

Spring 2008

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## **CLOUD PEAK BCH**

### **MARTY'S REMARKS**

Hi Everyone,

I hope you all are enjoying your spring so far and are getting ready for a new season of riding. The club is looking to have a busy year. The rendezvous is behind us and it was a great success but it also leaves us with more time to take on some trail projects and we have quite a few that the folks at the forest service have in mind for us. For those who do not know yet, Battle Park TH is now in Power River district. Until Craig Cope and his crew evaluate the site they won't know if help is needed or not. We have also been asked to take a look at cleaning up in Dry Fork on National Trails day instead of Elgin Park, which last year was in very good shape.

As new president I am taking on two challenges for myself. One is to setup a club website we can all be proud of and can also serve as a place for us to share our projects and issues with other clubs and organizations that have interest in the issues we are taking on. It is a place to go to voice your opinions about issues that you may have thought about after the meeting or want people to consider before a meeting. This doesn't mean that everyone has to agree on these issues or even the club's position. It will be a place to express all sides of an issue. This brings to mind the Rock Creek Area and the livestock identification system that have come up in recent meetings. This site will have a discussion board for this purpose and it will be available for members and non members alike to chime in a comment on the issues and projects.

The other challenge which is extended to all club members is to bring in at least one new member this year. The club membership has declined over the last year and we need new members as many of you have served and been part of this club for many years, including some who helped found the club. If you have a potential Member you would like us to contact please forward the name and contact info to me, have them contact me directly or just bring them along to the next meeting as Dwight and Betty did at the last meeting.

I look forward to an exciting year and learning more of what this position requires. Thanks to Dwight and Rosemary for taking so many calls and emails in the last couple of months from me. I appreciate all of the members for helping me out and taking the time to explain things to me, especially where all these places I have never been are. It feels funny sometimes being president of the Cloud Peak Back Country Horseman and never having been to Cloud Peak. That will be knocked off my list of places to go this year.

Marty

### **SUMMER EVENTS:**

**St Jude's Ride.** Contact: John Sweem    DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

**Hole in the Wall Ride,** Contact: Larry Durante    DATE\_Tentative date May 24—  
weather permitting.

**Wyoming Conservation Corp** project on Florence Pass, Contact person: Kent Ruesch.

Conservation Corps team met with FS personnel, and 5 members of CPBCH to work out details for the Florence Pass project. The Conservation Corps thinks they can get their equipment packed in on 6 animals. Our members think it will take more than that. The CC will pack in their own personal supplies and food. CPBCH members will meet at Hunter Work Station on July 21. They they will pack in to Medicine Cabin Park on July 22 and pack them out July 29.

**Trails Day,** Marty Casey --Trails day will be June 7-8, 2008 There was discussion to hold Trails Day somewhere else, but due to heavy snows in the high country we will go back to Elgin for our traditional Trails Day cleanup.

**State Trails Volunteer Host program,** Rosemary We have two people interested in taking the short training class with Chris McNeil – State Trails Safety Education Person More are welcome. Those taking the training will receive an official vest and wear it while greeting & visiting with trail users. Trail Hosts will have pamphlets and trail information available for visitors.

**State Rendezvous** – Powder River Chapter, Carol/Lee Yake: June 20,21,22

**WYBCH: State meeting May 3.** Dwight French, Kent Ruesch - Delegates. Larry Durante, Alternate. All members welcome to attend.

**STATE TRAILS COUNCIL MEETING,** May 2, Rosemary Carr, member All BCH members welcome to attend

**PUBLIC LANDS/Watchdog** – Rosemary Carr:

**Battle Park Trailhead** – Is done. New volunteer hosts have been recruited. They will be responsible for maintaining the campground, but we may be asked to help out with maintaining the horse facilities or perhaps trail clearing/cleanup.

**Hunter Trailhead** – Project has been postponed because of the Roadless Initiative, which is still tied up in the courts. The project is on indefinite hold and funds for the project will be committed somewhere else. The project will have to go through the process of getting funding later on.

**Rock Creek Recommended Wilderness Area:** I was under the impression all rules for Wilderness Management would be in place. After our last meeting, I was worried we wouldn't be able to have our St. Jude's ride in the area and the Forest Service & they confirmed that I was correct. However, when Craig Cope got back from his vacation trip, he said the rules are not the same. (ie: no limits on numbers of riders on a trail ride.) The Recommended Wilderness rules are somewhat vague and there is confusion in the Forest Service itself.

**OTHER POLITICAL DEVELOPMENTS:** Al Sammons does a wonderful job of keeping up with the legislative progress of Bills that are important to horsemen and that affect all of us. Either positively or negatively.

This one was formerly known as the "Right to Ride" Bill and is now labeled "Preserving our Equine Heritage Act" and would guarantee the rights of horsemen (mules and other pack stock to use public lands. One of the main reasons Back Country Horsemen got started was because a group of Montana riders were concerned that horsemen could be banned from riding in the forest lands. In heavily populated areas this is happening more and more often.

Email from Al:

"Greetings all,

I just got a phone call from Senator John Barrasso's aide informing me that our Wyoming senator has signed on as a co-sponsor of SF 2283. A number of WYBCH members had contacted Senator Barrasso asking him to do this and to

support the legislation as it moves through the process. We are certainly happy for his sign-on.

A note of interest. Senator Barrasso is the only other senator to co-sponsor this bill. What has happened to the other 20 plus states who are members of BCHA????????? Appears no one else is talking to their congressmen.”

Concerned,

Al Sammons  
Public Lands – Wyoming  
Greeting all,

It appears that the current administration does not want this pursued and it is dead in the water till after the election & then who knows.

Another issue that Al has been following is the “**NAIS**” bill, which is the universal animal identification bill which would require all animals to be ID chipped. It seems to me it would be just another layer of bureaucracy to be added to all the other requirements for animal producers. It would especially be a problem for sheep and possibly poultry producers.

**Comment from Rosemary:**

**Closing all horse slaughter plants** in the US is causing huge disruption for horse owners. As horse owners we have all been affected by it. I understand in the Midwest where there are no brands, people are just turning out unwanted horses on public roads. What a sad turn of events caused by people who operate on emotions without logic. In the meantime there are food riots in poor countries. I won't get into the feed prices caused by using food to fill gas tanks.

Following page is **a list of paid up members**. If your name isn't on the list – you need to pay your dues.

<i>Names</i>	<i>Email</i>	<i>Dues Paid</i>
<i>Aitchison, Ken &amp; Marlene</i>		<i>x</i>
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Christopher, Mike		x

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Your participation in this Saddle Up event supports the life-saving research and the treatment of patients like Lauren and Olan at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital®.

My personal goal is  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_



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Participants raising \$175 or more  
Cap + Sweatshirt + Backpack + T-shirt + Lapel Pin

### How To Participate

1. Complete the rider information section on the other side. Please PRINT.
2. Set a goal for yourself by picking the prizes you want and obtaining enough sponsors to earn them. Use additional forms if needed. Start today. For your safety, please do not go door-to-door to obtain sponsors.
3. Ask your family and friends to sponsor you. You can obtain sponsors from businesses in your town. The more sponsors you have, the better your chance of winning prizes and the greater the benefit to the children of St. Jude.
4. Ask sponsors if their employer has a Matching Gift Program. If so, have them complete their Matching Gift Form and return it to your coordinator with your donations.
5. Bring your completed Sponsor Forms to register for the event. If under 18, be sure your parent or guardian has signed the form.
6. Start collecting pledges immediately after the event.
7. Convert cash to check or money order made payable to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.
8. Turn in donations, Matching Gift Forms and Sponsor Forms to your coordinator.

### Safety Tips

1. Remember that the safety of all riders and horses is imperative to a successful ride.
2. Have riders check all equipment before starting.
3. Always wear a helmet while riding.



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ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

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