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Next Meeting Monday, May 20th - DATE CHANGE!

Potluck - Bring your favorite appetizer, main dish, or salad. Dinner at 6:30.

Margaritas will be served!



President's Message

We're going into the time of year that makes putting up with winter worth it: spring and summer!

We've already had a number of rides: one to Triassic and a progressive dinner ride for Cinco de Mayo. Both were well-attended and great fun.

As I write this, the forecast is for rain and thunderstorms Thursday, Friday and Saturday. I'm actually hoping it rains so I can disc and sow some pasture grass seed. A nice rain should help prolong our wildflower display and get my grass off to a good start..

A lot of our members have said they would like to come to our meetings, but they also want to stay involved and attend the Association meeting that is on the same Tuesday. The board has decided to change our meeting night to the third Monday, starting with May 20. I know that I would like to go to our meetings to stay current with what's happening here in our valley and I've heard from many members that they would also.

Sadly, our 2nd VP, Kathy Burns has resigned due to horse issues. Since she cannot physically lead the rides, she has decided to hand the reins over to Joan Howard. Welcome back, Joan and thank you Kathy for your hard work.

Our May 20 meeting will be a potluck and we will be serving Margaritas for a late Cinco de Mayo celebration.

~Peggy Bergman-Smith

BVSHA Treasurer's Report
 Year to Date April 30, 2019

2019 Beginning Balance	\$4,044.95
General Income/Expenses - 2019	
Membership Income	\$2,125.00
Ad Income	\$825.00
Misc. Income	\$65.00
Directories	(\$400.00)
Bear Tracks Ad	(\$207.00)
Equestrian Center mailbox with logo	(\$110.79)
Newsletter	(\$300.00)
PO Box	(\$135.00)
Website	(\$129.90)
Total General Income/Expenses - 2019	<u>\$1,732.31</u>
Checking Account Balance April 30, 2019	<u><u>\$5,777.26</u></u>
Bank Balance in Checking	\$5,777.26
Outstanding Checks	\$0.00
Balance in Checking Account	<u><u>\$5,777.26</u></u>
Total Savings Account	\$17,552.68
Total Checking Account	\$5,777.26
Total Funds	<u><u>\$23,329.94</u></u>



Joan with her 6th place Open Division Ribbon
 From the ETI Corral 138 Trail Trails!



April Meeting Minutes

Bear Valley Springs Horsemen's Association
General Meeting
April 16, 2019
Equestrian Center Lounge



Call to Order 6:30 PM

Welcome new members: Sheila Emery, Helga Thordarson and Patrick McGriff.

Approvals: Agenda and Financial Report – approved. Minutes, approved.

Reports: Kathy Carey provided an update on the recent EAC meeting. She reminded everyone to let the Whiting Center know if you see mountain bikers on the horse trails. The new portion of the San Juan trail (on the northside of Bear Valley Rd.) is complete and is located west of the old portion of the trail. Please be aware of this new trail. Kathy reported the crosswalk in the area will be moved to coincide with this new trail. It was also discussed the increase in Pigeon Fever cases, and we were reminded to keep our corrals clear of manure as much as possible. Also discussed was the proposal from AT & T to place 5 cell towers throughout Bear Valley. There is a petition going around you can sign if you are against this proposal. Peggy reminded everyone to be aware of where you are riding and stay on our designated horse trails.

New Business: Everyone was reminded of the upcoming May 5th ride, a “Progressive Supper” Ride. Our 2019 Member’s Directory was available at the April meeting and those members not present, will get theirs in the mail. The directories will also be available at future meetings. We will continue to have our Friend’s Rides, the first and third Fridays of the month, the next one scheduled for May 17th.

The meeting was followed by a slide show and presentation by Jon Hammond of our local wild flowers. As usual, Jon was a fascinating speaker and the audience obviously enjoyed his extensive knowledge of all things Tehachapi. He warned everyone about the plant “Fiddleneck” which is abundant this year in Tehachapi, which can be toxic to horses as it accumulates in their system.

Our May 21st Meeting will be a “pot luck” at the Equestrian Center. We are trying to get Elise Rubin, BVS resident and vet, set up for our June meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Susan Mustaffa, Secretary



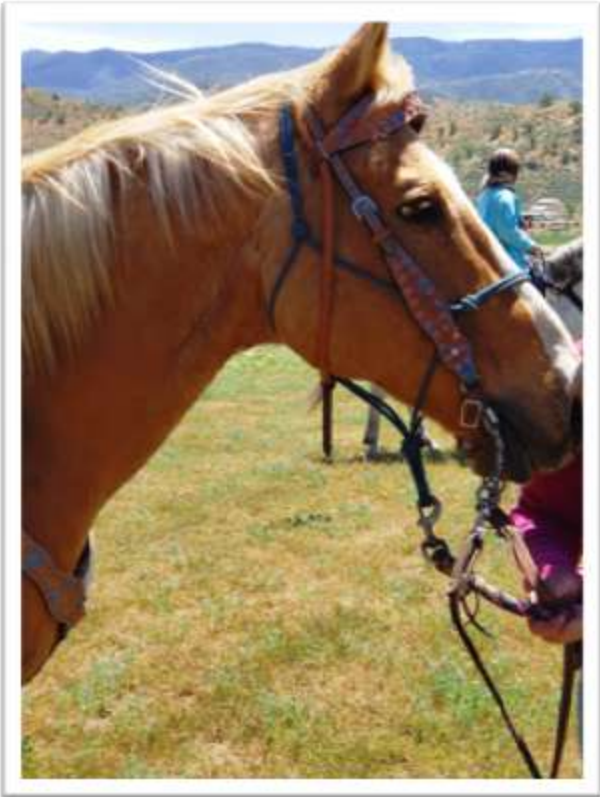
April-May 2019 Ride Report

We rode through the wildflowers to have wine and pizza at Triassic Vineyard. There were 10 riders and 5 non-riders who joined us for pizza from Moessner's and great Triassic wine. Jim Arnold, owner of Triassic, as usual was a gracious host to riders and non-riders alike. Lots of room for trailer parking and two large hitching rails and a water trough.

Ride Photos

Wildflower-Triassic Ride – April 22nd







Cinco de Mayo Ride

Kathy Burns organized a great ride with appetizers at Joan & Bob Howard's, dinner at the Meyers and dessert back at Kathy's home.



2019 RIDE SCHEDULE

Due to the change in 2nd VPs (Joan is taking over Kathy Burns' duties), Joan will be publishing an updated ride schedule in our June newsletter. She did want to remind our members that anyone can have a "friends ride". If you want to ride and would like company, email our secretary, Susan Mustaffa at smustaff@outlook.com. She will put your information out to our membership.

We are having our Turkey Trail Trials October or November. Stay tuned for details!

Watch your email for newly planned rides. The best riding season is just starting!

