# Back Country Horseman of California Shasta/Trinity Unit

March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023, Meeting Minutes Start Time: 1725 End Time: 1947

#### **Attendance**

• See Attendance Sheet

## **General Business**

- 1. January's minutes
  - o Laura, Sam and Paddy suggested several changes to February's minutes.
  - Some of the suggestions were as follows:
    - ✓ Acronyms were incorrect such as RAC not rack.
    - ✓ Kip & Audrey will be hosting pack clinic vs moving pack clinic.
    - ✓ Less spacing so as not to use as many sheets of paper.
  - o Deana will make said changes and email the updated minutes to Laura.
  - George made a motion to accept the minutes.
  - Mike seconded the motion.
  - Motion passes to accept the minutes.

## 2. Treasurer's Report

- o Audrey is not present to give report due to being home with sick kids.
- Sam needs to be reimbursed \$255.73 for the sign and plexiglass cover he will be making for said sign.
- o Paddy makes a motion to accept the cost of the sign.
- Derith seconded the motion.
- Motion passes.

#### **Old Business**

- 1. 501C3 Update
  - Shasta RAC
  - o Trinity RAC
  - Three grants in place.
  - o Middle of July should have the money for the intern.
  - Will not be able to have intern till next year.
  - Tools
    - ✓ About \$1,100.00 for tools
    - ✓ \$210.00 for under buckers.
      - Unit has 3 under buckers.
      - Forest Service has 8 under buckers.
      - √ 6 extended brush loopers
      - √ 4 shovels
      - √ 2 folding saws
      - ✓ PEE's
      - ✓ Mis. Tools
      - ✓ Storage bins
      - √ 50 decals (BCH)

- Paddy finished the Edd grant.
- o Derith will bring the saw to Dan to be refurbished.
  - ✓ May be 8' long.
- Larry will have a sign out sheet.
- \$3,000.00 for emergency first aid stuff.
  - ✓ Emergency contact equipment.
- o 2 RAC's in the process of going through in the amount of \$70,000.00.
  - ✓ Cindy McMurry with The Top of the State Unit
  - ✓ Fish and Game and Forest Service together
  - ✓ Caribous
  - ✓ Outhouse at Cone Lake
  - ✓ Pipe corrals not wood
- o 1,000 Lakes
  - ✓ Cannot plant trout because you have to leave things native (Wilderness Act)
- o Trailer
  - ✓ Belongs to the unit not 501C3.
  - ✓ Must stay with 501C4 because 501C3 must give to another 501C3.
  - ✓ Unit must put in for grant to the C3 (\$8,000.00) and unit (C4) would make up the difference.
  - ✓ Paddy stated that \$15,000.00 must go to the intern first, then the unit could save up for the trailer.
  - ✓ 10% of grants come back to the unit.
  - ✓ Discussion ensued about further trailer expenses:
    - Liability goes on vehicle towing trailer, not trailer.
    - Licensing for trailer
    - Insurance
    - Mis expenses
    - Sam may have pink slip.
  - ✓ Larry went on eBay and found a brand new 20' trailer in Texas for \$8,000.00.
    - Several board members volunteered to make the sacrifice and drive to
      Texas and pick up the trailer
  - ✓ Trailer tabled till next year.
  - ✓ George made a motion to apply for a grant from the C3 for the future trailer.
  - ✓ Larry amended the motion to put a maximum of \$8,000.00 on said grant.
  - ✓ Derith seconded the motion.
  - ✓ Motion passes.
- 2. Work Project Schedule
  - ✓ Volunteer hours
  - o Sam will send report on his hours for putting together the sign.
  - Date will be set in April for Calvary Chapel crew.
    - ✓ Approximately 15 people including adults.
    - ✓ Sunday through Thursday
    - ✓ Resupply Morris Meadows
    - ✓ 3 days' worth of work for the person doing the resupply.
  - O Up to date over \$30,000.00 worth of work
  - Laura will send form to Larry.
  - Must turn in hours for work done outside of meetings. (See Larry's forms)

- 3. BLM
- 4. Website/Newsletter
  - ✓ Albert gave his update.
  - ✓ Has template ready to go.
  - ✓ Paddy suggested no brown with orange writing because it was hard to read.
  - ✓ Everyone likes the newsletter and states it was the best in long time.
  - ✓ Looking for recipes.
  - ✓ Needs more info (a lot easier once season begins)
  - ✓ Board member bios so members know you.
  - ✓ New and old members in newsletter
  - ✓ Larry moves to pick people at this meeting.
    - Derith (longest member)
    - Deana (shortest member)
- 5. Rides
  - ✓ Paddy has broken the drought.
  - ✓ Jessica BLM Partnership Ride
    - Next fall
    - \$5,000.00 for gravel
    - October7th, 2023 general meeting partnership ride
    - ✓ April 2<sup>nd</sup> ,2023 Dye Creek Ride
    - ✓ Shingle Town (new Member) ride (maybe)
    - ✓ Laura's place
    - ✓ Prather Ranch
    - ✓ Work season till deer season
    - ✓ Paddy has new flyer for Dye Creek
      - Will send it to Larry to go on Facebook.
      - Free for members.
      - \$10.00 for non-members
- 6. Pack Clinic
  - ✓ Pack clinic will be on April 29<sup>th</sup>,2023.
  - ✓ Unit will send postcards for reminder.
- 7. Saw Classes
  - √ Chainsaw April 22<sup>nd</sup>,2023- April 23<sup>rd</sup>,2023
  - ✓ Crosscut April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023 April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023.
  - ✓ First Aid/CPR on March 21<sup>st</sup>,2023 or March 22<sup>nd</sup>,2023
    - Must attend first aid to attend saw class.
    - 3405 Denise Way, Cottonwood Ca
    - \$40.00 for class
  - ✓ Storage of saws
    - Larry's back room
- 8. Rendezvous
  - ✓ Laura will purchase local beer.
    - Audrey gave Safeway cards.
  - ✓ \$250.00 Laura will spend at local vender, then donate the item.
  - √ 4 cases of water were donated from Raley's.
- 9. Recruitment of new members
  - ✓ Handbook
    - Laura made a new handbook.

- Albert will scan on the computer.
- Laura will share file with Larry to put on computer.
- ✓ Letter to expired members.
  - Laura will send it out.
  - Some cute ideas were suggested.
    - Have you gone off the trail?
    - ❖ You see green pasture? Think of us!
    - George suggested sending out the schedule.
    - Paddy will proof the letters before they go out.
    - Larry has two cases of printer paper.
    - Paddy made up labels with return address.
    - Send out reminders to old members.
- ✓ Use our personal website to sign up or from our Facebook page.
- ✓ George mentorship
  - Mid Valley has found it helpful.
  - Sam & Larry are interested in mentorship.
  - Have a board member reach out to new member.
  - George volunteered to contact.
    - Can help with useful information such as:
      - Website
      - Contacts
      - o Schedule
  - ✓ Laura 101 ways to recruit new members.
  - ✓ Sam- need to get message out and get new generation involved.
  - ✓ Larry- Nor Cal Sports Show, 3 days of people showing up.
  - ✓ George- Salmon Festival
  - ✓ Paddy- organize and give people jobs.
  - ✓ Day In the Woods
    - First two days for kids
    - The third day is for adults.
    - Bring sign.
    - Gear more towards the adults (on the third Day)
    - Larry will send out the info when he gets it.
    - May  $2^{nd} 4^{th},2023$

## 10. Upcoming education

- ✓ Pack Clinic on May 6<sup>th</sup>,2023 at Sam's place.
  - BBQ
    - Hotdogs and hamburgers
    - Bring your own food.
    - Sam will provide BBQ.
  - No gravel bags needed.
  - Use sandbags.
  - Demonstrate moving gravel with regular parures.
  - Will also have lumber training.
  - Larry will make up a flyer.
- Larry was informed by Cindy that a bridge burnt in the wilderness area of Lassen Park.
  - Lumber will need to be packed in.

- ✓ Student Release Fish Planting Day
  - March 28<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Brandy Creek, Whiskey Town
  - Bring Iron Horses
  - Bring Sign
  - Laura will send an email.
- ✓ 4H Pack Clinic
  - March 25<sup>th</sup>,2023
  - Pack for camping trip
  - Build loads.
  - Larry will cook lunch.
  - Deana will attempt to get head count.
- ✓ You must get fingerprints and take a 2-hour test to work with youth.
  - Albert suggested maybe reimbursing people after they've vaulted an x-xnumber of hours.

#### **New Business**

- 1. Corrals at Hay Meadows report
  - ✓ Is worth our time and money.
  - ✓ Sam stated, "If we don't do it, who will?"
  - ✓ Youth can help get it cleared.
  - ✓ Crosscut must have certified personnel present, others can help.
  - √ 15-minute tailgate inspection.
- 2. Calvary Church Portuguese Camp
  - June 25<sup>th</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> 2023 need help move in and out.
  - (May interfere with regular re-supply.)
  - 6 kids
  - Gibson Meadows
    - Out Swift Creek Trail Head
    - Trinity Center
- 3. 4H Work Crew
  - √ 1,000 Lakes
    - Cut brush.
    - Trail rides later
    - Before and after pictures
- 4. Bigfoot Adventure Challenge Event (May 13<sup>th</sup>,2023)
  - ✓ Need booth.
  - ✓ May have ride.
  - ✓ Hand out aps to new members.
  - ✓ Same set up as Whiskey Town.
  - ✓ Swansea, CA (off HWY 299)
- 5. Paddy moves to arjun the meeting.
  - √ Next meeting April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023
  - ✓ Derith seconded the motion.
  - ✓ Motion passes.

Respectfully Submitted, Deana Drake Shasta Trinity Unit Secretary