



JULY 2015 Newsletter

Calendar of Upcoming Events

- Saturday July 18th – Best Friend's Benefit Ride True West 9am
Sunday Sept 6th – Potluck 6:30CST (Band provided by Dale & Lindsey Cobb following dinner)
Sunday Oct 11th – Potluck 6:30CST (No band)
Trail Work Days – as needed, weather permitting

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Three positions came open at the May meeting (potluck). Tracey Hatcher & Monica Quarmby were re-elected. Rose Duchon stepped down and was replaced by Sue Bertch. Thanks to Rose for her service. Roger Bertch has volunteered to maintain the web site.

Don't forget to pay your dues!

We purged our email list in June and only send Newsletters and e-Blasts to current members.

Pot Lucks

As has been our tradition for the past few years, we are hiring the local band TimChuck2 to play music after the first three potlucks. Dale & Lindsey Cobb are paying for the band at the Labor Day festivities. There is no music at the October potluck. Come enjoy your neighbors, good food & great music!

Best Friend's Sanctuary Benefit Ride

Best Friend's Sanctuary is having a benefit ride to help offset the cost of operating its shelter in Jamestown. Come to True West Campground Saturday July 18th. Guided ride begins at 9:00am. Three hours later return for a spaghetti dinner, door prizes, silent auction and fellowship. Call Brenda Goett 931.879.4994 for details. Also, volunteers are desperately needed at the shelter. Dog walkers, cage cleaners, grass mowing, whatever. If you've got some spare time, come save a dog.

Neighborhood Watch Program

All signs have been distributed and the large signs for the neighborhood entrances have been mounted. We're moving Neighbor Watch out of the SCTA business, as it is more a home-owners issue than trails issue.

Trail Updates

Anybody noticed the rain? Yeah. That wet stuff. We're postponing any trail work days until it dries up a bit. We still need to do approaches at the Wild Cat Den crossing,, but that will require a lot of UTV's and hauling a TON of rock a long way. Best done in dry season. We'll be working on the trail across from the Pavilion, going down alongside the road, back towards the Tee Pee Loop. Still looking for option on the Evergreen Trail, which is always wet, even in dry season.

Web Site

We will be doing some updates to the website, mostly in organization. We would like to add a photo gallery. If you have some shots you'd like to see on our site, send them to Roger Bertch at rdurwoodb@gmail.com .

Back Country Horsemen News

We need your help. Now is a critical time for our "Forest Trails" bill. A hearing has been scheduled this week on the bill before the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition & Forestry.

The hearing is scheduled for 10:00 EST on Thursday, July 16, in Washington DC. Please contact your senators today. You can call the Capitol Switchboard at [202.225.3121](tel:202.225.3121) and ask to be connected to the office of one of your senators. Or you can locate contact information for your senators.

Once connected, ask to speak to a staff person who handles public land issues for the senator. Then describe your support for Senate Bill 1110, the National Forest System Trails Stewardship Act. Consider using some or all of the talking points, below.

1. I am a resident of (state) and a member of Back Country Horsemen of America;
2. I support Senate Bill 1110, the National Forest System Trails Stewardship Act;
3. The bill is important to trail riders and all trail users in the state;
4. The bill will improve trail maintenance without adding to the federal deficit;
5. The bill is bi-partisan and supported by a wide range of public land trail users; and
6. I would like the Senator to please co-sponsor Senate Bill 1110.

Background

You'll recall from previous alerts that BCHA, along with partners American Horse Council and The Wilderness Society, are working diligently to persuade Congress to move forward on the National Forest System Trails Stewardship Act. In the House of Representatives the bill's number is H.R. 845. Your earlier calls and letters have been effective, as the bill now has 52 co-sponsors in the House!

The Forest Trails bill was introduced in the Senate in late April. It was forwarded to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition & Forestry

It's critical you call your senators prior to Thursday.

More information regarding the bill can be found on BCHA's website, for your reference. Thank you for taking action to support forest trails!

For Sale

2007 CM Dakota 3-horse slant trailer. Front tack room with 4 saddle racks, 4 bridle hooks. Nice low step up and pulls great. Asking \$6500 OBO. Cathy Riddell 931.752.1554 crabbit@attglobal.net

Bucket-mount hay spear, with attaching bolts. \$100



Joe Goett 931.879.4994

For SALE

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