

# ***Nicker News***

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**BCHW – LCC wishes to thank the following businesses for their support/donations for our 2018 Fun Ride. Please let them know we appreciate their contributions!**

Applebee's – Chehalis  
Beckel Canvas Products – Portland, OR  
Bennie's Gardens – Chehalis  
Benny's Florist and Garden - Chehalis  
Black Buggy Furniture – Rainier, OR  
Brenda's Country Market – Onalaska  
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Dirty Thumb Nursery – Chehalis  
Drew Elliott Horsemanship – Chehalis  
Duane and Tanda Evans – Smith's Mercantile - Chehalis  
Eggspresso – Winlock  
Fire Mountain Grill at Milepost 19 – Kid Valley  
4 Corners Farm & Garden – Castle Rock  
Frosty's Tavern – Napavine  
Geier Glove Company – Centralia  
Guadalajara Family Mexican Restaurant – Winlock  
Home Depot – Chehalis  
Just Wood Furniture – Centralia  
Kaija's – Chehalis  
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Kipert's – Olympia  
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Les Schwab – Centralia and Chehalis  
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Outfitters Supply – Columbia, MT  
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Premium Quality Hay and Feed – Onalaska  
Red Feather Kitchen – Longview  
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Wild Rags by Doris – Mabton  
Winlock Hardware – Winlock

Thanks also for donations from:

Andra Hankins; Bobbie McTimmons; Dave and Carolyn Stella; Doc and Deb Wesselius; Jackie Hunter; Joe and Cindy Chenier; Marianne Finrow; Marijo Roseth, Mike and Karen Clemens; Tawnya Caldwell; Tony Karniss; thanks to Bob and Martha Thode for the use of their property; and last, but not certainly not least, thanks to Big T BBQ for supplying our Fun Ride grub



## FUN RIDE – May 12



Winner of Joe's metal art

C. Stella



We needed a tall person – along came a willing rider

## Approximate ride results (May 13, 2018):

112 adult riders  
9 youth riders  
10 workers – (approximate)  
282 prize tickets sold

### Silent Auction winning bids:

Bolender's  
Saddle rack  
Woman's western dress shirt  
Metal art flower  
Lady's vest  
Cascade West Veterinary Clinic tooth float

"All in all a successful fund raiser",  
*Jim Thode*



Wahoo -- Let me at that trail



Youth prize winners

## **LCBCHW Monthly Meeting, May 2, 2018**

Meeting called to order by President Joe Chenier

New Members/Guests: None

March Meeting Minutes: Approved a published

**Officers Reports: Given by Jim Thode**

**Treasurer Report:** Given by Nancy Thode

**Director Report:** Jim Thode  
**Report given**

### **Trail Bosses:**

Slim Mardock: 1 ½ miles remaining to be weed eaten. Thanks to the work parties from the 15<sup>th</sup>. Weeding looks good. Sherry also worked on May 2<sup>nd</sup> to clear trails.

Tony Karniss – Hike on Packwood Lake Trail to Beaver Bill Creek, there is still lots of snow. Trees crossing the trail and broken planks in the bridges. Dyson Park has 20 – 30” of snow yet. Goat Creek road is good, there are logs crossing up to Tumwater Junction. Tumwater to Dot Lake is plugged up. Bicycle crew might be willing to work on Tumwater Junction. Saw class with the Forest service. Big Timber teaching them how to buck. Work party scheduled for the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>.

Working with Tim with the US Forest Service, hoping to get reimbursement for work parties for gas and pack stock.

Jim will activate the In-Reach system (soon)

### **Committee Reports:** Carolyn Stella

- Activities Sherri Wright: 2018 Calendar of Activities
- Bobbie found Big T's to cater the Fun Ride. Will supply burgers, hotdogs chips and water. Sherry motioned we use Big T's, Jackie 2<sup>nd</sup> motion. Caters will charge \$5 per meal all funds will go to the vendor.
- Parking – Slim will head this up.
- Tents – Need work party to set up tent at 4 pm on Friday.
- Legislative Jim Thode: No activity
- Newsletter: Bobbie McTimmons:
- Volunteer Hours Bobbie McTimmons: Need hours reported in writing
- Membership:
- Grant Committee:
- LNT:
- Publicity:



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**Old Business:** Coalition invited us to participate with a booth at their ride on June 16<sup>th</sup>. Need volunteers.

**New Business:** Memorial Day Ride south of Yakima

**Host:** Need host for next meeting

**Volunteers for Fun Ride day:**

**Good of the Order:**

Respectfully submitted,  
Mary Robarge, BCHW-LCC Secretary

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## **Fun Ride**



**Big T came to cook for us**

	<b>2018 BCHW – LCC Activity Calendar</b>
<b>June 2</b>	<b>National Trails Day – Participation TBA</b>
<b>June 6</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting @ the Salkum Fire Hall – 7PM</b>
<b>June 15-24</b>	<b>Slim at Soda Springs – Come and work/ride -- RTP</b>
<b>June 16</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Qtr. Board of Directors Meeting - Ellensburg</b>
<b>June 24–25</b>	<b>LCC at Kalama Horse Camp - TBA</b>
<b>July 4-6</b>	<b>Cody Horse Camp – RTP Grant work – TBA</b>
<b>July 7-8</b>	<b>LCC – Ride and camp at Cody Horse Camp</b>
<b>July TBA</b>	<b>Packing - TBA</b>
<b>July 21-25</b>	<b>BCHW Statewide Work Party – Wenatchee River Ranger District - TBA</b>
<b>July 28-31</b>	<b>Packing - TBA</b>
<b>Aug 1</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting @ Salkum Fire Hall – 7PM</b>
<b>Aug 8-12</b>	<b>Hot Shot Crew – Salmo/Priest – Tentative</b>
<b>Aug – TBA</b>	<b>Klickitat Trail 7A/RTP</b>
<b>Sept 1-3</b>	<b>Labor Day – Keenes? -TBA</b>
<b>Sept 5</b>	<b>Chapter Meeting – location TBA</b>
<b>TBA</b>	<b>Burnt Ridge - Slim Mardock - 360-520-5588</b>
<b>Sept 15</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Qtr. Board of Directors Meeting - Ellensburg</b>
<b>Oct 3</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting @ the Salkum Fire Hall – 7PM</b>
<b>Oct 6-7</b>	<b>White Pass Ride – contact TBA</b>
<b>Oct 27</b>	<b>Winery Ride – Zillah - Deb Wesselius - 360.736.6106</b>
<b>Nov 7</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting @ the Salkum Fire Hall – 7PM - Elections</b>
<b>Dec 1</b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup> Qtr. Board of Directors Meeting – Ellensburg</b>
<b>Dec 5</b>	<b>Christmas Party - Salkum</b>
<b>TBA</b>	<b>Bear Canyon - TBA</b>
<b>TBA</b>	<b>First Aid Class</b>
<b>TBA</b>	<b>Saw Certification</b>



## May 18-19 Packwood Lake Work Party

by Tony Karniss

Photos by Jim Thode

On Friday the 18<sup>th</sup> Jim Thode, Slim, Joe Chenier and myself replaced some broken planks in one puncheon and rebuilt thirteen feet in another puncheon (new stringers and planks). Cleaned water drainage and water bars. There is another twelve foot puncheon that needs to be rebuilt in the same area.

On Saturday Joe Chenier and Sherri and Leonard Wright worked on the Lost Lake trail. Cut out some logs and did some tread work. Came up short of Mosquito Lake by a quarter-of-a-mile – deep snow, about 20" on the trail. Slim and myself rode up the 81 trail – Upper Lake Creek. You can make it to Beaver Bill Creek from there. In about a mile the main creek and all small creek crossings need to be fixed which will be done in early July by the WTA crews. From there you can ride just short of the Coyote trail junction which has root wade and blow down on the trail. There are two creek crossings going up the ridge that need to be fixed, the tread is too narrow and soft to get pack stock over.



See more photos at

[http://www.pbase.com/bchw/2018\\_trail\\_work](http://www.pbase.com/bchw/2018_trail_work)



## **AHTANUM – MEMORIAL WEEKEND CHAPTER RIDE**

*by Joe Chenier*

Our Memorial Day weekend 2018 ride at Tree Phone horse camp along the middle fork of the Ahtanum turned up a few surprises, but all in all we had some pretty good riding.

After reading the William O. Douglas book of "Of Men and Mountains" I was looking forward to doing a little exploring in one of the areas he so eloquently described, of course in the years that he road and hiked that country the ATV hadn't been invented. The dirt bikes we saw were minimal even the quads were tolerable in their limited numbers, BUT the "side by sides" were well beyond our ability to count... loud dust making machines that seldom left the confines of the gravel roads.

The horse camp as it turned out wasn't just a horse camp but also the ATV all around anything goes that makes dust and noise camp. As it turned out our small group were the only horse people in the horse camp and most of the better camp spots were previously staked out with empty tents and camp trailers well before the long weekend.

Now before you get the idea that all I'm doing is complaining, I'd like to say the mistake was ours and most all the folks camped around us were very friendly, one lady even offered us the picnic table and fire ring in her camp, there were several children petting horses & one girl even brought her miniature baby goat over for our daughter to pet.

I should explain when I say the mistake was ours. Memorial weekend is a big camping weekend for many if not most northwesterners and this one was no exception, I think most of us agreed that midweek or any normal weekend and the camp would have been completely different. Once on the trail and away from camp we saw very few ATVs and the country is just as beautiful as William O. described it. As is usually the case our Saturday evening potluck was freaking awesome as was the Sunday morning breakfast the ladies put together and finally, sitting round a fire with friends, be it a pot bellied drum stove or open camp fire in a borrowed fire ring sipping your favorite drink, is really just about as good as it gets...



**J. Chenier**



## AHTANUM - MEMORIAL WEEKEND CHAPTER RIDE

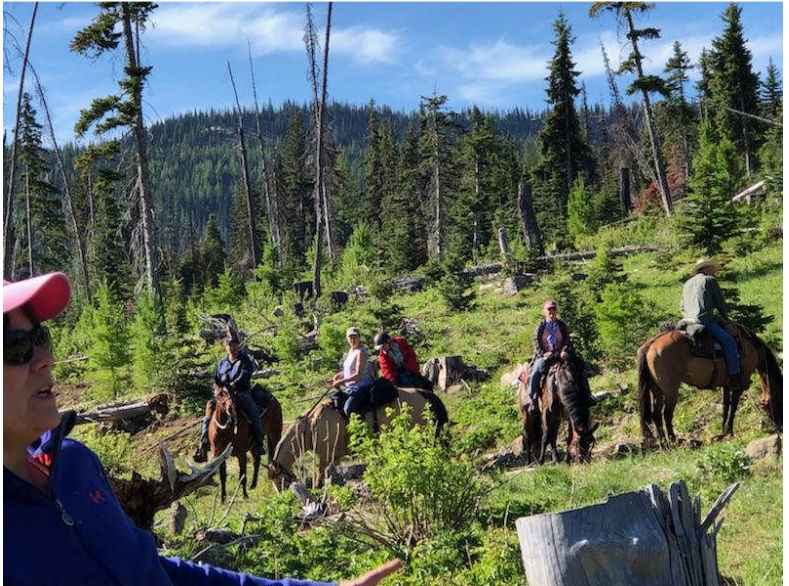
by Sherri Wright

4 rigs, 9 people, 8 horses, and sunshine. A good combination for Memorial weekend. Gary Wright and I drove up early thinking we might get a couple of camping spots, but that wasn't in the cards.. this is also a fav. atv camp spot.... lots of people brought camp trailers and left them in spots saving them 'til they got up there Friday night.. We had half a day use area and a disabled person camp spot that wasn't needed for our spots (we asked first).



M. Chenier

The trails were very user friendly. Easy grades and wide trails took us to beautiful views. We tried to extend our first ride with a little bush whacking, but snow and trees down turned us around. The wind was really blowing the first night/day, but by Sunday it was perfect.



J. Chenier

A short ride by Carolyn Stella and Joe, Cindy and Michelle Chenier, the 4 Wrights... said goodbye on the end of an old log road. We continued up, crossing logged off areas snow drifts and some mud. We decided to tie horses when the drifts got too deep and crossed them on foot to our lunch spot. Mt. Adams, Mt. Hood, and Mt. Jefferson were our lunch companions as well as the drainage on the southeast side of Conrad Meadows. But wait, is that the tip of St. Helens? We're pretty sure it was a 4 mountain view after looking through the binoculars. By the time we got back to camp there were campers leaving and spots opening..and with less campers it meant less generators. .yes the hum of generators were a bother but we all had generous outlook on the drone of generators and ATVs going by.. the plus side is all weekend we only had ATVs at a lunch spot the first day. Having the original 4x4 we could get to places they couldn't :-)

Monday we packed camp up and drove 6 miles to White Ridge trail..11 miles also easy riding..a quick bucket bath and rest and off we went home, another memorable memorial weekend. Friday I had wondered if this would be a place we would like to explore again ..YES! but not on a long weekend ;-).



## May 19-20 WTA Crew Leader College



Pam Swigert was one of four BCHW members selected to attend WTA's Crew Leader College in North Bend. Also participating were Jay Adams (Pierce), and Nicole Sedgwick and husband.

WTA puts on this annual two-day training event to teach trail building and maintenance techniques.



**NEEDED: Chapter rep to sing the praises of BCHW-LCC at the Stockmen's Coalition Benefit ride June 16 (contact Bobbie)**



## CHAPTER FACEBOOK PAGES

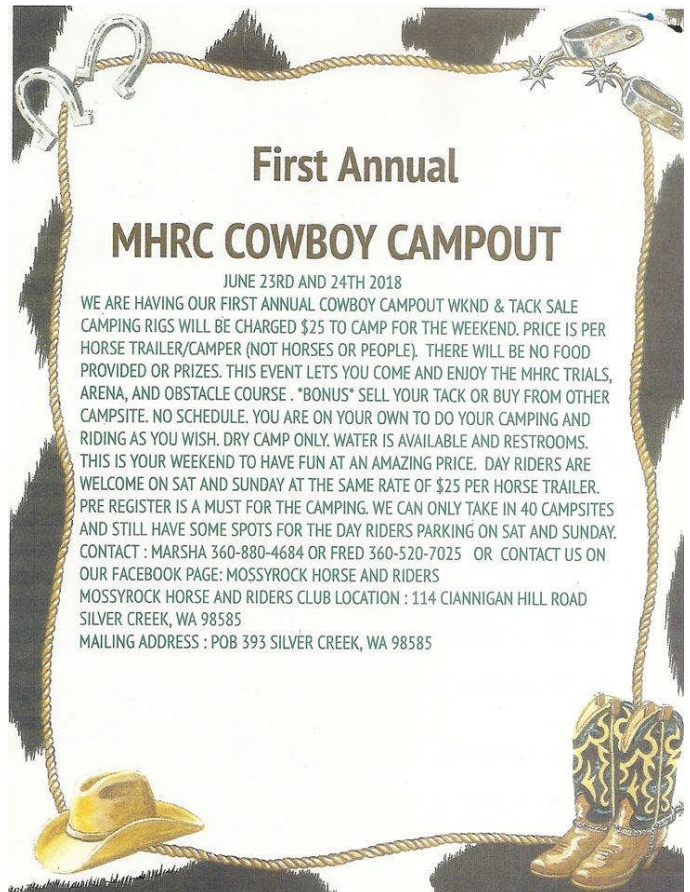
*Doc Wesseliuss*

Social media has had a profound impact on how we communicate. Did you know that the chapter has two Facebook pages to promote our organization? Check them out.

**Lewis County Back Country Horsemen** is a group Facebook page that announces our chapter's activities.

**Lewis BCHW** is a Facebook page for chapter members to post their activities related to BCHW.

## June 23/24





# GRAYS HARBOR CHAPTER BCHW

## TRAIL FUND RIDE

### JUNE 23, 2018



Proceeds go to help maintain trails on public lands

\$20 Admission fee per rider  
includes 2 Raffle Tickets & lunch

Extra tickets \$5.00 for 3

Tickets will be drawn at 11:15 and attached to prizes

Porta Potty available

This is Green Diamond  
Land, no permit  
required



Hoof protection recommended  
Long trail 18 miles (hard, 2 steep hills up/down),  
medium 9 miles (moderately hard, steep hill up/  
down), short 7 miles (moderately easy)  
Riders out from 9 to 11 am, and all long trail riders  
need to be out at 9 am



#### Directions:

US Highway 101 to about (direction dependant due to interchange ramps) milepost 347 (City Center/Matlock). Drive west on Shelton-Matlock Road for 15.0 miles to Matlock. Turn right onto Beeville Road and drive another 0.7 miles. Turn right and follow signs.

or -

US Highway 12 to milepost 14.75 (Monte-Brady Road). Drive north on Middle Satsop Road 7.9 miles where it becomes the Brady-Matlock Road. Continue another 10.6 miles to Matlock (18.5 total). Continue straight onto Beeville Road and drive another 0.7 miles. Turn right and follow signs.

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Camping (free) allowed Friday/Saturday nights.  
(must be out by 3 pm Sunday before gate closes!)

**No potable or stock water (bring what you need!)**

Please, no dogs or alcohol allowed on trails.

LNT (leave no trace) practiced.

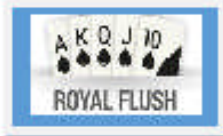
Camping in gravel pit, room for portable corrals.

Gas, Diesel, Propane in Matlock.

For more info or questions:

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## Washington State Livestock Coalition's Annual



# 2018 EQUINE BENEFIT TRAIL RIDE

IN CAPITOL FOREST

## Saturday June 16, 2018



## EVERGREEN SPORTSMEN'S CLUB

Join us for a 5 or 8-mile trail ride, along with chance to win great prizes

**\$30 Entry Fee includes:** Breakfast Snack, Hot Lunch, a Poker Card & 1 Raffle Ticket. Guest can purchase Lunch for \$5 (purchases of additional Poker Cards/ Raffle Tickets available at the ride). **Prizes include (cash and lots of and great prizes): Three best hands \$200, \$100 & \$50; Worst hand \$50.**

### Sponsored by the Washington State Livestock Coalition

We are a non-profit organization providing education and assistance to livestock owners.  
**CAN'T COME? DONATIONS GRATEFULLY ACCEPTED!**

**Address:** 12736 Marksman St. SW, Olympia, WA 98512

Registration begins at 7:00am and ends at 10:00am First Rider Out 8:00am – Last Rider Out 10:30am / Lunch 12-3 pm, Prizes and Raffle by 1:30pm. **Free Day Use for horses & Overnight Camping Fri & Sat nights.**

Pre-registration information can be found on the backside. This form is available on our website [waslico.com](http://waslico.com) or on our Facebook page. Cash, Check, Credit & Debit Cards payment accepted at the ride. Please fill out/print a separate entry form for each rider so we can register you quickly. Please print clearly.

### 2018 BENEFIT TRAIL RIDE REGISTRATION FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \_\_\_\_\_

Entry Fee per Rider \$30 = \_\_\_\_ + Additional Lunch (non-rider) \$5 x = \_\_\_\_ **TOTAL AMT: \$** \_\_\_\_\_

Return to: WASLICO Treasurer, c/o 12240  
Shadowbrook Drive SW, Olympia, WA 98512



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