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Back Country Horsemen of Washington "Educate, Advocate, and Move Dirt!" Website: PBCHW.COM



May 2024





PBCH CALENDAR *All events subject to change; Watch facebook and emails.*

April 30- Board Meeting

May 7- Member Meeting

May 28- Board Meeting

June 4- Member Meeting

June 23 – Ponderosa Poker Ride

June 25- Board Meeting

June 29 – Open House at RSP Equestrian Area

July 2- Member Meeting

July 30- Board Meeting

April Showers Bring May Bird Babies

Board Meeting April 30

Here are the highlights. See meeting minutes for more information.

- May 7 Meeting: Pie and icecream! Bring your favorite pie, and Ponderosa will provide the "ala mode". At Hayford Community Church.p
- Remember to track and send in your volunteer hours.
- BCHW sent out a State Parks survey on equestrian use. Deadline is July 1. <u>https://www.research.net/r/EquestrianFriends</u>
- In early June we will have a work party to add/replace signage on Fishtrap and BLM trails. Probably mid-week and we will need about five volunteers; the date is not yet determined.

Director's Report By Ken Carmichael

The March 2024 BCHW Board of Directors meeting was held at the Rendezvous in Ellensburg on March 15th. The next board meeting is June 15, 2024. I encourage anyone interested to attend the meeting. It is open to all members, and you will receive a much more in depth understanding of BCH than I can provide here. The following is a brief summary of items discussed:

BCHW Executive Committee:

- The EC adopted a Statement of Principles this includes a summary of our Mission, Objectives, Strategies and Vision. Much of this came from a document that PBCH adopted when we were formed in 2015. A copy can be found in this newsletter. Please read.
- BCHW Brochure A new, simpler BCHW brochure was introduced. We should use this to promote BCH.
- Sponsorships A sponsorship program has been developed. We will be pursuing sponsors to help finance BCH. Guidelines were provided showing what the sponsors receive. If you know of good candidates please contact me.

Rendezvous – The committee needs more help from the chapters identifying and obtaining clinics, speakers, contests, events, etc. If you have ideas bring them forward.

Back Country Horsemen of America:

- National board meeting in Wyoming in March. BCHW is active at this level. Kathy Young is Treasurer. Dana Chapters is running for Executive Committee.
- Volunteer mileage rate Efforts are being made to increase the nontaxable mileage reimbursement rate for volunteers to match that of business rate. It has not passed congress yet but is in the works.
- Light on the Land A new program "Light on the Land' is being introduced to replace "Leave No Trace." This will feature equestrians.
- Nonstock use of campgrounds BCHA is still collecting information where nonstock users are using stock trailheads resulting in lack of space.
- Electric bikes Information will be collected on the effect of electric bikes.

Grants – Those chapters wanting help with grant applications should get requests into BCHW as soon as possible.

Member discounts – If you are buying stuff, like a John Deer tractor or Life Flight, check the BCHW website and see who gives members a discount. Save some money.

Getting Involved – If you want to be involved in BCH, look on the website for activities taking place across the state.

BCHW Calendars – Calendars for 2025 will be available in June. Be ready to purchase.

Palisades Park By Ken Carmichael

Some of you may be aware of Palisades Park across Government Way and south of Riverside State Park. This is land that a diligent group of people, including PBCH member Craig Volosing, has pieced together from private owners into a Spokane City Park.

Now improvements are being made. Several work parties and public and private meetings have taken place. PBCH members Carol Klar and Tom Birge have attended a meeting pertaining to trailheads that will accommodate horse trailers.

Here is the most recent information:

- March 19 Craig and I hiked a portion of the land with others to identify a multi-use trail location. This will be connected to other trails.
- March 27 Patti and I attended a planning meeting again to talk about trailheads
- September 28 Washington Trails Association (WTA) will manage a work party to establish a trail. BCH is invited to that work party so everyone should come.

This is a nice piece of property which many of us can enjoy. It is to equestrian's benefit to be at the table to ensure that trails and trailheads are suitable for horses. Please join us whenever possible.



Riverside State Park By Ken Carmichael

The Riverside State Park Foundation is conducting a series of Open Houses to promote the use of the park. One of the events will be at the Equestrian Area on Saturday, June 29, 2024, from 9:00 to 1:00.

This is in partnership with the National Association of State Park Foundations and Riverside State Park. We are celebrating the I Love My State Park Week as we share appreciation for our most cherished natural resources – our state parks.

Ponderosa BCH will be hosting the event. This provides BCH an opportunity to promote the park, the equestrian opportunities, the work PBCH does in the park, and just promoting BCH.

Plans are not settled yet but it appears that we will have a booth there. We are inviting other organizations to join us to describe what they do and how they use the park. If you know of other groups that would like to join us, please let me know. The more the merrier.

Together we can generate energy around Riverside State Park and Back Country Horsemen.



Membership By Ken Carmichael

Ponderosa Chapter of BCH is looking for some new members who want to participate in keeping trails open. The work includes education, advocacy, work parties and the many support functions that make this happen. And we have fun doing it. Some of the work requires knowing, or learning specific skills, while other work just requires a desire to help.

If you know of someone, invite them to a meeting or other event. If there is a group that we can talk to then let us know, and we will be glad to put on a program for them.

Legislative

By Ken Carmichael

The following is a summary of the short 2024 Washington State Legislative Session. The summary is prepared by Jeff Chapman, BCHW Legislative Chair.

Thank you to all that summitted emails to legislators in support of the bills BCHW was supporting. These are important. Also, a special thanks to Jeff Chapman for spearheading the BCHW legislative activity for keeping trails open for all of us.

Legislative Committee

Today was the last day of the Legislative session in Olympia. Legislators all head home to their normal lives (or whatever they do for the rest of the year). It was a very contentious and stressful thankfully short session for most of them, but not because of recreation. In fact, recreational discussions I belief was a relief for those that worked on the bills.

From a recreational point of view, only the two main bills passed, the DNR and WDFW bills. Smokey Bear went home without a license plate in his name that would encourage Washingtonians to not start wildfires this summer (which we hope they don't need Smokey for). No Search and Rescue grant bill. No Wild Horse Training bill.

We did get the items in the budget bills that we supported including recreational shooting pilots for DNR. I asked this morning at the last Legislative Outdoor Recreation Caucus meeting on how the two locations for the pilot shooting sites would be chosen, but that is yet to be worked out. Stakeholders will be involved.

We also talked this morning about where the Caucus might gather during the off-season for field trips. This can be particularly important as we all prepare for the big 2025 session which includes the lists of new grant applications. At this point, the Caucus is considering something for early summer in the Cle Elum – Ellensburg area in order to look at the Teanaway Community Forest and the Palouse to Cascades Trail. However, this is still to be worked out. I invited them all to sign up for the John Wayne Ride, but didn't get much in the way of spur of the moment responses (it is 18 days after all, and the "Are You Tough Enough" motto may be a bit much for west side legislators. Heck, I never even got to mentioning the rattlesnakes and alien attack badgers that leap off the walls in the railroad cuts). However, some brave agency staff are interested. I won't say which ones yet.

Thank you for your time this year. We had a good Legislative Day during a short session. And we were as productive as most long sessions. Sine Die (which I think means Happy Trails).

Jeff Chapman, Legislative Chair

Chapter Officer Policy

By Ken Carmichael

I want to make the Chapter aware of a discussion held at the BCHW board meeting concerning chapter officer positions. This follows "Good Business Practices." It significantly affects those chapters having difficulty finding members willing to be chapter officers. This includes the Ponderosa Chapter. The policy received a great deal of discussion and no decision was made.

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POLICY # 2024-1

1. Following best practice guidelines and observing standards, chapter members may not hold multiple elected positions in the four offices of President, Director, Treasurer or Secretary concurrently to avoid any potential conflict of interest or impropriety.

2. No member may be a director of multiple chapters.

3. This policy does not prohibit elected officers from concurrently serving in unelected positions.

Effective Date: June 15, 2024

I am currently Director and Treasurer. In addition, we do not have a vice president. Patti Carmichael is Secretary. Doug Bailey is President and Alternate Director. There are other chapter positions that are not currently filled. This is not healthy for the chapter. We need more people to step up to leadership positions.

Even if this policy is modified, which it will be, it points out a serious problem in the organization. Ponderosa needs to make some changes and we need your help to do it.



BCHW Statement of Principles

February 12, 2024

BCHW's Mission Summary

To preserve and enhance the rights of responsible horsemen to use horses and mules on public lands. To participate and to Advocate!

Objectives

BCHW chapters and members should plan and operate the following activities:

A. Responsibly using stock in front country, back country, and wilderness in such a way that it can be sustained environmentally, socially, and politically.

B. Advocacy. This includes making our viewpoints about trails and adjacent land uses known to land managers, elected officials, other trail organizations, and the general public. Members should strive not to misrepresent official positions of a chapter or BCHW.

C. Trail Maintenance, as approved or directed by public land managers. This includes working with other trail partner organizations and providing pack support for trail work. Our work is essential for preserving our ability to ride on and access to public lands.

D. Educate the general public, land managers, and trail users about the nature of equines, our efforts to manage potential impacts of stock on the environment, how we can all share trails safely and respectfully, and expand awareness of our contributions to trail construction and maintenance. This includes Leave No Trace and similar educational programs.

E. BCHW chapters are also charged with retaining and recruiting members. This sometimes requires social activities, such as rides, social gatherings, and other fun events. However, BCHW chapters must not pursue these at the expense of other core activities.

Strategies

- All chapter members participate and contribute to the mission.
- · Provide meaningful resources to the land managers.
- · Educate decision makers and the public about stock use on public lands.
- · Practice and communicate the Leave No Trace principles.

Our Vision

Back Country Horsemen continues as a premier resource focused on keeping trails and related facilities open for equestrians.

Maintain a viable non-profit organization where all chapter members participate and contribute in one or more of the following: work parties, education, advocacy and/or supporting activities.

Concentrate and direct the energy of a cohesive group of stock advocates towards the common purpose of accomplishing the BCH mission. This will provide an efficient, responsive, and effective BCH chapter working for the benefit of the equestrian community.

Carol Klar Earns BCHW Award By Ken Carmichael

The Ponderosa Board was proud to nominate Carol Klar for the BCHW Desk Jockey Award. This is given to an individual behind the scenes always at a computer or running from meeting to meeting. They keep the wheels of our organization turning. The award was announced at the BCHW General Meeting at Rendezvous March 17. Several people provided endorsements for the nomination. The nomination letter can be found below: THANK YOU Carol for all your hard work.

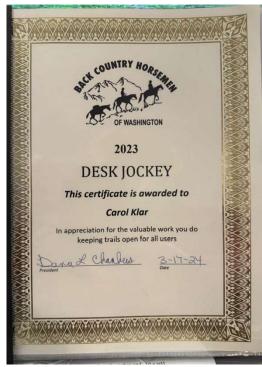
> NOMINATION FOR CAROL KLAR BCHW DESK JOCKEY AWARD



Carol joined our Ponderosa Chapter in 2017. She has been a

cherished addition to the Chapter and has been very active. She is in regular attendance at our membership and board meetings, where she shares valuable insight and ideas.

Carol has recruited several chapter members over the years, and has held the office of Vice President, Volunteer Hours Coordinator, and Education Chair. She also co-manages our Facebook page with another member and manages the maintenance of the Trail Obstacle Course at Riverside State Park.



Carol has planned and initiated two Ladies Only Campout/rides, work parties at Riverside State Park for the Trail Obstacle Course and Meenach Bridge trail, hosted a used tack sale during one of our Poker Ride activities, and made arrangements for several of our members to attend an Obstacle Course clinic.

As Education Chair, she has obtained several key speakers for our membership meeting programs. She hosted a BBQ campout at Riverside State Park where she taught a GPS and trail safety training class. At a past meeting, she gave a presentation on portable electric fences. She regularly provides informative articles for the chapter newsletter.

Ponderosa Chapter Board

Back Country Horsemen of Washington

2024 PONDEROSA BCH Planning Calendar (as of 4/24)

All dates subject to change; watch emails and Facebook. Work Parties and Member Rides will be planned and scheduled as the year proceeds.

April April 30- Board meeting	May (Newsletter this Month) May 7- Member Meeting, pie and icecream May 28- Board Meeting
June June 4- Member Meeting June 19-deadline for online sign up poker ride June 23 – Ponderosa Poker Ride June 25- Board Meeting June 29 – Open House at the Riverside State Park Equestrian Area	July July 2- Member Meeting July 19-21 Calispell Meadows Vicki Gish Memorial Ride by NE BCHW July 23-Newsletter submissions due July 30- Board Meeting
August (Newsletter this Month) August 6- Member Meeting August 27- Board Meeting	SeptemberSeptember 3- Member MeetingSept 6-8- Joel Conner Horsemanship Clinic; contactLinda White, and see flyer at the end of thenewsletterSeptember 24- Boad Meeting
October October 1- Member Meeting October 22- November Newsletter submissions due October 29- Board Meeting	November (Newsletter this Month) November 5- Member Meeting November 26- Board Meeting
December December TBD Christmas Party Member Meeting	

Other events can be found here: <u>https://www.bchw.org/upcoming_events.php</u>

POKER RIDE INFO! (EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW BELOW)

Hi! As everyone knows the Poker Ride will be June 23rd this year. If you are interested in helping let me or Patty Wright know. A few of you have already contacted us.

We are also looking for raffle items. If you are creative and make things we'd love to hear from you. Or if you have a favorite business that you think might be interested in donating something we would be happy to contact them.

See you on the Trails

Linda White and Patty Wright

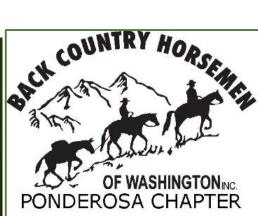
Hello Ponderosa Friends!

We aren't bluffing - the Poker Ride is returning in 2024!

Please <u>save June 23rd</u> for this event, which will take place at the Equestrian Area of Riverside State Park. We'll deal some fun with prizes for the two best hands, lo-ball hand, and raffles! Tell your friends, tell your neighbors, ante up and come along yourself to ride or help for a couple of hours to hit the jackpot: promoting our club and continuing doing what we do best - keep public lands accessible for equine use and the community at large.

• Linda White and Patty Wright, Co-Chairs





Don't forget your Discover Pass!!!

PONDEROSA BACK COUNTRY HORSEMEN

POKER RIDE

June 23, 2024

Riverside State Park Equestrian Area 1st Riders out 9 am – Last Rider out 11

am

Game Ends 2:00 pm RAFFLES ! PRIZES ! Prizes for Best Hand, 2nd Best Hand & LoBall Hand Pre-Registration \$30 On-Site Registration \$45 Extra Hands \$5 18 & Under Ride Free

Online Registration https://form.jotform.com/240145593 072150 Closes 6/19/24 For More Information Linda White, 509-413-7392, linda43562@hotmail.com Or

Patty Wright, 509-868-6269, pa2t2002@gmail.com From our friends at Spokane Mounted Patrol:



June 8th, 2024 Riverside Equestrian Arena Path to Partnership Build Communication, Connection and Confidence with Your Horse



Expose your horse to new situations in a controlled environment with nearly 100 obstacles and items to work through. Water-features, moving obstacles & more. Ninety minute blocks of time are assigned to each rider. Choice of morning or afternoon sessions. Clinicians available to assist.







FACEBOOK: FRIENDS of SpokaneMountedPatrol WEBSITE: spokanemountedpatrol.org



Hosted by Spokane Mounted Patrol

Open to the Public

Saturday: 8:00 am Check-in begins

Pre-Registration Entries, Waiver and Payment/Registration due by June 4th. \$65 for each scheduled time slot \$35 for 2nd horse with same rider Youth (10-16) \$35

Day of Event Registrations: Accepted day of event as time allows. Add an additional \$15.00

For safety reasons, ALL participants must wear boots and equestrian safety helmets. No spurs, please.

June 8th is a FREE Discover Pass day

Online registration: PayPal or Venmo E-mail entries and liability waivers to: 1marzbarz@gmail.com or Mail checks, printed entries,and liability waivers to: Spokane Mounted Patrol c/o Marla Stark 967 Gypsy Bay Road Sagle, ID 83860 For more info call Marla @ (661) 713-5425.

Scan this bar code for online registration.



https://www.spokanemountedpatrol.org/2024-path-to-partnership/

Newsletter Theme:

WHERE DO YOU GET YOUR INFORMATION – ie. LISTENING, READING, WATCHING, AND LEARNING

From the editor:

For me this has been the year to sign up for email newsletters. I enjoy the newsletters from Horse and Rider Magazine, they have many helpful how-to articles. Horse illustrated also has a newsletter, that often has interesting articles. I became a paid member of Northwest Horse Source this year. This regional magazine has changed from a print magazine to online only. You can find articles from the magazine on their website, <u>https://nwhorsesource.com/</u>, and also on their Facebook page. Plus, the editor is from my hometown, and we used to ride together, so that's cool.

Equus magazine has great info on their Facebook page and website. For example, they had a great article on trailer tires, the link follows. <u>https://equusmagazine.com/horse-care/trailer-</u>tires?tum_source=EQUUSFB&utm_medium=link&utm_campaign=Facebook

For podcasts, I typically gravitate toward writing or story podcasts. However, BCHW forwarded a podcast that intersects both my writing world and trail riding world. Find that podcast about a book involving Smoke Elser and the Bob Marshal Wilderness here: <u>https://www.mtpr.org/podcast/the-write-question/2024-02-29/the-gold-in-them-thar-hills-is-a-hush-arnold-smoke-elser-and-eva-maria-maggi-discuss-their-new-book-about-horse-and-mule-packing-into-the-wilderness</u>

Learn more about others' favorite learning and information sources below.

Also, sending out a special thanks to Cindy Miller for her extra help on this newsletter!

Micelle Eames, Newsletter Editor

"Patti, Google This" By Ken Carmichael

Michelle asked us to write an article about how we find information or products. I have a very simple system for doing this. I just say, "Patti Google this." It is one of the simpler things in my life. She is much better at it than I am and I typically get good results.

Other resources I use include:

- BCHW website and Trailhead News for all things related to BCH. I highly recommend them for learning information about trails, discounts available to members, where other people are riding and the operation of this organization.
- PBCH meetings and seminars
- BCH members BCH membership provides a wealth of information if you go looking for it.



Following Amy Skinner Horsemanship on Facebook By Cindy Miller

This intuitive, eloquently communicative horsewoman has spoken directly to me, it seems, many times through her postings. I'd 'suggest' you read her advice and openly listen to what she has to say. It works for my personality and Zen, the gentle and calm one.

One of her postings quoted:

I can't control what happens at other barns. I can't control what people think, what they do, how they ride, or who they ride with. The best I can do is plant a seed, ask a question, spark some curiosity - Maybe there is a feel and look different

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a question, spark some curiosity - Maybe there is a different way, maybe horses can feel and look different.

I can only present information and hope for the best. When I walk away, when I go home, I have to give up any notion of control and just hope for the best.

What I can do is make my own farm a little sanctuary of horse and human happiness. A place where riders can relax and not worry about making mistakes, to learn with support and no judgement. A place where horses can graze, sleep under the sun, socialize and be exactly what nature made them.

I can't work on other people. I can't make them let go, uncrank nose bands, relax grips, shout less, pull less, spur and whip less, be softer in their minds. All I can do is suggest.

What I can do, is work on me, and mine. Make myself better, less judgemental, more open minded, more centered, more caring.

I can plant a seed, and go home to work on my farm and myself.

Amy Skinner Horsemanship

McKinley-Peters Equine Education Day

Each year McKinley-Peters Veterinary Hospital has provided a free education day for the general public. I attended it for the first time this year on March 9th from 9 am to 1 pm and found it quite informative. There were 6 speakers and I've summarized the topics below.

- 1. <u>Breeding System</u> Dr. McKinley spoke about the new system they have for breeding horses. It's basically in vitro fertilization; eggs are harvested from the mare using ultrasound to accurately locate an egg in the ovary and remove it with a special tool. The egg is then cultured for a period of time, and then sent to a lab to have a single sperm injected. It's incubated for several days and, if it is viable, then returned to the mare. This is done for a number of reasons: limited semen, infertile mare, oviduct blockage, convenience (can be done off-season), and high success rate (70% foaling rate).
- 2. <u>Dentistry</u> Dr. Roseberg did a nice presentation on dental care for horses, with some gnarly photos of horses with all kinds of dental issues. Some fun facts: horses that graze pasture develop "points" on their teeth more slowly since pasture grass helps grind it down, "quidding" is the word for dropping globs of partially eaten food and is a sign of poor tooth health, and equine odontoclastic tooth resorption and hypercementosis (EOTRH) is a painful progressive condition of older horses that involves multiple teeth.
- 3. <u>Back Issues in Horses</u> Dr. Peters talked about how he has changed how he looks at horse lameness he now evaluates the horse's back first. Many factors can affect a horse's back comfort. These include conformation, unbalanced rider, saddle fit, injury or chronic condition etc. The load a horse carries, rider and tack, should not exceed 20% of the horse's weight. Symptoms of back pain in horses can be subtle, including changes in attitude like not wanting to be brought in from the pasture when previously came willingly, carrying the head higher, or of course bucking... The big takeaway was "no abs, no back": work on getting your horse to collect in order to activate the abdominal muscles which support the back.
- 4. <u>Vitamin E and Selenium</u> Internal medicine specialist Dr. Craven discussed the deficiency of our soil in this area (and therefore the feed) in providing these essential nutrients. There is a link between these and they are important for neuromuscular function. These nutrient levels can be checked via blood test. Selenium is added to most mineral blocks, but is most "bioavailable" as selenium yeast. Vitamin E occurs in "lush pasture grass", and loses much of its potency as soon as it's cut. If supplementing for Vit. E, the liquid form was strongly recommended.

- 5. <u>Wound Management</u> Dr. Fernandez spoke on this topic. First, he said, don't panic! Easier said than done, sometimes... Anyway, if the horse is mobile, take it to a clean area, find someone who can help, apply pressure to the wound with clean gauze and then assess. Take the horse or call a vet right away if the bleeding doesn't stop in 5', if the wound involves a bone, tendon or joint, if it's a puncture wound, or if an eye is involved. Other recommendations: wash dirt out of a wound with sterile saline if needed, but don't flush a puncture wound, don't remove a foreign object like a nail, and don't give bute or banamine prior to the vet visit.
- 6. <u>Understanding Travel Requirements</u> Dr. Hetherington discussed our NW travel requirements. An Extended Equine Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (EECVI) is good for 6 months in 35 states, and acts as a passport for travel over state lines. A negative Coggins test (for Equine Infectious Anemia) is required for this. The veterinarian sets this up online through Global VetLink, and the horse owner can access it anytime to obtain a permit for travel. A brand inspection, which is proof of ownership, is also required to leave Washington State. The inspectors for our region can be found here: https://cms.agr.wa.gov/WSDAKentico/Documents/AnS/Livestock%20Inspection/Certifie d-Inspectors-Region-5.pdf?_gl=1*16f24r1*_ga*ODU0MTc2NDM4LjE3MDE5MTk2MjQ.*_ga_9JCK8SVQ PE*MTcxMDk5MjE1NC4xLjEuMTcxMDk5MjU4OC4wLjAuMA..
- 7. <u>Deworming</u> Dr. Smallwood spoke about deworming. Currently it's recommended that horses be dewormed 2x/year: in the spring with Ivermectin, and in the fall with Ivermectin/Prazinquel. Environmental control by pasture rotation, appropriate manure disposal, and prevention of overgrazing can reduce parasite load. Fly Predators can be very helpful, especially if there is a specific manure pile vs. manure widely spread.

Overall, it was a good experience. I learned some, reviewed some information I knew but hadn't thought about recently, and I got some freebies at the booths (there were just a few vendors) but I didn't win any of the raffle items (darn it!). I'm looking forward to next year!

• Patty Wright

Attending clinics is a great way to learn more and directly apply that learning to your horse.

Joel Conner Natural Horsemanship Clinic

By Linda White

Sept 6-8, 2024

Meet Joel Conner. Joel is a remarkable horseman & teacher who follows classic vaquero horsemanship. His philosophy follows the traditions of Ray Hunt, Tom and Bill Dorrance, and Buck Brannaman, Joel has trained with Buck for many years as one of his top mentees.

Joel is passionate about teaching new students and experienced hands alike. He has been offering clinics since 2015 in various parts of the US and in Ireland. Joel has been instrumental working with Save A Forgotten Equine (S.A.F.E.) Rescue in Seattle teaching the trainers and helping with the rescued horses.

Two classes will be offered. Each will be 3 hours in length of the three days. Class sizes are limited in order to have one on one instruction. Students are welcomed to audit the class they are not enrolled in.

Foundation Horsemanship will be in the mornings 9 am to 12 pm and will consist of groundwork, building respect and riding preparation.

The Horsemanship Class will be in the afternoons, 1:30 to 4:30 pm. Here we will be in the saddle developing a soft, supple, and understanding horse.

Each 3-day class (Foundation Horseman, Horsemanship Class) is \$450. Participants may take one or both classes. Auditors are welcome, \$25 each day. Auditing is a wonderful way to experience the vaquero style and learning through observation and questions.

Contact Linda White, 509-413-7392 or linda43562@hotmail.com for more information and/or to register. (*Also see the flyer at the end of this newsletter*.)

From the Editor:

I invite you all to continue to send me your horseor wildlife-related 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.

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

Michelle Eames, Newsletter Editor



BCH Officers 2024

PRESIDENT: DOUG BAILEY

(CURRENTLY NO VICE PRESIDENT)

SECRETARY: PATTI CARMICHAEL

TREASURER: KEN CARMICHAEL

STATE DIRECTOR: KEN CARMICHAEL

ALT. STATE DIR.: DOUG BAILEY

The 2024 Executive Board for PBCH includes the officers, plus Michelle Eames, Newsletter Editor; Linda White, Member At Large; and Trail Boss for Work Parties (Vacant)



Joel Conner Horsemanship Clinic Sept 6-8, 2024

9 am - 12 pm, Foundation Horsemanship Class

Will consist of groundwork, moving the forequarter, hindquarters, and riding preparation to enhance your relationship with your horse.

I:30 pm - 4:30 pm, Horsemanship Class

We will be in the saddle developing a soft, supple, and understanding horse.

WHO

Joel is a remarkable horseman & teacher whose dedication to classic vaquero horsemanship is unparalleled. He follows the traditions of Ray Hunt, Tom & Bill Dorrance, and Buck Brannaman. Joel is passionate about teaching new students and experienced hands alike. He has conducted clinics for S.A.F.E., across the US and in Great Britain.

<u>WHERE</u>

Equestrian Area Arena, Riverside State Park, Spokane, WA

COST \$450 PER SESSION

\$800 BOTH SESSIONS

\$25 AUDIT FEE PER DAY

MAXIMUM 12 STUDENTS PER SESSION

REGISTER:

Contact: Linda White, linda43562@hotmail.com

CAMPING AVAILABLE WITH STALLS:

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