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"The purpose of this organization shall be (1) to perpetuate the common sense use and enjoyment of horses in Montana's road less back country and (2) to assist the various government agencies in their maintenance and management of said resource and (3) to educate and solicit active participation by various members of the general public in the wise and sustaining use of horses and people, commensurate with our heritage and the back country's resource."

#### Board Meeting Thursday, July 3 - 7p Dan Porter's office 1745 So. 19th

General Meeting - Thursday, July 17 - 7p Belgrade Alliance Church, Hoffman & Cameron Sts Program

Tim Bennett, Bear Specialist - Madison County

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#### JULY SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

<u>Thursday</u>, July 3, 7pm - Board Meeting, Dan Porter's office, 1745 So. 19th

**Sunday, July 6, 10am** - **Poker Ride Clearing - be ready to ride at 9am -** Kay Tate 587-2758

If you want to help and don't have a horse, contact Janice 579-3445

<u>Friday, July 11, 10am</u> ready to ride - Flag for Poker ride - Janice Cartwright - 579-3445 <u>SATURDAY, JULY 12, GVBCH ANNUAL POKER RIDE</u>

#### at Bridger Bowl - registration begins at 8:30am - see pg 5

<u>Saturday</u>, <u>July 13</u>, <u>10am</u> and ready to ride - de-flag Poker Ride contact? see page 5 <u>Saturday</u>, <u>July 12 - 13</u>,- MT Appaloosa Horse Show <u>CANCELLED</u> - due to lack of pre-entries and number of horses required for the show points to count

<u>Thursday</u>, <u>July 17</u>, <u>7pm</u> - General Meeting and program - Tim Bennett, Bear Specialist, Madison Ranger District, Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest, Ennis, MT. will speak to us about recreating in bear country.

Saturday, July 26, 10am Spanish Peaks Trail Clearing. Trail Boss ??? — Email will be sent.



For Sale - Smooth Gaited Quarter Horse (Contact Ray Madsen)

# A huge welcome to our new members for July

Mark and Lisa Boger Cunnane 6595 Bear Claw La Bozeman MT 59715 585-5947

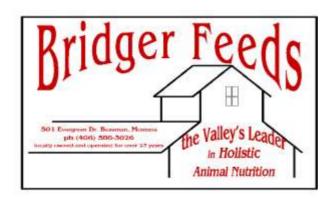
#### markc@westerngroundwaterservices.com

Telephone change for Rich & Nancy Winget to 284-4151

Email address change for Susan Des Jardins

to knitting67@yahoo.com

2008 new members—please pick up your new member packet at the general meeting.



#### President's Report July 2008

Dale Moore presented a very interesting talk on saddle making and the history of saddles to a packed house for the June meeting. The meeting was a week late but everyone must have received the word because we had a great turnout. I rushed through our business meeting so we could put the finishing touches on the Poker Ride.

The trail crews have finally got a chance to get out and work on the trails the last few weeks but they still run into snow at the higher elevations. Kay Tate is once again doing a marvelous job of writing up a report on the trail clearing crew's activities. I have been a little lax on getting the new information posted on the web site, but I hope to start on that project soon. On June 28<sup>th</sup> Wally will be trail boss for a crew that will attempt to get around 77 blow downs cleared on our adopted Spanish Lakes trail just in time for the big rush of trail users that descend on Spanish Peaks over the Fourth of July weekend. On Monday June 30<sup>th</sup> the Bridger crew will be trying to clear trail 538 for our Poker Ride at Bridger Bowl that is coming up on the 12<sup>th</sup> of July.

At our board meeting we voted to change our business status from Public Benefit to Mutual Benefit which just allows the board of directors to be able to react better to problems that may arise with a member that decides to sue the club for some reason. I spoke about the East Slope chapter in an earlier letter and at the time we thought the matter was resolved when the judge ruled in the clubs favor, but the person involved has appealed the ruling. In addition to changing our business status I found out there were some problems with our tax exempt status and Jim Albright and I are filling out the paperwork to get us registered as a 501c3 organization which will also make your donations to the club tax deductable.

I made a brief mention at the meeting about a proposal from the Gallatin Forest to

modify the travel plan now that the Custer Forest travel plan is done. There were actually three proposals of which the third is of the most interest to stock users. In short what Mary Erickson, GNF Supervisor, has proposed is to change segments of the Lower Deer Creek Trail #5, the Lodgepole Trail #124, and the Dry Fork Trail #13 in the Deer Creeks and East Boulder River drainages southeast of Big Timber, Montana that were designated nonmotorized to motorized from June 16<sup>th</sup> to December 1st in order to be in line with Lodgepole Trail #22 and the Meyers Creek Trail #27 of the Custer travel plan to allow those connecting trails to be motorized. It turns out this was an agreement made between Becki Heath Supervisor of the Gallatin Forest and Steve Williams Supervisor of the Custer Forest that the Gallatin would not allow motorized on those connector trails until the Custer had finished their travel plan so it wouldn't influence their choice. Now that the Custer has finished their travel plan Mary is honoring that agreement to change the Gallatin connector trails to match the Custer trail use. On the Gallatin side the connector trails that are being changed all connect up to trails that were designated motorized in the travel plan. Please submit input on this proposal by July 18th, 2008. For more information, visit the Forest's website at www.fs.fed.us/r1/gallatin/?page=projects or contact

the Gallatin National Forest Supervisors Office at (406) 587-6701.

The Poker Ride on July 12<sup>th</sup> is coming

The Poker Ride on July 12<sup>th</sup> is coming up fast. Rich Inman and Sherrie White have done a terrific job of getting everything together so everything will flow as smooth as butter on the big day. If you have been waiting to offer help now would be a good time. If you have any prizes or donations for the Poker Ride please contact Rich or Sherrie as soon as possible so they can get your prize added to the list.

Respectfully submitted, Dan Marsh

#### **June Program,** by Amanda Steele

Dale Moore gave us an interesting and educational presentation on saddles and saddle fitting. He is a successful saddle maker and now has started a saddle making school that he operates on his place north of Belgrade. He has been around horses and saddles all his life, growing up on a ranch then working for Jack Miller and other notable makers as a young person. On an elk trip early on he saw a unique saddle design that he developed and now incorporates into his own saddles called the balanced ride saddle, first designed and built by Monty Foreman and John Fallus. This design has a swivel on the stirrup leathers so that the stirrup and rider's leg can swing freely from front to back along the horse enabling the rider to center their balance point no matter the terrain.

Dale also spoke on the different types and styles of western saddles. He emphasized the most imperative aspect of fitting a saddle to a horse: the gullet. When the Quarter horse came into huge popularity in the 1950's the breeders were striving to develop an athlete and part of that demanded a well-muscled shoulder set at a 45 degree angle. This was a conformation not formerly seen in most He's always interested to hear about and see old western horses of the time and it required a new type of saddle that would fit this new build. Dale emphasized as the shoulders set back on a horse's conformation the rigging of the saddle must move

forward in order to fit properly. As a result, most modern quarter horses need a full rigged saddle since that type of rigging is set forward to accommodate the shoulders.

A bad saddle fit can cause many problems from bad behavior to actual tissue damage and permanent scars. The gullet and rigging must combine in a way to fit the horse to prevent these problems. Gullets come in four standard widths which are standard, semi-QH, QH, and a wide gullet which all range from 4 inches to 7.5 inches. Once the width has been established for the horse the saddle maker must also consider the build of the horse and angle of the shoulder which will determine where the girth will lay on the horse. Rigging positions range from full rigged, 7/8, 3/4, to a center fire rig. Other fit issues are bridging and skirt interference or skirt absence in the front which results in a lack of padding.

Dale's saddle expertise is a result of his long years of experience and a passion for antique saddles. He showed us older saddles made by revered saddle makers and pointed out differences between the modern saddle and the classic antique. saddles and encourages folks to stop by his shop on Dawn Drive off Dry Creek Road to talk saddles with him

#### **Trail Clearing Schedules**

#### **Bridger Crew-Mondays**

July 6 - Poker Ride south Tr 538

(Bridger Bowl)

July 7 - Indian Ridge Tr 444

July 14 -16 Cherry Creek Tr 401, 413,

and 405

July 21 - Shafthouse 540/Fairy Lake 500

July 28 - North Cottonwood

Contact Ron Rassley 388-4415

#### **Larry's Brigade-Thursdays**

July 3 - Spanish Lakes via Sp. Cr

July 10 - Falls Cr/Jerome Lake via Sp. Cr

July 17 - Mirror Lake via Sp. Cr

July 24 - High Lakes via Sp. Cr

July 31 - Thompson Lake via Hell Roaring

Leave trailhead at 9am

Call Larry Thomas 585-6878 night before

#### Poker Ride Reminders, from Sherrie White, co-chair

This is the last newsletter before the Poker Ride on Saturday, July 12 at Bridger Bowl. If you have volunteered, thank you! We'll see you there.

Club members: If you are not working at the event, please show your support by coming to ride and tell your friends! Members qualify to win prizes, too.

Over 40 businesses have donated prizes this year and a number of members have generously donated items as well. You can still make a donation (cash or merchandise) by contacting Sherrie White, 686-9169, <a href="mailto:sherrie@mexico-villas.com">sherrie@mexico-villas.com</a> or Rich Inman, 388-1564, <a href="mailto:rmules04@vahoo.com">rmules04@vahoo.com</a>

#### Other reminders:

Sunday, July 6: Trail clearing on Poker Ride Trail from Bridger Bowl; be ready to ride at 9 a.m. Call Kay Tate, 587-2758. If you want to help and don't have a horse, contact Janice Cartwright, 579-3445.

Friday, July 11 (be ready to ride by 10 a.m.):

Flaggers (Janice Cartwright, Sherrie and Ron White, Bob Steinman, Sandy McManus, Rich Inman, Dan Porter, Jim Hamilton, Stacy Bragg, Sue Robinson). Bring water/lunch. If you want to help and don't have a horse, contact Janice Cartwright, 579-3445. This is a good opportunity to ride the trail if you can't be at the Saturday event.

Set up and potluck, 5 p.m - Everyone is welcome - bring a dish to share.

Saturday, July 12 - set up begins at 7 a.m.- be there by 7:30

Registration - Bob Steinman, Sandy McManus, Mary Ann Meyer, Amanda Steele, Bob and Sherrie Coffin. Registration begins at 8:30

Pop stand crew (be there by 8 a.m.) - Crew of Larry Thomas, Dan and Jamie Porter, Peter Naclerio, Brown and Sammylu Parsons - this year knives and cutting boards will be provided.

Advance riders - Janice Cartwright, Amy Hathaway - Be ready to depart at 8:30 a.m.

Sweep riders - Chick Hale, Rich Winget, Stacy Bragg. Be ready to ride by 10:30. Registration closes when sweep riders depart.

Sunday, July 13 - be ready to ride by 10 a.m

De-flagging crew - Sherrie and Ron White, Amy Hathaway, Melanie Dyba, Tom Steele, Susan and Robert Waddle.

Any questions, comments or suggestions, please contact: Rich Inman, 388-1564, <a href="mules04@yahoo.com">mules04@yahoo.com</a> or Sherrie White, 686-9169, <a href="mailto:sherrie@mexico-villas.com">sherrie@mexico-villas.com</a>

#### Mountain pasture for rent:

\$75/month. Shelter and live stream, good fencing, no barb wire. You can ride off the property to Forrest access. Must have proof of current shots and worming. Call Pat 587-9732

#### For Sale:

Stainless steel Nelson heated waterer, 27" high by 15" diameter. \$110. Call Pat 587-9732

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#### **He's back - ON that is,** by RC. the horse of "Not his fault" (June issue)



Here I am with new shoes on, hanging out in the corral, in the mud, with nothing to do and I hear the word CAT-TLE DRIVE. After much discussion, Ron convinced Janice to rig up his saddle so that we could participate in a cattle drive last week, much to her dismay and to my delight. She found a youth synthetic fender with a very long stirrup strap that would not pull on his leg. Luckily, she had a pair of large plastic stirrups a bit wider than hunting ones with lightweight taps on them also. This allowed his cast to slide out of the stirrup and the taps would not let his cast go too far into the stirrup. The plan

was for him to ride me the first mile or two to see how it went (he broke his leg Jan. 5th and has not been in a saddle since) and then Janice would take over for the next 7 miles. I've got to tell you, I was concerned that in all this time of inactivity that Ron may be packing a few extra pounds and had forgotten a bit of what I had taught him about cows. But once we started chasing those calves, trying to turn back, jumping ditches and pushing the herd over water, I realized that we were going to be okay. Mission was accomplished.

#### Spring start up ride, by Janice

With thunderstorms traveling through the valley, it was uncertain as to whether or not our spring start up ride would be made. Chick Hale, Robert Waddle, Ken Yankelevitz, Trina Frederickson, Monica Doran and myself gave it a shot. We were up and mounted and ready to ride out when. - I spotted the neighbor's horses in our field. Wrong! Our remaining horses had pushed through the electric fence, that was not on, to go visiting. Well guess what our first assignment was? Yup. Round-up time. Turns out is was a first for quite a few riders and horses. The first couple of horses permitted capture but 2 decided to go it alone. So - some riders got

experience in ponying and others got to help herd horses back home. Trina appreciated the delay as it gave her time to work with Charisma in the round pen in hopes that they would not part ways while on the ride. (Now that I think of it, there's a real possibility that she dropped that fence to gain extra practice time!) After we waited out a short burst of moisture, we headed out. We lost Robert about now with other commitments pending. Our field ride lasted about an hour. The deep footing field, awaiting planting, really slowed down the over achieving horses and we headed for the creek crossing field. Once again, Trina orchestrated



some additional practice time through Charisma's refusal to cross water. Now, this is a horse that has ponyed others across water. What gives? After Trina calmed down (we all know how frustrating it is to KNOW your horse can do something and he still refuses repeatedly) she went through some Parelli steps and —whalah—Charisma crossed beautifully, finally. Good day. Good ride.

#### GVBCH's First Work Day, by Kay and Jiffie

The club had its FIRST WORK DAY, June 7 (National Trails Day) at Spanish Creek trailhead. Yes, the first day, very late in what was becoming close to the first day of summer - two weeks away. The weather had been winter conditions through spring with rain, cold and snow. Trails were closed and getting to them wasn't easy. Work days had been canceled. But today the weather showed signs of being a beautiful day





and did manage to turn into one of our rare rain free days with the sun shining. It was in the mid 30's early morning, yet the crew arrived at the trailhead with tools and enthusiasm to get started. The trail from the campground could only take one to the falls junction due to down trees. Getting there took some effort going around them and was not recommended on horse. Thirteen members arrived at 9:30 to begin work with their appropriate tools and repaired one tie rail and six feed bunks completing in time for lunch. Chick back filled with his tractor around each one and Ron brought his horse, Sport, with harness and worked hard pulling in the new rails for the feed bunks. Chick continued to work in the afternoon and Ron and Kay rode their horses up the 40l trail to check for wetness and downfall, but they only got three miles before turning around for drifting. The remainder of the crew cleaned debris from water bars and cut free the lower 401 trail. It was a very cooperative day, quotes Kay. I went to take pictures and get out in the sun. Kay and I both took pictures and she wrote the article which I rewrote using her information. Do forgive me, Kay.







#### Spanish Creek beyond Placer Creek, by Kay

Monday, June 23. Ten workers on the Monday trail clearing team arrived at Spanish Creek for a 9am departure west on the 401 trail. There were 4 chain saws (with diligent pack horses) in the group and they were kept constantly busy cutting 100-150 trees. The trail is now clear as far as the Placer Creek Mine road (10 miles). The sawyers often hiked from tree to tree as the downfall was so thick and horse holders followed along with the horses. The loppers cleared the overhead branches making the ride out clear sailing. Workers included: Ruth Hall, Dick Grover, Wally Becker,









Hammer, Dick Haines, Wayne Frederickson, Kay Tate, Ron Rassley, Larry Thomas, and Jim Nelson. The more people who help the quicker the work gets done. The forests are a mess of downfall this year. Come join with us. As you can see it was a tough day on the 401 from Spanish Creek to beyond Placer Creek. (10 miles one way) We surely cut 100-150 trees, 4 chain saws running constantly. Thanks a bunch.



Trail closed somewhere



Alice Pilgeram Marsh painting bunker at Spanish Creek 6-28

#### **Board Meeting Minutes, June 5, 2008**

President Dan Marsh called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. In attendance were Jim, Brenda, Dan P, Rich I, Duane, Larry, Amy, Stacy, Janice, and Jiffie. Sonja Berg and Chick Hale present as guests.

Minutes of May Board Meeting were in the newsletter. Rich I. motioned to accept; Larry seconded; approved.

<u>New Bills:</u> Confirmation on the final bill for the Fairgrounds has been received. Rich I. motioned to accept it, Amy H. seconded; approved. Rich I. had bills for restocking the trailer for coffee and cutting boards totaling \$19.21. Jim- motion to accept, Larry seconded; approved.

<u>Correspondence:</u> Newsletters were received from Missoula Feed Bag chapter as well as Eagle Mount. The Homecoming Club of Pony is having its Poker Ride on June 14. The ride will start west of Norris. The Appaloosa club sent a letter in regards to the Christmas party. They would be willing to attend in the future, but given that the meetings for election not be held during the party. Jim made a motion to have a separate meeting date in December, Dan P. seconded. Discussion followed and it was approved to hold a general election meeting with a possible program on the third Thursday of December. This would allow the club guidelines to be followed and satisfy the conflict with the Christmas party.

**Membership:** 86 roster entries with one new membership being turned in at this meeting.

<u>Issues:</u> The Bridle Fee being imposed will be a BCHA issue as it does not affect States or individual chapters outside of the affected area.

H.R.2421 Water Restoration Act. Although this may not necessarily be a BCH issue, it is definitely a broadening of federal control.

June 18 will be the meeting for Region 1 BCH chainsaw/crosscut certification. This meeting is to transfer certification power to BCH rather than the USFS. We support this change and believe it can be handled by the clubs nearer to Missoula. How the transfer will occur and how the trainers will be certified will be discussed.

The Custer National Forest Travel plan has been released. Stacy has spent quite a bit of time researching any changes. It appears to have no stock use changes. Thanks for your research diligence Stacy.

<u>Publicity:</u> Stacy has been working with Sherrie White in regards to the Poker Ride. Stacy will be contacting writers of various publications in the near future.

Newsletter: No report.

<u>Trail Crews:</u> Larry received a report that the New World Gulch trail has been washed out severely in the State Section and more maintenance is also needed on the Federal Lands. As it is so wet, please be advised this is not a negotiable trail currently.

National Trails Day, June 7<sup>th</sup> is this weekend. Please meet at the Spanish Creek trail head to do maintenance on the campground area—feed bunkers, etc. This will be a no-horse maintenance as the creeks are high and trails are wet.

Larry and Ron have their tentative schedules for maintenance in the last newsletter. As always, contact them the day prior for any changes.

**Program:** Program for General Meeting on June 26th is with Saddle Maker, Dale Moore. July

will host Tim Bennett, Bear Education Specialist, from the Deerlodge National Forest.

<u>Old Business:</u> May 12 & 13<sup>th</sup> was the chainsaw/crosscut training. Approximately 14 people completed certification.

**New Business:** The persons who run the chainsaw are also required to complete the First Aid/CPR training. This training will be Tuesday, June 10 at 6:00 p.m. at the District Forest Service office.

Poker Ride Prizes need to be collected as soon as possible. Some vendors have contacted various members about setting up at the Poker Ride. Rich made a motion to allow vendors, Janice seconded. It was discussed that vendors will have to fend for themselves to reduce workload on the club, but that it would offer the public a nice service and more reason to stay and visit after the ride. Currently, Montana Horses and a photographer are expected. In the past Gallatin County Weed District has set up a display booth and may also this year. Vendors to the Ride were approved.

Rich Inman had been approached in regards to having the Poker Rides in the future include hikers and bikers (walk & roll). Discussion was quite against the hazards this could present. Rich motioned to not allow non-rider participation, Duane seconded, full agreement. The future may offer a chance to offer the route to walk and roll the following day. That is for a future discussion.

The paperwork to change from Public to Mutual Benefit required voting. Jim made a motion to make the change, Rich seconded; approved. The filing paperwork has been assigned to Vice President, Jim Allbright.

Upon location of the clubs current EIN, Dan Marsh discovered that it is not on record. A new EIN will be sought and filing as a 501C-3 (non profit) organization will be sought.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30.

Respectfully submitted by Amy Hathaway, sec

#### General Meeting Minutes, June26, 2008

Following Dale Moore's saddle presentation, President Dan Marsh called the meeting to order. Board members in attendance were Dan M, Rich I, Dan P, Jim, Brenda, Larry, Wally, Janice. Amanda Steele, proxy for Amy. No new members were in attendance. Jim – motion to accept. Bob – seconded. Approved..

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> Brenda Kessler reported a balance of \$1491.21 in the checking less a check outstanding to the fairgrounds for \$293.50, \$5893.52 is in the CD and \$2205.05 is in the Franklin Templeton money market account. New bills included a trailer inventory bill for \$94.67 and a bill for poster printing and supplies for \$143.25. Jim – motion to accept. Janice – seconded. Approved.

<u>Correspondence:</u> New correspondence consisted of letters from the Forest Service regarding changes to the Custer Forest non-motored regulations.

Membership: no report.

**Newsletter:** no report

**Trail Crews:** Work is beginning on area trails. Larry needs new "friends" as he wears his old ones out! Sunday, July 6<sup>th</sup>, will be a clearing at Bridger Bowl. A crew is going to work at Spanish Creek on Saturday, June 28 and hope to make much needed progress on the 77 downed trees!

**Program:** Janice has been contacted by Tim Bennett to speak on dealing with bears in the forests for the July program. Interest was expressed for a future program from a member regarding electric fence corrals for the back country.

<u>Old Business:</u> National Trails Day saw the club working on the trailhead facilities at Spanish Creek. Much progress was made and some painting remains to be done.

Note: It was decided that the December meeting would be scheduled as usual (third Thursday) and the Christmas party on December  $6^{th}$  would be all party and no business.

<u>New Business:</u> Travel Plan Modification Comments session is open until July 18. The Custer Plan is out now and that should influence future plans including those near us.

The Poker Ride plans are coming together well. There are still posters to be distributed if needed. Murdoch's in Bozeman will distribute bag stuffers with Poker Ride advertisements with scratch off prize cards for the store as well. Time tables and scheduling sheets are available from Sherrie if anyone would like to have a copy. Prizes continue to come in and the sooner they are all in the better as it's time to gather them together now. Member contributions need to be reported for the list. Sherrie would greatly appreciate contact information for each contributor and donator so that she can send thank you cards promptly after the ride.

Jiffie agreed to pick up the food for the Poker Ride and bring it to the mountain. Servers are still needed for lunch. The pop stand volunteers need to confirm that they will have access to their stops through any locked gates and trails. All donated coolers need to be dropped at Big Sky RV by 5:00 pm on July 11<sup>th</sup> for pick up. Tables could still be needed, contact Sherrie or Rich if you have one that could be used.

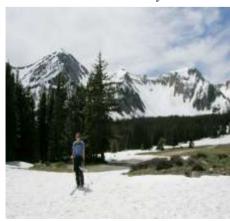
Dan Porter requested RSVP's for the steak ride. He will provide steaks and potatoes and asks that guests bring a dessert or salad for the potluck. Cost is \$10/person.

Chick expressed continued frustration at the motorized policy impeding chainsaw progress on the Spanish Creek Trail and urged members to seek solutions through the Forest Service.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Amanda Steele, proxy for Amy Hathaway, sec

#### A bit of snow in June? by Sherrie



Ron and I ran into a bunch of snow on our trail check today, **Friday, June 20**. We couldn't get anywhere near Fairy Lake on the Shafthouse trail. Out of curiosity, we took a logging road that we know comes out on the road to Fairy Lake. We rode in as far as we could on the road until the snow got too deep. Then a skier went past us. The skier told us



that the picnic tables are still covered by snow at the campground.

### GALLATIN VALLEY BACK COUNTRY HORSEMEN ARE INDEDTED TO THE FOLLOWING BUSINESSES AND MEMBERS WHO CONTRIBUTED TO THE SUCCESS OF OUR 2007 POKER RIDE - THANK YOU ONE AND ALL

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