

# The Picket Line

February 2010

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Jim Allbright	995.4441
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<u>1 year</u>	
Marianne Meyer	388.2676
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<u>2 years</u>	
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Dan Porter	388.0290
Brenda Kessler	763.4241

## State Board Directors

Rich Inman	2 years
Jim Allbright	1 year
Alt: Stacy Bragg	1 year

## Membership

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**Back Country Horsemen Mission Statement**  
The purpose of this organization shall be (1) to perpetuate the common sense use and enjoyment of horses in Montana's roadless 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, February 4 @ 7 pm  
Dan Porter's Office, 1745 S. 19th

General Meeting – Thursday, February 18 @ 6 pm  
Belgrade Alliance Church

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## President's Report February 2009



A note from your President,

Wow ! The year is starting out with a bang. Amy is working hard for the convention. And yes, she is doing a fantastic job, and must mention all the people that are kicking in to help her. We still have a bunch of raffle tickets to sell and we have great prizes. Folks wanting raffle tickets to sell, please contact Amy at 406-282-6089 so she can get them to you.

I do want to tell you all about our Grand Prize Auction item. Her name is Dani which is short for Danielle. How did she get this name? The story goes that when Dan Porter and Rich Inman went over to Jehnet Carlson's to pick out a mule for the auction, Dani was the only mule out of about 30 that came over to love up Dan. I am not quite sure what that means or what it was that she liked. But maybe Dan smelled the best out of the two or maybe it was the twinkle in his eyes that she liked. However, the bottom line is she is black and beautiful. Rich and I have been training her. We have her leading and getting in Dan's trailer. I think she's going to be a fine mule.

Well I am not a big fan of writing so I will close with just a few more things. First and most important fellow horse person (I said horse persons cause there is male and females LOL). Let's get those membership dues in. This is what keeps our club going and it is YOU that must do this, so please mail yours in soon.

Or even a better Idea: Next Thursday's general Meeting is POT LUCK WILD GAME night starting at 6:00 P.M. Bring yer dish and DUES, thus save a stamp. Also, the forest service will be there to talk to us about this coming years work and answer any of your question. So bye for now. See you at the meeting and on the trails when the snow goes away.

Your Pres,  
jim

## Gallatin Back Country Horsemen Board Meeting January 7, 2009

PRESIDENT Jim Albright called the meeting to order.

Board members present were: Marianne Meyer, Allen Hathaway, Stacey Bragg, Dan Porter, Dan Marsh, and Brenda Kessler. Officers and Committee Chairpersons were Jim Albright, Rich Inman, Charley Smith, and Amy Hathaway.

A motion to accept the minutes of the previous meeting was seconded and approved.

Brenda Kessler presented the Treasurer's report. New bills included \$43.00 for Bozeman trophy as well as \$203.00 for delegate travel and a \$300 Donation to the Belgrade Alliance Church and \$40.00 to Sandy Kypfer for the Ice Cream Social. A motion to approve the expenditures was made by ??? and seconded by Brenda Kessler. The motion was approved.

Dan Marsh discussed the ongoing billing problems connected with the Christmas Party.

The Club's bank account contained \$ 5908.50 and the CD had \$6044.85.

A motion to cash in the CD and deposit the money into the bank account to finance the convention was made seconded and approved. A new CD will be purchase after the convention.

Jim Albright volunteered to pay the Annual report fee to the State and be reimbursed at a future date.

A motion to spend \$7.00 for a second key to the club's post office box was seconded and approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Charley Smith, Sec.

# Gallatin Back Country Horsemen General Meeting Minutes January 21, 2009

President, Jim Allbright called the meeting to order

Board members and committee chairs in attendance were Dan Marsh, Brenda Kessler Sandy Kypfer, Dan Porter, Larry Thomas, Rich Inman, Charley Smith, Janice Cartwright and Marianne Myers. Esther Fishbaugh agreed to help take notes for the minutes of the meeting.

Jim asked for approval of the minutes as they appeared in the January Newsletter. Janice Cartwright made the motion that the minutes be accepted as written. Sandy Kypfer seconded and the motion was carried.

The Treasurer's report from Charley included new bills to Jim of \$15.00 paid to the State of Montana for club registration, and to Jan Elpel for Newsletter printing at Insty-Prints.

Correspondence included a Project list from the Forest Service which is online; Rich asked members to please check it out and make comments.

Regarding membership, Marianne noted 4 more members had renewed at the meeting. She felt that after tonight a letter should be sent along with applications to old members who had not renewed. A suggestion was made to try again by e-mail along with an attached application.

Dan Marsh again asked that someone step up to edit and publish the newsletter for February. It was noted that Margaret will be back as soon as her husband was back on his feet. Dan agreed to continue to fill in Janice Cartwright will continue to fulfill the duties of finding and scheduling the programs for the meetings

## New Business:

Safety clinic : Briefly Janice's report on the Safety Clinic for this year included: More sign-up help was needed and with that it should be organized better. She would like to pull in the Forest Service. The sessions would probably break into one hour periods but similar to last year. She would like the members to give ideas for safety clinic. Other comments included: Forest Service speaker on Leave No Trace, Dates suggested were: April 24, or April 17, Volunteers to set up clinic, Name for the clinic should be "Safety on the Trails", for more attendance, earlier date and better advertising.

## Old Business

Christmas party 2009 was discussed with following information provided:

- Too many who signed up in advance did not show up, (many sick)
- Payment has been made by the club to cover the no-show dinners (\$240)
- Some no-shows have paid, and reimbursed may be necessary
- All no-shows have been contacted.
- Discussion is ongoing with the caterer and an agreement reached that the club should be charged only for the plate count
- Plate count is still being determined
- 2010 may be the GVBCH's turn to host; this will be discussed further if we still want to co-party with GSHC

Probably not a catered dinner again, as potluck with steaks may be a better option

The Next Event for the Club is the 2010 Montana Backcountry Horsemen Convention. This will be held at the, Holiday Inn in Bozeman on March 19, 20 and 20. The chair is Amy Hathaway([indeedgallatin@msn.com](mailto:indeedgallatin@msn.com)).

Information gathered at meeting and from a report furnished by Amy is as followed:

A young Mule was donated by Jeanette Carlson worth \$1500

Training coming along (2-yr-old), located at Dan Porter's (Rich, Dan and Jim are working with Danielle)

Mule is a live auction item. Some discussion ensued on whether to start bids online and then finish at the auction. Tabled for more consideration.

Charley reported that he has collected money for raffle tickets. It was noted that the numbers of tickets should be written down, identified and tracked. Amy needs the stubs and numbers

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from all the raffle tickets Need to sell more raffle tickets, several asked for more packets  
Amy has set up time to sell tickets at Albertson's in Belgrade and Bozeman

At Belgrade's Albertson the raffle ticket sales is on Feb 6

9-1 am Rich and Marianne will sell tickets

1-5pm Larry and Dan Porter will sell

At Albertson's in Bozeman the ticket sales is on Feb 27

9am-1pm Rich & Larry will sell tickets

1-5 pm Janice and Sandy will sell tickets

Need more vendor names to set up displays

Need more auction items – use vendor form (donator letter being developed by Rich)

Speakers – Jen Mohler, Kevin Fry, Jonathan Kemp

Key note speaker is still being sorted out

Allen will make signs to match old signs for the new groups attending

Centerpieces have been made by Alice Marsh, still need to stuff goodies bags

Set-up crew for March 19: Larry, Jim and Esther

Clack Mueller is confirmed for Cowboy Church

Amy is taking care of getting the judges

Entertainment by MT Rose is confirmed

Fiddlers for noon Sat to be confirmed

Cost to register is \$80 until March 1, then \$85

Non vender display: interested persons should contact Sandy Kypher

Bill Metzger, Auctioneer has agreed to conduct our auction

Rich has a file of people who has donated: He needs know who has donated and the value of the donation. Rich emphasized the need for a receipt and a thank you (acknowledgement) to these people. It was discussed that some business needed a cover letter to explain, "who and What" we are and also required a flyer. Rich said he would address this concern.

Dan Aadland has donated copies of his books

Rich mentioned that packets were sent to the Hi-Line and Kootenai Chapters.

Jim has volunteered to introduce speakers. Janis said she will help if available

For more information, see report furnished by Amy.

Circle L horse expo is March 13 and 14. Several members volunteered to be present at a booth, representing the club at and selling tickets at this event. These included Henry Glen, Dan Porter, Marianne Myers, Swep Davis and Sandy Kypfer.

The next meeting is schedule for Feb. 18, at 6:00. Belgrade Alliance Church. This meeting will be a potluck/wild game combo so bring your best dish. Rich has agreed to contact the Forest Service so their personnel will be present. We will start our routine of scheduling and registering our trail workers.

Meeting was adjourned so members could develop the Back country Horsemen of Gallatin Valley's yearly schedule.

# Gallatin Valley BCH 2010 Calendar of Events

Thursday, January 07, 2010 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM  
GVBCH Board of Directors Meeting Bozeman Brokers Meeting Room

Thursday, January 21, 2010 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM  
GVBCH General Meeting Belgrade Alliance Church

Thursday, February 04, 2010 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM  
GVBCH Board of Directors Meeting Bozeman Brokers Meeting Room

Saturday, February 06, 2010 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM  
Information Table Albertsons Belgrade

Friday, February 12, 2010  
Wild West Winterfest Fairgrounds

Thursday, February 18, 2010 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM  
GVBCH General Meeting Belgrade Alliance Church  
Wild Game Potluck and Forest Service presentation

Saturday, February 27, 2010 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM  
Information Table Albertsons Bozeman

Thursday, March 04, 2010 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM  
GVBCH Board of Directors Meeting Bozeman Brokers Meeting Room

Saturday, March 13, 2010  
Horse Expo Circle L Arena  
<http://www.circlearena.com>

Thursday, March 18, 2010 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM  
GVBCH General Meeting Belgrade Alliance Church

Friday, March 19-22, 2010  
Montana State BCH Convention

Thursday, April 01, 2010 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM  
GVBCH Board of Directors Meeting Bozeman Brokers Meeting Room

Wednesday, April 07, 2010 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM  
GalleP's 1st Annual Meeting Emerson Cultural Center Ballroom

Thursday, April 15, 2010 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM  
GVBCH General Meeting Belgrade Alliance Church

Saturday, April 17, 2010 All Day  
Horse Safety Clinic Circle L Arena

Friday, April 23, 2010 All Day  
Area Special Olympics

Saturday, May 01, 2010 All Day  
MSU Equine Expo Copper Springs

Thursday, May 06, 2010 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM  
GVBCH Board of Directors Meeting Bozeman Brokers Meeting Room

Thursday, May 13-16, 2010  
State Special Olympics

Thursday, May 20, 2010 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM

GVBCH General Meeting Belgrade Alliance Church

Saturday, May 22, 2010 All Day  
Red Bluff Rich Inman Trail Boss

Saturday, May 29, 2010 Virginia City Poker Ride

Tuesday, June 01, 2010 All Day  
Mt Ellis Conditioning Ride Janice Cartwright

Thursday, June 03, 2010 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM  
GVBCH Board of Directors Meeting Bozeman Brokers Meeting Room

Saturday, June 05, 2010 All Day  
National Trail Day Spanish Peaks Larry Thomas Trail Boss

Wednesday, June 09, 2010 Wednesday Trail Crew

Saturday, June 12, 2010 All Day  
Mt Ellis Sandy Kypfer Trail Boss

Wednesday, June 16, 2010 Wednesday Trail Crew

Thursday, June 17, 2010 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM  
GVBCH General Meeting Janice Cartwright's

Saturday, June 19, 2010 Pat Green Poker Ride

Monday, June 21, 2010 Monday Trail Crew

Wednesday, June 23, 2010 Wednesday Trail Crew

Saturday, June 26, 2010 All Day  
Trail Work Spanish Creek

Monday, June 28, 2010 Monday Trail Crew

Wednesday, June 30, 2010 Wednesday Trail Crew

Thursday, July 01, 2010 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM  
GVBCH Board of Directors Meeting Bozeman Brokers Meeting Room

Monday, July 05, 2010 Monday Trail Crew

Wednesday, July 07, 2010 Wednesday Trail Crew

Friday, July 09, 2010 All Day  
Flag Ride Bridger Bowl

Saturday, July 10, 2010 All Day  
Poker Ride Bridger Bowl

Sunday, July 11, 2010 All Day  
De-Flag Ride Bridger Bowl

Monday, July 12, 2010 Monday Trail Crew

Wednesday, July 14, 2010 Wednesday Trail Crew

Thursday, July 15, 2010 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM  
GVBCH General Meeting Belgrade Alliance Church

Saturday, July 17, 2010 All Day  
Bridger Bowl Repair Ride Dan Porter 388-0290

Monday, July 19, 2010 Monday Trail Crew

Wednesday, July 21, 2010 Wednesday Trail Crew

July 21-26, 2010 Gallatin County Fair

Monday, July 26, 2010 Monday Trail Crew

Wednesday, July 28, 2010 Wednesday Trail Crew

Saturday, July 31, 2010 All Day  
Cache Creek Inspiration Trail

Monday, August 02, 2010 Monday Trail Crew

Wednesday, August 04, 2010 Wednesday Trail Crew

Thursday, August 05, 2010 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM  
GVBCH Board of Directors Meeting Bozeman Bro-  
kers Meeting Room

Friday, August 06-09, 2010 Sweet Pea Festival

Monday, August 09, 2010 Monday Trail Crew

Wednesday, August 11, 2010 Wednesday Trail Crew

Saturday, August 14, 2010 New World Gulch

Monday, August 16, 2010 Monday Trail Crew

Wednesday, August 18, 2010 Wednesday Trail Crew

Thursday, August 19, 2010 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM  
GVBCH General Meeting Belgrade Alliance Church

Saturday, August 21, 2010 Manhattan Potato Festival

Saturday, August 21, 2010 Steak Ride

Monday, August 23, 2010 Monday Trail Crew

Wednesday, August 25, 2010 Wednesday Trail Crew

Saturday, August 28, 2010  
Fairy Lake Janice Cartwright 579-3445

Monday, August 30, 2010 Monday Trail Crew

Wednesday, September 01, 2010 Open Upland Game  
Wednesday Trail Crew

Thursday, September 02, 2010 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM  
GVBCH Board of Directors Meeting Bozeman Bro-  
kers Meeting Room

Saturday, September 04, 2010 Opening Bow  
Virginia City Poker Ride

Monday, September 06, 2010 Monday Trail Crew

Wednesday, September 08, 2010 Wednesday Trail  
Crew

Saturday, September 11, 2010 Trail Ride TBA

Monday, September 13, 2010 Monday Trail Crew

Wednesday, September 15, 2010 Wednesday Trail  
Crew

Thursday, September 16, 2010 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM  
GVBCH General Meeting Belgrade Alliance Church

Saturday, September 18, 2010 Belgrade Fall Festival

Monday, September 20, 2010 Monday Trail Crew

Wednesday, September 22, 2010 Wednesday Trail  
Crew

Saturday, September 25, 2010 Sage Creek Elk Bugle  
Ride

Thursday, October 07, 2010 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM  
GVBCH Board of Directors Meeting Bozeman Bro-  
kers Meeting Room

Thursday, October 21, 2010 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM  
GVBCH General Meeting Belgrade Alliance Church

Thursday, November 04, 2010 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM  
GVBCH Board of Directors Meeting Bozeman Bro-  
kers Meeting Room

Thursday, November 18, 2010 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM  
GVBCH General Meeting Belgrade Alliance Church

Thursday, December 02, 2010 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM  
GVBCH Board of Directors Meeting Bozeman Bro-  
kers Meeting Room

Thursday, December 16, 2010 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM  
GVBCH General Meeting Belgrade Alliance Church

Monday Trail crew contact  
Kay Tate 587-2758

Wednesday Trail Crew contact  
Larry Thomas 586-6878

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