Board Meetings: 1st Thursday, 7 PM

GENERAL MEETINGS: 3rd Thursday, 7 PM

Springhill Church 4769 West Babcock, Bozeman

OUR PURPOSE:

Shall be to perpetuate the common sense use and enjoyment of horses in the back country and assist the various government agencies in their maintenance and management of the resource and to educate, encourage and solicit active participation by various members of the general public in the wise and sustaining use of horses, commensurate with our heritage and the back country resource.

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

Wednesday Trail Crew: July 2, 9, 16 23, 30

BOARD MEETING: CANCELLED

POKER RIDE TRAIL CLEARING: JULY 7

Bridger Bowl

POKER RIDE FLAGGING : JULY 11

Bridger Bowl

Poker Ride : July 12, 8:00 am

Bridger Bowl

General Meeting: July 17, 7:00 pm

Springhill Church, West Babcock

Buffalo Fork Packing: July 20 - 25

NEW MEETING SITE



PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Hello All.

Congratulations to all our hard working club members for a job well done on the 401 trail at Spanish Creek and a new roof on the Cabin. See the article in the newsletter by Rich.

We are changing our meeting location to the new Springhill Church site on West Babcock and Cottonwood in Bozeman. Please thank them when you get the chance for allowing us to use this beautiful facility for our meetings.

We are in full Poker Ride Mode so please volunteer where you can. We still need people to fill a few places. Let Rich or I know what you can do.

Trail Crews are in full swing. Larry's crew is working in the Gallatin Canyon and have made a lot of progress considering the wet weather we have had. We are just beginning in the Northern Bridgers. If you want to help please call Larry or myself and we will share the details which are weather dependent.

Please thank Brant for her excellent work as editor of our newsletter when you see her.

Hope to see all of you at the Poker Ride July, 12th.

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BOARD MEETING MINUTES — JUNE 19

Meeting was called to order at 7:20 pm at Belgrade Alliance Church. Present were officers Henry, Rich, Debbie, Sharon. Directors Dan P, Jim W, Steve, John, Larry, Dan M. State board, ex-officio Rich, Jim A. Other members present were Clark and Sonja.

MINUTES:

A motion was made by Larry and seconded by Jim to accept the minutes of the May board meeting. All voted ave.

Treasurer's report: checking \$3,646.74 savings \$20,025.48

MEMBERSHIP:

approx. 65

TRAIL CREWS:

S. Cottonwood on Wed. 11th. Second Bridger Bowl meeting coming up, Janice went to 1st one.

PROGRAMS/MEETINGS:

Ice Cream Social and Poker Ride Meeting on June 19th. For July, no board meeting, general meeting is on July 17th.

Issues:

Rich brought up access issue at N. Cottonwood trail in the Bridgers. It is scheduled to be shut to horses.

Clark Kinney and John Mutter went to 4-H field day at Red Bluff on May 25th. Date for meeting with 4-H discussed.

Judge needed at county fair on Wed. July 16th.

New Business:

Rich made a motion to buy several trimmers for the club to use. Dan M seconded. No one opposed.

OTHER BUSINESS:

New tent pegs will cost \$280.00.

A motion was made by Jim and seconded by Dan M to adjourn the meeting at 8:35pm. All voted aye.

Sharon Fraser, Secretary GVBCH

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES — JUNE 5

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm at 1655 Harper Puckett Rd. Bozeman. There were approximately 35 members present.

MINUTES:

A motion was made by Jim and seconded by Kay to accept the minutes of the June meeting. All voted aye.

Treasurer's report: checking \$3,646.74, savings \$20,025.48. New bills presented: \$22.47 for postage, \$286.26 for tent stakes, and \$115.00 for an ad in equine directory.

Membership:

approx. 70

New Members/Guests:

Craig Polson and Dan Masters

TRAIL CREWS:

On June 11th Larry and crew worked on S. Cottonwood to the Blackmore Y. On June 18th Spanish Creek towards Mirror Lake, 4 miles of water bars completed. Wednesday the 25th will be working at Spanish Creek. Twenty people scheduled for Saturday the 21st at Spanish Creek 401 trail with lunch being provided by the bike club.

Programs/Meetings:

For July, no board meeting, general meeting is on July 17th at the (new) Springhill Church in Bozeman on Cottonwood Rd. (near Billion Auto).

Harry H. reported that 4-H program aims to go state-wide eventually and involve other BCH groups.

BUSINESS:

Interwest Tire Factory fixed the tires on the trailer for free. Belgrade News donated an ad for the Poker Ride.

A motion was made by Jim and seconded by Janice to adjourn the meeting at 8:30pm. All voted aye.

Sharon Fraser, Secretary GVBCH















401 TRAIL CLEARING

The 401 trail out of Spanish Creek trail head now has a new look on the first 3 miles after a heavy maintenance effort put forth on Saturday, June 21. This Saturday effort was preceded by Larry Thomas and crew plus the FS going in on Tuesday and sawing logs for the the water diversion structures. The logs were placed at predetermined locations along the trail starting at the top point approximately 3 miles in from Spanish Creek trail head.

On Friday, Larry's crew went back in and finished cutting and placing logs along the trail ready for Saturday's combined effort. Saturday morning 11 Montana Mountain bikers, 9 from GVBCH and 2 FS people gathered at the Spanish Cr. trail head for a quick briefing on the project. Larry then split the 20 people into two work groups with most of the bikers going with Rich Inman to the 3 mile point of the project to work back toward the trail head. Larry took the other group to the bottom of the project and worked up the trail. The two groups met about 3:30 pm and completed the restoration/maintenance of this 3 mile section of trail with 148 water diversion structures being installed. Around 5:00 pm we closed the day with a fantastic barbecue and cold drinks. This



truly was a great combined effort with bikers and horsemen joining forces.

We thank the bikers for their support and great energy. We also thank the Rocky Mtn. Truck Center and Montana Mountain Bikers for the excellent lunches and barbecue they furnished. Thanks to Clark Kinney and Jim Wing for keeping the crews supplied with tools, lunches and water with their pack animals.

—Rich Inman





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401 TRAIL CLEARING



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HORSING AROUND





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