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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE by Denise Howell

Howdy All,

What a beautiful end to May with a cool Memorial Weekend and a light rain. What could be better? Happy faces all around!

It's that time again to remind everyone that we are rounding up all our Horse Expo Volunteers. We appreciate everyone that has volunteered in the past and hope to recruit some new smiling faces again this year. The shifts are short and leave plenty of time for shopping! Call or email Maureen Henderson (663-9662) to pick a shift that works for you and get your discounted parking and entrance tickets.

While we're on the subject of volunteers...our horse shows are again sneaking up on us. October 12 and 13 may seem like a long way away, but in horse show time it's right around the corner. We need volunteers for everything; office workers, gate people, parking and set up. It's a lot of fun and the weather is usually beautiful. Additionally, remember that the kids count on us for this show, and we need all the help we can get. The kids look forward to the show all year, and they depend on volunteers for the support it takes to make these shows successful year after year. Help us help the kids!

Our Horse Show office at the arena was vandalized over Memorial Weekend. The drop-down doors were broken into and graffiti was painted on the outside of the building. The sheriff is on the case and there are a couple of leads. It seems there are 4 youngsters that attend a local school that are under suspicion. If you know anything please let us know. We will be using our own LBHA funds to repair the office and repaint.

Lastly but not least, Tevis Cup is coming up so move over when you can and be considerate to these fast moving horses in training.

Tally Whoa,

*Denise Howell
& Beethoven*



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TRAYLOR RANCH NATURE RESERVE

On May 25 we completed our third work-day of the year. The grass had grown up pretty well on the trails. Also, the blackberries have started to send out those nasty long canes that just love to grab those of us mowing as well as I'm sure anyone on horseback. I expect that by next month we will need more help on the berry trimming. So unless you like getting wacked by berry canes, please come on out and help.

The team this month consisted of Clelia Jocoy, Wes Babcock, Jennifer Wright, Linda Potter, Jerry Potter, Mary Westfall, Shawna Martinez and Dave Faoro.

The trails are in excellent shape. The park is looking awesome. Come on out and enjoy.

Our next work day as usual is the fourth Saturday of the month, which is Saturday June 22 from 8-12am. Please mark your calendar now. We will need help again on the weed-wackers as well as berry pruning.

If anyone has any questions on TRNR, please don't hesitate to drop me a note.

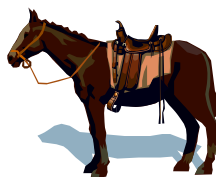
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Feeling down? Saddle up.

~Author Unknown



Minutes**Loomis Basin Horseman's Association Minutes May 15,2013**

Round Table Pizza Meeting Room

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM by President Denise Howell

There was no treasurer's report

Maureen Henderson reporter that volunteers are still needed for the LBHA booth at the Horse Expo. 3 Day Passes are \$15 with \$7 for a one day parking pass and \$20 for all 3 days.

Kathy Dombrowski reported that we need more sponsors and volunteers for our annual LBHA Horse show in October.

A reminder that Traylor Ranch will be having a work day this Saturday.

Bob Sydnor stated that the Tevis Trail from Deadwood Cemetery to El Dorado Bridge will be closed May 18,19,20 for maintenance. In addition, Auburn Folsom Road from Twin Rocks to Dick Cook will be undergoing major renovation for several months.

Mike Kohlbaker, President and Jerry Heiltzer from Back Country Horsemen of California gave a presentation. They stated the importance of BCHC lobbyists in Washington DC to support and save the back country for equestrian use, In addition they discussed the problems created by multi use trails, especially with regards to mountain bikes.

Several of their programs were presented including horse camping, packing into the back country and an upcoming Trail Ride and Wine Tasting event June 15, 2013. The group members also participate outdoor education, trail restoration and repair throughout the year.

They encouraged LBHA members to join their organization and assist them in their mission of saving the back country trails.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM

Nancy Steuck
Secretary



MEMBERSHIP

There are many of you that have DEC 12 expiration dates for your membership and a few that had memberships that expired JUN 12. Would love for all to renew so they can keep the club strong. The list of those that need to renew for Jun 12 and Dec 12 can be found at:

<http://www.garlic.com/~lbha/NeedToRenew.pdf>

Please Renew
Today!

This link is found on the main LBHA Page throughout the year. So if you are not sure, check out the list. There is also a list of those that did not renew in DEC 10. If you are not getting e-mails from LBHA, we may not have the correct e-mail or you are blocking LBHA. The Newsletter goes on line the first week of each month, so if you do not get a notice, just check the webpage and then get the correct e-mail to LBHA.

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(Non-Members add \$10 to below fees)

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½ page: 6mos \$30

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Business Card Ad/year: \$40/year includes card on Website

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Creekside Trail

Hidden Falls Regional Park, Placer County, 8 miles west of Auburn

by Robert H. Sydnor, *A.E.R.C. Trail Master and California Certified Engineering Geologist*

June 2013 Newsletter of Loomis Basin Horsemen's Association

Introduction:

On May 22, 2013 opening ceremonies were held on the new expansion for Hidden Falls Regional Park. The newly-constructed 23 miles of trails on 961 newly-acquired acres of the Spears Ranch (\$3.5 million) brings the total to **thirty miles of public trails** and **1,300 acres** of park land for Hidden Falls Regional Park. This is huge accomplishment will directly benefit equestrians who are conditioning for endurance rides (such as the Tevis Cup), or who want to train their horses for mountain trails.

Sustained credit belongs to Andy Fisher, Senior Planner for Placer County, who worked diligently for many years to achieve the complicated financing that was cobbled together from diverse sources (\approx state bonds, park acquisition funds, and open-space grants). This was a hard-fought battle through the Placer County Planning Commission and the Placer County Board of Supervisors. Loomis Basin Horsemen's Association testified and presented letters to support the expansion of Hidden Falls as a regional county park with multi-use trails. LBHA had broad support from sister equestrian groups.



Background on New Trails and New Bridges:

The overall trail system was designed by Senior Planner Andrew Fisher of Placer County. The overall improvements (new bridges, new trails, access road, brush clearing, eight foot-bridges, observation platform, gravel, rip-rap boulders, culverts, etc.) cost about \$4.6 million. Annual maintenance is about \$211,000 to operate Hidden Falls Regional Park. There is no charge to use the park.

Construction of the two large steel truss bridges across Coon Creek was by Wescon Construction of Newcastle (Keith Kenworthy, manager).

The looping trail system was constructed by Robert Dawson, Placer County Parks, with sustained assistance from Mark Porter.

The contractor for trail-construction was Donald R. Hays, a licensed professional trail builder from Tahoe City. For most of the new trails, a Bobcat tractor was operated by Douglas Hulett.

Eight footbridges were constructed by the California Conservation Corps.

A large amount of brushing and chipping of vegetation (manzanita, blue oak, bay laurel, California buckeye, poison oak vines) was accomplished by prisoner work-crews from the Washington Ridge CDF Conservation Camp on Highway 20. These are convicted felons (initially from Susanville State Prison), who have committed non-violent felonies, and who are now in an "upward transition" back into society. We appreciate their difficult work in the burning hot sun on steep terrain.

Two Large Steel Truss Bridges

For access across the rock gorge of Coon Creek, it was necessary to construct two large steel-truss bridges at a cost of \$1.48 million. Horses and hikers cannot cross Coon Creek in this region, and the new park ranchland occurs on both sides of the incised creek. Canyon View Bridge is 102 feet long and rated at 18-ton capacity, while Salmon Run Bridge is 118 feet long and rated at 36-tons.



Extensive Trail System = 27 Trails

On the south side of Coon Creek there are 13 named trails, and the north side has 14 trails, for a total of **27 named trails**. Most of them are looping trails and interconnected, which is ideal for equestrians. This report is about Creekside Trail which is linear and connected with the North Legacy Way, a full-width graveled access road that is used for park maintenance vehicles.

There will be subsequent trail reports on more than a dozen other trails that vary from Easy (11 trails), Moderate (12 trails), to Difficult (4 trails).

Creekside Trail, 2.4 miles long; rating = “moderate”

The segment between the two large bridges is covered by Creekside Trail along the north side of Coon Creek. It is parallel to the rocky gorge of Coon Creek, with access for horse water at only two locations (west end at Salmon Run Bridge, and the central area).



Map of Creekside Trail
 (about 2.4 miles long, shown in green)
 along the north side of Coon Creek
 Hidden Falls Regional Park,
 Placer County

This map is only for Creekside Trail, one of a dozen of new trails within Hidden Falls Regional Park. For the complete detailed trail map, go to:
<http://www.placer.ca.gov/departments/facility/parks/hiddenfalls>

Graveled Road from Parking Lot and Equestrian Assembly Area



Switchback on Creekside Trail
 Hidden Falls Regional Park, Placer County

There are only two switchbacks along the Creekside Trail, and both are on the eastern end along the steep descent from the graveled road (North Legacy Way).



Steep
side
slope
down
to
Coon
Creek

**Creekside Trail,
Hidden Falls
Regional Park**



These are Copper Hill Volcanics of the Jurassic Period. These blue-gray metavolcanic rocks have been sheared along the nearby Bear Mountains Fault Zone (\approx one mile northeast) so that foliation planes are well-developed with a strike azimuth of $N\pm 30^\circ W$, and near-vertical dip $\pm 80^\circ SW$. During 2012 trail construction, these flat boulders were cleverly used by Donald R. Hays, licensed professional trail builder, to strengthen the outside shoulder of Creekside Trail.



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_____ Newsletter	_____ Traylor Ranch	_____ Endurance
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_____ Work Days	_____	_____ Roping/Cutting
		_____ Other _____

I would like to contribute _____ to the Equestrian Fund or _____ to the Traylor Ranch Fund. Contributions to either Fund are Tax Deductible and will be used for construction and maintenance of the Arena at the Loomis Basin Community Park, and for Maintenance of Basin Trails OR for Maintenance and upkeep of the Traylor Ranch Nature Reserve.

TRAILER PARKING KEYS: Keys are available to members at \$.00 and \$10 to non-LBHA members. Check here if you need a Key _____

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LOOMIS BASIN HORSEMEN'S ASSOCIATION

RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

The Undersigned assumes the unavoidable risks inherent in all horse-related activities, including but not limited to bodily injury and physical harm to horse, rider and spectator. The Undersigned acknowledges that horse-related activities are dangerous and that horses themselves have unpredictable temperaments which can sometimes cause injury. The Undersigned acknowledges that even the most experienced horse event sponsor, participant or horse owner cannot predict how each individual horse will react in a variety of situations and cannot guarantee my safety. THEREFORE, BY SIGNING BELOW, I KNOWINGLY ASSUME THE UNAVOIDABLE RISKS INHERENT IN ALL HORSE-RELATED ACTIVITIES, WHETHER KNOWN OR UNKNOWN, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO BODILY INJURY AND PHYSICAL HARM TO HORSE, RIDER AND SPECTATOR, AND AGREE TO THE FOLLOWING ON BEHALF OF MYSELF AND MY SPOUSE, IF ANY:

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2. I also EXPRESSLY WAIVE any rights I may have under California Civil Code §1542, which states: "A general release does not extend to claims which the creditor does not know or suspect to exist in his favor at the time of executing the release, which if known by him must have materially affected his settlement with the debtor."

5. I agree that I will DEFEND, INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS Releasees against all claims, demands, and causes of action, including court costs and actual attorney's fees, arising from any proceeding or lawsuit brought against them due to any act done by me, or brought by me or for my benefit.

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Next Meeting.

JUNE LBHA MEETING - JUNE 19- Traylor Ranch. 6:30 pm. Traylor Ranch Nature Walk with tour guide Dave Faoro.

JULY LBHA MEETING - JULY 17-Free Ride at the Arena 6:00 pm

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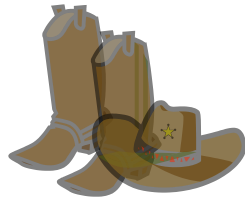
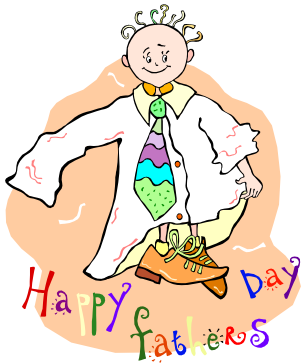


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Happy Father's Day!



From the Loomis Basin Horsemen's Association

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