



EAST SLOPE BACK COUNTRY HORSEMEN

30 YEARS

TRAIL TAILS

DEC/JAN. 2010

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Bob Hermance

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Ronald Ries

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Fred Fitzpatrick

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Merlyn Huso (08-10)

Alt. State Director:

Connie Manning (09-10)

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[www.bchmt.org/esbch/
default.html](http://www.bchmt.org/esbch/default.html)

MONTANA BCH WEB

SITE: www.bchmt.org

President's Letter

January 2010 Presidents letter:

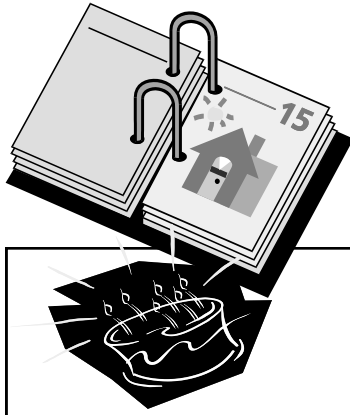
New Years greetings to all. Le Ann and I hope everyone had a safe and happy new year. We are looking forward to the annual meeting on the 9th of January, starting at 5 pm. We will be having the dinner at the Frontier Inn in Dunkirk and they serve a really good meal. Don't forget to bring your Chinese gift exchange items. Election of officers will also be held at the meeting.

Well members 2010 is here. I hope your 2009 was a successful year for you. The last time I talked to you, we were in the middle of hunting season. I had the opportunity to hunt the month of November. Ron and I did look hard for the big bull and managed to get one on Thanksgiving. Not a big one, but it was a 5 point bull.

Looking forward to the year, we will be scheduling projects and fun rides at the upcoming directors meetings. If you have been in the mountains and would like to see us take on a project that needs maintenance or repair work, please bring it to our attention. Also, for the regular club meetings we hope to have informative and informational speakers. If you know of anybody you would like to have, please let one of the board members know.

I am looking forward to a great year in the mountains and hopefully the weather will cooperate. See you at the annual meeting.

Bob



HAPPY BIRTHDAYS DEC/JAN

Bonnie Gregory, LeAnn Hermance,
Linda Huso, Sandy Himmel, Joe Suta,
Zane Drishinski, Cody Smith, Dale Sand,
Shirley Brogger and Drew Drishinski

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY
TO ALL**

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Jan 9: Annual Dinner & Chapter Elections
5:00 P.M. at the Frontier Inn at
Dunkirk (Dunkirk is just a few miles
east of Shelby).

March 19-21: 2010 BCH State Convention
Bozeman at the Holiday Inn

Officers and Directors going out for 2010

The nominating committee for this upcoming year's chapter election is?

Bob Facklam- Phone: 466-2338

Dick Kinyon-Phone: 278-5288

Debbie Ries- Phone: 278-3727

This is a list of the officers and directors that will be going out this coming year, if you are interested in running for one of these positions please contact one of the persons on the nominating committee.

President:

Bob Hermance

Vice President:

Ronald Ries

Secretary-Treasurer:

R. Fred Fitzpatrick

State Directors:

Merlyn Huso

Alternate State Director:

Connie Manning

Chapter Directors:

Don Cleveland

Gary Manning

Steve Hutton

We will need nominations for President, Vice President, and Secretary/Treasurer, State Director, Alternate State Director and 3 chapter directors.

2010 BCHM State Convention Photo Contest

The categories are:

Critters in the back country—wildlife, mules, dogs, etc.

Views of the Big Sky—scenery

Folks in the back country

Back Country Horsemen at work—this can be people working, animals packing, completed projects etc.

Panoramic—new this year (these may only be 5" high x your choice long. They may be spliced manually or via computer. Have fun.)

Photos entered must be by BCH members only. For More Information Visit: www.bchmt.org

ESBCH NOTICES

Chili Feed (Proposed)

Would our membership like to have a Regular Meeting and Chili Feed possibly sometime in February, we have a couple of speakers that would very much like to make their presentations to our chapter. If this is something that you would like to see happen please let one of the following persons know. Thanks Fred, ESBCH Secretary

Bob Hermance at 278- 5378; E-mail; herrmance@dishmail.com

Connie Manning at 453-8010; E-mail; candgmanning@msn.com

Fred Fitzpatrick at 279-3232; E-mail; richfitz@3rivers.net

Annual Dinner

The chapter's annual dinner and elections will be held on January 9, 2010 at 5:00 P.M. at the Frontier Inn at Dunkirk (Dunkirk is just 10 miles east of Shelby). We will have cocktails and a short meeting with our annual elections of officers and directors for the upcoming year before dinner. So please come out and enjoy yourselves and help support your chapter with the election of officers and directors. The food is always very good at the Frontier Inn.

We will be having our Christmas Gift Exchange at the Annual Dinner. If you would like to participate in the Chinese gift exchange (which is always the highlight of the party) please bring a wrapped gift (value around \$10.00) marked either for a man or women, if it doesn't matter it can be marked either.

Hope to see you there

2010 MONTANA STATE BACK COUNTRY HORSEMEN CONVENTION

The convention will be hosted at the Holiday Inn, 5 Baxter Lane, Bozeman, MT. <http://hibozeman.com/> 1-800-366-5101 or 406-587-4561. Convention rate discounts will be offered through March 5, 2010.

Contact information may also be found on the enclosed brochure. Or online at; www.bchmt.org

Back Country Horsemen of Montana 2010 Convention Agenda Friday March 19, 2010

12:00pm Nominating Committee
1:00pm State Board Pre-Convention Meeting
1:00-9:00pm Convention Registration
Raffle Ticket Sales

Photo Contest Registration
Chapter Displays

Vendor Table Setup
7:00pm No-Host Cocktail—Dry Fly Saloon

Saturday March 20, 2010

7:00am Convention Registration
Raffle Ticket Sales
Photo Contest Registration
8:00am Presentation of Flag
Invocation
9:00am General Session Begins
10:00am Morning Break (PLEASE visit the Vendors)

10:30am General Session Continues
12:00pm Luncheon (Ticket Required)
1:00-2:00pm General Session/Presentation

2:15-5:00pm Workshops
6:00pm No Host Cocktails
6:30pm Banquet Buffet (Ticket Required)
Raffle Drawings

Silent & Live Auctions
9:00pm *SPECIAL ENTERTAINMENT ~ Montana Rose*

Sunday March 21, 2010

6:30am Cowboy Church service
7:30am No Host Presidents' Breakfast
7:30am Breakfast (Ticket Required)
8:30am General Session

10:00-10:30 Break
12:00pm General Session Adjourns
Chapter and Vendor Display removal
12:15pm State Board Post-Convention Meeting

OH, HOW I WISH IT WAS SUMMER AND RIDING SEASON, ALREADY

