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A non-profit incorporated association formed in 1981 to develop, maintain and protect non-motorized recreational trails in the Sierra Foothills area for public use and enjoyment.

Greetings GCTC Members!

Spring is fast approaching, which means more time for riding and working on our trails. Willie, Sue and Vicki have met with USFS to coordinate Cable trail reroute project work. Once date is determined, we will need large turnout of members for this effort.

This trail will add to our existing network in the Lone Grave area.

March 8 is our next general meeting beginning at 7 pm. Updates on scheduled rides, work days and events will be shared. Our guest speaker will be Erin McChesney, a talented presenter and horse competitor. And of course, friendship and refreshments will be available.

The first scheduled trail ride is March 12 at Spenceville, rain date March 19. If you have suggestions for additional rides please bring it up to trail boss Jamie Canon.

Looking forward to seeing everyone March 8.

Laura Duncan, President

CALSTAR Renewal

My renewal to CALSTAR falls in April. So, I thought that I would remind you all that as a member of GCTC, you are eligible for membership with CALSTAR for the group membership rate of \$35.00 a year. CALSTAR is a nonprofit air ambulance provider serving Northern & Central California. Bases are located geographically to serve all communities-urban and rural. CALSTAR works cooperatively with medical facilities throughout the service area to transport patients to the most appropriate facility for their condition.

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GCTC Poker Ride, Saturday June 4, 2016 Skillman Campground

GCTC annual fundraiser is fast approaching, and GCTC members have been working hard to make it a wonderful event and a successful fundraiser for GCTC. We still need a few Volunteers to help the day of the ride, and of course we need all the members to help with either bringing a prize for the poker hands, raffle, and silent auction, or seek a donation from your favorite vender (Donation Forms on Page 14). Sign up sheets will be going out in May to bring a side dish to the poker ride. GCTC is known for all the great food everyone contributes to the event. Most importantly sign up for the ride, tell or bring a friend. And who knows you may be the big winner of the best poker hand or, win a raffle prize or bid on that favorite horse item at the silent auction. Always lots of prizes. And this year we are going to have a special treat, live music for lunch from our very own, Bavarian Queen and her accordion, along with the sexy sax man. Bring your dancing shoes. Camping will also be available at Skillman Friday and Saturday night on first registered bases, limited spaces and only through GCTC. Your Poker Ride Chair ♠♥. Jeff Foltz - jgf4oaks@yahoo.com , 530-329-3097.

Information Flyer and Registration Forms are on pages 11-13. Registration is also available on line at the GCTC web site along with the ability to pay through PayPal or by credit card.



The Pioneer Trail Camp/Work/Ride

Get out your calendar for a new GCTC event, the first ever Pioneer Trail Camp/Work/Ride (PTCWR), which was recently approved by the GCTC board. Save the dates Thursday, May 19th through Saturday, May 21st, the days immediately following the Skillman Campground Work Day on Wednesday, May 18th.

The purpose of the PTCWR is to celebrate GCTC's signature achievement, the beautiful and historic Pioneer Trail. In addition, we hope to expand our members' familiarity with the Pioneer Trail, as well as maintaining and enhancing this local gem.

Like other GCTC Camp/Work/Ride events you may have attended at Little Lasier and Loney, we'll be working on improving the trails around Skillman Campground, especially the Pioneer Trail. We'll do trail maintenance work each morning and ride different parts of the Pioneer Trail each afternoon. Each evening we'll gather together to enjoy a BBQ entree supplied by GCTC and supplemented by potluck dishes contributed by those in attendance.

Those who already know the Pioneer Trail and the trails around Skillman well and feel comfortable on their own, can devise their own trail rides each afternoon. But, unlike other GCTC Camp/Work/Ride events, members will have the option of a guided ride led by a GCTC member over a different part of the Pioneer Trail. Though we won't cover the whole 30+ miles of the Pioneer Trail over the three days, we'll ride the trail from Lone Grave to Skillman and beyond to the Bear Valley Overlook, as well as many of the other trails surrounding Skillman. We hope after the PTCWR you'll leave feeling more confident about riding these beautiful trails often in the future.

Because this is a trail work event in the Tahoe National Forrest, there will be no charge for camping, but first preference for campsites will be given to members who plan to attend all three days, then to those who plan to attend two days, and then to those who plan to attend only one day. All campsite assignments will be made by Linda Lanzoni (linda@mtnequestrian.com) on a first come, first served basis.

And because we love to socialize over good food, each evening will feature a different BBQ entree served with potluck dishes supplied by our members. Our Camp Cook Debbie Molloy will coordinate these meals.

To sign up for the first Pioneer Trail Camp/Work/Ride or if you'd like more information, contact Karen Schwartz (karen-schwartz@prodigy.net).

Tuesday, March 8, 2016
at 7:00 P.M.

Nevada County Horsemen Clubhouse
10600 Bubbling Wells
Grass Valley, CA
Speaker: Erin McChesney

Proper Conditioning for Trail: Endurance, NATRC or Horse Camping

Bio: Erin McChesney is a highly qualified riding instructor who is known for her wins of both the Tevis Cup and Haggin Cup, two times on the same mare Cougar's Fete, and her wins and successes in the dressage show world.

Ms. McChesney has won regional, state and chapter awards in dressage, and is a Qualified Riding Member of the California Dressage Society. She has also been a keynote speaker for the American Endurance Ride Conference (AERC) National Convention, North American Trail Ride Conference (NATRC) Region 1 Convention, Horse Expo, and several local riding clubs. Erin brings humor, experience and speaking experience that is both engaging and informative in the realm of horsemanship.



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Proposed Gold Country Trails Council - 2016 Calendar

MARCH

- March 8 General Meeting - 7 p.m.
NCHI clubhouse, Grass Valley
- March 12 Spenceville Day Ride
Trail Boss TBA
- March 19 Spenceville Day Ride (rain date)

APRIL

- April 12 Board Meeting - 7 p.m.
NCHI clubhouse, Grass Valley
- April 17 Work Day - Lone Grave
Leader: TBA
- April 24 Work Day - Lone Grave (rain date)

MAY

- May 7 Cronan Ranch Day Ride
Trail Boss: TBA
- May 10 General Meeting - 7 p.m.
NCHI clubhouse, Grass Valley
- May 11 Work Day - Skillman
Leader: Melissa & Robert Ribley
- May 12-14 Pioneer Trail Work/Ride - Skillman:
Karen Schwartz
- May 20 Skillman Opens

JUNE

- June 4 GCTC Annual Poker Ride Fundraiser
Leader: Jeff Foltz
- June 14 Board Meeting - 7 p.m.
NCHI clubhouse, Grass Valley
- June 17-19 Wild West Endurance Ride
(non GCTC event)
- June 24-25 Little Lasier Meadow Camp/Work/
Ride
Leader: Mary Johnson

JULY

- July 9 Royal Gorge Day Ride
Trail Boss: TBA
- July 12 General Mtg./Ice Cream Soc. - 7 p.m.
NCHI clubhouse, Grass Valley
- July 14-17 Loney Meadow Camp/Work/Ride
Leader: Teri Personeni
- July 16 Loney Meadow Work Day
- July 23 Western States Endurance Ride
(Tevis) (non GCTC event)

AUGUST

- August 9 Board Meeting - 7 p.m.
NCHI clubhouse, Grass Valley
- August 10-14 Nevada County Fair (non-GCTC event)
- August 24 Work Day - Upper Pioneer Trail
Leader: TBA
- August 30 East Bay Hills Trail Benefit Ride
(non GCTC Event)

SEPTEMBER

- September 13 General Meeting - 7 p.m.
NCHI clubhouse, Grass Valley
- September 17 Work Day: TBA
- September 22-25 Draft Horse Classic Fair
(non GCTC event)
- September ? Skillman Campground Closes

OCTOBER

- October 8 United Trails Day/Workday
Leader: Irv Mazur
- October 11 Board Meeting - 7 p.m.
NCHI clubhouse, Grass Valley
- October 22 Lone Grave Ride/BBQ
Leader: TBA
- October 29 Lone Grave Ride/BBQ (rain date)
Leader: TBA

NOVEMBER

- November 8 General Mtg./Thanksgiving Feast - 5:30 p.m.
NCHI clubhouse, Grass Valley

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The Gold Country Trail Council would like to recognize the following individuals for their generous donations.

Kathy Cahouette
Sharon Silver

GCTC members are not always able to participate in workdays or other activities but want to contribute to the support of the important work that the Gold Country Trail Council does throughout the year. We appreciate their donations and support.

The Future of Skillman Horse Camp

Many of you know Skillman Horse Camp as the location of the annual GCTC poker ride or as the site of the Wild West Endurance Ride. (Each allowed by special use permit from the Tahoe National Forest). It is one of the few camps in the TNF designated as a horse camp, thanks to the efforts of GCTC.

Historically the Skillman area was home to the Maidu. When the gold rush hit, miners and settlers moved into the area and later a logging camp was established near by. Eventually, GCTC suggested a new use to the Forest Service for the camp.... a campground where equestrians could stay with their horses and ride the developing Pioneer Trail as well as the other surrounding trails. Skillman Horse Camp took shape with corrals, water troughs, fire rings, picnic tables and restrooms and has been enjoyed by horse campers through the years.

Now, the Tahoe National Forest has concerns that the camp is not being fully utilized, therefore cannot sustain itself for it's annual cost of operation. Skillman is in jeopardy of being eventually closed. GCTC is working with the Tahoe National Forest to determine the future of Skillman Horse Camp. 2016 will be a trial year of that decision with continuation of the camp available to individual as well as group campers by reservations and "walk ins". One of the options for future use will be by reservation only for groups (no individual camp sites).

This is one of those "use it or loose it" situations for equestrians. It is imperative that Skillman Horse Camp have increased use this summer!! Tell your out of area friends about this beautiful camp and camp at Skillman yourself. It has lots to offer: 16 camp sites, several with corrals, all with picnic tables and fire rings; also vault rest rooms, and horse water, in a lovely setting with miles of signed riding trails. Up to date maps to be available soon!

What else can you do? Volunteer at the Skillman workdays in May. Write letters to The Tahoe National Forest supporting continued use of Skillman as a horse camp. (USFS, 631 Coyote Street, Nevada City, CA 95959) Help GCTC with ideas to share with TNF on ways to reduce the costs of running Skillman. Contact GCTC president Laura Duncan or any board member with suggestions or any ideas. Remember: USE IT OR LOSE IT.

Submitted by, Mary Johnson

Penn Valley Community Rodeo Membership Drive

Besides putting on a popular local CCPRA rodeo the 3rd weekend of May each year, The Penn Valley Community Rodeo Association is a local non-profit organization that benefits many local charities and provides scholarships for high school members. PVCRA also hosts Gymkhana, Barrel Racing, and an AMA sanctioned Mule & Donkey Show. Members may use the arena, parking lot, and trail course- as well as enjoying fellowship with others who enjoy helping Nevada County maintain its Western Heritage. Plus members are able to join CALSTAR for emergency medical flight coverage through the association at a great group price.

New members are welcome and current members are asked to renew in order to maintain member benefits. Please visit www.pvrodeo.com for membership information, forms, and pricing.

Submitted by, Teresa Dietrich



2016 Miss Penn Valley Rodeo Queen Competition is Coming Right Up!

The 59th annual Penn Valley Rodeo is slated for May 20th & 21st plus the Rodeo Parade on Saturday the 21st and a Community Rodeo Play Day on Sunday the 22nd.

If you are a young lady age 12 to 24 who enjoys horses and public appearances this may be right up your alley! The first meeting for the Miss Penn Valley Rodeo Queen Contestants is March 28th at 6:30 pm at the Penn valley Chamber of Commerce office.

Submitted by, Teresa Dietrich

BOARD MINUTES
GOLD COUNTRY TRAILS COUNCIL
Tuesday, February 9, 2016 7 PM
Nevada County Horsemen's Clubhouse
10600 Bubbling Wells Road
Grass Valley, CA

Attending:

Officers:

President Laura Duncan
Vice President Melissa Ribley
Secretary Mary Lundin
Treasurer Teri Personeni
Past President Karen Schwartz

Board Members:

Fran Cole
Charles Green
Merv Kril

Members and Guests:

Debbie Maloy and guests, Jaede Miloslavich, Gail Plakos, Sue Brusin

1. Call to Order and Welcome

Meeting was called to order by President Laura Duncan at 7:00.

2. Approval of the Minutes of the previous meeting

Teri Personeni motioned and Melissa Ribley seconded that minutes be approved.

3. Approval of the Treasurer's Report

Teri Personeni reported that as of 1/31/16, the bank balance was \$27,394.01.

A. Update re: audit committee

Teri Personeni, Gail Anderson, and Ann Driver completed a Financial Committee audit of income and expenses for 2014/2015 fiscal year and found no discrepancies. A suggestion was made by the committee to have the income from the Poker Ride fundraiser be broken down into separate categories of ride entry fees, raffle, additional poker hands and camp site fees.

B. Donation receipts

Laura requested all donations received be sent a written receipt/thank you letter from the Treasurer.

4. Insurance update

A. Liability

B. Board indemnification

Teri Personeni has insurance policy packets. Fran Cole explained that there are different kinds of liability to the club and board and suggested some changes be made to the bylaws. Mary Johnson and Fran will work together on the language. This will need to go to the membership in writing one month prior to a vote on changes. Written notice can be made in the club newsletter. Suggest getting changes or new bylaws to board in June for July newsletter notification.

A "non-profit raffle program filing form" was discussed to see if this was something we should look into.

5. Contract and payment for NCH clubhouse update

The contract was signed 1/12/16. Rent is \$30 for the general meeting. The rent for NCH clubhouse was overpaid by \$20 for a two month period.

6. Forest Service Report

A. Forest Service Liaison

Willie Brusin reported that the Cable Trail is still waiting for the Wildlife Biologist report to be completed. Once done, the trail can be completed with the use of the trail building machine in one day.

A meeting is scheduled for February with Paul Hart, Jet Lowe, Willie and Sue Brusin, and Vicki Testa regarding the final maps for Burlington Ridge area. A map kiosk will be placed. Willie noted that the map kiosk installed at Lone Grave has been removed.

The Bullpen Lake Trail, Lang's Crossing bridges and the Bowman Mountain Trail projects are on hold due to snow.

PG&E has notified Bear Yuba Land Trust that due to safety concerns, they will not authorize trail construction on the Bear Valley conservation easements. Willie suggests that we work with BYLT on this issue.

The Fuller Lake bridge project is still under consideration. The Forest Service has plans for a \$75,000 bridge which would be placed via helicopter, such as those at Hidden Falls. However they do not have funding for this project.

B. Review of January 19th Skillman meeting with Cecilia Reed

Karen Schwartz, Laura Duncan and Linda Lanzoni met with Cecilia. Her inclination is to have a "group only" campground that would be open only when booked. Horses would not be required for the group to reserve the campground. The FS has a timber contract to have hazardous trees removed at Skillman. The future design layout of the campground will likely be determined once that is completed.

Board members noted that there are more riding trails out of Skillman than any other campground around this area. Also that Robinson Flat FS campground has no fee and remains open. Laura met a forester from Camptonville named Terri Walsh who is an equestrian. She will be looking at the trees at Skillman for possible removal. Laura will email her to see if she might assist us in plans for Skillman campground. Melissa Ribley will be kept apprised of any input by Terri.

7. Old Business

A. Membership: Member database

Helen Harvey has a excel database set up with membership information. Laura will send this to Jaede. New members can be added to an excel spreadsheet and emailed to the membership to keep them updated. Mary Johnson will provide Laura with an actual "person count" rather than number of memberships. This information can be used as "clout" to further our mission.

B. 2016 Calendar Events

1. Review of previous events

Merv Kril expressed concerns about adequate parking at the Cronin Ranch trailhead.

2. Additions (tack swap, line dance, draft horse barn tour)

The Board discussed and approved the addition of a tack swap by and for the club, possibly at the May meeting. Stacy Guerrero is a member who teaches line dancing. This could be done at, or possibly before, the July Ice Cream Social. Allyn Carman offered at the Thanksgiving meeting to provide a behind the scene tour of her barn at the Draft Horse Classic. Jaede will get this information out to the members when it is finalized.

C. Pioneer Ride Update/Karen Schwartz

Karen discussed the 3 day work/ride/campout at Skillman scheduled for May 12 -14, 2016. The scheduled workday on May 11th will remain, with additional work each morning of the campout. These dates are approved by the FS with no fee because the campground will not be open to the public yet. A rain date would most likely have to be in September after the campground closes for the season. Campsites will be available on a first-come basis. GCTC would provide bbq dinners and the members would bring pot luck items to share. Rides will be lead on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday to familiarize members with the trails. Willie indicated that we need to have Corey turn the water on at the campground. Karen mentioned that the area is in need of trail marker signs as people still complain of getting lost.

D. Poker Ride Update/Jeff Foltz

Jeff submitted an update report in writing. Skillman Horse Camp has been reserved for the weekend of June 4, 2016. He asked if the Board wants to pay \$300 for a live band. The board declined. Jaede presented the flyer. A request was made for the original artwork as the new ones are fuzzy. Mary Johnson said that Merrill Kagan-Weston should have it. Mary will ask Merrill to get it to Jaede. Volunteers are still needed for committees. Gail Plakos has volunteered to work with Debbie Maloy on the food. Larry Schwartz will help with poker hands. Campsites will be first come.

E. Governance committee review of concerns from June 25th meeting

Covered under insurance discussion.

F. Trail report updates/Willie Brusin and Mary Johnson

Covered under Forest Service report.

8. New Business

A. Sound system proposal/Jaede Miloslavich

Jaede submitted a report of her contact with Keven Windrem, a GCTC member, of options and prices of various sound systems to be considered by GCTC. The portable system package and training by Kevin chosen by the Board will cost \$926.79. Teri Personeni and Fran Cole motioned and seconded authorization of the purchase.

B. Walker's and/or other vendor accounts use

Laura questioned who is authorized to make purchases on behalf of the club. There are very few vendors we have accounts with, and very few members have need to use them. No changes or updates are needed.

C. Tracking volunteer hours

We were reminded of the importance of tracking and turning in hours of volunteer work by club members. Willie reviewed the types of volunteer hours that are acceptable to the FS. Melissa stated that she has no problem getting completed workday sign-in sheets to submit. These hours help to get funding for the local forest service.

D. Publicity position recruitment

Mary Johnson will check the membership forms for members who expressed an interest.

E. Skillman Horse Camp improvements/Linda Lanzoni

Linda Lanzoni submitted a written estimate for new corrals. Discussion was held as to whether spending club money on new corrals would increase the campground usage enough to keep it open. Willie suggested asking Cecilia to let us place 2 temporary 12'x12' corrals there with the understanding that if the campground is closed, they belong to GCTC. If they help to keep it open, consideration would be given to erecting permanent corrals. The estimate for 2 temporary panel corrals is \$600. This was tabled until the April BOD meeting.

F. Three year strategic plan

Helen Harvey has the 5 year plan made in 2012. This should be emailed and reviewed by the April meeting.

G. Pt. Reyes support letter

Rather than have the Board write a letter supporting the continuance of maintaining horses at the Pt. Reyes Historical Morgan Horse Ranch, it was decided that we would suggest the membership do this as they please. The program is likely being phased out as the horses are no longer used by the Rangers.

9. Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned at 9:23 PM.

Submitted by Mary Lundin, Secretary

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Gold Country Trails Council

Saturday, June 4, 2016

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Phone (Home) _____ (Cell) _____

Emergency Contact _____ Phone _____

POKER RIDE ENTRY is 1 person, 1 entry and everyone must fill out an entry form and sign the liability form

- Adult Package:** includes Ride, 1 Poker Hand, Meal and 1 Raffle Ticket \$30 _____
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- ~or~
- Junior Package:** age 12 and under - includes Ride and Meal \$10 _____
- ~or~
- Non-rider Package:** includes Meal and and Poker Hand. \$10 _____
- ~and~
- Additional Poker Hands**, each, LIMIT 3 poker hands per entry \$5 each x _____ = \$ _____

Poker hands must be turned in by 1:00 PM, only unopened poker hands will be honored.

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Gold Country Trails Council 2016 Poker Ride
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I understand that the Gold Country Trails Council sponsors and organizes a variety of events, including, but not limited to, equestrian trail rides and overnight campouts, trail building and work days, tack sales, membership meetings, potluck dinners, poker rides and other social events. Gold Country Trails Council events are non-alcoholic.

To participate in any of these events, I agree to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the Gold Country Trails Council, its officers, members, agents, employees, and representatives, from and against all claims, suits, actions, or liabilities (including any of the foregoing by way of indemnification or contribution), for personal injuries, property damage or loss, death, or for attorney fees, which are based on or arise out of my participation in such events. This release applies to all such claims, suits, actions, or liabilities, even though they may arise out of or be based on the negligence, lack of care, or other fault on the part of the persons listed above.

In signing this release I acknowledge that (a) equestrian events and activities involving horses involve risks which may result in serious personal injuries, property damage or loss, or death, (b) that trails and areas for equestrian events may consist of rough trails, steep or unstable terrain, water hazards, wild animals, and other natural or manmade obstacles and dangers, and that I may expect to encounter such areas in their natural condition without any preparation or safeguards designed for equestrian activities, and (c) that horses themselves may create dangers because of kicking, running away, throwing riders off, and other disruptive and uncontrollable behaviors.

I am sufficiently skilled in riding horses, and am sufficiently physically fit, to participate in the equestrian events listed above.

This release is binding on my heirs, executors, administrators, and personal representatives.

DATED: _____, 20____

SIGNATURE: _____

PRINTED NAME: _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ST _____ ZIP _____

RELEASE OF LIABILITY ON BEHALF OF MINOR

I, the undersigned parent or guardian of _____,

address: _____, age: _____,

have read, and having legal authority to do so, agree to all of the foregoing provisions of the RELEASE FROM ALL LIABILITY on behalf of such minor and myself. I authorize any supervisory personnel to consent on my behalf to any necessary emergency medical treatment for such minor by a properly licensed or qualified person, and I agree to indemnify and hold harmless any persons giving such consent in accordance with the foregoing

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DATED: _____, 20____

PARENT OR GUARDIAN SIGNATURE: _____

PRINTED NAME: _____



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