

TOP OF THE STATE UNIT – BCHC
Directors Meeting Agenda
Casa Ramos, Yreka
April 3, 2025
6:30 p.m.

Administrative:

- Establish Quorum/Flag Salute
- Members sign in sheet with miles
- Guest Speaker:
- Additional agenda items:
- Introduction of Guests:

Approve Minutes of March 6, 2025 Meeting:

Correspondence:

- On March 18, Michele received an email from Ian Nelson, Regional Representative for the PCTA, regarding some brushing/treading work that the PCTA had planned for the PCT out of the Grider Creek trailhead. Ian also asked if we could set up a time to meet in person to talk about overall work for the year. Meeting is planned for some time in April in Yreka (date and time TBD)
- On March 21, Michele heard from Ian Nelson again regarding the Grider Creek PCT work and that there were boulders blocking the road to the trailhead. Michele then spoke with Shelby Weister with the Klamath National Forest and learned that the Happy Camp district road crew cleared the boulders from the road. Michele reported this information back to Ian and his PCTA Regional Trail Stewardship Coordinator, Spencer Valenti.
- On March 26, Spencer Valenti reached out to Michele to let us know that the PCTA has some projects in the works for Northern California that he would love your assistance with. Spencer said he will be attending the BCHC Rendezvous this year and he will have more information by then that he can share. Michele agreed to meet up with Spencer at Rendezvous to chat more.

Treasurer Report: Caralee Scala:

Committee Reports:

- Education: Debbie Bacigalupi
- Membership: Jennifer Bull
- Newsletter: Michele Machado Woods
- Insurance: Michele Machado Woods
- Website: Kathryn Matthews
- Adopt-A-Highway: Michael Stapleton
- Public Lands: Michael Stapleton/Michael Journey
- Work Parties: Robert Robustellini
- Fish Plants: Don Menne
- Programs and Events: Debbie Bacigalupi
- Parades: VACANT
- Scholarships: Penny Wells-Thomas
- Trail rides: Michele Machado Woods and Laurie Robustellini
- Publicity/Social Media: Michele Machado Woods
- 2025 Rendezvous organizing committee: Michele Machado Woods and Robert Robustellini to report on plans in progress
 - Event packet is available on TOS website and on BCHC website. Do not mail after April 5. After April 5, email in information and pay at the event.
 - Michele finished the event program and sent it to the printer on March 27. Program is available to view on the BCHC website.
 - We have sold almost 200 tickets for both the Friday and Saturday night dinners.

- We have more than 40 people pre-registered for the Trail Obstacle Course competition
- We have plenty of spots still available for the Dutch Oven Cooking contest and the Adult Packing contest.
- Michele will be in touch with all TOS members who have volunteered to help with event at Rendezvous.
- We have at least 10 TOS members attending the Friday and Saturday night dinners. We also have several area Cowboy poets scheduled to perform, including Judy York, Deb Perdue, Bill Roberts, Peggy Goshgarian and Ned Nichols.

Unfinished Business:

- Board of Directors vacancy: We still have one opening to fill.
- First aid/CPR training? As of March 31, we have **nine** Unit RSVPs for the April 5 event.
- Raffle to raise funds to pay for BCHC North State packing intern for 2025 (Matt Alloway): We voted in March to move forward with printing 300 tickets for two prizes (\$10 per ticket). The \$3000 earned for these ticket sales would pay for the \$2000 for our Unit contribution for the intern, printing costs, etc. Michele was to find out about printing costs. Michele can also create a flyer and social media posts to promote the tickets. Prizes will be a \$500 gift card from Shasta Valley Chainsaw and a guided fly fishing trip (\$800 value) at a Northern California or Southern Oregon location/date agreed upon by the raffle winner and the fishing guide.
- Need to get new Committee chairperson for Parades. Still need to find a chairperson or decide if we want to continue to participate in parades. First parade would be Etna Rodeo parade on May 4.
- Penny Wells-Thomas is pursuing idea to schedule a rattlesnake avoidance event for dogs in 2025. Penny reported via email that we can get an event scheduled in July or August, just not during the fair. No additional update for this event.
- Unit member compensation for trail work in 2025: Discussion tabled at March Membership meeting until we hear if we receive a BCHA Chapter Support Grant, announced April 15.

New Business:

- We learned at the March 15 dinner that Dave Tyler can offer basic farrier lessons to members. Need to know interest so we can get this event (or events) on the schedule
- June BOD meeting is scheduled to fall on June 5. Need to discuss moving to May 29 in Yreka so we can discuss Carter Meadows work weekend details before the June 4-8 work event.

Announcements:

Next Meeting: May 1, Fort Jones City/Community Hall, 7 p.m. Optional dinner at Five Marys at 5:30 p.m.

Adjourn: