



HOOFBEATS

MARCH 2015



General meeting March 3rd 7pm
Deb Hall - treats, Karen - Coffee

Capitol Riders Chapter, BCHW Officers for 2015

Laura Shillam -	President
Peggy Tucker -	Vice President
Dean Hartman -	Treasurer
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Deb Hall -	Alt. Director

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Chris Enrico -	Legislative
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Chris Enrico -	Communications
Carrie Russell -	Rides
Dean Hartman -	Rides
vacant -	Work Parties
Connie Bailey -	Social
Peggy Tucker -	Hoofprints

Capitol Riders Chapter, BCHW

Mission :

1. To perpetuate the common sense use and enjoyment of horses in America's back country and wilderness.
2. To work to insure that public lands remain open to recreational stock use.
3. To assist the various government and private agencies in their maintenance and management of said resource.
4. To educate, encourage and solicit active participation in the wise use of the back country resource by horsemen and the general public commensurate with our heritage.
5. To foster and encourage the formation of new chapters in the state organization.

Capitol Riders Chapter, BCHW

www.capitolriders.org (with a link to our Facebook page)

Meet monthly at the Littlerock firehall, 10828 Littlerock Road SW (larger of the two meeting rooms). Please verify the meeting by either going to the chapter web site and the Events page, or call 360-459-4759.

The next general meeting is scheduled for March 3rd, 7:00 pm, at the Little-rock Fire Department (West Thurston Regional Fire Authority, Station #1-2), 10828 Littlerock Road SW, Olympia, WA 98512 (when it's dark look for the bright red reader board).

From your President -

Well, we are almost through February and I hope you all have been able to ride a lot with all the great weather. Our members have started helping with the trail clearing at Kennedy Creek and I was able to work with them last weekend. Traci and Oakland Bay chapter are so enthusiastic you can't help get caught up in it. The renewed trails should make for a great riding area and the ride in May is bound to be great.

We are going to be starting to have club rides soon so I hope everyone can come out for more of these this year. I think joining with other Back Country groups is a great way to learn more trails and meet more riders!

I loved the slide show that Dean and Susan provided us at the last meeting of their camping trip in Oregon. It made me want to go there! I hope that we can have other presentations like this or anything educational around horses.

Happy Early Spring!!

Laura

For those who have not yet heard, long time Capitol Riders member Nancy Garred has passed away. Her obituary is posted in this copy.

Dave Swanberg has also passed away. He was a member of the Okanogan Valley, Methow Valley and Ferry County chapters. Up to his death Dave was the BCHW Ways and Means Chairman.

I don't believe I had mentioned Ken Wegner's (K&S Saddlery) passing either. He passed away November 12, 2014.

Please continue to record any volunteer hours and get them to Deb Hall on a consistent basis.

Big Tent Rally Day has come and gone. To me it seemed low key. We (Jeff Chapman, Karen Johnson, Joan Fleming and myself, Chris Enrico) had a table next

to George Washington's bust on the 3rd floor of the Legislative Building.

Probably the coolest part of the event was after 1:00 pm when WTA (Washington Trails Association) rank and file members came by. They did not all come at once. But they thanked BCHW profusely for packing in their heavy supplies. We smiled and said "glad we can help".

Some of you have been sending me your biographies and I thank you for that. Again, I am not looking for a 500 page book concerning your life but rather two paragraphs or so that tells your fellow Capitol Riders members how you came to be involved with horses and or mules. And how you came to become a member of BCHW and Capitol Riders.

If that goes back to your childhood then you were a lucky kid in my opinion. So you can start there and jump decades with your story to keep it shorter. Maybe you had some funny stuff happen when you were young like getting bucked off at your local rodeo.

Did you hug your fellow equestrians on February 20th? It was National Hug an Equestrian Day so I hope you gave someone a hug and they hugged you back. Hugs are good to give AND receive!

The BCHW Rendezvous is coming up very quickly on March 20th through 22nd. How about a packing clinic just for women? Barb Apple will be there again as will others. The Pacific Crest Trail Association will be teaching two cross-cut saw classes. (need to lose some weight, that'll do it!)

The Great Gravel Pack-In in Capitol Forest comes immediately after Rendezvous on March 28th. Work will be out of both Mima Falls Campground and the Evergreen Sportsman's Club next door. Depending on trail conditions heading out of the gun club, stock could be using the Mima Campground as their starting point. We'll know more that morning. Gravel work will be along the Campground (equestrian) and Mima Falls (motorized) trails. (equestrian and motorized refers to the work groups.)

I am told that about 50 cubic yards of gravel will be delivered (about 75 tons).

Currently Scheduled Events - partial for 2015

February

27 - Whatcom chapter auction

27 - Kennedy Creek "trail blazing" (flagging) work party, Meet at the Gate 10:00 to 2:00

28 - Mossyrock Horse & Riders annual Mountainman Ride, breakfast at 8:30, ride at 9:00 am

28 - Packing clinic, 9 am, 641 Spencer Road, Toldeo, 360-269-3804 or 360-508-0450 for more info

28 - Ranch Sorting 10 am, Flying M Stables

28 - WA Competitive Mounted Orienteering, Scatter Creek Donna Amos, pacificnwlonestar@gmail.com or 360-496-8667

March

3 - General Meeting Littlerock fire hall 7 pm

7 - Kennedy Creek work party - Meet at the Gate 10:00 to 2:00

11 - Kennedy Creek work party - Meet at the Gate 6:00 to 7:30 Characters Corner (Steamboat Island) after

15 - Nisqually chapter - JBLM/Ft. Lewis areas 20 & 21, pass required

16 - Kennedy Creek work party - Meet at the Gate 11:00 to 2:00

18 - Kennedy Creek work party - Meet at the Gate 6:00 to 7:30 Characters Corner (Steamboat Island) after

20-22 - BCHW Rendezvous - Ellensburg

20 - BCHW General Meeting, Ellensburg

25 - Kennedy Creek work party - Meet at the Gate 6:00 to 7:30 Characters Corner (Steamboat Island) after

26 - DNR User meeting 6 pm, 801 88th Ave Tumwater

28 - Capitol Forest Great Gravel Haul 8 am, Mima Campground & Evergreen Sportsman Club

29 - Kennedy Creek work party - Meet at the Gate 10:00 to 2:00

April

1 - Kennedy Creek work party - Meet at the Gate 6:00 to 7:30 Characters Corner (Steamboat Island) after

7 - General Meeting Littlerock fire hall 7 pm

8 - Kennedy Creek work party - Meet at the Gate 6:00 to 7:30 Characters Corner (Steamboat Island) after

11-12 - LNT Randle Basic Skills Class Cowlitz Valley Ranger Station Doc & Deb wesselius@wildblue.net

15 - Kennedy Creek work party - Meet at the Gate 6:00 to 7:30 Characters Corner (Steamboat Island) after

18 - Kennedy Creek work party - Meet at the Gate 10:00 to 2:00

18-19 - Mossyrock Horse & Riders Spring Ride, Marsha (360) 880-4684, Dennis (360) 304-9645 and Fred (360) 520-7025

22 - Earth Day

22 - Kennedy Creek work party - Meet at the Gate 6:00 to 7:30 Characters Corner (Steamboat Island) after

25 - Peterman trail ride - Morton, logging may mean cancellation

27 - Kennedy Creek ride - Meet at the Gate 10:00 - bring nippers

29 - Kennedy Creek work party - Meet at the Gate 6:00 to 7:30 Characters Corner (Steamboat Island) after

Member Spotlight

My Narcissistic Life

which it feels like, to be talking about myself, and after all, I am an only child so it WAS all about me.

I can't ever remember a time that I wasn't crazy about horses. I told my parents that I could even tell whether it was a girl or a boy horse just by looking at their tails streaming out from the horse trailer (obviously, I was too young to know about the facts of life, and I didn't have an older brother or sister to enlighten me).

Since I lived near Fremont Avenue in Seattle, having a horse was not a possibility. But when I was 10 and in the 4th grade, I was close enough to take a bus to Woodland Park Zoo where there was a job leading ponies around in an enclosed ring for pony rides. My "pay" was the privilege to feed and clean up after the ponies, but the best reward was the "night rides". After the park was closed, we were able to ride the ponies around the ring by ourselves, and then take the ponies back to their evening stalls.

I look back now and wonder what must my parents have been thinking to allow me such freedom, but those were different times, and besides, I probably hounded them until they gave in.

When I was 12, we moved to Olympia where I was able to have a horse of my own. My dad suggested that I name her Dream Girl since I'd always wanted a horse and duh, she was a girl.

Dream Girl (a brown and white pinto half arab and half quarter horse) really taught me how to ride. Dad insisted I learn to ride bareback before getting a saddle (I think they probably couldn't afford one), and since Dream Girl was a real spooker it was a balanced seat or hit the ground which I hit many times.

When I turned 18, it was time to sell the horse and move on to my adult life. Two kids and many years later, I was able to be a kid again. I had a number of horses after that: - Cheyenne, a mare who went lame, Sandy, who kept running away with me, Diamond,

who spooked even more than Dream Girl, and finally Saddle Maker (who had been raised by, you guessed it, a saddle maker). He was the best! He'd been trained as a heading and healing horse and boy could that horse go from 0 to 50. Only I didn't know when I was accidentally giving him that signal!



Mickie with Romeo

He was my last horse until 10 years later when I retired to Olympia where I was able to renew my love affair with horses. I was able to lease horses until I found my "Dream Boy" on Dream Horse dot com and now I feel that I have come full circle.

Romeo has taught me so much. After about 2 weeks of owning him, he let me know in no uncertain terms that I'd better learn how to ride a western pleasure horse and that was to use my seat and legs and NOT his mouth!

So through lessons I've developed a great partnership with him, and it has also made me realize how ignorant I had been before. I truly apologize to those horses who came before him for my ineptness.

So I look forward to many more happy trails with my sweet Romeo, but horses being horses and people riding them, I'm always waiting for that "shoe" to drop. May it be a long time from now!

Mickie Hatrup

Capitol Riders of BCHW General Meeting

Littlerock Firehall, 10828 Littlerock Road SW, Olympia, WA 98512

February 3, 2015

Meeting called to order by President Laura Shillam 7:00 pm

17 people in attendance with four guests: Tracy Farr with Oakland Bay chapter, Lori Ewing, (both joined Capitol Riders this evening), Tammy Wicks and Wendy Hickey.

January minutes were approved as distributed in the newsletter.

Treasurer's Report – Dean Hartman

Dean told the group he has written two checks to BCHW, \$xxxx for dues and \$xxxx for calendars. We have a \$xxxx bank balance.

Newsletter – Chris Enrico

Chris said that he hopes everyone is working on their short biographies of how they became to be involved with horses or mules. Chris sent out seven newsletters. Next month will be six (Mel Davidson did not renew).

Web site – Chris Enrico

Chris said the prize ride list is on line and it's bring users to the web site. Percent returning users (past month/30 days) is 38.4. There were 1,355 sessions with 925 users and an average session duration of 2 minutes 26 seconds. There were 2,213 page views with 1.63 pages per session. The top three pages accessed were prize rides, gpsinfo (horse camp info) and maps. The top 3 local locations are lacey, Seattle and Olympia. The top three countries are the USA, Russia and Canada. The top three web search terms are 'not provided', "washington state prize rides 2015" and "capitol forest map".

Legislative – Chris Enrico

Chris said that BCHW has bills we should follow. They include HB 1033, HB 1115, HB 1160, HB 1192, HB 1262, SB 5137, SB 5205, SB 5405, SB 5540, SB 5622, and SB 5750. These are listed on the Legislative page of the web site.

Director's Report – Karen Johnson

Karen asked the group for a show of hands as to who is going to Rendezvous. Susan and Dean Hartman, Karen Johnson, Chris Enrico and Traci Koch will be attending along with Joan Fleming from Scatter Creek Riders.

Karen said the chapter needs a decision regarding donating something to the Rendezvous auction. Chris said he had contacted K&S Saddlery regarding additional artwork on the trail saw scabbard and had not heard back. He did get a call from Tack Room Too indicating it would cost several hundred dollars to have the BCHW logo embossed. It was decided to forego this additional work. There was a motion to purchase the trail saw, which was approved. Chris Enrico will order it.

Karen told the group that the Great Gravel Pack-In will be on the Campground Trail this year (editor – stock on the Campground Trail, motorized on the Mima Falls Trail).

Traci Koch told the group that at leadership training we learned more about the requirements for tailgate safety meetings and job

hazard analysis.

Work parties – Karen Johnson

Traci talked about Kennedy Creek and the work schedule. She added March 7th and 22nd with a ride on March 16th. She will bring a sign up sheet to the next meeting.

There will be five stations along the trails and there will be two ways to go from each.

Positions include cooking, administrative, prizes and parking.

Tracy Farr told the group that Chris has a list of supporters. The packet we give supporters includes a copy of our 501(c)(3) letter and a thank you letter. Please obtain business cards when requesting donations!

We need to make up a display board with Capitol Riders photos (rides, work parties and other events). The question was asked as to how much money is needed. (the secretary didn't hear a response) Chris will send out Tracy Farr's contact phone number and email. Mickie Hattrup volunteered to make up the display board for Capitol Riders. Chris said he has the chapter's display board, wood with cork panels. Chris will bring it to the next meeting for Mickie.

The Trail Work Boss discussion will take place next month.

Hoofprints – Peggy Tucker

Peggy was not in attendance tonight. (It is \$5 to sign up and it runs from November through October. Track your miles ridden (non pasture or arena). You can pay cash or make a check out to Peggy Tucker.)

Volunteer Hours – Deb Hall

Deb asked the group to get their volunteer hours to her.

Chapter Rides – Carrie Russell

Carrie said we need a trail boss (Trail Ride Boss) for each ride. The Nisqually Chapter ride is on March 15th. They need a liability release for each rider.

Carrie said to add May 16th (Kennedy Creek Fun Ride) as a chapter ride. Peterman is being logged so we may need to cancel that one.

Old Business –

Chapter tools – A motion to purchase two additional (purchase of the first two was approved last meeting) hard hats was approved. This has to do with L&I requirements per DNR. Use of loppers requires a hard hat be worn.

Garage Sale – Dean Hartman said we will hold the garage sale in Littlerock and to collect your "stuff" to sell. It is the first Saturday in May.

New Business –

Deb Hall asked if we could have someone come in and talk about hoof care from 6:30 to 7:00 prior to the meeting? Can we do this at the April meeting?

Treats for next meeting – Deb Hall volunteered.

Laura adjourned the meeting at 8:12 pm.

Respectfully submitted.

Chris Enrico

Capitol Riders Chapter BCHW for 2015



Volunteer Event

10th Annual Great Gravel Pack-In



MARCH 28, 2015



Time: 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Location: Mima Falls Campground
Capitol State Forest

Directions:

- From I-5 Turn onto WA-121 / Maytown Rd SW going west towards Littlerock
- 3.6 mi Turn left onto Mima Rd SW
- 1.3 mi Bear right onto Bordeaux Rd SW
- 0.7 mi Turn right onto Marksman St SW
- 0.9 mi Arrive at near Marksman St SW, Olympia, WA 98512

10th ANNUAL EVENT

This is the tenth annual Great Gravel Pack In, an event that brings together volunteers from a variety of recreation interests—including equestrian, motorized, mountain biking, and hiking—to help improve trails in Capitol State Forest.

This year's activities:

- Spread gravel and repair tread on sections of the trail
- Clear downed brush and do basic improvements to the campground to get it ready for the recreation season.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

8 a.m. Registration and coffee

9 a.m. Safety briefing and break outs to get work assignments.

Bring work gloves, water, and raingear.

Lunch will be provided.

Children under age 18 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

For the safety of horses and pack stock, please leave dogs at home.

FOR INFORMATION, CONTACT:

Nick Cronquist, DNR
360-480-2700
nick.cronquist@dnr.wa.gov

Partners in this event:

- Back Country Horsemen of Washington
- Washington ATV Association
- Evergreen Sportsmen's Club

Bringing pack stock?

Stock animals must be pre-approved prior to the day of the event. Contact Ed Haefliger, 360-427-4297 or edsueh@msn.com.



This is a Discover Pass-required area; however, volunteers will be issued a complimentary day-use pass for this event. Volunteers may also earn vouchers toward a complimentary Discover Pass, good for one year. **Learn more** about the Discover Pass at www.discoverpass.wa.gov.

Nancy J. Garred (August 13, 1937 - January 30, 2015)



Nancy J. Garred 08/13/37
01/30/15 Nancy Jo (Bailey)
Garred passed away on
January 30, 2015 due to
cancer. She will be
remembered for quiet
kindness and strength,
plus a delightful
nonconformist streak. Born
August 13, 1937 to Jo
(Goddard) and Harold C.
"Mike" Bailey, Nancy grew
up in Silver Lake and
Richmond Beach north of
Seattle. She was
captivated by her

childhood exposure to Arabian horses, through local breeder Phyllis Ramsey. She graduated from Lincoln High School, and the Washington State University College of Pharmacy. In 1961, Nancy accepted a job at Davies Drug in The Dalles, Oregon, where she met and married fellow pharmacist, Max F. Garred, Jr. The couple moved in the late 1960s to Tumwater, Washington where they owned and managed Southgate Rexall Drug for over 20 years. They explored the outdoors together, planning camping escapes whenever possible. Nancy never lost her fondness for horses, so when pre-teen daughter, Michelle, longed for a pony, Nancy was happy to oblige. She owned horses for the next 35 years, excelling as a wise "horse show mom", and developing a passion for trail riding. After Max's death in 1996, Nancy continued to manage their mini-farm until 2013, when she moved to a Tumwater apartment. Her later years were packed with service to Olympia groups such as Capitol Riders, Horse Power! therapeutic riding program, and the PAWS Wildlife Center. Nancy also took advantage of retirement to travel to Hawaii, Ireland, Singapore, and Cambodia. She spent her final two months on Vashon Island, just outside Seattle, near to her daughter, Michelle Garred and son-in-law Brent Thompson. Nancy is additionally survived by her brother and sister-in-law, Forrest and Cherryl Bailey; grandchildren, Paige and Grant Thompson; devoted

friends including Marilyn, Ann, Gracie, Mary Beth, Bonnie, and many more; a cluster of supportive nieces and nephews; a horse named Katherine; and a cat called Zorrie. In lieu of flowers, the family encourages contributions to the Vashon Community Care Foundation or Providence Hospice of Seattle. A memorial gathering will be held Saturday February 21, 2015, 12:00 noon, at Edline-Yawn & Covington Funeral Chapel in Kent; all participants are welcome to bring copies of photos for posting on a shared "memory wall". Please also visit the online guestbook at: www.islandfuneral.com

I have a badly torn MCL in my left knee. It happened at home totally non horse related! That translates to: I've sustained miserable pain and will be laid up unable to ride until further notice. What has really compounded my misery is this wonderful riding weather and all I can do is look out the window at the sunshine! SO, ALL you Capitol Riders, GET OUT THERE and ride!! Don't take this sunshine for granted!!

CJ Buri

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MOSSYROCK HORSE AND RIDERS

Facebook: Mossyrock Horse and Riders Club



Welcomes you to our 19th Annual
Mountain Man Ride & Chili Feed

Saturday February 28nd 2015

114 Ciannigan Hill Rd SilverCreek, WA



Rain, Shine, or Snow!!!

Sign up at 9:00 last rider out 11:00

\$15. Includes ride/chance for a prize and
Chili Feed. Under 12 yrs of age \$10.00



Chili feed is all you can eat w/ fixings and coffee

Winter trail route will be used

BREAKFAST SERVED FROM

8:30 – 10:30 for an additional fee

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Come Join Us!

To join BCHW, complete this application, sign the liability release (all members **18 and over**), and enclose payment:

- **Please Print Legibly**
- **Chapter members**, turn application and payment in *to your Chapter Treasurer*. If paying by check, make it out to **Capitol Riders**.
- **Mail** application and payment to: Capitol Riders, ATTN: Chris Enrico, 4809 24th Ave SE, Lacey WA 98503



Member Info

New Member Renewal – Membership number(s): _____

Adult's name(s): _____

Children's name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ ST: _____ Zip: _____

Phone number: _____ E-mail: _____

Legislative district (if known): _____ County: _____

STATE MEMBERSHIP

Basic Membership

Single \$41.00
 Family \$54.00

Optional Membership (*includes family or single from above*)

Contributing \$75.00
 Sustaining \$125.00
 Patron \$250.00
 Benefactor \$500.00
 Lifetime (Single) \$1200.00

State dues paid online (attach receipt copy)

Additional State Donation \$ _____
 State Subtotal \$ _____

CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP

All chapter members must also be a member of BCHW. However, BCHW dues only need to be paid **once** each year. Joining additional (secondary) chapters only requires paying chapter dues.

Chapter Name: **Capitol Riders**

Chapter Dues - Single (\$10) \$ _____
 Family (\$15) \$ _____
 Additional Chapter Donation \$ _____
 Chapter Subtotal \$ _____
Grand Total (State+Chapter) \$ _____

LIABILITY RELEASE & NOTICES

All ADULT members MUST sign! Adult's signature covers minor children.

Recognizing the fact that there is a potential for an accident wherever horse use is involved, which can cause injuries to horses, riders, and spectators, and also recognizing the fact that Backcountry Horsemen of Washington, Inc., including Chapters, officers, directors, or members, cannot always know the condition of trails or the experience levels of riders or horses taking part in trail rides or other BCHW events, I do hereby release and hold harmless the above named from any claim or right for damages which might occur to me, my minor children, or horses.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Backcountry Horsemen of Washington (BCHW) is a public charity as defined in Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c) (3). Accordingly, membership dues paid to BCHW and a chapter may be treated as deductions characterized as "charitable contributions" when computing federal and state income tax obligations.

THE WHATCOM CHAPTER OF

BACKCOUNTRY HORSEMEN

**INVITES YOU TO OUR 18th ANNUAL
FUNDRAISER AUCTION!**

**Friday, Feb. 27, 2015,
EVERSON AUCTION BARN
7291 EVERSON-GOSHEN ROAD**

**5:30-7:00 pm – Silent Auction
7:00 pm – Live Auction Begins
Auctioneer: Dwayne Van Weerdhuizen**



Back Country Horsemen have been teaching our *Leave No Trace Principles* by example while helping to maintain thousands of miles of multi-use trails.

Your local Whatcom County Chapter of Backcountry Horsemen works with

- City and County Parks Departments • DNR
- US Forest Service • Pacific NW Trails Association

to protect Multi-User Trailheads and trail facilities in remote areas of our region.

Volunteer members ride and pack in supplies by horseback on maintenance projects to benefit many users.

Funds raised buy equipment and supplies to help preserve our right to ride and access public lands for future generations. As a local non profit organization, we rely on community support of our efforts on behalf of all trail users, including riders, bikers, runners, walkers, and naturalists.

Join our fun Auction on Feb 27, 2015, Everson Auction Barn!
(Cash or check only)



For more information or to donate call:

**Bill McKenna at 360-599-2526
Sam Miller at 360-325-2833 or
Nancy Giordano at 360-961-0822**

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