

BACK COUNTRY HORSEMEN

New Mexico MONTHLY HOOFPRIINT Pecos Chapter Inc.
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November 2009

President's Corner

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Our October general membership meeting was hosted by Anita & Brad Smith, in Edgewood. Thank you to all who attended. Special thanks to our guest speakers from the East Torrance Soil & Water Conservation District. In addition to their presentation, a variety of free materials were provided for members. For additional information you can contact them at, www.EastTorranceSWCD.org, or 505-384-2272.

Our November 4th meeting will be at the Kingsbury's home, in Edgewood. A map and contact information are included with this newsletter. Please plan on attending as we will be finalizing our election ballot for the 2010 year and we need your input and support. If you are interested in running for an office, or wish to nominate someone, you can contact Mary Ann Ende, our Election Coordinator at, 281-3722.

Also, at our November meeting, we will be asking for your suggestions on our December 12th, holiday get together. This is our special, end-of-the-year gathering that you don't want to miss!

We have completed our scheduled work projects for this season. Congratulations to all Pecos Chapter members who volunteered their time and hard work! We had a very successful year. Our final tally of projects, events and volunteer hours will be shared on December 12th. Hope to see everyone there.

Coming Events for 2009

November 7, Wednesday, Monthly Meeting: 6:30pm potluck, 7:00pm General Meeting at the home of Richard and Amber Kingsbury, 281-1342, map attached

November 15, Sunday: Last day to submit nominations for Officer or Board Member to Mary Ann Ende, 281-3722.

December 12, Saturday, Winter Party: Home of Steve and Joan Abraham; stay tuned for more information

January 6, 2010, Wednesday Monthly Meeting: 6:30pm potluck, 7:00pm General Meeting: Place TBD

News Bits

***** **Monthly Meeting Raffle....**

We did not hold a raffle at the October meeting and voted that we will not be holding any raffles for the remainder of the year. If you brought canned goods to the October meeting they were delivered to a local charity. Thank you for your support this year!

***** **Forest Conditions as of Oct 29, 2009**

Cibola National Forest: <http://www.fs.fed.us/r3/cibola/>

- Sandia Ranger District: Low
- Mt Taylor District: Moderate
- Mountainair District: Moderate
- Magdalena District: Moderate

Santa Fe National Forest: <http://www.fs.fed.us/r3/sfe/>

- Moderate

Coggins Clinic...

They came on hoof or by trailer for the first ever BCH-Pecos chapter Coggins Clinic. The Coggins Clinic was hosted by Jim & Sandy Edmiston on September 26. Dr. Rebecca Yarne of Western Trials Veterinarian and her two technicians, Teresa and Kalie, processed and tested 22 equine in a 4 hour period. Western Trails confirmed that all 22 equine passed their Coggins. CONGRATULATIONS everyone!

For those of you who participated, you should have already received your Coggins results in the mail. If you have not, please contact We Western Trials Veterinarian at 505-286-4604.

Since this clinic was successful and helpful to our BCH members, we will look into making this available at the chapter's annual trailer inspection and chipping clinic in spring. So, get ready, this offering will be available to new members, friends of members, and all equine. For those who were not able to participate in the September clinic, be on the lookout and mark your calendars!

Thank you for the article Paul and Mad!

Open Space Newsletter ...

This is an interesting newsletter provided on a quarterly basis by the City of Albuquerque. The Oct – Dec 2009 issue has an article titled “25 Years of Protecting Albuquerque’s Natural Heritage.” The article explains why the City of Albuquerque owns so much land in the East Mountains.

Another very interesting article in the Oct – Dec 2009 issue is “Mountain Biking Etiquette on Open Space Lands” by Doug Young, President of Friends of the Outdoors Trail Partners (FooMTB). In the article, Doug provides the International Mountain Biking Association (IMBA) Rules of the Trail and asks bikers to read and abide by them. There are 6 rules but of greatest interest to the equine community is rule number 5: Never Scare Animals. The rule encourages bicyclists to use care around equine and to follow directions from equine riders!

You can view this issue and all back issues on the website at <http://www.cabq.gov/openspace/news.html>

Thanks for sharing Diane Simmons!



Teresa & Kalie assisting with the Coggins testing.
Thank you for the picture Paul and Mad!



Dr. Rebecca Yarne drawing a blood sample.
Thank you for the picture Paul and Mad!



Oct 11, Manzanos, Jack and Penny pose for a poster shot! How much more relaxing can it get. They even have a soft red leaf carpet to walk on!

Thanks for the picture Patty!

October 11, Manzano Mountains...

Patty and Jim Wilber led the project on the 4th of July and surrounding trails on this fine fall day. They were supported by Cheryl, Matt, Cindi, Sue and Roni and 9 equine. The equine did a lot of standing around due to the amount of lopping. Nonetheless, the animals did real well; Sue's horse, Marie (?) is a 15 year old rescue and this was only her 2nd trail ride! Of course she was in the company of very experienced equine so hopefully that helped ease her concerns about standing around.

The crew encountered 9 hikers – the most Patty remembers ever encountering. With all the beautiful colors that day it is no surprise. There is a bit more work to do but overall the trail is in pretty good shape.

To summarize the day, Patty said "No problems at all. Great weather, fine company what more could we want!"



Oct 11 Matt, Sue, Cindy and Roni have a relaxing lunch in the beauty of fall colors.

Thanks for the picture Patty!

Wanted....

Know anyone who wants to do some work on the trail? Invite them to join our club! Hard workers are always welcome! Welcome to our newest members!

Pictures to share...

If you have pictures that you would like to share that did not make the Hoofprint, please send them to Paul Nobles, screechowl@earthlink.net and he will forward to the State website!



October 11, 2009 Manzano Mountains. Matt and Sue stop their lopping for a photo. Thanks for all the work guys!

Thanks for the picture Patty!



Oct 11, Jim and Cometa ready for work in the Manzanos!

Thanks for the picture Patty!

Reminder: if you shop at Country Supply (<http://www.horse.com/>) for any equestrian supplies, a 5% donation will be made to the Pecos Chapter of



BCH! All you do during checkout is look for the Country Care box and enter

'pecosbch'. When the Chapter has acquired a minimum of \$50.00 we'll be mailed a check – how easy is that?! Thank you everyone for your support.

Don't Forget...

Support your Chapter! If you would like to run, or nominate someone, as an Officer or Board of Director, please let Mary Ann Ende know by November 15! The positions available include: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary and Board of Director member. If you have any questions about any of the positions, please contact a current officer and they will answer any questions. This is your Chapter – it is each member's responsibility to make it work and keep it going!

Have something to share/sell...

Have it published in the Monthly Hoofprint: pictures, articles of interest to BCH members, trivia, funnies, photos, camping recipes etc or if you have items to sell that would be of interest to BCH members, send a photo and details to Anita at smithbk1@msn.com by the 30th of the month and we'll get them in the Hoofprint!

Thank you to our friends at Town and Country Feed and Horse Rentals for their support over the years!

BCH Pecos Chapter Officers for 2009

President:	Cheryl Nigg	(384-2558)
Vice President:	Dick Rahal	(286-1978)
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Map to Kingsbury Home
Wednesday Nov 4, 281-1342
Potluck: 6:30, General Membership meeting 7:00pm
Look for the BCH Signs
Don't Forget your Chair!

