with paraffin and a book of waterproof matches, easy fire starter.
- I have a multi tool and a regular knife.
- I have an emergency space blanket and an individual first aid kit. I also carry a 36-gallon plastic garbage bag which has many uses such as rain gear, floor covering wind breaker. Etc..
- And lastly I include a foot care kit for blisters.

This is just a start, and I still have a little more room in the bag so as I go on trips, I can add things that I think I might need like energy bar, snacks, a hat, Duct tape and many more. By getting this pack (or saddle bags) together it gives you a good chance in case you're stuck outdoors overnight. I hope you can use this as a guide and have fun and be creative as you make your own ten essentials kit.

## **Life Flight Memberships**

**By Michelle Eames**

Remember that Back Country Horsemen Members can receive a discounted rate for Life Flight Insurance. If you have a back country or remote accident, helicopter flights out cost a lot. BCH members can receive an annual membership for \$59. You can request the discounted rate and sign up over the phone at (800) 982-9299 or by mail with a specific BCH application (see the application attached to an email sent via PON3 on March 29).

**Buttercups @Riverside State Park on 3/4/21, submitted by Cindy Miller.**



**Grass widow flowers, usually appearing a couple weeks after the buttercups emerge, can also now be seen (3/16/21). Submitted by Cindy Miller.**



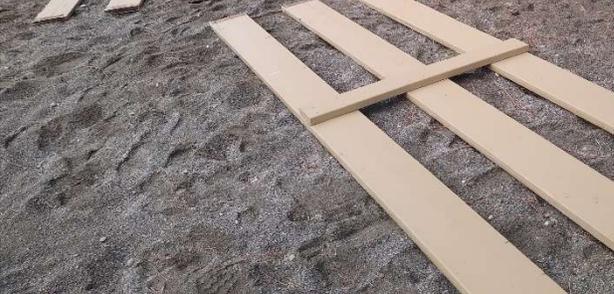
Speaking of Riverside State Park...

## **Arena Pole Repair at Riverside State Park Equestrian Area**

**By Michelle Eames**

On March 23, 2021, several PBCH members met to replace 4 leaning arena fence posts at the Equestrian Area of Riverside State Park. Surprisingly, the treated fence posts were rotted at the bottom. It took some muscle and time, but many hands make light work. We were pretty much done after three hours.

Thanks to the following members: Larry Grinstead, Chuck Rice, Ken Carmichael, Doug Frederick, Doug Bailey, Tom Birge, and Michelle Eames.



# **Electronic Bikes in State Parks**

**By Ken Carmichael**

Periodically the question comes up about what are the rules for electronic bikes (E-Bikes) in state parks? Now it is a big question for DNR and other state lands.

I got the official word from state parks and it is the same for all the parks.

## **Electric-Assisted Bicycles (E-BIKE) Information Sheet**

### **E-bike Use is Allowed on State Park Long-Distance Trails**

Class 1 and Class 3 pedal-assist e-bikes are allowed on State Park non-motorized long-distance trails. Most are converted rail trails and these include:

- Columbia Plateau State Park Trail (130 mile trail from Cheney to Pasco)
- Klickitat State Park Trail (31 mile trail along the Klickitat River)
- Palouse to Cascades State Park Trail (255 miles from North Bend to the Idaho border)
- Spokane River Centennial State Park Trail (37 mile trail in Spokane)
- Willapa Hills State Park Trail (53 mile trail from Chehalis to South Bend)

### **E-bike Use is Allowed on Park Roads**

All classes of e-bikes are allowed on roads within State Parks. E-bikes are required to follow all park rules related to bicycles including any posted speed limits or other restrictions on bicycle use.

### **Pedal-Assist E-bike Use is Allowed on In-Park Trail Systems that Allow Bicycle Use**

Class 1 and Class 3 pedal-assist e-bikes are allowed on single-track non-motorized natural surface trails that allow conventional bicycles. E-bikes are required to follow all park rules related to bicycles including any posted speed limits or other restrictions on bicycle use.

### **E-bike Use is Not Allowed on Hiking Specific Trails**

E-bikes are not allowed on single-track non-motorized natural surface hiking-only trails or any other trails that do not permit bicycles.

## Buttercups at BLM Lakeview Ranch on March 5, by Carol Klar.



## **Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Meeting** **By Ken Carmichael**

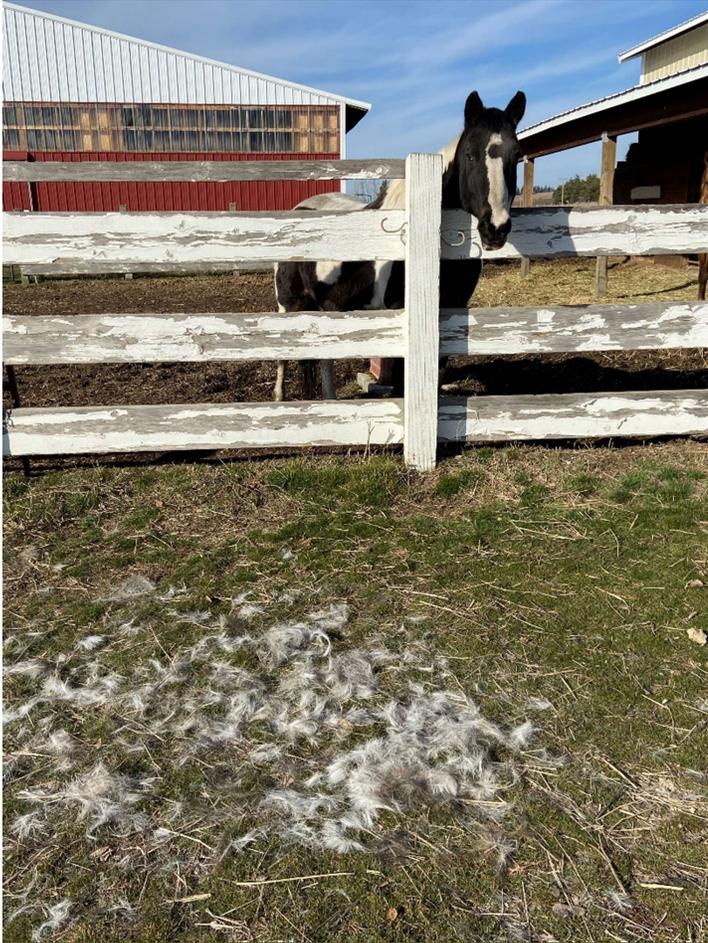
Eric Holburn has requested that we touch base periodically. We had a good conversation today going over projects that BLM and PBCH are working on together and looking into the future.

Some of the topics touched on include:

- Escure Ranch work party scheduled for April 17 and 18 – we are set to install 8 new corrals, 3 picnic tables, 2 fire rings and parking barriers.
- Hawk Creek barbwire pull work party going on now.
- Fish Trap Lake trail signs – PBCH agreed to review condition of the signs and reinstall where necessary.
- Escure Ranch driveway – it is on the BLM list but nothing immediate.
- Lakeview Ranch – Restroom, there is one at Pacific Lake, within a ½ mile and they do not want to put in another. I told them a seasonal outhouse would be a win for me.
- Escure Ranch mounting blocks – This has been an ongoing discussion and I think we have a solution. Purple Sage Riders BCH brought this up and I think will provide the mounting blocks. We will be limited as to where we can put them.
- Escure Ranch farm gates – Some of these are really tight to open and close. Eric will look into options like putting a cheater bar on those gates.
- BLM staff – BLM has hired a replacement for Chris Shaefer as maintenance man. He is Bill Boxter and will start May 10. This will help on several projects.

We have a good working relationship with BLM and their land provides great riding opportunities. This is why we invest our time and money in these projects.

Shedding Piles and Maggie sent in by Patty Wright.



Not to forget our spring garden flowers, submitted by Tom Birge.



## **BCHW Officer Search**

**By Ken Carmichael**

If you know of someone, inside or outside of BCHW, that is interested in filling one of these positions please have them contact me.

# **WANTED**

**People to guide BCHW for 2022-23.**

**The BCHW Nominating Committee is looking for volunteers to fill the following positions come election time at the December BCHW Board of Directors meeting: President, Vice President, BCHA Director Pos 1 and BCHA Alternate Director. Also, if you are interested in hearing more about the President-appointed jobs of Secretary, Treasurer and Independent Director (and Alternate Director), the job descriptions can also be obtained from the Nominating Committee. Those interested may contact Ken Carmichael at 509-466-2225 or [kcarmichael2225@gmail.com](mailto:kcarmichael2225@gmail.com).**

## **Leave No Trace (LNT)**

### **By Ken Carmichael**

On February 25<sup>th</sup> I participated in an LNT Zoom meeting. It is exciting to meet with people that have a passion for a worthwhile subject that can make a difference to all of us.

Your first question may be “What is LNT?” I find it interesting as to how many people in BCH do not know what LNT stands for. It stands for LEAVE NO TRACE. This is one of the crowning principles of BCH as part of our education program. LNT is a national program that covers all disciplines, not just equestrians, and goes from the urban to the wilderness.

At the beginning of the meeting they had a quiz. I will share some of the questions:

- When was LNT formed? – 1994
- Traveling in a pristine area should a group disperse across the area or travel single file? – Disperse across the area as it causes less damage.
- How deep should the snow be in order to protect sensitive ground under it? – 6 inches

LNT reached a half million people last year. They are involved in education and research.

BCH has the opportunity to spread the word about LNT through our education programs. If you are interested in learning more, BCHW is offering a Basic LNT Class on August 28 and 29 in the Teanaway Community Forest. The cost is \$75, and they feed you really well. Patti and I went through the program several years ago and it is well worth the time.

If you are interested in attending the class please contact me.

**Karen Rice's horse Gunnar and his shedding pile.**



## Barbwire Removal Work Party: Building Relationships

By Ken Carmichael

Sometimes BCH work parties are to build and repair trails and trailheads. This work party was about building relationships. It will not directly result in added trails to ride but will help cement the relationship between the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and Ponderosa Back Country Horsemen (PBCH).

For 6 days our task was to remove 6-7 miles of 3 and 4 strands of barbwire fence along the BLM property line where a fire had destroyed much of the fence.

BLM asked us for help with this project. As it was, we had experience as two years ago we had removed barbwire fence in Riverside State Park. The project started with PBCH Trail Boss **Doug Bailey** previewing the project with the BLM Range Manager. Then PBCH members **Don Dyer** asked a farmer friend for the loan of the wire winder, a key element in the project. Doug did not want to haul the tractor the distance needed so instead invented an unusual and unique way to mount the wire winder on his pickup hitch receiver and power it via his log splitter. This is a case where Doug says I think I can do it and you do not ask how, just be confident it will be done.

Over the span of 17 days, and six days on the job, BCH members pulled staples, removed clips from metal posts and wound-up wire. Some of the wire was on standing metal posts, some on burnt posts while other was on the ground still connected to burnt posts. Some had to be pulled out of the trees. Tools of the day were fencing tools, bolt cutters, buckets and heavy gloves. Crews ranged from 4 to 12 people. The more we worked the more creative we became for pulling long strands of wire, up to a half mile, around curves and out of the brush. Primarily we pulled one strand at a time, but in places it was necessary to tackle 4 strands at once.



SPECIAL THANKS:

**Don Dyer** for obtaining the wire winder

**Doug Bailey** for putting together the project and building the frame and power source for the wire winder

**Larry Grinstead** for miles of work with the four-wheeler and his ingenuity

**The six members of the Northeast BCH chapter who contributed their time and labor. It was great having these folks working with us.**

**Meral and Brian Painter** (they had such a good time they came back for a second day)

**Bud and Sheila Blakely**

**Brian and Cindi Vance**

**The other PBCH chapter members who came out to help:**

**Chuck Rice**

**Doug Frederick**

**Melissa Halpin**

**Tom Birge**

**Judy Babb**

**Cindy Miller**

**Dee Dee Dennison**

**Carol Klar**

**Michelle Eames**

**Linda Grinstead**

**Sue White**

**Louise Walton**

**Holly Elliott**

In all, 22 people participated on site for 252.5 work hours, 104.5 hours of travel and 3298 miles of travel.

Special note: BLM provides many great places to ride in the PBCH area including: The Escure Ranch, Fish Trap Lake, Lakeview ranch, Telford, Twin Lakes and others. We enjoy doing work parties at these locations in partnership with BLM. April 17 and 18 we add additional features to the Escure Ranch trailhead in partnership with BLM.



*From the Editor:*

*I invite you all to continue to send me your stories, tips, jokes, articles, photos, words of wisdom, or whatever. I especially would like to encourage our officers and committee chairs to share their thoughts, visions and projects. The goal here is to make the newsletter fun, entertaining and informative.*

*Michelle Eames, Newsletter Editor*

*P.S. Please send me photos of you and your equine buddy so I can highlight you in our newsletter. Introduce yourself to the new members with background on you or your horse.*



Somehow fjord hair is magnetized.  
More lands on me than the ground.

***PBCH Officers***

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<b>STATE DIRECTOR</b>	<b>KEN CARMICHAEL</b>

# **Escure Ranch Work Party**

## **EVENT DESCRIPTION**

**EVENT (RIDE, WORK PARTY, SEMINAR, CLINIC, ETC.):** Work party

**DATES/START TIME:** Saturday and Sunday April 17 and 18, 2021, some of us will arrive Friday night and work will start as people arrive.

**LOCATION:** BLM Escure Ranch

**PERSON TO CONTACT FOR MORE INFORMATION (NAME, EMAIL & TELEPHONE):**  
Ken Carmichael [kcarmichael2225@gmail.com](mailto:kcarmichael2225@gmail.com) 509-466-2225

**PERMITS/RESTRICTIONS/CERTIFIED HAY REQUIREMENTS:** Weed free hay is required on federal land. BLM personnel will be on site.

**FACILITIES/WATER/FEED:** Restroom, horse water, highlines for 7 horses, 2 corrals (project is to build 8 more)

**EVENT DESCRIPTION (TRAIL DESCRIPTION, LENGTH, DIFFICULTIES, TYPE WORK, TYPE TRAINING, ETC.):** We will move dirt and gravel to provide a gravel base under 3 new tables and 2 fire rings. We will pour concrete to provide tie downs for the tables. We will install 2 10-foot parking barriers. We will assemble 3 new picnic tables with benches. We will install 2 fire rings. We will install 8 metal corrals (like the ones we put at Riverside State Park last year). No special skills required.

**SPECIAL FEATURES (POTLUCK, ENTERTAINMENT, SPECIAL EQUIPMENT, SUPPLIES, ETC.):** At this time everyone is on their own for food and water. Only tools you need to bring are gloves, food and water. Throw in a shovel or rake would be good.

**GENERAL DIRECTION AND DISTANCE FROM SPOKANE:** Access from Spokane is the Sprague exit off I-90. It is 67 miles from my house and takes close to 2 hours.

**ROAD CONDITIONS:** Freeway to Sprague, 12.4 miles of 2 lane road, 9.3 miles of gravel road. Then last 2.3 miles is one lane driveway with lots of potholes that takes about 20 minutes to travel.

**DIRECTIONS TO EVENT OR RENDEZVOUS POINT:** See attached directions.

**RSVP REQUIREMENTS AND CONTACT INFORMATION:** RSVP is suggested. Some people will not be there the entire time. Conditions do change and if you want to be notified then best to RSVP.

PARTICIPANTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO PREPARE A “PERSONAL EMERGENCY PLAN” AND LEAVE IT WITH PERSONAL EMERGENCY CONTACT.

**ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:**

- Liability Releases will be signed at the trailhead
- Please practice Leave No Trace
- Participants under 18, and not accompanied by a parent or guardian, must have a “Permission to Treat” Statement

NOTE: People can bring horses to ride when the work is done.

**DIRECTIONS TO ESCURE RANCH (BLM ROCK CREEK RECREATION AREA)**

Go west on Interstate 90 to Sprague (1 hour from my house). At Sprague go south on Highway 23 for 12.4 miles. (At about 8 miles you go under a railroad overpass and past the Lamont turn.) (DO NOT TURN). At 12.4 miles past Sprague turn **right** on Davis Rd. toward Revere. The turn is in a sweeping left turn of the highway at the end of a long straight stretch. You need to be going slow as the slope of the curve is working against you. This is where you leave the pavement and start gravel.

Go 7.1 miles to Jordan Knott Rd. and turn left. This turn is just a short distance past the Revere grain elevator on your right. Go 2.2 miles on Jordan Knott Rd to a sign for Rock Creek Management Area on the right. Turn in here for the ranch. This is a one lane 2.5 mile driveway down into the ranch, very slow. My records show that the ranch is 66.3 miles from my house and it was a nearly 2 hour drive.



## S.C.O.P.E. MOUNTED PATROL



# PRIZE RIDE

**SATURDAY, MAY 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2021**

FIRST RIDERS OUT AT 8 AM    LAST RIDERS OUT AT 11:30 AM

RIVERSIDE 7 MILE AIRSTRIP

7903 W. MISSOULA ROAD; NINE MILE FALLS, WA

**PRE-REGISTER BY APRIL 23<sup>RD</sup>**

18+ (ONE HAND) \$20 PER RIDER

17 AND UNDER (GAMES ONLY) \$5 PER RIDER

AFTER APRIL 23<sup>RD</sup> - \$25.00 PER RIDER 18+; 17 UNDER - \$5 PER RIDER

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April 23rd

2 ADDITIONAL CARDS CAN BE PURCHASED TO FILL YOUR HAND – COST IS \$2 EACH. TOP THREE HANDS RECEIVE NORTH 40 GIFT CARDS. **1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE = \$100 2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE = \$75 3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE = \$50** WINNERS TO BE NOTIFIED BY EMAIL OR PHONE AFTER EVENT AND ANNOUNCED ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE: SCOPE SPOKANE MOUNTED PATROL EVENT RULES ARE LOCATED ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE. DISCOVER PASS REQUIRED OR \$10 COST PER VEHICLE. CURRENT COVID-19 RULES TO BE FOLLOWED DURING EVENT

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