Back Country Horsemen of Utah—Southwest Chapter







From the Presidents Saddle



In January we had an awesome ride at the Valley of Fire with the usual great participation. I guess we were suffering from a hangover from the Valley of Fire ride as only a few showed up for the February ride at Beaver Dam Wash.

The next ride in Hurricane is being lead by Richard Boshee. As it is a shorter ride we are tacking on a post ride burger burn at Richard's place nearby. Nice ride with great views!

It's looking like we will be enjoying a newly remodeled trailhead at Cottonwood in the very near future.

March 10th

Meeting at the Community Bldg 6:30PM Check out the design on page three. We appreciate the folks at BLM for their hard work and including our input on the project.

We enjoyed a special speaker at our last meeting, Jason Whipple, Emergency Services Director for Washington County who spoke about First Aid needs for humans in case of an accident while riding. What first aid supplies should we carry in our saddle bags.

He also posed the question if our group would be interested in search & rescue duties on horseback. We need to explore this further.

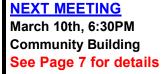
Lin Hokana introduced a new hours reporting system using our cell phones to report hours after every activity. Actually very cool!

Happy Trails,

Paul



Honor our Presidents





March 14th Hurricane and Burger Burn

April 11th Bracken's Loop

May 9th Gooseberry Mesa



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February 2020

BCH Ride at Beaver Dam Wash February 8, 2020

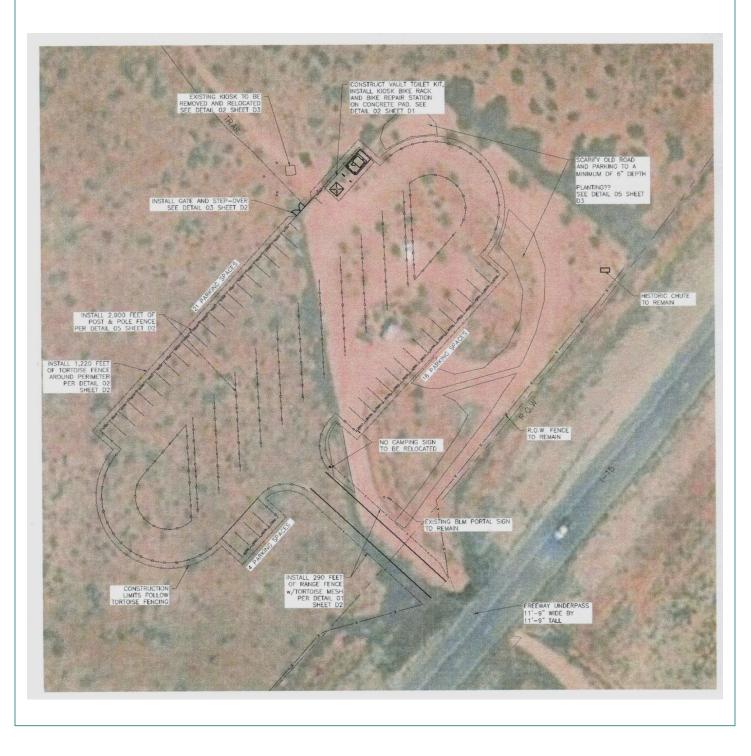
Today's ride was modestly attended with only five riders arriving for the ride. They Were: Richard Boschee, Kathie Rice, Chris Reseigh, Sherri Philips, & Paul Sloane. We decided to be adventurous and explore a little more of the area. We found an old homestead that was built at a higher elevation to avoid being flooded out. We enjoyed staying off the beaten paths per-se and crisscrossing thru the wash. Had lunch and moseyed back to our rigs and on our way back we discovered the "Four Forks Fort" which appeared to be more for grown-ups than kids. We had a good ride, enjoyed each others company and good weather.



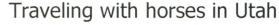
Proposed Cottonwood Trailhead Design

Good News! The Cottonwood trailhead is getting closer to being rebuilt and will be very much user friendlier. Better parking and nicer pull through's for our rigs. Will also have a mounting block on the outside of the stepover for those who will need one.

BLM was kind enough to share the new trailhead design with us and ask for our input. If you have any comments or questions **PLEASE DONOT CONTACT BLM DIRECTLY** but contact Paul Sloane at psloane@infowest.com. We are coordinating with BLM on the project.



On the Road Again...



Horses are fascinating. Horses captivate many people and the variety of uses for horses is an endorsement to the horse's versatility. Some horses are shown in arenas. Some horses are used for rodeo events. Some horses are used for pleasure riding along trails. Some horses pack camping or hunting supplies into wilderness areas. Some horses play polo. Some horses are used in dressage competitions. Some horses work as policemen or in search and rescue efforts. Some horses jump

fences. Some horses hunt. Some horses earn their keep working on ranches. As varied as these uses are, almost every horse shares something in common – *they must be transported*.

Traveling inside Utah

Anytime you transport a horse within the State of Utah, you must have proof of ownership with you. This can be accomplished in a number of ways and your local state brand inspector will provide these forms. The first is to get a "Horse Permanent Travel Permit" (\$20.00; good for the life of the horse). The second is to get a "Yearly Travel Inspection" (\$10.00; expires on December 31 of that year). Whenever you buy or sell a horse, you will need a "Change of Ownership" (\$5.00; expires in 72 hours) which the seller should furnish to provide the buyer with "title" to the horse. If you buy a horse at an auction, the seller provides a "Auction Invoice" (good for 72 hours). A "bill of sale" does not prove ownership. A breed "certificate of registration" showing your name as the original owner (but not as transferee) will also establish ownership. No health inspections are required as long as you travel within Utah. If you are transporting horses belonging to someone else, carry written permission from the owner.

Crossing the state border

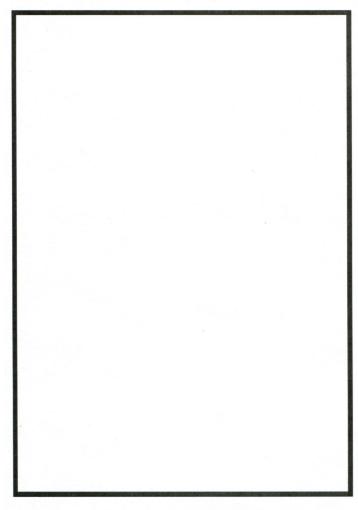
To prevent the spread of diseases between states, as well as protect against the transport of stolen horses, there are a number of requirements which must be met before horses can be transported into another state. You will need an Equine Infectious Anemia Laboratory Test (Coggins) with negative results, a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (valid for thirty days) and proof of ownership to enter another state. You must also have the same items to return to Utah.

Stopping at a "Port of Entry"

The "Vehicles with livestock must stop" sign at Ports of Entry applies not just to commercial haulers but to anyone transporting horses as well as cattle, sheep, pigs, wildlife or fish. You must first drive your truck and trailer across the scales then go into the Department of Transportation office to complete a "Livestock and Fish Movement Report". Take your paperwork with you so you will have the certificate numbers.

So you'll know - the sign "Vehicles with livestock must stop" states a federal law. Bypassing a Port of Entry subjects you to a \$250.00 penalty if an enforcement officer accompanies you back to the Port. However, he can cite you where he stops you with penalty of \$50.00 plus \$3.00 per head.

An officer at the Port of Entry may inspect your outfit to verify your gross vehicle



weight doesn't exceed the manufacturer's specifications for your truck and trailer. Your gross vehicle weight shouldn't exceed the tire rating either. Exceeding either weight could result in a citation. He may also check your lights, registration and insurance certificates.

Summary

If you are going to transport a horse, remember – you are expected to know and comply with these regulations.

Questions should be directed to your local Utah State Brand Inspector.

Note: Montana and Wyoming do not accept Utah's Yearly Travel Permit.

Note: Coggins tests are valid for six months in California, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Washington and Wyoming. They are valid for one year in Arizona, Colorado, Kansas, Nebraska, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Texas and Utah.



Bridgerland Back Country Horsemen Steve Guymon, Education Chair

BCHUSW Meeting Minutes February 11, 2020

The **BCHUSW** chapter meeting was called to order 6:30 pm February 11, 2020 at the St. George Community Center by President Paul Sloane. In attendance were: Paul Sloane, Lin and Sue Hokana, Roshelle Bromley, Fran Wilby, Richard Boschee, Deja Schweitzer, Laurie Clay, Allison Frasier, Laura Lojko Carol Webber, Norma R. Moss, Patricia Witon, Sherri Phillips, Kathie & Richard Rice, Pat Matthews, Dana Millsap, Ann Guhman, Joellen Altman, and Jeanette Blasdell.

Minutes: A motion was made, seconded, and passed to accept the minutes as published in the January newsletter.

Treasurer' Report: Assets as of January are \$9,411.92 as compared to last year's total of \$8,098.72 Our net income for January is 2,512.52 as compared to last year's total of \$2,185.50. (No report was given for the month of February.)

Old Business: Last month Fred Ybright was made a lifetime member. He expressed his heartfelt thanks.

New Business: A motion was made, seconded, and passed to reimburse Freddy Dunn \$162,44 for attending the State meeting.

Many members attended the 2020 Dixie Transportation Expo and gave their input about the proposed Northern Corridor.

Special Speaker: Jason Whipple, Emergency Services Director for Washington county talked about First Aid needs for humans in case of an accident while riding. (Members also shared items they keep in their saddle bags for their equine.)

Reporting Volunteer Hours:

Lin Hokana walked us through the new website BCH has that now makes reporting volunteer hours very easy.

Ride Calendar:

- March 14th Hurricane- Richard Boschee's afterwards for a burger burn.
- April 11th Bracken's Loop
- May 9th Gooseberry

Adjournment: 8:10 pm

Respectfully submitted by Jeanette Blasdell



Calendar of Events

CHAPTER MEETINGS :

• March 10th —St. George Community Bldg. 6:30pm

Come and participate in our decisions for the chapter!



<u>CHAPTER RIDES:</u> Every 2nd Saturday of each month (unless specified otherwise)

- March 14—BLM Hurricane Cinder Cone Loop Ride 10:00 AM Directions: Take SR9 off of I-15 for approximately 9 miles until you reach 200 West in Hurricane. Turn left onto 200 W and travel north about 1 mile to 600 N, turn left and travel west a short distance to the Hurricane City Water Dept. property located at 646 W 600 N where you will find parking.
- After the ride we will drive our vehicles to Richard Boshee's place for a **Burger Burn! Bring a side dish.**

Richard's address is: 130N 1580 W (Tractor store on the corner of State St)



Hat of the Month!

Sported by: Chris Reseigh



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The Purpose of the Back Country Horsemen of Utah is:

1. To perpetuate the common sense use and enjoyment of horses and mules in America's back country and wilderness.

 $\ensuremath{\textbf{2}}$. To work to ensure the public lands remain open to recreational pack and saddle stock use.

3. To assist the agencies responsible for the management of public lands.

4. To educate, encourage and solicit active participation in wise and sustaining use of back country resources by horsemen and the general public, commensurate with our heritage.

5. To foster and encourage the formation of new chapters of Back Country Horsemen throughout Utah.

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PO Box 3174, St. George, UT 84771 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION
New Membership:
NAME/S:
*Please list names for family membership. Children over 18 may be included in family membership or join as individual members.
ADDRESS:
PHONE NUMBERS:
Home: Work:
Cell:Fax:
OTHER HORSE/MULE ASSOCIATIONS YOU BELONG TO:
EMAIL ADDRESS:
Liability Release: (MUST BE SIGNED)
Recognizing the fact that there is a potential for an accident wherever horse/mule use is involved, which can cause injuries to horses/mules, riders and spectators and also recogniz- ing the fact that Back Country Horsemen of Utah, including units, officers, directors, or members cannot always know the condition of trails or the experience of riders or horses/ mules taking part in trail rides or other BCHU functions, I do hereby release the above named from any claim or right for damages which might occur to me, my minor children or horses/mules.
By signing this release, IWE recognize the following Utah State Law, *UCA 78-27b* Limi- tations on liability for Equine and Livestock Activities.* It shall be presumed that partici- pants in equine or livestock activities are aware of and understand that there are inherent risks associated with these activities. *Inherent risk* with regard to equine or livestock ac- tivities means those dangers or conditions, which are an integral part of equine or livestock activities. The equine activity sponsor is not liable for those inherent risks. If you are un- willing to assume these risks for yourself or for those under your supervision, you should not participate in these activities.
Signed:Date:
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MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO BCHU:Individual: \$30.00; Family: \$40.00; Patron: \$100.00

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