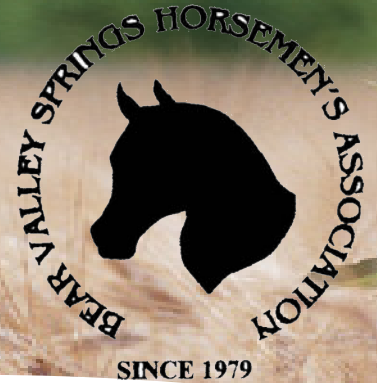


Bear Valley Springs
Horsemen's Association
Newsletter



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Next Meeting

Tuesday, Feb 20, 2018

6:30 Mexican Themed Potluck

7:00 Business Meeting

Equestrian Center Lounge

News & Articles

Deadline, February 24th

Send news & articles to
Pam Miller at
pambvsprings@gmail.com
or call at 661-203-5725.

Kim Cohagan, President

President's Message

As your new President, I have become very aware of all the planning, organizing and ground work that is necessary to run our club for the year. The Board Members have met several times to put together the framework of our 2018 Events Calendar and the Monthly Ride Schedule. I am reaching out to you, the membership, in hopes that we can count on you to participate and volunteer to assist in making 2018 an exciting, memorable and fun filled year. If you would like to volunteer in any capacity (i.e., dessert committee, assisting with meeting set-up, volunteering to help at an event, suggesting meeting speakers, etc.) please let me hear from you. My hope is to have our membership working hand-in-hand with the Board to make 2018 a tremendously positive and successful year. This is your club. The Board and I are counting on your support!



Mexican Themed Potluck

Our next meeting on Tuesday, February 20, will feature a Mexican Themed Pot Luck. Bring your favorite Mexican dish.

The Pot Luck will begin at 6:30pm followed by our regular meeting at 7:00pm. The club will provide plates, utensils, Margaritas, water, soft drinks and coffee.

If you are bringing a dish, please arrive a little early to set it up. We hope to see you all there!

(If you would like to assist in the set-up of chairs and tables come a bit early to help.)

Red Rock Ride Report



On Thursday, January 12th, five riders: Carol Hellyer, Gabby Roth, Kathy Underwood, Susan Mustaffa and I, met at the Red Rock parking area and rode out at 10:30 AM. The skies were clear and a gentle breeze kept the sunny day very comfortable.



Carol led the way up Nightmare Gulch as far as we could ride before encountering a large boulder on the trail and we had to turn back. Even with the turn back it was fascinating to see the geologic features and sculpted cliff face of the canyon.



Many of the boulders that have come down over time from the walls of the canyon expose beautifully colored surface minerals. We encountered several hikers also enjoying the beautiful day and surroundings.



Sack lunches in the shade of the trailers wrapped up a very pleasant day.

Directory Cover Photo Contest Winner

Many thanks to all the members who participated in the photo contest for the cover of the 2018 BVSHA Directory. Selecting a winner from the many submissions was not easy! After much discussion and deliberation the board selected a photograph submitted by Sandy Williams. Congratulations Sandy!



BVSHA 2018 Calendar of Events

May 26 – Clinic for Arena Trail Challenge
Instructor, Linda Bryant

June 9 – Clinic for Arena Trail Challenge
Instructor, Linda Bryant

June 3 – Equestrian Center Open House

June 23 – Arena Trail Challenge Event

September 9 – Play Day Challenge

October 13 – Trail Trial

(Watch your email and future Newsletters for event specific details.)

BVSHA 2018 Monthly Meeting Schedule

Mark your calendars:

Meetings are held at the Equestrian Center Lounge, on the 3rd Tuesday of the month.

February 20 – Mexican Theme Pot Luck.

March 20

April 17

May 15

June 19

July 17

August 21

September 18

October 16 – Nominating committee for officer positions appointed.

November 20 – Annual Election of officers.

December 15 – Christmas Party at the Oaks Country Club – 2019 officers installed.



Joan Howard, 2nd Vice President

Ride Schedule

The following ride schedule for 2018 is a proposed schedule and subject to change, however, I will make every effort to keep to the schedule so you can make your plans to participate. Ride details will be announced at meetings prior to the ride, via email and newsletter, contact information for the ride leader will also be available.

February 10th, Saturday - Cool Drinks Ride; equestrian center to my house and back. Flat valley ride, approximately 1 hour each way.

February 22nd, Thursday - El Paso Mountain Wilderness Area (Red Rock).

March 24th, Saturday - Hart Loop/Chili ride.

April 21st, Saturday - Poker ride, Foothill Trail.

May 19th, Saturday - Wildflower ride, Cummings Valley Trail.

June 16th, Saturday - Progressive Dinner ride, Valley Floor Trail to 3 destinations.

July 21st, Saturday - High Country Loop trails.

August 25th, Saturday - Sycamore Canyon Trail.

September 22nd, Saturday - Wine ride via Cummings Valley Trail.

October - TBA

November - TBA

December - TBA

In addition to the regularly scheduled rides I would like to suggest "Friend Rides" the 2nd Tuesday and 4th Thursday of the month. These are not BVSHA sponsored rides but just an opportunity for friends to ride together on an informal basis. Whoever shows up is welcome and whoever wants to lead may do so, the only requirement is a current (2018) signed liability waiver for the equestrian center.

If anyone has comments or suggestions please contact me. bvshoward@hotmail.com



Spotlight on our new 2018 Members

Welcome one and all!

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Kathy Underwood, Treasurer

Treasurer's Report

Year to Date January 31, 2018	
2017 Ending Balance	\$7,181.60
2018 Income/Expense in 2017 Ending Balance	(\$1,615.00)
2018 Beginning Balance	\$5,566.60
General Income/Expenses	
Membership 2018	\$1,775.00
Ads 2018	\$775.00
Christmas Dinner 2018 - Deposit	(\$100.00)
Meeting Food, Drinks & Supplies	(\$173.66)
PO Box Expense	(\$135.00)
Total General Income/Expenses	\$2,141.34
Checking Account Balance January 31, 2018	\$7,707.94
Bank Balance in Checking	\$7,807.94
Outstanding Checks	(\$100.00)
Balance in Checking Account	\$7,707.94
Total Savings Account	\$17,530.81
Total Checking Account	\$7,707.94
Total Funds	\$25,238.75

Save the Date: February 24, 2018

Saturday, February 24th will be a trash pick up for the newly formed BVS Litter Loathers. We will meet at the gate at 9 a.m. The route is BV Road from the gate to the school. Left on CV Road to 202. Please bring your litter pick up supplies. I will provide trash bags. Keep BVS beautiful! See you then. Call 821-1904 with questions or email me at rudd.betts@gmail.com.
Laurie Rude Betts

General Meeting Minutes of Jan 16, 2018

Note: 6:30pm start time for socializing with members, Margaritas, chips and dip were served

A. Call to Order (7:00PM)

B. Flag Salute

C. Approvals:

1. Agenda and Financial Report – approved by Kathy Carey and 2nd by Judy Walsh
2. Minutes – (No meeting in December)

D. Reports

1. **EAC** – 1st meeting of the year is February 5 - no report.
2. **Secretary** – Susan Mustaffa – January 12 Red Rock ride had 5 riders.
3. **Treasurer** – Kathy Underwood.
4. **1st VP** – Peggy Bergman Smith – Discussed having events for all levels of riders. Romelle Kemp will organize and manage Trail Trial.
5. **2nd VP** – Joan Howard – absent from meeting.

6. **Trail Crew** – Oak Canyon Trail. New by-pass trail completed after 1st water crossing as you enter into Oak Canyon from Equestrian Center. Bob Howard negotiating with property owner over trail in front of Fire Station.

E. New Business

1. **February Ride(s)** - February 10th. Joan hosting Hot Toddy Ride, in the saddle at 10:30, ride from Equestrian Center to her house for refreshments. Lots of room to tie horses. RSVP to Joan by February 8th.
2. **February Friends Ride** – February 22. Joan leading ride in the Red Rock area.
3. **Upcoming meeting** – February meeting on the 20th will be a Mexican food themed Pot Luck. Club will provide margaritas.
4. New members Jeff and Cindy Irvin were introduced.

F. Continuing Business

1. Pony Club will be running the Mule Show.
2. Reminder to stay off wet trails.

G. Adjourn

7:00 p.m. Next meeting, February 20.

Save the Date: April 7, 2018

The semi-annual trash pick-up, sponsored by the Horsemen's Association, will take place Saturday, April 7th. (rain date April 14th.) Meet at the Equestrian Center at 9:00. Remember your gloves, hats, water, and bring along a picker-upper if you have one. Bags will be provided & we have some picker uppers available. We will gather for lunch afterwards at the Mulligan Room. Free drinks and discounted lunch for trash day participants. Mark your calendars, hope to see you there! Any questions contact Kathy Underwood 821-0122 or Joan Howard 821-1577.

