

TOP OF THE STATE UNIT  
Backcountry Horsemen of California  
Fort Jones Community Center  
Fort Jones, Ca  
Meeting Minutes May, 11, 2011

President Joe Croteau called the meeting to order at 7:00PM at the Fort Jones Community Center. Attending

**Officers/ Directors**

Joe Croteau	Nancy Ballard	Joan Trabucco	Caralee Scala,
Dale Payne	Bill Balfrey	Kathryn Matthews	Penny Wells
Pat Costello	Mike Journey		

**Members**

John and Gail Lyons, Vera Clement, Hope Lindquist, Stan and Linda Ellison, Duane Eastlick, Larry Sturman, Bill and Mary Kleaver, Kay McKee, Erin Fowle, Art Hanna, Mike and Lynne Bryan, Doug and Sheri Kaufner, Albert Buchter, Virgil and Linda Hardy, Clete Davenport, Calvin Bradshaw, Neil Whipple

**Guests:** Dee Jones, Bob Schaefer, Kerry Green, Mike Nova

**Guest Speaker-** Elk Migration patterns/conservation by Bob Schaefer Dept of Fish and Game. A nice slide presentation was presented with a question and answer period.

**USDA Volunteer Safety-** USDA Monitoring feed back by Kerry Greene and Mike Nova. There are new rules and regulations to comply with described as Job Hazard Analyses (JHAs). TOS unit was reminded to use personal protection equipment during trail work. New paperwork for rules of trail workers were given out needing signature of members. There was much heated discussion by members whether we should sign as individuals and compliance of certain rules. USDA to meet with Trail party leaders and Joe Croteau to go over paperwork to discuss possible changes the following week.

**Approval of Minutes-** Bill Balfrey moved to accept the April minutes with the following corrections, under "Attending members name change of Larry Sturman not Larry Shuman, Dale Payne (not John Lyons) moved to buy Chuck Knights T.V for \$75.00 seconded by Bill Balfrey. Move to pass as corrected seconded by Dale Payne -passed.

**Treasurer Report-** Caralee Scala gave the financial report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Education-**Beverlin/Wells: Need judges for Trail trail, judges may not participate in trail. Received new packet for logging volunteer hours and miles. All hours and miles to be submitted to them for tracking. Working on new sign in sheet for meetings to include time and travel. Was suggested that an education page be added to website.

**Public lands**-Bryan/Journey: Logging operation going on at Duck and Paynes lake right now. Joe Croteau sent letter to USDF and Timbervest about Kidder Creek access.

**Fish Plants**- Payne: nothing new to report

**Group Rides**- G.Lyons: 16 riders attended the Military Pass ride and BBQ. June ride in the works for the 25<sup>th</sup> or 26<sup>th</sup> TBA to Dewey Mine.

**Newsletter**- Matthews: Need to either fix old copier or buy a new one. She will look into which is more cost effective.

**Work parties**- John Lyons reported Carter Meadows work party/ride June 16-19<sup>th</sup>.

**New/Unfinished Business**

Stan Ellison found someone to put unit logo on 3 sides of our new trailer for \$300.00. Dale Payne moved to have the logos put on the trailer, seconded by Caralee Scala. Passed. "Journey on the PCT" presentation will be on June 10<sup>th</sup> Friday 7 PM at the Fort Jones Community Center coffee and desserts to be served. Presentation a little over an hours. Donations will be solicited. Ken and Pat Snider will attend Trinity RAC meeting on May 16. June 29<sup>th</sup> Weds, Shasta Trinity RAC meeting in Redding, need volunteer for meeting Shasta County PCT sign tabled till June meeting.

Next meeting to be June 8, 2011 at Cal Fire Training Room, Yreka at 7 PM. Guest Speaker Erin Fowle, Parelli Professional one star instructor Dinner TBA

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 PM.

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Joe Croteau, President

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Joan Trabucco, Secretary