

TOP OF THE STATE UNIT
Backcountry Horsemen of California
Cal Fire Training Room, Yreka, Ca.
Meeting Minutes Oct 12, 2011

President Joe Croteau called the meeting to order at 7:00PM at the Cal Fire Training Room, Yreka, Ca

Officers/ Directors

Joe Croteau	Nancy Ballard	Joan Trabucco	Caralee Scala
Dale Payne	Bill Balfrey	Lynda Beverlin	Kathryn Matthews
Mike Journey	Chuck Knight		

Members

Pat and Ken Snider, John and Gail Lyons, Stan and Linda Ellison, Mida Payne, Sheri and Doug Kaufner, Ken Ballard, Sherry Glendenning, Bill and Mary Kleaver, Larry Sturman, Vera Rae Cemet, Michael Stapleton, Albert Buchter, Stan and Linda Ellison, Virgil and Linda Hardy, GUESTS - Mary Gausen, Seana Blake, Perry Sims

Guest Speaker-Perry Sims, Sisson Museum Mt. Shasta. First horse and mules to the top of Mt. Shasta. Perry shared some fun equine history with us. The first documented horse to the top of Mt. Shasta in 1903 was Jump Up, he took 2 trips up the mountain and the 2nd trip was, in the end fatal to the horse. It was said that the first undocumented equine on top of the Mountain was a mule. In 1875 the Signal tower was put on top as a early Mapping unit, a heavy burden for man and beast.

Approval of Minutes- Bill Balfrey moved to accept the Sept minutes with the correction under New/Unfinished business, Bylaw change to be voted on during the Oct. meeting, and under Fish Plants the lake was Granite lake not Grant lake, seconded by Nancy Ballard-passed.

Treasurer Report- Caralee Scala gave the financial report. Dale Payne moved to change our Bank to Scott Valley Bank with all officers as signers after the 1st of the year. Bill Balfrey 2nd , passed.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Education- Pat Snider will be going to the state meeting and will report for our educations committee, President report must also be given at the state meeting.

Grants- Shasta RAC wants to give us 28k for the next 3-4 yrs, would like to discuss possible signage for RAC, BCH, PCT at each end of the county. There is a new expedited process for Grant money.

Public Lands- We are not the only group with concerns about the JHA's, not sure where it will go from here.

Work Parties- John Lyons submitted his final paperwork for the season.

Fish Plants- Dale Payne is happy to be working with a new biologist who is working diligently on the plants, so far we have 4 lakes possible. They might be able to do some surveys with the biologist while planting neighbor lakes.

Group Rides- The Sept ride was cancelled and rescheduled to Oct 5th to Campbell and Cliff Lake there were 9 riders, other than some bee problems a nice day. Next ride Oct 22 at might be at Horse Shoe Ranch, TBA.

Newsletter- Deadline the 15th please submit any photos you have of rides, events. We might get another 6 months out of our printer.

Website- Nancy Ballard will be sending the Newsletter via a link to the website. Where it will be available.

Sunshine- Several cards were sent by Sherry Glendenning to members in September.

Parades- We have nobody currently chairing parades. Contact Joe if you would like to step up the next parade is in Nov for Veterans day.

Old Business

BYLAW Change- Move was made by Caralee Scala that beginning in Jan. the new meeting dates will be the first Thurs of the month, first meeting will be Jan 5th. 2nd by Dale Payne. Passed. Horses for Heroes/Stable Hands- a \$200.00 donation will be made to sponsor a horse. Moved made by Dale Payne, 2nd by Mike Journey. Passed.

New Business-

Rendezvous 2012- Pat and Ken Snider reported on the progress. Next meeting will be at the State meeting, and then 1ce a month. Signed contract with Siskiyou Daily news for programs, there may be a jam/jelly tasting along with the beer/wine tasting.

A move was made by Lynda Beverlin to give Betty Young a free membership this year in return for repainting our unit mural. Move 2nd by Bill Balfrey. Passed.

Suggestion was made to make our yearly budgets to include donations we may make throughout the yr.

Next meeting a General meeting, please bring goodies to share.

Next meeting to Nov 9th at Fort Jones Community Center 7 PM. Dinner at Lalo's at 6 PM. Meeting was adjourned at 9:05 PM.

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Joe Croteau, President

_____ date _____
Joan Trabucco, Secretary