



Trails & Tales Newsletter

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Nov. 10th, 6:30 pm

Meeting at 49ers Saddle Club

6601 Tammany Creek RD

Lewiston ID

Comin' round the Mountain

NOTICE!!

The November meeting will be at the 49ers Saddle Club at the same time, 6:30 pm. If you get there and the gate is locked, be patient, someone will be there to open the gate. The meeting will be inside, so social distancing and masks suggested.

November Pizza Meeting

It's here, our annual BCH November "Pizza Feast" Meeting, November 10, 6:30 P.M. We know who most of you are and I'm sure there are some of you who have guilty consciences and will show up with pizza. You only have to buy one pizza no matter how many times you were bucked off, fell off, lost your stock, etc. This is a real bonus for the ones of us who had a bad year!! We all will be waiting for the stories, excuses and reasons why you hit the dirt.

BCHI Raffle Calendars

We are counting on you again this year to pick up some to sell. Pamela Winalski will be in charge of the calendars and collection of the money. She will have some at the next meeting or you can call her at (509-330-0227) and make arrangements to pick some up. If every member would be responsible for buying or selling just 4 or 5 calendars, they would all be gone. Pamela is hopeful to have the sale concluded by our Christmas Meeting.

BCHI 2022 Calendar Photo Submittals

Back Country Horsemen of Idaho funds the state organization by collecting money raised by chapter dues and the sale of high quality raffle calendars. Calendar photos are submitted by BCH chapter members and a subset is selected for inclusion in the annual raffle calendar. Please participate and submit as many as you like. Please download and complete the [Calendar Photo Submission Form](#). More information is available at <https://bchi.org/news/> Scroll down on the page.

December Christmas Dinner/Party

At October's meeting the majority attending felt they would like to have a Christmas Dinner. Susie Paulson will have a date to present at the meeting. There have been several options as to how to do the meal and the cost that will be discussed at the November meeting.

2021 Officer Nominations

The nomination committee will present a list of nominees for next year's officers. If you are interested in holding an office or have any questions, please call Bob Hough (509-256-3338), Billie Havens (509-552-1691) or Pamela Winalski (509-330-0227) and let them know you are ready to help lead our chapter. The open positions are President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, State Director, and Alt. State Director.

Certified Feed Changes

'Weed free' certification now required for forage and mulch products

Missoula, Mont. – The USDA Forest Service's Northern Region has imposed new restrictions on the possession and use of forage and mulch products on National Forest System lands in order to help curb the spread of noxious weeds.

As of October 8, it is illegal to possess, store or transport straw, hay, grain, seed or other forage or mulch products on Forest Service lands without documentation that the product is certified as "weed free" by a state certification process that meets or exceeds the North American Weed Free Forage standards. The order remains in effect until August 31, 2022.

In addition, tags, twine or other weed free certification marking must be displayed and visible on all individual bales, containers, sacks, etc., as required by the product's state of origin.

The following persons are exempt from the prohibitions:

- Persons with a special use authorization or other Forest Service authorization that specifically exempts them from the restrictions.
- Any Federal, State or Local Law Enforcement Officer or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.
- Persons transporting forage or mulch products across restricted areas without unloading or using the products on National Forest System lands, roads or trails.

Violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months, or both.

More information about weed free certification standards can be found at <https://www.naisma.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/NAISMA-WFF-Minimum-Standards-Final4-16-20.pdf>.

The mission of the Forest Service is to sustain the health, diversity, and productivity of the nation's forests and grasslands to meet the needs of present and future generations. The agency manages 193 million acres of public land, provides assistance to state and private landowners, and maintains the largest forestry research organization in the world. The Northern Region includes nine National Forests and 1.2 million acres of National Grasslands in North and South Dakota. These public lands provide timber for people, forage for cattle and wildlife, habitat for fish, plants, and animals, and some of the best recreational opportunities in the country.

Certified Sawyer Extension

A new Interim Directive has been published extending expired Sawyer Qualifications until October 2021. This is due to the restrictions on training and travel because of the ongoing Covid pandemic.

Pete Duncan

National Saw Program Manager, Forest Service

Over the Hill

BCHI State Directors Meeting September 26

BCHA wants to have email and personal information for all our state members. The state chose not to give this information to BCHA. Only emails of our members will be sent to BCHA. Due to Covid, the Directors Meeting was held by a Conference Call.

GREAT AMERICAN OUTDOORS ACT: Money has been authorized to be spent in our forests and parks for the next 5 years. We should communicate with the Forest Service to let them know what project we would like considered.

Certified Weed Seed Free Forage is required in all national forests and state lands.

Washington State Suppliers

http://www.nwcb.wa.gov/nwcb_hay.htm

Idaho State Suppliers

<http://www.idahoweedawareness.net/netcenter/library/weedfreeforage.html>

Oregon State Suppliers

<http://www.oregon.gov/ODA/PLANT/WEEDS/weedfreeforageprogram.shtml>

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Calendar of Events 2020

TRBCH Chapter Pizza Meeting	Nov.10 6:30 pm	49ers Saddle Club 6601 Tammany Creek RD Lewiston ID
Christmas Dinner/Party	Dec.?	Location to be determined
BCHI State Directors Meeting & Convention	March 10,11, 2021	Nampa Civic Center Hosted by Treasure Valley BCH