

The Shoshone Rider

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From the President, Kandy Christian...

SBCH

I will be heading to the State Meeting in Casper this weekend. I would like to say thanks for all the help that I received to get there. I will have an updated report in January's newsletter from the State meeting, so be sure to read the first issue of 2024. Barry and I will be presenting the three SBCH members for the Dennis Daley Award this year, so cross your fingers that they will be voted for.

What a wonderful time we had at our Member Appreciation Dinner. A lot of delicious food was served and enjoyed by everyone. Thank you for the contributions. Howard and Ann did another great job as the speakers. A big thank you to them both from all of us! And yes, Carter did a wonderful job at picking the names, thank you!

We will not have a monthly meeting in November. We decided to let everyone enjoy their families during the Thanksgiving season. If anyone needs somewhere to eat or just company, please feel free to come over to my house. Not sure what is being cooked yet, but I am sure we will have a lot to eat with my three young grand babies to cook for. Give me a call.

I can't believe Christmas is coming up so quickly!! It just seems like yesterday we were enjoying the beautiful Wyoming summer months. I want to do something different for January's newsletter. I need everyone to send me a picture of the pony that you used this year for trail clearing. I am going to post them in January's newsletter. Now remember it's Christmas season so don't forget to dress them up, put a Santa's hat on them, or just a picture of them playing in the snow. They are a big part of what we do, so let's finally show them off from this year to start off the next year 2024!!

May everyone have a meaningful and blessed Thanksgiving and Christmas season,

Kandy Christian

President Shoshone Back Country Horsemen



Secretary's report by Bre Fagan ...

The October 2023 meeting of SBCH was called to order by President Kandy Christian at 6:35 PM after a great potluck dinner.

Guest Speaker: A'naka Smith, the Forest Service Trails Coordinator and Veronica, the Forest Service Trails Foreman, gave a slide show presentation of some of the work their crews did over the summer. Some of the work they did included maintaining 432 miles of trails, clearing 2,847 trees/logs, installing 87 retaining logs, 20 feet of rock retaining wall, 36 water bars, 137 check steps and 10 miles of tread work.

New Members: Robert Weldin and Sharon Wimberg

September Minutes correction: Correction on titles for Paul Rau (Forest Recreation Planner) and Mike LaFrentz (Forest Staff Officer). Also 95% of the fees collected at campgrounds are returned to the Forest Service and placed in a separate account for use to maintain and improve campgrounds on the Forest. Debbie Black made a motion to approve the amended minutes. MSP

Treasurer's report: Judy Blymyer made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report as written. MSP. Linda requested the following bills be paid; Kathi G., newsletter printing, and EOY party supplies, \$51.21. Howard Sanders, drill, drill bit set, EOY member banquet & door prizes, \$958.89; Cathy Ringler Fun Ride lunch and EOY member banquet ham, \$128.26. Cindy Giessler made a motion we pay the bills. MSP

Committee Reports:

Watch dog: N/A

Activities: Cathy Ringler said they had a great turn out at the fun ride with 14 members showing up to ride and 4 more for the chili feed.

Service: Howard turned in the year end numbers to the State BCH so they can turn them into the national organization. He appreciated all the help from the members and staying safe. The Clarks Fork project was complemented on by Howard's cousin.

Education: N/A

Publicity/Newsletter: N/A

Social Media/Photo Gallery: Randi requested more pictures.

Recruitment and Retention: N/A

Old Business:

The Dennis Daily award is ready to be submitted. The SBCH letter to the Forest Service about our stance on the fee increase is ready to go, it just needs to be sent.

Our EOY Membership Banquet will be Oct. 28, at the fairgrounds in Powell. Howard and Kandy will be bringing their Traegers to cook the meat. Kandy gave a short explanation of how the gift exchange works and asked that no alcohol be a gift, as there will be minors there. If you want alcohol, bring it for yourself and drink it at your table.

New Business:

Kandy brought up the opportunity to apply for grants from Wal-Mart and asked if the Club would be interested. No formal motion, but a show of hands showed all in favor of applying.

There was discussion of setting up a Bill Brazelton memorial bench or something at Battle Park; Kathi G. made a motion to do some sort of memorial for Bill Brazelton at Battle Park. MSP. There was also talk of setting up a fund for Bill's memorial.

Frank Fagan built a coffee table and asked for approval to raffle it off, with all proceeds to be donated to the Dano Youth Camps. There will be 250 tickets for \$10 each. No one is obligated to sell tickets, but if you want to help, contact Frank or Bre. When all the tickets are sold, we will draw for a winner. Howard made a motion to go ahead with the raffle. MSP.

Howard made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:23 pm. MSP

MSP = Motion Seconded and Passed



VETERANS DAY

**HONORING ALL
WHO SERVED**

**Thank You
for your Service!**

Take time this Veterans Day to give thanks
to and for the people who served and fought
for the freedoms and things we have.



"Those who value freedom the least are those
who received it without cost." ~ Unknown

Treasurer's Report
by **Linda Putney**

Shoshone Back Country Horsemen
Reconciliation Detail
for Period 10/01/2023 – 10/31/2023
--- For November 2023 Newsletter ---

Type	Cleared #	Name	Memo	Amount	Balance
<u>First Bank of Wyoming accounts</u>					
CHECKING ACCOUNT Beginning Reconciled Bank Balance 9/30/2023					\$ 2,303.92
<i>Cleared Transactions</i>					
Check	10/05/23	1759	K. Gimmeson	Newsltr, mtg. supplies, 30 th Anniv. albums	-306.31
Check	10/02/23	1762	B. Fauskee	Kids in the Woods groceries	-360.15
Check	10/26/23	1769	K. Gimmeson	Newsletter printing; Xmas party supplies	-51.21
Check	10/24/23	1770	H. Sanders	USFS: Drill and drill bits for projects	-958.89
Check	10/25/23	1771	C. Ringler	Fall fun ride lunch; ham for Xmas party	-128.26
Check	10/23/23	1772	Cash	Cash prizes for service, photo	-750.00
ACH	10/30/23	1773	H. Sanders	Xmas party prime rib	-529.33
TOTAL Cleared Checks and Payments					<u>-3,084.15</u>
Deposit	10/12/23			USFS cost share payment	15,000.00
Deposit	10/23/23			1 – 2023 Dues	40.00
TOTAL Cleared Deposits and Credits					<u>15,040.00</u>
CHECKING ACCOUNT Ending Reconciled Bank Balance 10/31/2023					<u>\$14,259.77</u>
<i>Uncleared Transactions</i>					
Deposit	10/26/23			1-2023 Dues	40.00
Net Uncleared Transactions					<u>40.00</u>
CHECKING ACCOUNT Ending Checkbook Balance 10/31/2023					<u>\$14,299.77</u>
*Of this balance, \$1,835.52 reserved for Youth: Donations in memory of: Jim Hillberry \$1,322; Dale Olson \$340; Charles Sheets \$380					
MONEY MARKET (Commissioner's Tag) Beginning Bank Balance 9/30/2023					\$23,506.77
<i>Cleared Transactions</i>					
Check	None.				0.00
TOTAL Cleared Checks and Payments					<u>0.00</u>
Interest				October interest income	2.90
TOTAL Cleared Deposits and Credits					<u>2.90</u>
MONEY MARKET (Commissioner's Tag) Ending Bank Balance 10/31/2023					<u>\$23,509.67</u>
<i>Uncleared Transactions</i>					
None.					0.00
Net Uncleared Transactions					<u>0.00</u>
MONEY MARKET (Commissioner's Tag) Ending Checkbook Balance 10/31/2023					<u>\$23,506.77</u>
12-MONTH CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT Beginning Balance 9/30/2023					\$15,378.01
Interest				Interest Income – Annual/Redemption	0.00
12-MONTH CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT Ending Balance 10/31/2023					<u>\$15,378.01</u>

Thank You for Member Appreciation Party Donations!

The Member Appreciation Party was a lot of fun with many great door prizes and food. The following businesses contributed to the success and enjoyment of the party with their generous donations.

SBCH would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to these fine businesses:

Blair's Grocery (Powell), Buckaroo Businesses (Billings), Cassie's Steakhouse (Cody), Frannie Tack (Frannie), Murdoch's (Powell), Skalsky's Poor Boy Feeds (Powell) & Tractor Supply (Cody).

If you patronize these businesses, please show your appreciation!



Remembering Bill Brazelton

SBCH would like to remember and honor Bill with a memorial for him at Battle Park.

We are accepting suggestions for an appropriate type of memorial that would be a remembrance of his life and many years of service.

If you would like to make suggestions or donations to fund the memorial, please contact SBCH at shoshonebch@gmail.com or send them to: PO Box 465, Powell, WY 82435.

Service by Howard Sanders Howard sent photos of a portion of the **Mormon Creek Trail** which tell the tale of our hard working **hand saw crews**. The amount of downed timber was mind boggling, but our hardworking, persistent members rose to the task over multiple (5) work days! **Thanks to all our dedicated sawyers!**



Dano Youth Camps Fundraiser

Frank Fagan built this handsome coffee table as a fundraiser for Dano Youth Camps. The table is made with old barn wood, has used horseshoes embedded in a resin top and measures 48"L x 24"W x 20"H.

Tickets are \$10.00 each, with 250 tickets to be sold. If you would like to buy or help sell tickets, please contact Frank (254-0012) or Bre Fagan (254-0013).

All proceeds (\$2,500) will go to Dano Youth Camps when all tickets are sold and a winning ticket has been drawn.



Big Creek Work Project July 5-7

Photos by Cindy Geissler



Many hands lighten the load!

Howard reported that they had a great crew, with 16 working on the first day, 11 the second day & 6 on the third day! In three days, 240 downed trees were cut out and they still had 1 1/2 miles to do. *Many thanks to all who labored!*

"There is great power when like-minded people come together to work toward the same goals." ~ Anonymous

THANKS-COUNTING

Count your blessings instead of your crosses.
Count your gains instead of your losses.
Count your joys instead of your woes.
Count your friends instead of your foes.
Count your smiles instead of your tears.
Count your courage instead of your fears.
Count your full years instead of your lean.
Count your kind deeds instead of your mean.
Count your health instead of your wealth.
Count on God instead of yourself.



Give Thanks with a
Grateful Heart
Happy Thanksgiving!

Thanksgiving Blessings Trail Mix

Bugles: Shaped like a cornucopia or Horn of Plenty, a symbol of our nation's abundance.

Pretzels: Arms folded in prayer for the freedoms & blessings sought by those who founded our country.

Candy corn: Sacrifices of the Pilgrims' first winter. Food was so scarce that settlers survived on just a few kernels of corn a day.

Nuts or seeds: Promise of a a future harvest, one we will reap only if seeds are planted and tended with diligence.

Dried fruits: Harvest gifts of our bountiful land.

M&Ms: Memories of those who came before us to guide us to a blessed future.

Hershey's Kisses: The love of family and friends that sweetens our lives.

Mix up a batch to share this Holiday Season!

Coming Events

There will be no SBCH Monthly Meeting in November or December!

January 18, 2024 - SBCH Monthly Meeting at 6:00 PM at the Park Co. Weed & Pest Bldg, off Hwy 14A at 1067 Road 13, Powell, WY. Potluck dinner @ 6, with the meeting to follow.

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"Blessed are those who can give without remembering and receive without forgetting."

by Elizabeth Bibesco



MERRY CHRISTMAS!

*For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior,
which is **Christ the Lord.***

Luke 2:11

*Our Hope for a bright future,
Our Peace in times of need,
Our Joy for all Eternity*

*Faith makes things possible,
Hope makes things work,
Love makes things beautiful.
Wishing you all three!*

Merry Christmas!

\$ ~ Dues & Don'ts ~ \$

If you haven't already done so, please **Do pay your Dues** and **Don't let your membership lapse!**
A friendly reminder from your Treasurer

Shoshone Back Country Horsemen Membership

Membership is \$40 per year

Name (print) _____

Mailing address _____

e-mail address _____

Phone number(s) _____

How would you like to receive the newsletter? by mail _____ -or- by e-mail _____

Mail completed form with your check to: SBCH, P.O. Box 465, Powell WY 82435

When your dues are paid, it is noted on your newsletter mailing label after your name (PD 2023). If you receive the newsletter via email, you can write to:
shoshonebch@gmail.com to check if your membership is current.



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MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!



NEXT MEETING:
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at the **Park Co. Weed & Pest Bldg,**
Hwy 14A at 1067 Road 13, Powell, WY.
Potluck Dinner at 6:00 with the
Meeting to follow.