



# PACK TALK

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## Mission Statement

1. To perpetuate the common sense use and enjoyment of horses in America's back country and wilderness.
2. To work to insure that public lands remain open to recreational stock use.
3. To assist the various government and private agencies in their maintenance and management of said resource.
4. To educate, encourage and solicit active participation in the wise use of the back country resource by horsemen and the general public commensurate with our heritage.
5. To foster and encourage the formation of new chapters in the state organization.

## Monthly Meetings

### 3rd Monday of Each Month

Next Meeting:

August 21, 2017 at 6:30PM  
Upper Elwha Community Ctr,  
90 Old State Rd,  
Port Angeles, WA  
Directions: 101 near the Elwha River bridge, turn South onto Herrick Rd, turn first right is Old State Rd. Second building on right, (note it's an old School House right on the road.)

Come Early for Social Time  
5:30pm to 6:30pm

**Our Website**

**[MtOlympusChapterBCHW.org](http://MtOlympusChapterBCHW.org)**

**Our Facebook Group**

**[Mt Olympus Chapter of BCHW](#)**



## My Place in the String

By Larry Baysinger President

Summer is now here! The weather has turned, trails have dried out and the river fords are dropping. My thoughts go to the top of Mt Muller, the Bogachiel and Elwha River back country, the out-of-the-way horse camps that the old timers used and shared with me over the years. Trail dust, horse sweat and campfire smoke is enough to draw any backcountry riders to pack their gear and go.

I read with interest the trail articles in the Peninsula Living Magazine a few weeks ago. The Larry Scott Trail, Adventure Route and the Olympic Discovery Trail. Yes, they are all good trails and folks like them. Dennis Boyd called them "flat-lander trails", easy on riders and stock, packed with bikes, hikers, dogs and trail runners; multi-users and all. In all the pages of that article, the Littleton Trail, Mt Muller and the horse camp were left out. This is an area that doesn't get much mention anymore.

## Important Links

**BCHW** <http://www.bchw.org>

**BCHA** <http://bcha.org>

**Leave No Trace** <http://lnt.org>



## Meet the Board

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Membership

The Littleton trail can be a challenge for beginners or if your horse or mule is not “legged up”. The great thing about the trail is that it is open to riding almost year-round, especially to the rock house. True sometimes there’s a little blow down, but that is what saws and axes are all about. Out west we don’t have county “Thursday Crews” or the other agencies with trail crews; just us Mt Olympus Chapter riders.

From the top of Littleton Trail you can see Vancouver Island and if you had the eyes of an eagle you could see mountain climbers on the snow dome of Mt Olympus plus a mountain beaver’s eye view of the deep blue color of Lake Crescent.

Come Ride With Us!



“Horses and mules on the trail,  
Pulaskis in the dirt, saws  
running”

Riding Fresh Horses,

Larry

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## Calendar 2017

### July

\*22-23 Ride & Campout at Spirit Horse Ranch

### August

\*1-5 State Wide Work Party

### September

\*23-24 VIP Ride & Campout MT Muller



## Mount Olympus Chapter Membership Meeting Minutes June 19, 2017



6:30 Members Attending: Chuck and Holly Court, Meghan Adamire, Claudia Cark, Dave & Beck Seibel, Curtis Wright, Jeff & Penny Doane, Karen Meuir, Bill Searles, Linda Mosley, Janice Harsh, Jan Whitlow, Barbara Bentley, Larry & Sherry Baysinger

Guests: Dan & Debbie Dosey, Greg Anderson, Gary Johnson, Vicky Carter, Clara Hills Naomi Huggins, Karen Reaves

Introduction of Program Speaker A. Cary Hills, DVM Sound Equine Veterinary Hospital, 5065 NE Lincoln RD, Poulsbo, WA 98370

7:30 Membership Business Meeting was called to order by President Larry Baysinger

### **Elected Board Positions**

**President:** Larry Baysinger

Thanks to Dr. Hills for coming. We're getting a lot of work done we have lots of interest and I can't say enough good about our chapter.

**Treasurer:** Becky Seibel

Pierce County Chapter donated \$500 to our chapter. Larry interjected that we will not be able to use that money for First Aid Classes, so we will decide later what to use it for. Becky said we also received \$750. Larry clarified that the \$750 put into the Mt Olympus treasury was from a grant he applied for as an Independent over a year ago and was through BCHA to work on the Bogachiel for USFS and for ONP. Larry decided to put this into our Chapter. Larry said the money will be spent on the Bogachiel River Trail and will be used for reimbursement on materials and to cover expenses for our trail work. USFS is holding up on the new re-route trail.

Becky said we spent \$159.92 on food and supplies for the Share the Trail event and our donations came to \$154.27. Becky said she also received \$216 in donations from private people and for the Boone spring event which Spirit Ranch donated to the Chapter.

Our balance \$2,674.87. The only money we spent was for the event and nearly all of that came back to us in donations from attendees.

**Secretary:** Sherry Baysinger

Sherry and Larry prefer to communicate via Email. Right now we have Email, Facebook, Mt Olympus Website and Google Groups. Prefer to communicate most Chapter business via email with public events on other media. Too many things fall between the cracks with so many means of communication. If you need to send articles for publication they should be on a PDF document.

Facebook and Website are good for our newsletter because Becky's computer is not compatible for making an email group.

**State Director** – Dave Seibel June 10 State Director's Meeting Summary

NW Horse Source appreciates our news articles. Information from members needs to go to Terri Starke.

July 1 is deadline for sign up for the Statewide Work Party.

There is a 45-day comment period for EIS (Environmental Impact Statement) on packers in the State.

New executive Director got a grant. Darrel Wallace was nominated for and accepted the position of Vice Chair of BCHA. McGarvey is not eligible to be Chairman so had to step down.

Volunteer hours so far in the State????????

Gambling – Chapters need to be very careful regarding raffles or prize rides as it could be construed as gambling by the State Department of Revenue. Leave the Treasurer or Secretary out of it. Terri was contacted by the State regarding sales tax collection on our BCHW store online. The website has been changed so that you may order, but you need to pick up items a BCH meeting.

Hot shot crew for BCHW is so if they need a crew to cut a trail open they have a group of people that can go right away to help.

### **Immediate Past-President**

#### **7:30 Appointed Chair Positions:**

**Vice President:** Jan Whitlow No Report.

**Alternate Director:** Becky Seibel No Report

**Trail Boss 1 (Trail Maintenance Chair):** Larry Baysinger

We worked on the Bogachiel River Trail, and enabling stock to get through the USFS and into the ONP to the first river crossing where we packed a WTA crew and their gear in to do trail work. That trail has been shut down for about three years. Larry's horse fell through a bridge, but what could have been bad turned out good. ONP is in there replacing the two rotting bridges.

Larry, Sherry, Karen and Dave went into Lillian River with pack stock to replace a hitch rail that had fallen over. Logs were located for posts and rigged and pulled by horse, holes were dug and posts put in when our chain saw broke down so we will be going in tomorrow to finish the job. Helpers are welcome. The trail ride is four miles in and four miles out.

#### **Trail Boss 2 (Events Chair):**

Larry said Sherry and he will host the VIP ride at Littleton Trail/Horse Camp. Since Peninsula Chapter has cancelled their scheduled Littleton ride so we should be thinking about having a nice ride that could possibly be a fund-raiser. We can still have a prize ride as



long as it is based on skill and not chance (so not to be construed as gambling). The ride is scheduled for September 16. People can camp out Friday Saturday and Sunday if they wish.

**Membership Chair:** Penny Doane is our new membership chair and Becky Seibel announced that we had three new members pay dues this evening.

**Newsletter Chair:** Becky Seibel

Becky needs recipes with pictures. Need photos of trail work.

**Publicity Chair:** Claudia Clark

Members only on Facebook

Becky made a website it's not complete. She will start working on putting Newsletters on the website

Claudia had to leave early.

Meghan – 250 hours were logged by the people who helped with the Share the Trails Event. Please turn in your hours.

**Education/Leave No Trace:** Sherry Baysinger

**Legislative:** Dave Seibel

Larry said that this position is really vacant because Juelie Dalzell (Buckhorn Chapter) agreed to send us legislative information, but she is not a Mt Olympus Chapter member. Dave Seibel offered to take this position.

**Ways & Means:** Larry announced that Jeff Doane has volunteered to take on this chair position. He asked Jeff to talk about some of his ideas. Jeff said one idea is to have a pancake breakfast for the VIP ride. Another idea is to have a tack sale with members either paying for a table space or a percentage of what is sold.

**Volunteer Hours Chair:** Meghan Adamire

Meghan handed out a volunteer hour sheet for helping people to fill out their hours. We need to put description and the code for the agency. Travel time needs to be filled out, doesn't have to be exact.

Mt Olympus has 914 hours as of end of April. BCH of WA puts the dollar amount to it our value \$23,357.36 If you didn't remember to bring your hours to a meeting, you can take a picture of it with your phone and send it to her. She doesn't even need the exact form, just the information and she will put in into the format needed by the State. She said we may need to set up a special

form for Dave to fill out so that we don't get bogged down with paperwork.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Share the Trail next year we will get more publicity out earlier.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1) Larry sent a Thank You to Pierce County Chapter and read the letter he included. Dave also personally thanked Louise Caywood, Director of Pierce County Chapter at the recent State Director's meeting. Larry suggested that members send \$10 to join Pierce County Chapter and their membership forms were available at the meeting.

2) Flying Horseshoe Ride -Jennifer Coyle-Bond cannot go so Penny said she would like to go. Penny will contact Jennifer to purchase her ticket.

3) Jan Whitlow made a motion regarding the Mt Olympus Chapter Vice President's position that the by-laws be changed so that the Vice President is an elected and not an appointed position. There was a discussion and some members stated they felt our current bylaws were in line with the way the US government does it and that the bylaw should stand. Some felt that caution should be taken to change bylaws so soon into being a new Chapter. After discussion, there was a vote and the motion did not carry.

#### **Next meeting July 17**

**For the good of the order:** Jan Whitlow said that she is on the Peninsula Trails Coalition Board. They need horse people to send photos of people riding on the Olympic Discovery Trail and identify the parts of the trail. She will put us in touch with who to send photos to. She also said there are a number of Board positions vacant and she would be happy to sponsor any new person. The meetings are once a month, usually for about three hours and they alternate meetings between Port Angeles, Sequim and once a year Forks and Port Townsend.

Larry's New Motto: Horses on the trail, pulaskis in the dirt, saws running!

#### **Adjournment 8:45 pm**

#### **Respectfully Submitted:**

Sherry Bay-singer

Secretary, Mount Olympus Chapter BCHW





# Members Corner

*We all have our favorite recipes while camping! Lets see them. Sharing is so fun!  
Email me Becky Seibel at [spirithorseranch7@gmail.com](mailto:spirithorseranch7@gmail.com) and I'll put it in the next newsletter.*



## Eggs Benedict Casserole

This recipe from *Christmas With Southern Living 2010* is an easy and dutch oven friendly way of combining the flavors and textures in one simple casserole. It's basically an egg strata, do ahead dish that requires an overnight sit in your fridge. I shortened the sit time to 30 minutes. If you're at home, by all means, mix it in a large bowl and let it sit for 4-12 hours so the bread can completely soak up the egg mixture. If you're cooking outside, just let it sit for a half hour in your oven, the bread will absorb plenty of the liquid. In my 10 inch oven, I started it with 10 coals in a ring around the bottom and 22 on the lid. After 20 minutes it was starting to brown on top so I removed the center coals and let it finish baking with the briquettes in a ring around the outside of the lid. This actually might bake better in your 12 inch oven as it puffs like a souffle and it needs a good 45 minutes to bake completely through.

Top it off with your favorite Hollandaise recipe, I used Knorr's in a package. If you can find one that only requires water it would be that much easier for camping. Better yet,

Trader Joe's makes one in a jar, it's not quite the same but is good in a pinch and would be great warmed up and served outdoors. So, no excuses now not to treat yourself to a luxurious breakfast when you're away from home.

### Eggs Benedict Casserole

1 12 oz. package English muffins, cut into 1-inch pieces  
8 oz. Canadian bacon, cut into 1-inch pieces  
6 large eggs  
2 1/2 cups milk  
1 Tblsp fresh lemon juice  
1 tsp mustard  
1/2 tsp salt  
1/4 tsp freshly ground black pepper  
Packaged Hollandaise sauce

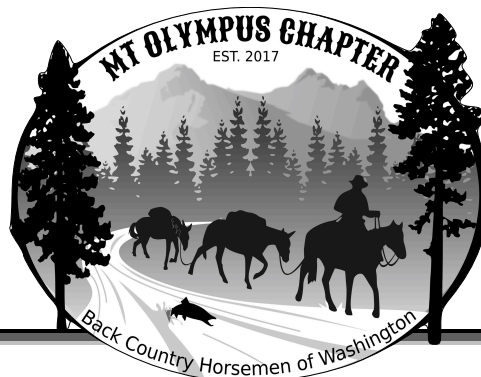
- ▶ Lightly oil or spray dutch oven.
- ▶ Combine muffin pieces and Canadian bacon in prepared dutch oven.
- ▶ Whisk eggs, milk, mustard, lemon juice, salt and pepper in a medium bowl.
- ▶ Pour egg mixture over muffin pieces; let casserole sit for 30 minutes.
- ▶ If you're at home or have access to refrigeration, allow bread mixture to sit for 4-12 hours before baking.
- ▶ Bake at 375 degrees for 40-45 minutes moving center coals if necessary to prevent center from burning.
- ▶ Makes 4-6 servings.
- ▶ Top off with your favorite Hollandaise recipe.



## Come Join Us!

To join BCHW, complete this application, sign the liability release (all members **18 and over**), and enclose payment:

\*Mt Olympus Chapter Members turn in or send your application to your Treasurer Becky Seibel 207 Mountain Valley Ln, Port Angeles WA 98363; Phone # 360-670-1550. If paying by check, make it out to Mt Olympus Chapter.



## Member Info

☐ New Member ☐ Renewal – Membership number(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Adult's name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Children's name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ ST: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Legislative district (if known): \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_

Check to **opt out** of mailed (hardcopy) newsletter: ☐ BCHW (Trailhead News) ☐ Chapter

### STATE MEMBERSHIP

#### Basic Membership

- ☐ Single \$41.00  
☐ Family \$54.00

#### Optional Membership (includes family or single from above)

- ☐ Contributing \$75.00  
☐ Sustaining \$125.00  
☐ Patron \$250.00  
☐ Benefactor \$500.00  
☐ Lifetime (Single) \$1200.00

☐ State dues paid online (attach receipt copy)

Additional State Donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_

State Subtotal \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP

All chapter members must also be a member of BCHW. However, BCHW dues only need to be paid **once** each year. Joining additional (secondary) chapters only requires paying chapter dues.

#### Mt Olympus Chapter

##### Chapter dues

Family \$11 ☐  
 Single \$9 ☐

Chapter Dues \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Chapter Donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter Subtotal \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Grand Total (State+Chapter) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## LIABILITY RELEASE & NOTICES

All ADULT members MUST sign! Adult's signature covers minor children.

Recognizing the fact that there is a potential for an accident wherever horse use is involved, which can cause injuries to horses, riders, and spectators, and also recognizing the fact that Back Country Horsemen of Washington, Inc., including Chapters, officers, directors, or members, cannot always know the condition of trails or the experience levels of riders or horses taking part in trail rides or other BCHW events, I do hereby release and hold harmless the above named from any claim or right for damages which might occur to me, my minor children, or horses.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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