



# NEWSLETTER

February 2002

PENDLETON CHAPTER

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## From the President's Desk

Our February 6<sup>th</sup> meeting was long but productive with twenty-four in attendance. We have a **WEBSITE!!** Debbie Sutor is allotted one website with her Internet service and has donated it to the club. Debbie went to a lot of work and I personally think it's great. A **Huge** thank you! Sunday, February 10<sup>th</sup> we enjoyed a pleasant ride along the Columbia River beginning at Patterson Elevator and rode west toward Boardman in the Wildlife Refuge. We saw several large herds of deer. February 15-17 our club will have a tent, graciously provided by Norm Been at the Hermiston Horse Extravaganza. We have several items donated by members for a raffle. Thanks Rick Guglielmi, Brenda Lieuallen, Jason Duchek. I am sure it will be a big success. Our Calendar has lots of rides and I hope we can add a few more. If you think of a good place to ride or camp please contact myself at [Pam@byrnesoil.com](mailto:Pam@byrnesoil.com) or Debbie at [Debsvill@uci.net](mailto:Debsvill@uci.net). I hope to see you all on the trail.

## \*\*\*Calendar\*\*\*

### February 2002

- 23 Pendleton / Walla Walla Chapter Ride at the Columbia River / Umatilla, OR. Pendleton group to meet at the Pendleton Convention Center at 7:45 AM, promptly leaving at 8:00 AM. Bring your lunch to eat while on the trail.
- 24 Purple Sage Riders Warm-up ride at Dalton Lake, contact Heather at 509-585-4001 for more info.

### March 2002

- 02-03 State of Oregon BCH Board Meeting in Prineville, OR Contact Pam Cogan for more info.
- 02-03 Ival Sullivan Clinic at the Pendleton Round-up Pavilion. Contact Tim McFetridge for more info. 278-1947
- 06 Pendleton Chapter Meeting (Dinner at 6:00 PM / Meeting to start at 6:30 PM) Sheri's Restaurant, Pendleton
- 09-10 Andy Schafer / Rawley Stanley, Reining and Working Cow Clinic. Contact Lory for more info. 509-582-3317
- 10 Rattlesnake Ridge Riders Annual Ride, Chilli Feed & Auction. Horn Rapids Park. See enclosed flyer for more details.
- 17 Pendleton Chapter Ride, Cattle Drive Road outside of Pilot Rock. Meet at Les Schwab Tire in Pendleton at 9:00 AM. Karen Parent sponsoring, 276-4175.

**Pendleton Chapter**  
**Back Country Horsemen of Oregon**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**February 6, 2002**

**PRESENT:** Debbie Sutor, Gene Banzey, Rex Baird, Tom Herbert, Lisa Strzelczyk, Tim Alderman (Lisa's guest), Tony Strzelczyk, Coleden Duchek, Gail McCarty, Rick Guglielmi, Brenda Lieuallen, Nyla Macomber, Pamela Cogan, Mary Alice Ridgway, LaDonna Cozby, Richard Cozby, Kathy Johnson, Jason Duchek, LeAnna Duchek, Phil Sharkey, RozWentz, JoAnne Smith, Jamie Dennis, Karen Parent

Meeting called to order at 7:05 P.M. at Shari's Restaurant in Pendleton by Pam Cogan, President.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** Karen going to be late to meeting so Pam reported that nothing has changed from last month.

**MINUTES:**

**(MSP) MOTION:** Debbie motioned to approve the January meeting minutes. **SECONDED:** Roz seconded. **PASSED.**

**OLD BUSINESS:** Please renew membership.

Hermiston Horse Extravaganza - Friday, February 15, 2002 - Sunday, February 17, 2002 - 6:00 P.M. Friday starts. Debbie talked them down to \$125 for the booth. Pam reported that 75-100 brochures brand new brochures will be coming. She also ordered banners which are Sundowner sponsored. Debbie, LeAnna and Pam volunteered so far. Who else? Please meet with Debbie after the meeting. Norm volunteered his tent for the booth. Norm and Debbie will go over on Thursday to set up. Roz signed up for time previously with Debbie. We could station the booth 24 hours. 8:00 A.M. - 8:00 P.M.. We will have the booth open according to what happens. LeAnna will provide tables. See Debbie after meeting to volunteer. We will be doing a membership drive, handing out newsletters, having raffles, etc.. Raffle items include saddle stands from Logs n' Stuff, barn wood shelf from Duchek's, Rick Guglielmi's handmade leather stirrup straps and maybe something from Wentz's? Definitely going to be more horse people. Anyone know of organizations that will donate? Debbie will ask Wheatland Insurance, Trusttime Insurance, Les Schwab, PGG, Woodpecker, Western Stockman mentioned. Brenda Lieuallen mentioned blanket racks. The drawing will be a raffle and we will draw names on Sunday. Tickets will include name and phone number. No mailing of items. The more stuff we raffle, the better. Pam will work

on a basket of horse items. We will pay for the booth on Thursday before the sale.

Pam reminded about the newsletter deadline. Please have information to Debbie the Monday after a meeting before 5:00 P.M.. Please send to Debbie's email address at <http://www.uci.net/~debsvill>. Phil Sharkey will do an article on the last ride at the river. Pam reported that it was a wonderful ride. Roz thought it was cold and that her group (going back) got chewed out for going thru the backside of the Marina. Pam reminded us that this was addressed at previous meetings - that the Marina doesn't want us riding thru and leaving messes (divots & horse poop). Pam said that the next ride will meet at the Patterson Ferry Road. People wanting to start further toward Boardman to stay away from Marina.

Pam thanked Debbie for continuing to do the newsletter. She also thanked Lucille Tressler (not present) for paper and radio spots. Sounds great!! Great job also!!

Are we starting the meetings at 6:00, 6:30 or 7:00 P.M.?

**(MSP) MOTION:** Jamie motioned to start dinner at 6:00 P.M. and start meeting at 6:30 P.M.. **SECONDED:** Roz seconded. **PASSED.**

There is a calling tree spot open. Brenda Lieuallen took the position.

Pam started to talk about the calendar of events.

**(MSP) MOTION:** Debbie motioned that we postpone the calendar of events till the end of the meeting since it will take some time to complete. **SECONDED:** Jason seconded. **PASSED.**

**NEW BUSINESS:** After the last ride we ate at Bake's in Irrigon. How did people like that? Service was slow, good food and parking. People mentioned Greg's Tavern but it doesn't allow minors. Do we want to potluck? We will discuss that with the ride.

Reining/working cow horse clinic on March 9 & 10, 2002. There was no price in the ad. Please share items like clinics and so forth.

March 2 & 3, 2002 - Nickel ad - Clinic - \$15/day, \$25/weekend to observe - \$125 to participate. PGG has flyers posted and Tim McFetridge will help with questions.

Back Country Horsemen of Oregon combined Board of Directors & General Membership Meeting - Prineville, OR March

1-3, 2002. All members welcome. It is a leadership training for officers. Rick may not be able to make it to the training. Debbie wants to go. Pam has a state agenda available.

Dick's potluck suggestion. Roz said Walla Walla "Burke Lake" ride is a go. George, Washington. Lots of water and fishing. Very different and a very good ride. Dogs are allowed. Nice open area. 600 -700 people attend. Campfires, breakfast is included. There is no set trail.

Did everyone get the state newsletter? Debbie reported that we have a website now. Debbie already has an account at Unicom so our site is free to add on. The only down side is that it is a long, hard to remember address to get to the site. The site has out calendar, executive committee names and numbers, newsletters, history and philosophy. To have a nice domain name set up would cost \$59, \$20/month and \$29/year after that. Pam asked if we want this expense or not? Other clubs will be able to see what we are doing. Should we vote on the expense tonight or at the next meeting? Debbie handed out the address to everyone. That would be <http://www.uci.net/~debsvill> and free to look at. Search engines will bring up the site regardless of the address. Keep or not?

**(MSP) MOTION:** Roz motioned to keep the address of [uci.net/~debsvill](http://www.uci.net/~debsvill). **SECONDED:** LeAnna seconded. **PASSED.**

Debbie brought up the BCH of Washington LNT Train the Trainer Workshop. Debbie has been nominated. Walla Walla chapter volunteered to pay half of the \$75 to sponsor her. Rick Guglielmi is a Master Trainer. Debbie can be teaching after this workshop while we are on rides. Rick says it is an excellent class.

**(MSP) MOTION:** JoAnne motioned that the Pendleton Back Country Horsemen sponsor Debbie. **SECONDED:** Roz seconded. **PASSED.**

Pam went on the Internet and received information, handbooks, books, literature, vet info, etc.. There were a couple minor fees to purchase stuff. Pam has some information in case you're interested. She got it in 4 days after she ordered.

Brenda reported that Jim West is having a big sale on April 6, 2002. Bloodlines and trained 2-3 year olds for sale. Driftwood

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and Hancock bred set in auction style. Tom wondered if we have any decals or books. Debbie got stuff to sell at the last booth.

(MSP) MOTION: Tom motioned to buy \$50 worth of large decals and books.

SECONDED: Roz seconded. PASSED.

Calendar - Rick said the Walla Walla club did the "Bridge Creek Flats" ride two years ago. Around April 27th there are huge herds of elk (around 1500 head). People know the trails. Campout and potluck. RSVP for potluck. Dave Price hosted. Camp at Okay Corrals, 8 miles out of Ukiah. Can be cold.

Pam would like to do a ride in Meacham. April would be too soon because of snow and mud. She would like to do a later date. Like around May 18th. May 18th or 19th is the Hermiston Horse Sale weekend. How about Mother's Day weekend. Saturday, May 11, 2002 will be the Meacham ride. Pam will have a BBQ and instructions will come later.

Pendleton Wagon Train is the last weekend in June 24 - 29, 2002. Spring Creek, Dark Canyon to the springs in Meacham.

Tom will sponsor a Deadman Pass ride. Start at the west side truck stop and end up at the Meacham restaurant on May 11, 2002.

Change Pam's ride to Sunday, June 9, 2002.

Poker Ride - We need to get Forest Service to agree on Pack Rat Springs.

Kathy would like to do a ride on Thursday, July 4, 2002. 26 miles south of Heppner. Do a picnic in Cuttsforth Park. Will get us more info later.

Debbie would like to do a "Spring Creek" ride on May 26th.

Phil Sharkey would like to do a ride in July or August.

Roz said the Tucanon ride will be July 12 - 14, 2002 this year. Will have more information later.

Phil Sharkey will do a ride August 23-25, 2002 at "Catherine Creek". Also, a short ride August 3 & 4, 2002 "Red's".

Pam wants to do "Patterson's Ferry Elevator" to Boardman ride in February.

March 10, 2002 - Horn Rapids ride

March 23, 2002 - Walla Walla Chapter doing a ride in Umatilla. Southshore Drive - pump station start. Meet at Pendleton Convention Center at 8:00 A.M. sharp.

Sunday, February 10, 2002 - "Patterson's Ferry Elevator". Meet at 9:00 A.M. at the Convention Center.

Sunday, March 17, 2002 - "Cattle Drive Road", Pilot Rock, Karen sponsored. Meet at Les Schwab's at 9:00 A.M.

March 10, 2002 - Chili Ride

Unofficial rides - Tuesday, February 12, 2002, "Squaw Creek" meet at Duchek's at 9:00 A.M?. Wednesday, February 13, 2002, "Cattle Drive Road" meet at Duchek's at 9:00 A.M?

Next Meeting - Wednesday, March 6, 2002 - Shari's Restaurant - 6:00 P.M./dinner, 6:30 P.M./meeting.

(MSP) MOTION: Pam motioned to adjourn the meeting. SECONDED: LeAnna seconded. PASSED.

Meeting adjourned - late. Forgot to look at watch.

Respectfully submitted,

LeAnna Duchek

## LEAVE NO TRACE AND YOU

*By Rick Guglielmi*

At our PBCH meeting on 2/6/02 the chapter voted on sending one of our members (Debbie Sutor) to a LNT Train the Trainer course. This is an excellent opportunity for Debbie to gain the skills to teach the LNT techniques and ethics to BCH members and other stock users.

In last months newsletter I had mentioned we would begin to talk about the 7 LNT principles in detail. Before doing that I would like to discuss how we as stock users should approach the information that comes out of the LNT program.

The techniques developed that make up the LNT principles are a guide to minimize impacts on the environment whether we are backpacking, day hiking or using stock. We all have a choice when practicing LNT techniques. The decisions we make are based on sound judgment; experience, knowledge and comfort level each of us has with the given situation.

As you read through the information on LNT, I will bet that you are already applying some of the techniques that LNT embraces. As you look over the 7 principles and read some of the ideas and tips that you will be receiving from Debbie and myself think about how you could implement these ideas in your trips into the backcountry. Each technique is not for everyone, but every situation has a variety of ways to minimize the impacts. Find the zone you are most comfortable in and try to meet that standard. Ask yourself "am I doing the right thing". If you answer YES then you have begun your journey to understanding Leave no Trace and you.

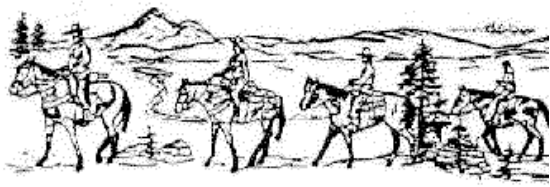
In the months ahead, look for detailed information on these 7 LNT Principles:

1. Plan Ahead and Prepare
2. Travel and Camp on Durable Surfaces
3. Dispose of Waste Properly
4. Leave What You Find
5. Minimize Campfire Impacts
6. Respect Wildlife
7. Be Considerate of Other Visitors

## How's YOUR Tack Looking?

Winter is a good time to take care of those saddle and tack repairs. If anyone is interested Rick G. has offered to totally disassemble, wash and oil saddles for \$30.00, in addition this is a good time to replace any broken saddle strings. He would do this for \$6.00 per string. If interested, please contact Rick at 421-3112 or e-mail him:

rickg@oregontrial.net



## 2002 Membership List

**If there isn't a "\*" beside your name your dues are now due.** If there is a "\*" beside your name, you are paid through Dec. 2002 and are all set. If you became a member as of Sept. 1 or later in the year, your dues counted for 2002.

*If your information on this list is incorrect, or if you have an e-mail address and it is not listed, please contact Debbie Sutor to have your information updated.*

## CALL TO ACTION

The club needs your help and commitment! Your President has requested that each of our members "sponsor" a ride this year. By "sponsoring" a ride, you would pick the weekend of the ride, choose the type of ride (day ride; weekend camp out; pack trip), choose the location, and choose the trail. You will not be held responsible for other members welfare or abilities.

At the last meeting the group planned out several rides, but seeing we would like to hold at least two rides per month, we still have a few openings.

March 30 / 31  
April 06 / 07  
April 27 / 28  
Sept 01 / 02 or 07 / 08  
Sept 21 / 22 or 28 / 29  
Oct 05 / 06 or 12 / 13  
Oct 26 / 27

CALL TO ACTION... Please contact Pam Cogan or Debbie Sutor to let them know if you would be able to host a ride on one of these weekends.

Everyone in this club knows at least one trail, or has at least one favorite place to ride. Please share that with the rest of the group by stepping up to bat for your club today!

## Renew Your Dues Today! 01/01/02 - 12/31/02

If there isn't a "\*" beside your name on the accompanying 2002 members page, your dues are now due. If there is a "\*" beside your name, you are paid through Dec. 2002 and are all set. If you became a member as of Sept. 1 or later in the year, your dues counted for 2002.

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

Name (Spouse &/or Children): \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Combined State, National &  
Chapter Dues:

"Family" \$36 \_\_\_\_\_

"Single" \$28 \_\_\_\_\_

Total Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### **LIABILITY RELEASE: (Must be Signed)**

Recognizing the fact that there is a potential for an accident where ever horse use is involved, which can cause injuries to horses, riders and spectators, and also recognizing the fact that Back Country Horsemen of Oregon, Inc., including chapters, officers, directors, and/or members cannot know the condition of trails or the experience of riders or horses taking part in trail rides or other Back Country of Oregon functions, I do hereby release Back Country Horsemen of Oregon, Inc., it's officers, directors and members from any claim or right for damages which might occur to me, my minor children or horses.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*Dues are not deductible as charitable contributions for income tax purposes. Dues may be considered ordinary and necessary business deductions.*

Mail this form with your payment to: Karen Parent, 112 SW Nye #4, Pendleton OR 97801 or bring it to a club meeting.

## **Ride Report**

*By Phil Sharkey*

We had a great ride on the 26<sup>th</sup> of January! LeAnn, Jason, Swimmer Tom, Pam, Lisa, Debbie, Phil, Kimber, and several others. Jason also brought his Mom along for the nice outing. We all rode from the Irrigon marina to Patterson Ferry road prox. 4-miles one way. This is where the group split up and about half turned back. Nine of us continued on for a couple more miles. Swimmer Tom showed us the art of dismounting a horse in the water. Tom's horse got tangled up in some smooth wire on the beach. Really lucky, no damage except for Tom being wet. With Tom wet we figured it would be best to turn around and head back. As we did the wind let down some and the sun came out and got quit pleasant. Afterward we went to Bakes in Irrigon for a bite to eat.

## **Check Your Saddle Pad**

*(From "On The Trail" by Marc Rea)*

How much attention have you given your horse's saddle pad recently? It's not uncommon for tiny stickers and slivers to become imbedded in the fibers. These cause immense discomfort to skin so sensitive it can detect the feet of a fly. Maybe you need to wash the pad (be careful about using human products for this, they may cause an irritation or even break out). Over time the accumulation of dried sweat and dirt makes it stiff and uncomfortable - rather like wearing the same T-shirt every day for a year.

It may also be time to give the pad the fingernail test. If you can feel your fingernail through it, it is too thin and won't do its job, which is to help alleviate pressure points.

Some people believe the way to eliminate sore spots caused by a too-small saddle is to add more pads. This is sort of like putting on three or four pairs of socks to prevent sore toes when your shoes are already too tight.

If the saddle is over large, the fix-it of choice is usually to add a pile of pads. The problem with this is that it causes the saddle to lose stability and makes it more difficult for your horse to feel subtle communication from your body.

The best fix and only true fix, is to get a saddle that fits.

## **Now Available**

**Back Country Horsemen Guidebooks - Free to all members.**

**Back Country Horsemen of America stickers (9x11) - \$4.00 each**

If you would like either of these items, please contact Pam or Debbie. They may also be obtained at any of the club meetings.

## **Thank You**

*From Deb Sutor*

I want to thank everyone for their help with the booth at the Hermiston Horse Sale February 15-17. I would especially like to mention Jason & LeAnna Duchek who not only helped staff the booth each and every day, but also supplied lights, heat and duct tape to make our weekend more bearable, provided tables and chairs to complete our booth and assisted with the break down of the booth Sunday evening.

Without Norm Been, we probably wouldn't have had a booth seeing he was nice enough to provide us with a tent which doubled as our "booth", giving us an area to hang our posters and information, but also giving us protection from the weather (it was a bit windy at times) and was our home away from home for the weekend.

I'd also like to mention Rick Guglielmi who donated hand made leather spur straps, and helped staff the booth. Dick & LaDonna Cozby took the worst shift of the weekend, working early Saturday morning (I thank you for letting Pam and me sleep in). And, of course our Pres. Pam Cogan spent many hours in the tent over the weekend (when she wasn't trying to buy a new horse).

Some of our members stopped by over the weekend, Jamie Dennis, Stan Tressler, Barbara Nelson, and Rex Baird (please forgive me if I forgot anyone). One of our new members, Rex Baird and friend Gene Baney were kind enough to assist with the break down of the booth, but also carried everything home for us (seeing the Duchek's trailer was being used to haul a horse back to Pendleton).

Thank you to everyone for helping us have a presence at the sale this year. Hopefully we will gain a few new members from the experience.



# Here is your Pendleton Chapter Back Country Horsemen Newsletter!

**NEXT MEETING MARCH 6, 2002, 6:00 PM DINNER,  
6:30 PM MEETING TO START  
SHARI'S RESTAURANT, PENDLETON  
\*\*NEW TIME\*\***

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