Treasure Valley Back Country Horsemen
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Meetings the 4th Tues Feb – Nov

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2011 Project reports: Finalized = None

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THANKS TO DICK PELKOLA AND CONVEYOR ENGINEERING FOR PRINTING OUR NEWSLETTER!!

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MAY 2011

⇨ **May 24, 2011 Monthly Meeting** FRA Building 7:30 pm **meeting.**

June 2011

⇨ **June 4, 2011 – Packing Tires at Celebration Park. 10 am** Alice Millington 475-4107

⇨ **June 28, 2011 Monthly Meeting** FRA Building 7:30 pm – Guest speaker on dried food products. Kristie Ryals. The website is https://cowboyup.shelfreliance.com

July

⇨ **July 26, 2011 Monthly**

Summer projects dates still pending snow melt & coordination with FS personnel as of print date of newsletter.

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May 2011 Newsletter

At the April meeting, John Rose presented a Certificate of Appreciation from the Challis NF to the chapter for our work on the 44 Cabin in 2010. The Forest Service expresses their thanks and compliments our work and planning on the project. John also gave the chapter some "Heritage Hero" insulated mugs.

Jill added a new link on the website with 44 Cabin photos and the certificate.
http://www.tvbch.com/html/snow_shoe_pistol_creek_th.html click on the small photo in film strip to open larger image use arrows on screen to move to next photo

John Rose mentioned that Little Soldier Lookout was partially destroyed by high winds. The FS would like to reuse some of the material to refurbish Norton Lookout next summer. Raina Phillips sent a note about a project to dismantle Little Soldier Lookout that is planned for Sept 14-21, 2011. The Lookout is about 3-4 miles East of Pistol Creek Ranch or 16 miles North of Seafoam guard station, down Rapid River. The project will involve cleaning up the area and packing out trash, hardware, and relics. I asked about moving the project to Labor Day and will post any updates. Let me know if you are interested.

We do not have any updates on the Nickel Creek (BLM trailhead) or Crooked River projects.

The RAC committee notified John Millington that we should receive approval for our 2011 & 2012 RAC Grants this month.
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Doug Jones presented an audit of the books for 2010 and pointed out some potential problems. We can help the treasurer by paying membership dues on time and avoiding cash payments at the trailhead or in the saddle. Cash is easy to combine in a single deposit, making it harder to track. Cini has done a great job, and we have no problems. Thanks for all your time, Doug.

We all enjoyed the Saddle Fitting Demo by Carol and Rick Brand in April. They made it easy to understand. If anyone is interested in help with a custom fitting, their email address is - carol@endurance.net.
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Thanks to Patty Pennington, Alice Millington, Jim Fox and Bonnie Fox for organizing the Poker Ride. Alice

and John Millington cut cards at the stations. A dozen riders and guests turned out for the Poker Ride, a runaway, and the cattle drive. Thanks to those who donated prizes.

With the Diabetes ride next weekend and Memorial Day, we have not scheduled another ride in May. It will get a lot warmer in the Owyhees before too long, so get out and ride. Bonnie, Jill, and I can send an email to the membership if you want to plan a ride.

On June 4th we have a National Trails Day project at Celebration Park. Meet at 10:00 am to hunt for tires and trash. Les Schwab on 12th Ave. in Nampa will dispose of the tires for us. They would like a photo of the tires and our packing crew. Alice Millington will send an announcement in a few weeks. Bring a chair and plan to stay for a potluck lunch. If it isn't rainy or windy, we may have bugs, so you may want to bring insect repellent and fly spray.

16TH ANNUAL DIABETES RIDE Sunday May 15th
(all funds stay in Idaho)
Please check out the website for more details.
http://www.hodia.org/diabetesride/
contact - Cini Baumhoff, Treasurer
cinibaumhoff@yahoo.com 208-658-1143

I have not received an update from the Boise Chapter about their Poker Ride to benefit St. Jude's. Some members were interested in helping. The contact is Lois Murphy208- 863-8126, and the ride is Sat. June 11th…..

Wilson Creek Trail System This is the link for the BLM's Wilson Creek map. You can use a cursor to select part of it and copy it for printing. Local BLM Offices should have maps if you haven't located a copy.

http://www.blm.gov/pgdata/etc/medialib/blm/id/recreation/sites/wilson_creek.Par.17384.File.dat/Wilson_map%20side%201.pdf

Owyhee Front Designated Trail System map This is a detail trail map for this area East of Reynolds Creek. The area is open to motorized travel, but it is a good map of the area. http://on.doi.gov/huabAP

- May 7th; Poker Ride at Wilson Ck. - Bonnie Fox, Patty Pennington Alice Millington
- May 15th; Diabetes Ride; http://www.hodia.org/diabetesride/
- 2011 RAC Grant Meeting – May 19th final award of RAC Grants
- May 28th Ortho-Bionomy workshop; see April newsletter
- *Treasurer:* TVBCH Postal Box Rental ($60, due June 1st)
- *Treasurer:* receive reimbursement From BCHI for Horse Expo expenses ?

June

- June 4th; 10:00 am; National Trails Day project; pack out tires at Celebration Park; potluck lunch
- rides; stock conditioning, project prep
- June 11th; Boise Chapter; Poker Ride to benefit St. Jude's Hospital
($20; register 9-11; Idaho City Cowboy Campground)

July

- Summer Picnic - committee, set date & location
- State meeting; Video Conference July 12th, Caldwell (Members should attend !)
- 44 Cabin / 44 Creek Trail Project (2011 RAC Grant)
- NEWSLETTER - reminder for Summer Picnic

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April TVBCH meeting minutes
Treasure Valley Back Country Horsemen
April 25, 2011 General Meeting

In attendance: Pres. Keith Lambrecht, Sec. Alice Millington, Treasurer Cini Baumhoff, Ken Nungesser, Jim Freeland, Jim Fox, Doug Jones, Paula & Dennis McDermott, Jim Smolinski , John Millington, Whit Whitham, Mike Carl, Wendy Coome, Joe Williams, Patty Pennington, Maureen Jackson, Pam Jorstad, Gerald Aebischer. Welcome new members Wayne, Irene, and Lacey E. Anderson. Welcome guests Mark S. Freemyer and Dalton Mason (Mark's grandson) and Andy Lambrecht (Keith's son.)

7:30 pm—Saddle Fitting Demonstration: Carol and Rick Brand, of Oreana, Idaho, demonstrated a saddle fitting on Bobby Blue, Alice Millington's trail horse. Using "Blue" and his saddle and pad, Rick showed the group how to check whether a saddle's bars are in good contact, or not, with a horse's back. It was found that Blue's saddle did not fit properly, as it was "bridged" across his back, putting much pressure near the withers and on the groin (especially when the pad was on!) This was remedied by using a pad that is the exclusive design of the Brands. Also, they demonstrated how a perfect saddle fit could be achieved by purchasing a Specialized Saddle, which they sell, that uses a patented fitting system—where a cushion is fit with shims to create a saddle whose bars have perfect contact, which would help a horse "feel better, without soreness or restriction." Of course, this should lead to better behavior and performance. Very impressive demonstration. Interested in a "fitting" for your horse/s? Please give Carol and Rick a call at 208.834.2086

John Rose, guest speaker: After a short meeting (minutes below), John Rose, Archeologist for the Forest Service presented the TVBCH with a Certificate of Appreciation from the Middle Fork Ranger District and the Salmon-Challis National Forest Heritage Program. He also brought 20 traveling coffee mugs for members, with "Heritage Hero—Salmon-Challis NF inscribed" on them. He was very appreciative of our efforts on the 44-Cabin re-roofing, enjoyed working with us, and gave us much kudos for the way members worked together to get the job done. "How hard you work to have fun is incredible."
After the presentation, John showed slides of the before and after pictures of the 44 Cabin roof restoration, Norton and Morehead Lookout—our 2012 restoration projects, and what the next 2011 44 Cabin project will entail.

"44 Cabin Story"—Wendy recently spoke to some folks who took shelter in the newly-roofed 44 Cabin this past winter: they got caught in an unexpected storm, found the cabin, and were able to use the stove inside. They said that finding the cabin "saved their lives."

Business meeting: March minutes: Wendy Coome made a motion to accept the March minutes as they appear on our website. Maureen Jackson seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer report by Cini Baumhoff: In checking account, $5,000+; in petty cash, $160.
Doug Jones completes audit: Doug distributed a sheet (attached) which outlines the highlights of the audit and, as result of the audit, his recommendations for bookkeeping procedures. Bottom line: he said that the books are in good shape. Thank you to Doug for doing such a good job of this time consuming project.
July Teleconference State Board Meeting: Cini told us that we need a contact person at each site.
Chapter information in Statesman: Keith put our chapter meeting information on the Statesmen website.

Trail Classification: Keith will talk to Evarado to seek more classification changes he feels are needed.
May 7th 10 am, chapter Poker Ride at Wilson Creek: Alice made a motion to give a $20 gift certificate, from Bonnie Fox's new feed store in Greenleaf, for the 1st place hand. Wendy seconded; motion carried. Gerald Aebischer donated 2 bales of hay for the 2nd place hand. (Thank you, Gerald!)

May 15th 10 am, Diabetes Ride in Eagle Foothills: Cini promoted this important, yearly ride.

Ken made a motion to close the meeting. Cini seconded. Motion carried.
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FOR SALE:
15-year-old draft/quarter horse mare $900 OBO. call Dennis 412-3453.
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Hi Everyone - I appreciate your interest in the Buster McLaury Clinic I am hosting on August. 26-28 in Idaho Falls. It will cover colt starting/problem solving and horsemanship. More info contact Sheryl Morton or their website:
www.Busterandsherylmclaury.com
Best Regards,
Sheryl Morton
SRunningM@gmail.com
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Equipment list: According to the list from Keith L., we are missing the following:

- **2 people first aid kits**
- **3 bch banners**
- **1 gal gas/mix can**
- **metal wedges (quantity unknown)**
- **TVBCH color banner (at Millingtons?)**
- **wooden folding picture stand for events**
- **TV**

The list states that we have 2 sawbuck pack saddles with panniers. We have the 2 pack saddles but only 1 set of the plastic boxes. Were we supposed to have 2 sets of plastic boxes?
Also there are extra supplies that are not on the list: a nice shovel, axe, high line kit (includes 4 tree savers and 1 rope) and 8 of our famous bright orange TVBCH arrows.

There is also on the list a large plastic box with extra first aid stuff (I thought that was dismantled a long time ago as supplies in that kit were outdated).

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Details from Poker Ride.
1st Les Chapman--$20 gift certificate from Need for Feed store
2nd John Millington- two bales of hay donated by Gerald Aebischer
3rd Patty Pennington-book, Mustang
4th Gerald Aebischer-TVBCH T-shirt
5th Keith Lambrecht--12 horse magazines
6th Lacey Anderson--honorable mention
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Grand Opening for Bonnie's new store:
May 28th 9 am 7 pm Open Monday through Monday – Saturday. Come by for drawings and prizes throughout the day and food starting 1:00 pm**.**
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The current membership roster following page for paper newsletters and file attached for email notice**.**