



January 2017

Welcome 2017 Board of Directors !!

- President – Karen House
- Vice-President – Dawn DeVlaeminck
- Secretary – Sabina Martin
- Treasurer – Bruce House
- Hospitality – Karen Matheny
- Sunshine – Carol Dombrowsky
- At Large – David Browne
- Junior– Clayre Shaffer

2017 CHILI & CORNBREAD COOK-OFF WINNERS!

This year, three members brought chili to the annual meeting in January to compete for the coveted title of “JCHA Prize Winning Chili”.

About 26 members braved inclement weather to taste-test the chilies and cornbread! All were exceptional with **Penney Reed** coming out on top as the winner! She received a \$50 top prize.

Carol Dombrowsky held onto her champion cornbread title for the 4th year in a row as winner winning a \$25 cash prize.

Congratulations Penney and Carol!!!

Trail Horse Clinic

Back is the Trail Horse Trial Clinic. It will be held on **Saturday, March 25** at Salt Creek Arena in Eagle Point. Directions: 1125 Salt Creek Rd , Eagle Point (12.4 miles east on Hwy 140) This clinic is open to club members only. There will be many different types of obstacles set up in the covered arena. The event will begin about 9:00am and end about 3:00pm.



We are going to have a potluck lunch around 12:00pm with hamburgers/buns provided by the club. **Please bring a side dish, salad or dessert to share.** Please bring your own non-alcoholic beverages and a chair.

Dr. Beth Damon is offering Coggins/Health Certs and Vaccinations to members only at discounted prices during the clinic.

Call the event Chairmen, Bruce and Karen House, at 541-538-9393 for more info and/or to volunteer to help.

Note: All children 12 years and under will be required to wear a safety helmet while riding in any event or activity sponsored by the club. Heeled riding boots are suggested.

JACKSON COUNTY HORSEMAN'S ASSOCIATION

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Upcoming JCHA Events

- *Trail Horse Clinic—March 25*
- *Pear Blossom Parade—April 8*
- *Horse Trailer Rodeo—April 15*
- *Gymkhana— April 23*

~What's Happening ~

Monthly Meeting Notice

Date: February 8, 2017
Dessert Installation

Doors Open 6:30pm
Meeting 7:00pm

Place: I.O.O.F. Hall
1129 Hazel Street, Central Point

Desserts provided by:
EVERYONE!

Door Prize provided by:
Laura Woolley

JCHA HORSE TRAILER RODEO

This "members only" event will be held at the IITR Truck Driving School, White City, April 15, 2017 from 10:00am –2:00pm with IITR instructor Cory Resh.

Cory will give directions and tips on how to park your truck and trailer with ease and confidence. There will be marked off parking boxes to practice backing into.

Bruce House & David Browne will be available to help members with info for safety of their horse trailers such as wiring problems, tow ball sizes, tire info, brakes and other trailer concerns.

There will be a sign up sheet so we know how many members will be attending.

Call Karen House 541-538-9393 for more info and to sign up.

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The annual Board of Directors Installation will be held right before the February club meeting on Wednesday, February 8th. Doors at the IOOF Hall will open at 6:30pm for socializing and desserts.

Please bring a dessert to share. Table service and beverages will be provided by the club.

We will be honoring the new and outgoing Board of Directors.

The regular monthly meeting will begin promptly at 7:00pm.

JCHA Board meeting will be held on **Wednesday, February 2nd**, 6:00pm at Elmer's on Biddle Road, Medford.
Any club member may attend board meetings.

~Red Bluff Rodeo & Pendleton Round-Up~

Red Bluff Rodeo is being held on April 21-23, 2017 it's about three hours south on I-5, 30 miles past Redding, CA. We have blocks of rodeo tickets under the grandstand reserved for Friday night, Saturday and Sunday afternoon.

Contact Karen Matheny at 541-245-8511 to get your name on the list and up to date info as there has been some flood issues at the campground—Sycamore Grove, a USFS campground. Reserve through www.recreation.gov, but you do have to drive to the fairgrounds. Camping is available at the fairgrounds, but it is expensive. Motels in Red Bluff are hard to get, so you should reserve right now if you plan to stay.

www.redbluffroundup.com

UPDATE: Pendleton Round-Up Sept 13-16, 2017. Camp grounds are **already full** !! Karen Matheny is currently waiting to hear back if and when another camp area becomes available. If you were planning on staying at Pendleton for the Round-Up call Karen 541-245-8511 before hand to find out the latest in camping accommodations!

Pear Blossom Parade

Who's ready for a parade?!!

This years theme: Our Valley, Our Heritage. The Pear Blossom Parade through downtown Medford is on **April 8th**. Last year we placed 3rd, so lets kick it up a notch! We need club members to sign up to ride their horse, ride the float or walk along the parade route with riders!! The parade begins at 11:00am, but you need to be at the staging area on Clark Street before 9:00am to park and get ready.

Again this year we will have the flatbed float so non-riders can participate too! **Required parade attire is a gold t-shirt or sweat-shirt with club logo and jeans.** Riders use the club-logoed saddle sashes, saddle pad covers and leg wraps. Heeled boots are required. Riders 12 and under must wear a helmet.

We need a 2 volunteers to do manure detail, 2-3 volunteers to walk and carry the club banner, plus we also need 2 seasoned horses who can each carry a flag, so please let us know!!

Do consider riding, or being on the float in this great parade and show your support for JCHA in this fun family friendly event.

For more information and sign up, contact Betty Moore at 541-951-0949. Sign up by March 25th so we have an accurate count on who's attending.

HELP WANTED: TRAIL BOSS/BOSS'S

Trail riding season is not too far off! Tired of riding alone?? Do you have a favorite trail where you'd like some company and are willing to lead a trail ride??

Unfortunately, the club hasn't had any trail rides for members and their guests for quite some time now.

We have many members wanting to get out with others to learn where to safely ride and are tired of the same ol' scenery!

So, just pick a date, time and place to meet, add a few details about the trail (beginner, advanced, flat, steep, moderate, length, rocky, etc.) and we will be happy to post it in the newsletter and on the website. Contact Karen at 541-538-9393 if you are willing to plan a ride somewhere this year!!

2017 JCHA Club Campouts

We have many campouts planned this year! Check out the following dates and places to start making your plans now! More info soon.....

May 26-29 Crescent City, CA Campout

June 16-18 Willow Prairie Campout

June 30-July 2 Lily Glen Campout

July 28-30 Lake Selmac Campout

Sept 1-4 Crescent City, CA Campout

New Junior Board Member

It's been awhile since the club has had a Junior Board Member. Some years it may not even be filled if no one is interested in the yearly position.

This year Clayre Shaffer said she would like to fill the position and was unanimously approved by the Board.

Clayre has been with JCHA for many years and is very active in horse activities, she will share news and events of interest about junior equestrians and be a liaison for junior club members.

THANK YOU, CLAYRE & WELCOME TO THE BOARD!!

NORTHWEST HORSE FAIR EXPO

March - 24-26 Linn Co. Fairgrounds,
Albany, OR.

This major annual equine event is worth the drive to Albany. Every year there are different clinicians, vendors, activities and horses, horses, horses!

They have released a tentative schedule that includes: Ken McNabb, Van Hargis, Steve Edwards and many more.

For more info go online to: www.equinepromotions.com

Field Services Representative

Cyndi Rach has a passion for horse trails and keeping trails open for all horse users. At the December meeting the membership gave Cyndi their approval and she jumped in with both feet to fill this much needed vacant position!

Cyndi will be the primary liaison with other trail user groups and forest managers and will report any important equestrian issues, work parties, etc. to the membership. She will also give details on how members can help with the issues (who to write to, meetings to attend, dates of work parties, etc.).

Please call Cyndi at 541-266-1083 or e-mail her at: trottinalong@hotmail.com if you know of something coming up.

Thank You Cyndi For Filling This Important Position!!

JCHA CLUB APPAREL ORDER

We will be placing an order for JCHA logoed apparel with Rogue Print Shop after the next club meeting.

If you are participating in the Pear Blossom Parade you must wear a **gold t-shirt or sweatshirt**.

So, here is your chance to order one! We will NOT be ordering again for several months.

The deadline to order is February 8th so please get your order in soon!!

You can find info/order forms on the club website: ridejcha.com
Then you can scan/email your order to: info@ridejcha.com, or mail your order to: JCHA, PO Box 765, Medford, OR or call it into Karen at: 541-538-9393.



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Announcement of 2017 Board of Directors: President - Karen House, Vice President - Dawn DeVlaeminck, Secretary - Sabina Martin, Treasurer- Bruce House, Hospitality - Karen Matheny, Sunshine - Carol Dombrowsky, Member at Large - David Browne.

Announcement from Sabina Martin: The sisters have invested in something for all the campouts! A battery powered karaoke machine!

Drawings: Door Prize tickets are 5 for a \$1 and the door prize was won by Debbie Davenport both prizes. The Buckaroo Drawing (worth \$40), was won by Micki Jurardo. The drawing for the next meeting will be \$20.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.

THIS IS YOUR LAST NEWSLETTER UNLESS YOU RENEW BY 2/8/17!!!

JACKSON COUNTY HORSEMAN'S ASSOCIATION
Yearly Membership Renewal for 2017

Single Membership -

\$15 ____ Adult (18+ years)

\$10 ____ Junior (9-17)

Family Membership -

\$30 ____ (Two adults and children living in **same** household)

Name _____

Mailing address _____

City, ST, ZIP _____

Telephone _____

Do NOT list my telephone number on the membership roster

Email Address _____

Do NOT list my email address on the membership roster

YES, I am willing to receive the monthly newsletter via the club website instead of snail mail to help save printing and mailing costs

Mail this completed form along with your check to:

JCHA
PO Box 765
Medford, OR 97501

Deadline to renew dues is February 8, 2017

**LAST CHANCE TO
RENEW JCHA
MEMBERSHIP DUES!!**

Membership dues for 2017 are due and payable until the club meeting on February 8th.

Please look at the mailing label on this newsletter. The year to the right of your name is when your membership expires. If it is 2016, then you need to renew. If it is 2017, then you are valid until the end of 2017. If it says Life then you do not need to pay.

If you only receive the newsletter via email and the website, then see a list of names and expirations in the body of the email.

And, on this same note: if you do have email **please** try opening the newsletter via the link in the email. If you can access the newsletter in this manner, please send a reply email and opt out of the printed and mailed version of the newsletter.

The more members that can view and print the newsletter over the internet, the more we can save in printing and postage!!

Youth Sponsorship Program

Applications are now being accepted from local youth between January 1st and April 1st, 2017. Applicants will vie for a portion of the annual \$1,500 sponsorship money budgeted towards this program.

To be eligible: the applicant must be a member of Jackson County Horseman's Association, between the ages of 13 - 18 and must be enrolled in an equestrian activity in Southern Oregon.

To apply: read all requirements, download an application from our website at www.ridejcha.com Membership applications are also available on the website.

Please spread the word to youth ages 13-18 who are involved in an equine activity that they are welcome to join JCHA and apply for a sponsorship.



6:15 p.m. - The club members and guests enjoyed our annual chili and cornbread cook-off.

Karen House called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Door Prize: The door prizes were brought by Karen and Bruce House.

Roll Call of Board was completed with President, Karen House, Vice President, Dawn DeVlaeminck, Secretary, Linda Carlson, Treasurer, Glenna Van Buskirk, Sunshine, Carol Dombrowsky, Hospitality, Karen Matheny, Member at Large, Bruce House, Junior Board Member, Clayre Shaffer, all present.

Introduction of New Members and Guests: No new members or guests attended.

December Minutes: The December minutes were approved as printed in the newsletter and motion was passed.

Treasurer's Report by Glenna VanBuskirk. There was a beginning balance of \$8,806.40 in checking, income of \$975.52, expenses of \$651.52, with cash on hand of \$25, Joan Pool Fund of \$1,553.67, final checking balance of \$9,130.40 and total assets of \$10,721.95.

Sunshine Report: Carol Dombrowsky reported she sent cards to Janet Lenz and Judy Bailey.

Ride JCHA Committee Report & Discussion: Karen House reported a total of 700 hours in 2016 for a grand total of 7300 total group riding hours.

Junior Board Member: Clayre Shaffer gave a report on the upcoming Benefit Hunter/Jumper show January 15 at the expo, the EPHSET Wild and Wooly Schooling Show at Salt Creek Arena and the Josephine County Gymkhana/Horse Show dates - February 11 & 12 - March 4 & 5 - April 8 & 9 - Saturdays are Gymkhana and Sundays Horse show. Both start at 9 a.m. These are both a buckle series. Also dates for Southern Oregon Rowdy Bunch Gymkhana Series - April 15, May 27, June 4, June 25, August 12 at Salt Creek Arena.

Field Representative: Cindy Rach reported that Ashland Woodland Trail Association is working on many trails trying to interconnect them behind Lithia Park, Red Queen Trail, Lewis Loop, Vandersnatch Trail. Ashland Chamber of Commerce has updated maps, go to ashlandchamber.com. Cindy will find out where we can park horse trailers. The phase 1 has been completed on the Rogue Trail Project outside of Rogue River with a 5 plus mile mountain bike and hiker trail with future potential of making it an equestrian trail. Check out BLM's website for maps of the whole project. They need to know that we are interested in riding. Discussion also about the Sterling Mine Ditch Trail, the Applegate Ridge Trail and volunteering with Hope Robertson, Siskiyou Upland Trails Association. Work party planned for January 22 on the Sterling Mine Ditch Trail.

JCHA Event Planning:

Dessert Installation Meeting - Feb 8: Installation of the new board members. Bring your favorite dessert to share at the meeting.

Trail Clinic - March 25: Being held at Salt Creek Arena. Vet. Beth Damon will be offering discounted services for a 6 month coggins test and health certificates, and various vaccines. Sign up sheet will be at the next meeting and you can put down what vaccines and services you need so she will be prepared at the clinic. We will have a potluck with the club furnishing the hamburgers and buns. Please bring a side dish or dessert, your own soda or water and a chair. Obstacles will be set up around 8 a.m. and help always appreciated. It would also be a good time to do parade practice.

Pear Blossom Parade - April 8: It was highly suggested that you get there early to park on Clark street due to the congestion and to have plenty of time to decorate the horses. Theme this year is "Our Valley, Our Heritage". Amanda Anderson will bring her trailer to use for the float and has decorations to use from last year. Bring your stick horses if you have one for the float. Sign up sheet will be out at the next meeting. Everyone needs to wear the gold club colors in a t-shirt or sweatshirt.

Horse Trailer Rodeo - April 15: This will be held in the parking lot at the IITR Trucking School off Highway 62. Corey Resh will be our parking instructor and Bruce House will do quick safety trailer inspections.

Red Bluff Rodeo - April 21- 23: Tickets to reserve seats are to arrive any day. Let Karen Matheny (541-245-8511) know if you would like to go. We need to know by February's meeting. Possible camping issues at Sycamore Grove Campground due to flooding.

Gymkhana - April 23: Flyer on website.

Old Business:

Re-Open Nominations for 2017 Board of Directors and Voting: Running for President - Karen House, Vice President - Dawn DeVlaeminck, Secretary - Linda Carlson and Sabina Martin, Treasurer- Stasea Martin and Bruce House, Hospitality - Karen Matheny, Sunshine - Carol Dombrowsky, Member at Large - David Browne.

Youth Sponsorship Program: Jennifer Shaffer reported on changes to program. Must attend three meetings, work and participate at two club functions or events, sign in at meetings and at events in a special log book with the chairperson of the event signing them off as present. Failure to follow the changes will result in being ineligible to apply for a sponsorship the next year.

New Business:

Apparel Order - Deadline Feb 8th: Time for a new apparel order. Forms on the website. Reminder that you need gold club colored t-shirt or sweatshirt to ride in the Pear Blossom Parade.

Treasurer Audit Committee: Debbie Davenport and Sabina Martin volunteered to help audit the past treasurer. Report back at the next meeting. If anyone else would like to volunteer please contact Karen House.

December 2017 Membership Meeting Date: Motion passed to move our December meeting to the 1st Wednesday of the month due to the hall being unavailable on our normal meeting night.

Other new business:

Pendleton Roundup: Still too early for tickets but let Karen Matheny (541-245-8511) know if you are interested. So far we have about 9 members going.

Gibbon Ranch Access: Karen House reported that you can get a key to the gate by going to the Jackson County Parks Department and filling out a 2 sided form. You will also need a parking permit which costs \$20.00.

Announcement of Chili and Cornbread Winners: Correction of the Winner of the Chili - Penny Reed will receive \$50.00, Cornbread Winner - Carol Dombrowsky received \$25.00.

FFA tickets - Clayre Shaffer: She's selling tickets for \$10 each for the alumni auction and needs donated silent auction items.

Jackson County Horseman's Association
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 Medford, OR 97501

*Deadline to renew
 your dues is February
 8th! Check the date
 next to your name on
 the label ----->*



**JACKSON COUNTY
 HORSEMAN'S ASSOCIATION
 2017 BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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| Karen Matheny | Hospitality | 245-8511 |
| David Browne | At Large | 864-0731 |

**We're on the web
www.ridejcha.com**

Community Equestrian Event Calendar
 (visit www.ridejcha.com/calendar for links to each of these events)

- January 22– EPHSET Wild & Woolly Show, Eagle Point
- February 11- SOPTHA Silver Buckle Series, Expo
- February 19– Ranch Sorting Series, Eagle Point
- March 19– Ranch Sorting Series, Crescent City, CA
- March 24-26— Northwest Horse Fair & Expo, Albany
- April 15– SO Rowdy Bunch Gymkhana, Eagle Point
- April 21-23— High Desert Horse Expo, Redmond
- April 21-23– Red Bluff Round-Up
- May 5-7— Klamath Falls Pack Clinic



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