

BCH of NV, High Sierra Chapter
REGULAR MEETING
Minutes January 21, 2015

PRESIDENT:	James Dragoo	VP:	Bob Roll
Secretary:	Sabine McCowen	Treasurer:	Dodi Broker
Director:	Marian Finnegan	Director:	Donna Kapala
Director:	Edward Acosta (not present)		

Meeting called to order by our new president Jim Dragoo at 7:02 p.m.

Introduction of Guests and new members: Jim introduced new members Ron and Kathy Kessler and Dave and Debbie Balsinger. As there were also several guests, all attendees introduced themselves.

Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made to approve our December minutes. It was seconded and the motion carried.

Reports:

V.P.- Bob Roll, our new Vice President thanked Walt and Patsy for hosting a fantastic Christmas Dinner meeting on December 6th. Lots of good food, fun and Christmas cheer!
- Bob shared that our Food Drive was a great success-\$1,060.00 in cash and food value for The Food Bank of Northern Nevada.

Treasurer: Dodi paid the State Chapter \$579.00 in Chapter dues, and \$500.00 for a delegate to Nationals. She deposited \$130.00 into our account for a final balance of \$162.87

Historian: no report

Secretary: Sabine invited members to her home on Sunday, January 25th for a 2 hour ride, tack cleaning and a potluck.

Upcoming Events:

-Wednesday, January 28th-Sunday, Feb. 1st -Donna mentioned the Cowboy Poetry Event in Elko, NV

Saturday, Feb. 7th -Don Daniel presented information on the State Meeting: It is at the Tonopah Convention Center at 11:00 a.m. All members are welcome. Chapters will submit Volunteer Hours, \$\$ for State Dues and \$\$ for a share of the cost to send two representatives to the National Board Meeting on April 22, 2015 in Sacramento, CA. Each Chapter will kick in \$500.00 and State will give \$500.00 for a total of \$1,000 for each rep to attend Nationals.

February 15th- 4H Tack Sale at Livestock Events Center. 20% of proceeds will go to the 4H Club and the seller will get 80%. Donna asked that items need to be taken in on Saturday, Fe. 14th and the 4H need about 4 volunteers to help out. **Call 972-7241** for pricing tags or e-mail silverknollsspurs@yahoo.com to request tags.

Unfinished Business:

IRS filings-info in SOP's

-Elaine will write check to IRS

-Club (Dodi) will file E-card every year to verify status as a non-profit organization.

Volunteer Hours: get hours to Lynn or Jerry on the handouts passed out by

Lynn-”Reporting Volunteer Hours”. Note that meetings, mileage and per diem DO NOT count as volunteer hours--ONLY volunteer work.

Survival Kits: Jerry and Don shared the personal survival kits they put together as a fundraising idea for the club. Need member input, suggestions and ideas via e-mail to Jerry or Don. They will bring some samples to the State meeting to get feedback from the other Chapters.

License Plate Frames: A motion was made to give out a free BCH License Plate to each new member. The motion was seconded and the motion carried.

New Business:

Fundraising Events:

-Poker Ride at Bridle Path sometime in April.

-Tack Sales: Have a Spring Tack Sale- April?

-Membership Dues-Elaine opened up discussion of increasing dues as per State and Nationals increase - tabled until February meeting.

-A Calendar meeting was held on January 10th at The Lake Grill in Spanish Springs- discussion ensued on ideas for upcoming 2015 calendar.

-February 10th, 2015- Planning meeting for 4H ride on April 18th at Bridle Path Arena at 6:00 p.m. at the 4H office. Need volunteers to assist along the trail for 4H attendees.

Future Programs: Sabine organized a speaker for February - Balanced trail riding and equitation (about 45 minutes by Susan Kauffmann) with a follow-up in March on Equine Adjustments (Chiropractor Mickey Doyle works on horses, dogs, people)

March 13-15- Angels Camp, CA-CA-BCH Rendezvous

March 21st-Marie Fong has a work project for us at Washoe Valley State Park building gates for a 3 mile confidence course.

Many other calendar items for the upcoming year were brought up and discussed. Paula suggested tabling the discussion and having members get their ideas and suggestions via e-mail to Jim or Sabine.

Elaine motioned to adjourn the meeting, Bob seconded it and the motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

Program: Paula presented a stunning slide show of her favorite ride. She and John entered the PCT at the Glen Alpine Trailhead by Fallen Leaf Lake and traveled 18 miles with two new found friends/“guides” through the Desolation Wilderness. Beautiful vistas of lakes, mountain peaks, meadows and some tricky trails. Paula mentioned that it was quite a difficult trailhead and to contact her for information regarding that particular route if interested. Thank you for a nice show to end our evening, Paula!

Char Stevens
Secretarial Committee