

TOP OF THE STATE UNIT  
Backcountry Horsemen of California  
Cal Fire Training Room  
Yreka, California  
Meeting Minutes Dec 14, 2011

President Joe Croteau called the meeting to order at 7:11 PM at the Cal Fire Training room.

**Officers/ Directors**

Joe Croteau	Nancy Ballard	Joan Trabucco	Caralee Scala
Dale Payne	Bill Balfrey	Penny Wells	Tish Chism DVM

**Members**

John and Gail Lyons, Art and Rhonda Hanna, Virgil and Linda Hardy, Pat and Ken Snider, Doug and Shari Kaufner

**Presentation-** Bill Balfrey presentation deferred to February 2012 meeting since projector wasn't working.

**Approval of Minutes-** Dale Payne moved to accept the minutes with the following corrections, under "Attending Officers" add Penny Wells . Bill Balfrey 2<sup>nd</sup> -passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

**Education**-Beverlin/Wells: Nothing at this time

**Programs and Events**-Gail Lyons, Albert Buchter: Christmas dinner had aprox. 80 people attending, money raised \$886.61 (includes the raffle items) Need to Select date for the Corn beef and Cabbage dinner, a date of March 17<sup>th</sup> Sat, was agreed upon by attending members/officers

**Newsletter**- Kathryn Matthews: Kathryn has purchased a new copy machine and is at home recuperating from surgery.

**Parades**-Dale Payne: Great turn out with 11 riders for the Fort Jones Christmas Parade. Rider and member Ken Smith brought his beautiful pack string

**Sunshine**- Several cards have been sent out

**2012 Rendezvous-** Ken and Pat Snider, Has raffle tickets now available for the Round Pen, 5 dollars ea. Or 5 for \$20. The tickets for the 3day 2 night pack trip will be available soon. Our unit will be having a booth at the rendezvous. The rendezvous will be getting radio play advertising. Pat has hit almost every store in the County for donations and adds for the programs

**Public Lands**-Joe Croteau and John Lyons: All JHA's need to be signed. John attended a Summit meeting with the USFS the PCT in Sacramento, the BCH was well represented. There is now a JHA revision group John is in this group. The Summit had a very long agenda and nothing is solved at this point. Next meeting Feb 25<sup>th</sup>, 2012

**New/Unfinished Business**

**Reinstate old meeting dates-** Reminder that meeting dates are now the first Thurs of the month.

Shasta County PCT signs-Need more details of what sign should be made of how big and what it should say before we can get a price. Joe will ask Shasta-T USDA about wording. State Board Meeting- Ken and Pat Snider: Ken and Pat made a suggestion that we only attend the required 1 meeting a yr. instead of 2 as the money saved to could be better put to use, under public lands. The subject is up for continued discussion at a later date. Concern about losing members was discussed, loss of members could be due to notification of expiring memberships are not sent by mail anymore, but by email. Suggestions to be considered, second email sent by our club to our members or adding a page of; soon to expire members to Newsletters.

**Nominations for 2012 Board-** A list of nominees were presented, Bill Balfrey moved to close the list, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dale Payne. Passed. Bill Balfrey moved to accept list as presented, Caralee 2<sup>nd</sup>. Passed. New/Returning President: Joe Croteau, New Vice President: Gail Lyons, New Secretary: Nancy Ballard, New/Returning Treasurer Caralee Scala for the year 2012

Next meeting to be Jan 5<sup>th</sup> 7:00 PM at Fort Jones Community Hall, Fort Jones. Joe will make reservations at Lalo's and Cold Stream Tavern so you can choose from either.

Adjourned at 8:50 pm.

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Joe Croteau, President

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Nancy Ballard, Secretary