



Squaw Butte Back Country Horsemen

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President's Corner

By Marybeth Conger



Spring is here, finally! Fred and I enjoyed sharing the trail with a few brave souls this past Saturday doing trail clean up past the Gem Cycle Park. No one found anything as interesting as Charles did at last year's Road cleanup, but I did see a certain mule named Lilly with several cow skulls tied to her butt. Aren't mules great? This counts as trail work, so please remember to log your hours.

It is time to start getting our critters and ourselves in shape for upcoming activities. We have some great Rides coming up, Trail fun projects, Education events, and Horse expo to name a few. Please check out our event calendar and come join us. We should be hearing some updates on the joint AQHA/BCH Ride too.

Also, our annual Yard sale is right around the corner, so remember to put those items aside while doing spring cleanup. Keep in mind this fundraiser enables the chapter to purchase some big-ticket items such as that rather large

Saw that is at Phil's house and the 4 Radios that will soon be at Rob's place.

It is great seeing involvement of new members in our chapters' activities. Charles and Lorraine Chick continue to provide some fun education opportunities for us. Jake Lemon took on the State calendar photo project with gusto and has finalized that. Then there is Janine who continues to handle Volunteer Hours reporting with some fun things planned for us.

Our Chapter Newsletter is a great way to communicate and spotlight all of the great things we do during the year. Linda is always looking for articles, photos so let's make 2011 the best year ever by continuing to send her items during the year. Also thanks to Linda for getting SBBCH set up on Facebook which is but another way to reach out to the public and members.

Look for future kudos..... See you on the trail, MBC



For information on Membership

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Squaw Butte Back Country Horsemen
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Our mission

- To perpetuate the common-sense use and enjoyment of horses in America's back country and wilderness.
- To work to insure that public lands remain open to recreational stock use.
- To assist the various government and private agencies in their maintenance and management of said resources.
- To educate, encourage and solicit active participation in the wise and sustaining use of the back country resources by horsemen and the general public.
- To foster and encourage the formation of new Backcountry Horsemen organization

Artistic Passion and Friendship – by MB Conger



This article is not about an official SBBCH event, but rather about a friendship that formed as a result of being a member. I first met Linda Adams in 2002. Each year, I got to know Linda a little better when she attended chapter meetings and of course the fun Christmas parties. The year Rob was State Director for the chapter, Linda & I spent a lot of time together and that is when I discovered she is an artist, who is passionate about her glass creations.

If memory serves me correctly, about 4 or 5 years ago, Rob, Bill and I were discussing a backcountry packing adventure, so a dinner invite came. Linda prepared a low carb delicious meal, "Company Chicken". While the guys were looking at maps, Linda showed me her studio, which

is quite extensive. I knew then she was someone dedicated to artistic expression. She went on to show me some of her finished pieces that are on exhibit in their beautiful home. Then I saw her catalog of commissioned pieces, done for others over the years. At this point I was in awe of her ability to turn pieces of glass into artwork.

Frankly I was a bit intimidated by Linda's talent, but it was like she read my mind that night, immediately putting me at ease. Over the next few years we continued to communicate about all kinds of things, getting to know each other better. It is amazing to me how many life experiences and interests, Linda and I share. Then one day Linda asked if I would like to create something in her studio and she would be my coach. I would do everything hands on but she would be there to guide me.

So this January, I took two days off from work and had the time of life with Linda. We had hours of conversations; choices to discuss and finally decisions were made.

She taught me how to cut glass so I could learn about its properties. Then I assembled the glass pieces and prepared the forms and the kiln. I chose to make two at once and put a circle on a square. The kiln was programmed and then the process began. Thanks to Linda's positive and diplomatic coaching, the pieces are gorgeous and I give her full credit. I cried when I saw them and immediately named the pieces "Ocean" and "Unrestrained".

Friends give each other a lot. Linda shared herself with me and drew something out of me I never knew existed.



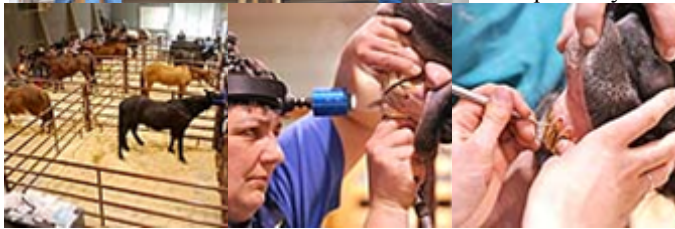
Equine Dentistry from the Desk of Linda Paul



They come prancing through the giant garage door, snorting, wide-eyed, and keyed up. Two hours later, they wobble out, eyes slightly glassy, and unsure of what just happened. Three times a year the Academy of Equine Dentistry invites local horse owners to bring their horses to the simple cement block building in Glens Ferry, Idaho for a turn in the dental stall.

The Academy was the first school designed to educate dental

technicians and veterinarians in the science of equine dental care. Students from all over the world come to the Academy to learn about the history and importance of equine dental care. They learn the anatomy of a horse's head, mouth and teeth. The unique way that equine teeth grow and change through age creates biomechanical problems which students learn to diagnose and correct.



Students also learn to perform routine dental cleanings and to equalize and balance dental surfaces for improved chewing. In addition to hands on training with the tools of the trade—we're talking some mighty big drills and files

here folks!—students also receive guidance about the business end of equine dental care. To earn certification students must complete over 400 hours of course work, compile at least 125 case studies, and pass the practical

and written exams at the end of each session. As if that weren't enough, all certified technicians must return to the academy for continuing education every 18 months. This ensures that all practitioners share experiences and knowledge, and stay current with the evolving theory, techniques and equipment in the field of equine dentistry. On a recent visit to the facility during clinic practicum, I spoke with students of varying ages and backgrounds. One of the more advanced students lamented the fact that his dental tools had not made the trip from his home in Belgium to Glens Ferry.

"I needed to bring my tools here because at home there is no place to have them properly serviced. These equine dental tools are simply not available anywhere in Europe."

One can imagine the circus of navigating international airport terminals with a trunk full of Jack-in-the-beanstalk-sized drills and files!

A trainer I spoke with explained that he teaches a session to help defray the cost of his continuing education requirement. He graduated from the Academy in 1998 after a life of carpentering, ranching, horse training and shoeing. His introduction to equine dentistry came about as a result of baffling behavior problems with a horse he was training. We all know what happens to our own performance when we lose a filling or suffer an abscessed tooth. Imagine how it feels to your horse when you shove a bit in his mouth and ask him to perform fancy footwork while his gums are throbbing or, worse yet, his entire jaw feels like it's about to explode.

Equine dental problems manifest in numerous ways. The following are a few examples:

- Unexplained weight loss, excessive salivation, dropped bits of partially chewed food
- Bit avoidance or fussing with the bit
- Head tossing under the bit
- Poor carriage or tilting the head
- Colic, bad breath, bleeding or soreness in or around the mouth
- Unexplained refusal to rein in a particular direction or directional spookiness

Imagine walking around with an unrelenting headache. If your horse exhibits puzzling behavioral problems, an impacted tooth could be causing infection and headache. OUCH! Do your horse a favor. Take him to the dentist—on a regular basis. The Academy of Equine Dentistry provides state-of-the-art equine dental care for minimal cost. All student work is done under the watchful eyes of expert technicians and trainers. Standing anesthesia—what I think of as “happy gas”—is provided by veterinarians who are also on the lookout for other potential medical issues. A full surgical suite is available for extreme cases. While your horse is having his chompers buffed, you are welcome to wander about the clinic and observe a variety of procedures being performed. The staff, students, and technicians are friendly and eager to answer questions. Equine dental care performed at the Academy of Equine Dentistry goes miles beyond the “floatings” that our veterinarian provided to the ranch horses when I was a kid.



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**SQUAW BUTTE BACK COUNTRY HORSEMEN OF IDAHO – CHARTERED 3/92
02/03/2011 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER

Regular meeting called to order at 7 PM by President Marybeth

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS AND NEW MEMBERS - Marybeth

Bill Murphy (BBCH Pres)
Jo and George Hallworth
Bob VanHooser

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING - Marybeth

Motion to approve January's minutes by Robbin S, 2nd by Janine T and carried.
Motion to approve December's minutes by Chick C, 2nd by Bill C and carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Kay

Beginning Checking Account Balance: \$6019.50
Deposits: \$3240.00
Expenses: \$28.00
Ending Checking Account Balance: \$9231.50
Money Market Account: \$6018.90

Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report by Robbin S, 2nd by Chris H and carried.

Kay presented the 2011 estimated budget

Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report by Robbin S, 2nd by Dan M and carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Calling Committee Report – Bill Conger

- Charles Lox had agreed to work with Bill Conger and Tess on the Calling committee.
- Bill has surveyed the membership regarding whether they want a phone call vs. email. He will then narrow the list to only those that wish to be called and provide lists to the committee.

Nominating Committee

- Terry McDonald has agreed to take the Lead on the 2011 Nomination Committee.

Foundation Reports – Bill Holt and Rob Adams

- Bill reminded everyone of the form and opportunity to get a receipt from the foundation for miles traveled for BCH activities. This is useful as documentation if one itemizes their taxes.

Education Report – Charles and Lorraine Chick

- Arena night went well, good turnout
 - Playing on the ground
 - Safety
 - Partnership
 - Friendly game
 - Porcupine game
 - Driving game
- Next arena night is 2/17
 - Yoyo game
 - Circling game
 - Sideways game
- Suggested book for February The Soul of a Horse by Joe Camp

Volunteer Hours – Janine

A: Summary of 2010 Volunteer Hours

- 1) Short on Power Equipment hours and Skilled Work hours

- 2) Hours were taken from electronic forms submitted.
 1. Total hours = 2514.5 hours
 2. Total Equivalent monies = \$66,192.00
- B: Volunteer Hour Collection for 2011
- 1) Need to educate people on form
 - a. Travel hours
 - b. Travel MILEAGE (the MILES are being missed and reentered as hours)
 - c. Stock = how many animals you bring
 - d. Stock DAYS = how many days you RIDE (I'll compute the Stock Days)
 - 2) If you're reporting for 2 people, **report for both**, but only report mileage for 1.
 - a. Don't forget to include guests
 - b. Will also need to collect mileage ridden
 - 3) Immediate collection of hours at an event
 - a. Have forms for people to fill out before they leave the event
 - b. Enlist the assistance of the Trail Boss or Person in Charge to make a list of attendees for cross reference
 - 4) Incentive Awards for Timely (and Accurately) Reporting Hours
 - a. Small awards at the event
 1. Candy bars, cookies, brownies, ???
 2. Deck of playing cards, small items of interest to riders/packers, ????
 3. \$5 gift card from TCBY, Subway, McDonalds, RoeAnn's, ???
 4. Give me your reporting sheet, reach in the grab bag for a prize....
 - b. Monthly awards
 1. Small pocket flashlight, pocket hoof pick
 2. Packet of Fly repellent wipes
 3. \$10 gift card from ???????
 4. Given to those who reported accurately the events they did for the month
 - c. Year End awards
 1. Award winners from the year get put into a hat and drawn
 2. Or only the people that have responded timely and accurately for each month get put into hat and drawn
 3. Or people that have responded timely and accurately for the whole year get the award
 4. \$25 or \$50 gift certificate (depending on how much is left in the fund and how many people are in the hat) from D & B Supply, or local web-page sponsors
- C: Volunteer Hour Reporting for 2011
- 1) Hours will be recorded on the Project report after each event
 - 2) Hours from each Project will be recorded on the Summary sheet when all hours for that Project are reported and collected.
- D: What Else?
- 1) More ideas?
 - 2) Suggestions?
 - 3) Comments?

Audit Committee – Marybeth

- Shannon, Janine, and Lou Ann met, reviewed the 2010 treasurer's records, and determined the records were in good order

2012 Calendar Photos - Jake Lemon

- Calendar Photo Report
 - Have sent 2 dispatches to SBBCH regarding criteria
- Requesting feed-back & fresh ideas
- Discussed MegaByte size of entries

- Jake gave a camera demo
- The submittal folder is available now and Rob has populated with some photos taken by members and posted on SBBCH picture site. Email submittals to Jake.

Public Liaison Report – Robbin Schindele, Tony Buthman, and Bill & Chris Holt

- Owyhee motorized trail survey in process
- BCHI sent letter of support for Friends of Weiser River trail for new trail head

Work Projects and Rides Report – Rob Adams and Tony Buthman

- Celebration Park ride – 2/26 – Robbin S
 - Park in dirt lot ABOVE the actual park
- February Fridays – Fuzzie and Fat Events - at Old Lamb Arena
- Arena Night 2/17 at Old Lamb Arena
- March 3-6 Sportsman Show
 - man BCHI booth, right next to FS
 - SBBCH leading the effort

UNFINISHED BUSINESS and Ongoing Business

- Time to pay 2011 dues- Marybeth
- Sportsman's Show – Phil
 - Set up Wed 3/2 or Thurs 3/3, tear down Sunday 3/6
 - Sign up sheet circulate
 - 6 "Back Country Horsemen" passes at Will Call window

NEW BUSINESS and Good of the Order

- 2011 SBBCH Scholarship for admission to the Wilderness Pack Clinic – Marybeth
 - All SBBCH members in good standing are eligible for drawing in May for paid application to WPC
- SBBCH info in publications – Chris
 - The Secretary team needs to know so that they can ensure the info is current
- Any other new business
 - When signing up to attend the event, there is place to indicate room for trailer sharing. This info will appear on the list of attendees on the web site which will allow folks to connect.

PROGRAM OR GOOD OF THE ORDER

- Any Notices
None
- Any other items
None

DOOR PRIZE AND ADJOURNMENT

- Motion to adjourn the meeting by Robbin, 2nd by Lorraine and carried.
- Regular meeting adjourned at 8 PM by President Marybeth Conger
- Respectfully submitted by Co-Secretaries Ellen Knapp and Chris Holt

PROGRAM

- Lorrain and Charles Chick presented Useful Knots to Know

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS AND NEW MEMBERS - Marybeth

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING - Marybeth

Motion to approve the Previous Meeting Minutes as published by Robbin , 2nd by Bill H and carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Kay

Beginning Checking Account Balance: \$ 9231.50
Deposits: \$ 1540.00
Expenses: \$ 188.68
Ending Checking Account Balance: \$ 10610.82
Money Market: \$ 6022.48

Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report by Chick, 2nd by Janine and carried.
Any overages that require approval? None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Education Report – Charles & Lorraine Chick

- Suggested book: Horses With a Mission by Allen and Linda Anderson
- Everyone is invited to the arena night 3/17 (that is Robbin's birthday)
- Post meeting DVD: Excerpts from *Corazo'n Vaquero*

State Directors Report – Robbin & Nancy Schindele

- State BOD is Saturday in Boise and
 - Robbin is soliciting issues that the membership wishes brought to the meeting.
 - Contact Robbin with any issue.
- SBBCH is bringing forth a proposal to BCHI regarding the Idaho Parks and Rec website
 - The website cost \$500,000 to produce but excludes info for horsemen as well as mountain bikers.
 - It appears that Idaho Parks and Rec is favoring motorized uses of the trails; focusing on a set of users that may provide cash for a cash strapped organization.
 - The website is: <http://www.trails.idaho.gov/#>
 - The chapter supports this proposal
- Trails Classification –
 - email from Boise NF management indicates that if the trail has been designed for pack stock it will be maintained for pack stock

Work Projects and Rides Report – Rob Adams

- Had a Good ride in Celebration Park last Saturday
- Had good February arena night
- Sportsman Show this weekend
- Arena night 3/17
- Fun ride 3/26 Emmett Horse Park past the Cycle Park; bring a bag to pick up garbage
- April schedule: Horse Expo, Arena night, and Ride BBQ
- Working with John Erikson of Emmett RD for training (1st aid and sawyer)
- WPC web hits
 - Averaging 25 hits per day for WPC
 - Have had 107 folks looked at the WPC application
 - February 14020 page views
 - Have more advertising occurring
- SBBCH web site approaching 3000 web views per month; we have about the best trail info in the state on our site
- Robbin has been working with the QH association for the ride
- WPC Menus:
 - Nancy is working on the menu for the WPC;
 - Expect to have cost spreadsheet mid March; lunches are going to be about \$150/day and dinners \$280-\$325/day scaling to 50 folks. This comes out to be about \$3500 for the week for lunch and dinner. Breakfast is less expensive.
 - Makay River Outfitters will let us use their cooler in Stanley for cold storage; we will certainly want to send them a Thank You for this support

- We currently have 13-15 folks committed for the WPC thus far. 25 is the max and the needed number to hold the clinic

Calendar Photos – Jake Lemon

- Has been sending out dispatches, the most recent was #5
- Reminder: Can submit pictures that have been taken by others
- Reminder: Can submit pictures from previous years so long as they have not been previously published
- FYI: (how to get your picture chosen) State has a shortage of kid pictures and winter pictures
- If Rob has selected pictures of yours and you don't wish it to be an option, contact Rob and he will remove it.
- Photo Submissions deadline is 3/15
- Voting is from 3/17 – 3/27
- Jake will send email regarding the voting process

UNFINISHED AND ONGOING BUSINESS

- Sportsman's Show- Phil & Bill are manning the booth. Reminder email has been sent to those scheduled for each day.
- Horse Expo- Doc Shannon
 - TVBCH is leading this
 - TVBCH will not be sending a schedule out until April after our April meeting
 - Shannon will send out an email once the sign up schedule is available and we can sign up on-line.
- Inventory- Work in process

NEW BUSINESS

- The Radios and Equipment- Dan Murphy
 - Dan has contacted White Cloud for pricing for purchase of additional radios
 - Shipping included in price
 - Chest pack good option for carrying the radio and 2 are included in the pricing
 - Shannon made a motion to accept the quote from White Cloud Communication, Inc. for 2 radios and options for \$822.49. Rob seconded. Carried.
 - Dan will pursue the purchase
 - Dan has volunteered to provide some hands on training in the next few months
- Time to pay 2011 dues- Marybeth
- SBBCH Facebook Page- Linda
 - Can we have FB training? LaCosta does have wireless so we could
- Guess who is turning 50 today? – Marybeth
 - Happy Birthday Dan Murphy!
- Annual SBBCH Yard Sale – Ellen
 - As you Spring clean your kitchen, rooms, closets, basement, attic, tackroom, tools, etc. put these Treasures aside for our annual SBBCH yard sale Saturday May 28 in the Emmett Key Bank parking lot.
 - This is a highly successful fund raiser for SBBCH
 - Share this spring cleaning opportunity with non-SBBCH members.
 - We can provide pick up of items.
 - Storage will be available if you wish to divest yourself of the treasures prior to May

PROGRAM OR GOOD OF THE ORDER

- **Any Notices - MB**
 - 2 Glass Pieces- "Ocean and Unrestrained"- Marybeth
 - Working on getting photos posted
 - Spirit Horse Enterprises items for WPC – Ellen
 - We have a set of items available for purchase by WPC attendees as well as our members
 - We will deliver purchases to attendees at the WPC
 - Have sent the info to Rob for linking to the WPC
 - Please contact us for pricing for items not on the list < info2ccsutlery.com > or 208-398-7279
 - New Spirit Horse Enterprises USA made tack – Ellen
 - We brought some samples of our new designs of USA made tack made with USA premium leather
 - Our prices are competitive
 - Design and style inputs are welcome
- **Any other items**
 - Ellen won the February photo contest for the 2012 Gem County Calendar

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 Regular meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM by President - Marybeth Conger
 Respectfully submitted by Co-Secretaries Ellen Knapp and Chris Holt

Radio Quote:



Phone (208) 362-8700 Fax (208) 362-8900

Quotation

Prepared For: _____

Quotation Date **02/16/11**

Tel: _____

Fax: _____

Qty.	Model #	Mtn. West Representative	Description	
			Unit Price	Extension
2	TK-2360-LKP	KENWOOD VHF PREMIUM RADIO PKG. INCLUDES: ANTENNA, BATTERY, RAPID RATE CHARGER, BELT CLIP. 2 YEAR WARRANTY.	\$ 315.00	\$ 630.00
2	PROGRAMMING	PROGRAMMING OF RADIOS	\$ 35.00	\$ 70.00
2		CHEST PACK FOR RADIO UNIVERSAL	\$ 39.95	\$ 79.90
				\$ -
				\$ -
				\$ -
				\$ -
Special Instructions and/or Conditions			Quotation Subtotal	\$ 779.90
			Idaho Sales Tax	\$ 42.59
			Set-up Fee	\$ -
			Programming Fee	
			License Fee	\$ -
			Installation Fee	
			Trip charge	
			Quotation Total	\$ 822.49

Arena Time Can Be Productive and Fun!

Winter months with frozen ground and snow, forces equine owners to go in arenas to have any kind of time with their four legged friends. But an arena is no place to get any “trail” time, right!!! Wrong. Our once a month arena night we schedule in January, February, March, and April can produce a much more confident, calm and well mannered equine by April.



Natural Horsemanship starts on the ground. When you “play” each game you find the “keys” to your equines confidence. We began with the first three games, Friendly, Porcupine and Driving. Each game while introduced on the ground flows into the saddle. Friendly...goes from rubbing tarps, sticks, ropes and balls all over his body to him excepting saddle pad, saddle, cinch, whirling ropes and tree limbs jumping out at him. Porcupine Game...leads to legs yields, bit acceptance, and ultimate foot control. The Driving Game continues in the saddle and allows the rider to get more from each movement, with less effort.

The second arena night we continued with the Yo-Yo, Circling Game, and Sideways. Yo-Yo instills backup, change of gait. The Circling Game is not just “lunging” your equine to get the Friskies out but teaches your equine his responsibilities to maintain gait and direction. Sideways, well, gate openings.

The third Thursday meeting was St Patrick Day and a lot of green and fun came out. Oh, and we also played with Squeeze Game, which prepares the equine for trailer loading, water crossing and mud where equine feel trapped.

Our last Thursday arena night is April 21st. We will have a “timed” fun night in which we will put all our games to the test. Can you do 5 tasks in 3 minutes, on the ground or in the saddle? Prizes and fun will be had by all. Hope to see you all there.

Charles and Lorraine Chick--Educational Team

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Black Bean Brownies

Prep Time: 15 min

Inactive Prep Time: 15 min

Cook Time: 20 min

Level: Easy

Serves: 12 brownies

Ingredients

- Butter, for greasing pan
- 3/4 cup cooked black beans
- 1/2 cup vegetable oil, or olive oil
- 2 eggs
- 1/4 cup unsweetened cocoa powder
- 2/3 cup sugar
- 1 teaspoon instant coffee or espresso
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1/2 cup mini chocolate chips, divided

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- 1/3 cup flour
- 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 cup confectioners' sugar, for dusting

Directions

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F. Grease a 9 by 9-inch square baking pan.

In a blender, puree the beans with the oil. Add the eggs, cocoa, sugar, coffee, and vanilla. Melt half the chocolate chips and add to the blender. Blend on medium-high until smooth. In a small bowl, whisk together the flour, baking powder, and salt. Add to the blender and pulse until just incorporated. Stir in the remaining chocolate chips. Pour into the prepared pan. Bake until the surface looks somewhat matte around the edges and still a bit shiny in the middle, about 20 minutes. Let cool at least 15 minutes before cutting and removing from the pan. Dust with confectioners' sugar and serve.

Cook's Note: Place a small cutout or stencil on the brownie before dusting to make a design.



EDITORS CORNER

By Linda Hays

Please start submitting articles for the Newsletter



1. Things of interest, short stories about our rides, Include pictures you would like to go along with it.
2. Favorite photos, send your own or favorite pick of the month from our web site.
3. Personal pack trips and vacations you would like to share with others.
4. Favorite potluck dish or Dutch oven recipes.
5. Clever anecdotes or jokes related to Cowboys or Muleskinners, Packers, etc. for the month.
6. Monthly Packing, Riding, Safety tips for the month.
7. News items of importance to BCH and SBBCH
8. Anything you would like to be included in the Newsletter.

Happy Trails

Meeting:

First Thursday of every month 7 PM at LaCosta Restaurant, Emmett Idaho



LOOK WHAT'S COMING UP
for
May and June
<http://www.sbbchidaho.org/html/activities.html>

The Most Awesome Yard Sale is Coming

By Ellen Knapp, SBBCH Co-Secretary and past President

Saturday May 28 you just may find that treasure you have been searching for.

Squaw Butte Back Country Horsemen will be hosting their 4th Annual Most Awesome Yard Sale fundraiser Saturday May 28 in the Key Bank parking lot, Washington Ave, Emmett. An awesome variety of gently used items have been procured from around the county and from the SBBCH members themselves. Fabulous finds will include furniture, electronics, household items, clothing, books, outdoor gear and horse stuff. There is sure to be that treasure you have been searching for.

Doors open at 8 AM in the Key Bank parking lot. Please, no early birds. Come find those treasures and we will make them yours.

SBBCH, < www.sbbchidaho.org >, is a non-profit organization and part of Back Country Horsemen of Idaho (BCHI). BCHI, < www.bchi.org >, is a non-profit organization with 15 chapters spread throughout our beautiful state, dedicated to perpetuating the common sense use and enjoyment of horses in America's back country and wilderness. We work to insure that public lands remain open to recreational stock use and assist the various government and private agencies in their maintenance and management of those resources.

Back Country Horsemen of America (BCHA), < <http://www.backcountryhorse.com/> >, is dedicated to preserving and perpetuating recreational stock use, commensurate with our heritage, on virtually all-public lands. BCH of America is a national, non-profit organization, formed in 1973, with members in 47 states, organizations in 25 states, 174+ chapters and a membership of over 13,300 in 2010.

