

Back County Horsemen of Nevada - High Sierra Chapter

April 18, 2018 Meeting Minutes

<u>President</u>	Jim Dragoo	<u>Director</u>	Jerry Williams
<u>Vice President</u>	John Pocino	<u>Director</u>	Larry Fenkell
<u>Secretary</u>	Dodi Broker	<u>Director</u>	Don Biehle
<u>Treasurer</u>	Jeannie Dragoo		

1. Call to Order:

Jim called the meeting to order at 7:15p.m. at Black Bear Diner.

2. Approval of February Minutes:

Jerry motioned to approve March minutes, Terry seconded, minutes approved.

3. Speaker:

Lydia Peri with Nevada Back Country Hunters and Anglers, a group whose advocacy focus is being the sportsmen's voice for our wild public lands, waters and wildlife, spoke about her club and their advocacy for keeping public land open for everyone being in correlation with our club's advocacy.

4. Officer Reports:

President: Jim reported the insurance premium for 2018 of \$553 will be paid as soon as we receive the invoice. We also received a cash donation from a visitor to our last month's meeting from the No. Nevada Horsemanship Club with an invitation for us to visit one of their meetings as well.

V. President: John informed of a Horse & Rider De-Spooking Clinic sponsored by the Douglas County Mounted Posse April 28 and 29, cost: \$35 per day or \$65 for both days. Contact Tom Stone tom@tomcstone.com

Secretary: Dodi reported we have 6 single and 11 family memberships

Treasurer: Jeannie reported our account balance is \$634 plus a \$20 donation from a previous visitor and a \$50 donation from Dodi tonight. Insurance and PO Box fees will be paid this month. She continues to take in food drive cash and shop for deals on non-perishable food.

5. Old Business:

Jerry reported that on April 7th six club members visited the Pitchfork Ranch south of Yerington and met with rangers of the new Walker River State Recreation Area. We got a nice tour of the ranch house and property where there are proposed plans to build a full hook-up RV campground and a more primitive campground with water and restrooms. We have volunteered to help cleanup eight existing horse corrals with shelters, develop some adjacent equestrian campsites, and install some hitching posts. We also volunteered to create a trail on BLM land from the south end of Pitchfork Ranch around private property to connect the trail to the southern portion of the new park which will create a 60 mile trail from north to south. Some members rode the river trail and spent the night at the facility. Visitor Jan Koval from Carson Valley BCH and Lydia expressed interest on behalf of their clubs to partner with us on these endeavors.

6. New Business:

Membership Cards: Jerry will inquire of the Elko Chapter about how to get the new BCHA Membership Cards for our members.

Fundraising: Discussion ensued about the possibility of holding a summer rummage sale in Golden Valley as a fundraiser. Members would donate a couple of boxes of good usable household items to sell with all proceeds going to club coffers.

7. Upcoming Events:

- Apr. 21st CANCELLED: Day Ride Lemmon Valley to Golden Valley round trip
- Apr. 28th Washoe Lake State Park Equine Obstacle Course Maintenance & Repair
10:00 a.m. Contact Jerry.
- May 12th Club booth and packing demonstration at the annual Comstock Vet Equine Expo,
Bartley Ranch. 9:00 – 1:00 p.m. Contact Jim.
- May 16th Monthly meeting 7:00 p.m. at Black Bear Diner