



Fence Talk

September 2005



Upcoming Events

October 8Gymkhana
October 12.....Club meeting

UPCOMING RIDES & EVENTS

Sunday, October 2

Dave Doran will come out of (Trail Boss) retirement to lead us on a great ride on the Blue Canyon Trail into Island Lake. This is about an L2 ride with a little L3 for side hilling. It will be about 5 hours including lunch. It is a bit of a haul to get to the trail head, but well worth it! Try to double up with your buddies and save a little fuel! Meet at the Butte Falls Cafe (in the middle of Butte Falls) at 8:00am for breakfast or be there by 8:45am to head to the trail head off of Road 37. Call Carol D. at 779-7697 for more info.

October Meeting

Date: October 12

Time: 7:00pm meeting

Place: IOOF Hall

1139 Hazel St., Central Point

Refreshments: Gina Ryan, Denise Snyder and Stacie Grier

Door Prize: Carol Dombrowsky

JCHA FUNDRAISER GYMKHANA

On Saturday, October 8th we are holding a Gymkhana that is open to the public at the Jackson County Fairgrounds. This is a great fundraiser for the club and helps pay for the Christmas Party and other club activities.

We encourage you to participate, either as a rider or as a helper. It takes about 10-12 members to make the Gymkhana run smoothly. We need score keepers, gate people and rakers. If you have not already signed up, please call Stacie at 899-1793 to schedule a time to volunteer. This is always a lot of fun – for participants and helpers!

NWTR ANNUAL FALL POKER RIDE

On Sunday, October 9th the Northwest Trail Riders in Crescent City will hold their annual Fall Poker Ride on the beach and dunes. The ride begins at 10:00am at the Pala Road Staging area and will wander through the dunes and to the beach and back to the staging area for a great lunch. The cost is \$7 for non-members (one poker hand and lunch). You can buy more hands at \$2.50 each. This is always a fun event and the beach is great this time of the year!!

Karen Matheny and a few other members are going over on Saturday to ride both days. You need to call ahead to the fairgrounds if you plan to stay overnight – 707-464-9556.

For more information call Susie Wood at (541) 596-2488. The ride will be postponed to the following Sunday if raining, so call ahead if weather is iffy.

There is a flyer and directions to the trailhead posted on our website. Please call Debbie at 664-1635 if you can not access it.



Mark your calendars!!
JCHA Annual
Christmas Party
December 10th

J.C.H.A. Board of Directors

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| Stacie Grier..... | President..... | 899-1793 |
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| Carol Dombrowsky..... | Board..... | 779-7697 |



\$\$\$ CLASSIFIED ADS \$\$\$

FOR SALE: 2003 2-horse Bronco Plus II, slant load, bumper pull horse trailer. Excellent condition. Drop down feed doors, walk in tack room and a full size cover (to keep it clean and dry). \$5,000. Call Mike (Joyce) Tripp at 779-2217.

FOR SALE: I have an appy mule (he is three and the weirdest tri-color red roan, blue roan and big appy spots) that is lightly started for pack, just under 15h and very sweet and curious. I am asking \$2500 obo. There are two other untrained, but VERY sweet mules that someone could probably get for about \$1,500 each. They are a coming two year old black bay molly and a three year old red sorrel john. Both have had a pack on, but not out on trails. I love the black bay molly she is so very sweet. Call Michele at Res-Q Ranch Horse Rescue - Bridge, OR 541-572-2833

Minutes from September 14, 2005

Submitted By Debbie Davenport

Meeting was call to order at 7:06pm by President Stacie Grier. Roll call of the board showed everyone present. Guests and new members were introduced. She thanked the refreshment donors and door prize donor.

Motion was made and approved to accept the August minutes as printed in the newsletter.

Treasurer report, presented by Nancy Konantz stated we currently have \$6,891.86 in the checking, savings and petty cash. Report was approved.

Colleen Low gave the Sunshine Report. She sent a card to Ron Dean. Karen requested one is sent to Ralph Lawrence's wife. Carol said Jim Williford have been in an accident with the horse and carriage and requested a card be sent to him.

Bill Konantz announced that the log donated to Lily Glen Rebuild had been milled and needed to be moved to private property near Lily Glen. He will let Stacie know the date and time. The name has been changed to "Lily Glen Equestrian Park" committee and they now have a non-profit charitable status so anything donated to the park is tax deductible. Bill reported that BLM is in the process of revising their plan and have requested comments, but there are only a couple weeks to do it. Colleen motioned that the club write a letter supporting any and all equestrian use on BLM land. Stacie will write the letter and be specific about certain areas we ride in the most.

Karen Matheny told about the Coast Campout. It was well attended – about 28 people. The weather was beautiful! They rode in the redwoods and on the beach. Karen also told about the benefit ride for Pat Meyer. There were several JCHA members there. The ride was nice and BBQ was great too. Her next ride will be on Sept. 18th from Greensprings to Hyatt Lake.

Stacie asked Dave Doran if he would lead a ride since we were short a trail boss and he agreed to lead one on the Blue Canyon Trail on Oct 2nd. Stacie announced the "Hoof It For Help Now!" ride on Sept. 24th. She also told about her adventure into Azalea Lake via the Fern Glade trail. The trail is now clear, including the Shoo-fly trail.

Debbie said her ride on Aug. 27th up the Varney Cr. Trail was attended by 13 riders. It was a nice day and all went well.

The fundraising gymkhana is set for October 8th. We will need some helpers to run it. A sign-up sheet was started.

Debbie reported that a group of members had been discussing creating fund that would be managed by JCHA for the sole purpose of trail and horse camp enhancement. This fund would be managed just like the other JCHA accounts. Any requested for monies would be voted on by the membership. She said they would like to call it the "Joann Pool Trail Enhancement Fund". After a little discussion a motion was made and approved to create the fund.

Mike Lutz announced that the Rogue Valley OET would like to donate \$2,000 to the newly created fund and presented the president with a check.

Stacie talked about the Bear Creek Greenway Equestrian Trail section that we agreed to adopt last month. She will set a date for a work party. Harry presented the club with a plaque showing JCHA is maintaining the trail that will be placed on the trail.

Mandy Moore told about her and Betty going to Erickson Aircrane for their Hobby Days and talking about JCHA and the benefits of horseback riding. It was very interesting and a great turnout.

Stacie reminded everyone of the Christmas Party on Dec. 10th. She said that she had a call into Lance Zimmerman to see if his band was available. If anyone had any other ideas for a band please let her know.

Otis Hussey announced the Red Rock Rodeo sponsored by the Red Rock Church on October 15-16 at the fairgrounds. This is a down-home rodeo with something for everyone. The admission is free.

Door prize was won by Debbie Davenport and I was so excited I missed who won the 50/50!! Meeting was adjourned at 8:10pm.

Trail Talk By Karen Matheny

Hi again,

It's been such a long time since I wrote a letter, where do I begin? We have had a great summer, with lots of wonderful rides. It will soon be coming to a close though as the leaves are falling and the trees are changing color. It's dark by 7:30 so after work rides are now harder to fit in to the schedule.

We girls had a great time this year at the Crazy Cowgirls Ride at Hyatt Lake. The weather was perfect and we had half the camp to ourselves. All the horses were highlined or in their little corrals quite happy until dawn when they started to get hungry and started talking. They woke a few other campers but most were happy to see all the horses. We went to Hyatt Lake again this last Sunday. About 13 or so riders made the ride in on great trails that had been slightly dampened by the little bit of rain we got in the mountains. The tall grass is very dry now but the trees are still very green and nice and the lake was full and very blue. We had a great lunch sitting over the lake enjoying a nice cool day.

Our Coast Ride turned out very nice this year. We arrived to the coast with fog to greet us and the Saturday ride in the redwoods was cool and foggy but it was a pleasant change of weather. It was fun to take Betty and Amanda Moore on the rides. They had never been there and were awe-inspired. Every day they have taken a roll of pictures. After Saturday it was beautiful and sunny. We even got a little sunburn at the beach. We had 28 people at dinner at the Harbor View Grotto on Saturday night. I want to say thanks to Don, Donna and Danielle Williams for having patience with me, since I had not made enough reservation, but we got them squeezed in at the last minute and all had a great time talking and eating. I also appreciate Jim and Nicki Ladd for learning to eat with one arm in the air as we squeezed them down the table.

I'm not quite ready to give up the Coast yet, so Judy Bailey and I are going over one last time on October 7th-8th for the NW Trail Riders Poker Ride. If you are not into the Gymkhana, come join us but let me know you are coming so I can give a heads up to the fairgrounds.

The Gymkhana sounds like a lot of fun and I would be there in a NY minute if I had a smaller faster horse. I love my tall, slow Lucky, and will never give him up, he is a blessing to an old gal like me.

Debbie's ride to Varney Creek sounded like a great time. It was beautiful warm weather. I know because I passed their caravan as I went to Klamath Falls to get my Grandkids. They had 13 riders and she said the Lake Harriet was so nice the two people were tempted into taking a dip.

Another ride worth mentioning was the benefit ride for Pat Meyers. Thanks to all the JCHA riders that showed up to help raise \$ for Pat. They took us on a ride through the back country between Cow Camp and Hyatt Lake on numerous cow trails and old logging roads. What a treat it was and when we got to the lake we had a nice cool breeze until we got to lunch. We were given all the hamburgers, hot dogs, southern green beans and drinks that we wanted, and they raised about \$1,600 thanks to the very generous donation from Sheriff Mike Winters of \$1,000. We never know when we may need help and we have a great "JCHA family" that always steps forward to help.

Have fun out there. The cold weather is on its way so ride, ride, ride till you drop!

SEE YOU ON THE TRAIL,

Karen



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