



JANUARY 2025 NEWS

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**Meeting Time: Saturday, January 18, 2025
6:00pm Potluck, 7:00pm general meeting**

Mission Statement - The purpose of Back Country Horsemen of Washington is to perpetuate the common sense use and enjoyment of horses in America's backcountry and wilderness. To work to ensure that public lands remain open to recreational stock use. To assist the various government and private agencies in their maintenance and management of said resource. 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. To foster and encourage the formation of new chapters in the state organization.

NORTHEAST BACKCOUNTRY HORSEMEN OF WASHINGTON (EVENTS 2025)

**NEBCHW Board meetings: JANUARY – Before General meeting
Sat Jan. 18 at 5pm.**

Future 2025 board meetings: 1st Thur. of each month, beginning in Feb. Location: Pizza Factory, Deer Park

NEBCHW GENERAL MEETINGS:

3rd Sat. of month Oct. – Feb.

3rd Tues. of month March – Sept.

WORK PARTIES/RIDES/EVENTS:

BCHW Board Meeting dates 2025: 3/14, 6/21, 9/2

2025

OFFICERS/CHAIRS

President

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Publicity chair/Special Events/-OPEN

Board Members at Large/- OPEN

Horsemanship/Natl Chair - OPEN

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Happy New Year,

I hope everyone's holidays were amazing. I'm happy to be back as your president this year. We are working and planning all sorts of fun things. Our board will be meeting prior to the general mtg to begin looking for opportunities to help with trail maintenance and planning fun rides. If you have any suggestions please feel free to send them to me. I'm hoping to have a very active chapter this year for both work parties and fun. We are looking for people to help with the planning, so let us hear from you. If you have a place that could host a ride we'd love to hear from you also. Join me and the rest of the board members on making 2025 the best year ever!

Next meeting is Jan 18 6pm for potluck with meeting to follow.

Hope to see you there.

Lynn Herrington
President

Commented [CC1]: Hi! I'm getting a count of everyone who reads the newsletter. Please reply to me that you have opened this. Thank you!



NEBCHW Chapter General Meeting Minutes Nov 16, 2024

Meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance by President Darrell Wallace who then introduced Scott Holstein, our speaker. The subject was tack cleaning and care in winter.

Lynn Herington made a motion to accept the previous minutes, it was seconded and passed.

Marty reminded members that renewing or signing up for membership starts now through December 31. She has calendars for sale for \$15.00.

Darrell had members who showed up to help at the Chipper event stand and then presented a check for \$859.09 that they earned!

The Christmas Dinner/Auction is Dec. 21 with RSVP due by Dec. 12. Marty is still requesting donations for the auction, please let her know if you have anything.

Carol Chodakauskas moved that we accept the uncontested positions on the ballot, it was seconded and passed. Ballots for President were then voted with the outcome being Lynn Herrington as President, Bud Blakely as Vice President, Marty Hilton-Treasurer, Waynette Hohman-Secretary, Doug Stewart-Director, Karl Crotty-Work Party Coordinator, Sheila Blakely-Tail Ride Coordinator.

Darrell reported that the Wine Ride went well. He then suggested that we continue our Land Navigation class before our General Meetings which was very well received. He will get back to us on times and dates.

A Cold Ride/Turkey Trot Potluck is scheduled for Saturday, Nov 30 at the Missile Site. Ride out at 10:00AM, with burgers and food served around noon. Breezy has agreed to cook the burgers provided by the chapter. Please RSVP to Sheila Blakely so you can have a burger! Marian Carson will have liability forms and New Membership forms at the ride.



**Northeast Gala/Annual Christmas
Fundraiser Dinner/Auction 12/21/24**



Always a great time
gathering with friends
and family!

If you haven't attended
our year end event, you
don't know what you are
missing...Please come!
AND with great
decorations, created by
team efforts!!



THE COLD RIDE SNAPSHOTS

Saturday after Thanksgiving 2024



Year end award went to Denny & Wanda Brown, always available to be at a work party! We love these folks!!



Recognize any of these members?



Re-cap of Leather Care by Scott Holstine 11/16/2024 NE BCH General Meeting

Storing leather: Make sure it has air moving over it to prevent mold. Temperature doesn't matter

Clean after rides: Wipe down undersides of fenders, latigos, breast collars, back cinches. Any leather that has sweat on it. Make sure to remove all pine needles or other debris. Pine needles and sweat are hard on leather.

Cleaning leather: Remove debris, clean with a mix of lukewarm water and Dawn or Ivory dish soap.

Foam it up using a circular motion. To rinse use a damp, clean rag (terry cloth is good) and wipe the soap and dirt off. Lightly oil the leather before it dries with 100% pure olive or Neatsfoot oil. Finish drying with rags. Condition when clean with Skidmore's conditioner, Use Brassos for cleaning brass but don't get it on the leather.

Smooth leather or pack saddles may use Boles Saddle Butter or Montana Pine Pitch and work it in with a hair dryer. DO NOT USE ON TOOLED LEATHER. Suede Saver is good for suede.

Mold: Use a product designed to kill mold, Bee Natural has a line of products for that. Make sure to kill the mold first.

Montana Pine Pitch is an anti-fungal

Use oil for squeaky saddle spots, not powder as it is too abrasive.

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BUSINESS ADVERTISING

(Business card ads: \$50/year)







**BACK COUNTRY HORSEMEN OF WASHINGTON
EVENT LIABILITY RELEASE**

Name of Event:	_____
Date of Event:	_____
Location of Event:	_____
Name of Property Owner/Managers:	_____
BCHW Representative/Title:	_____

Read this document carefully before signing! It affects your legal rights. It must be signed by participants in this Back-Country Horsemen activity.

Hazards and Risks: By signing below, I acknowledge that using horses, mules, equipment and tools may expose myself and/or my child, if I am signing for a minor child, to hazard. Horses or mules can misbehave or flee. Riding in open country could result in injury caused by dangerous or unstable riding surfaces, trail obstructions of various kinds, water crossings, wild animals, poisonous plants, extreme weather conditions, and other hazards. Other risks include errors of judgement by BCHW representatives assisting with this activity, or the misuse or failure of equipment and tools provided, if any. These hazards could result in property damage, serious physical injury, or death.

Additional Provisions: I authorize BCHW to provide or obtain for me medical care as is considered necessary or appropriate and I agree to pay all costs associated with such care and related transportation. I understand I may have to pay all costs and legal fees incurred by BCHW in defending a claim or suit brought by me or on my behalf, or on behalf of the minor for whom I sign.

Acknowledgements, Assumptions of Risk and Compensation: I understand the nature of the activities I will be participating in, and their risks. I accept full responsibility for determining my own medical and physical ability to participate in the activities, and that of my mount. I take full responsibility for any injury or loss, including death, which I may suffer, arising out of these activities, whether or not described above, including the loss, injury or death of my animals. **I hereby release BCHW, its members and the landowners from any liability for any such injury or loss to me and/or my minor child, if I am signing for a minor child, whether stated above or not.**

When Applicable: I affirm that I attended or will attend the **BCHW Tailgate Safety Briefing** and that the Job Hazard analysis and safety issues were discussed and understood.

Signature: _____ Printed: _____

Participant # 1

Date

Signature: _____ Printed: _____

Participant # 2

Date

Emergency contact Name: _____ Telephone number _____

Names of minor children: _____

If under 18, and not accompanied by a parent or guardian, must have a "Permission to Treat Statement".


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2025 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Come Join Us!

Go to BCHW.org and join or renew online. Our Membership year is Jan. 1 to Dec. 31st. Renewal season starts October 1st each year. If online is not an option, please fill out this paper application and sign, (all members 18 and over must sign) enclose your cash or check made out to BCHW. Mail to:

BCHW Membership Chair
11404 210th Ave Ct E
Bonney Lake, WA 98391



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Member Info

Check One: <input type="checkbox"/> New Member <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal <input type="checkbox"/> Secondary Chapter Application Only			
Adult's name(s):			
Children's name(s):			
Mailing Address:			
City:		ST:	Zip:
Phone number:		E-mail:	
Legislative district (if known):		County:	
BCHW Newsletters: Two Trailhead Newsletters will be mailed out per year, the other 4 are digital.			
All 6 newsletters are viewable online at BCHW.org Our Turnpike emailed newsletters go out 6 times a year.			
STATE MEMBERSHIP		CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP	
Basic Memberships Select only ONE level		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.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Single \$45.00			
<input type="checkbox"/> Family \$60.00		Chapter Name: Northeast	
Levels below include Single and Family			
<input type="checkbox"/> Contributing	\$75.00	If joining a secondary Chapter, provide the Chapter name where BCHW State dues were paid:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Sustaining	\$125.00		
<input type="checkbox"/> Patron	\$250.00	Chapter Dues \$10.00	
<input type="checkbox"/> Benefactor	\$500.00		
<input type="checkbox"/> Lifetime (Single)	\$1200.00	<i>Please consider making a Chapter donation:</i>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Lifetime (Family of 2)	\$2000.00		
		<i>Chapter Subtotal</i>	
<i>Please consider making a State donation:</i>		\$	
<i>State Subtotal</i>		\$	
Grand Total (State+Chapter)		\$	
NOTICES By signing this membership application, you will agree to the terms of our Liability Release. You can read it on our website at bchw.org, under the Join tab. You also agree to receive notices from BCHW/BCHA by electronic transmission at the above email address. Back Country Horsemen of Washington (BCHW) is a public charity as defined in Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c) (3). Accordingly, membership dues paid to BCHW may be treated as deductions characterized as "charitable contributions" when computing federal and state income tax obligations.		Signature: _____ Date _____ Signature: _____ Date _____ Signature: _____ Date _____	

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9/4/2024