

BCHI Raffle Calendars versus Dues Increase

At the Sept. BCHI Directors Meeting some chapters expressed an interest in increasing BCHI dues to cover expenses rather than selling raffle calendars.

(ALL FIGURES ARE ROUNDED OFF TO THE NEAREST \$100)

The raffle calendar sales, after expenses have averaged \$13,200 for the last three years.

BCHI approved a dues increase in 2016 to \$20.00 single and \$30.00 family memberships payable in January 2018. On an estimated membership of 300 single and 300 family memberships, BCHI dues will bring in \$15,000. *FYI, BCHA annual dues that BCHI pay is \$9,900.*

The average annual expenses for BCHI have been \$26,800 for the last three years.

With no income from the raffle calendar sales and only BCHI dues, it is projected that we will exceed our income by \$11,800 annually.

Estimated BCHI dues increase required to meet BCHI annual expenses. BCHI single membership would increase from \$15.00 to \$35.00/year. BCHI family membership would increase from \$25.00 to \$55.00/year. On a membership of 300 singles and 300 families the annual dues income would bring in \$27,000.

	2018 Expense	2018 Income	2019 Expenses	2019 Income
Raffle Calendar average net income		\$13,200		\$0.00
2018 BCHI Dues Income Single \$20.00 Family \$30.00		\$15,000		
BCHI average Annual Expenses	\$26,800			
2018 Totals	\$26,800	\$28,200		
BCHI average Annual Expenses			\$26,800	
Suggested Single membership dues of \$35.00 @ 300 members				\$10,500
Suggested Family membership dues of \$55.00 @ 300 members				\$16,500
2019 Totals			\$26,800	\$27,000

If BCHI decides to not produce a Raffle Calendar in 2018 then to cover BCHI annual expenses a dues increase at the spring 2017 Convention would have to be proposed and approved to be assessed on 2018 chapter memberships payable in January 2019.

History

In the beginning, BCHI was funded by dues assessed to the chapters, and a Silent Auction at the annual convention. Chapters hosting a convention had raffle tickets that they asked all chapters to sell to make additional money for the hosting chapter. On average, every 2-3 years BCHI passed a dues increase to

cover expenses, sometimes because of a BCHA dues increase. From 2004-2008 BCHI held an Outdoor Show in Lewiston Idaho with the profits from the silent auction and live auction going to BCHI. This was the first time that any substantial amount of income to BCHI was produced outside the members. In 2009 to present, the raffle calendars was introduced as a source of income to BCHI that was substantially from the general public rather than off the back of the members. The raffle calendar has been a success story!

Some benefits to local chapters resulting directly from the raffle calendar sales;

Free Liability Insurance Coverage for public events scheduled by the FEB. 15th deadline each year

Broomtales, the state newsletter, will have a new format and in color

BCHI now has a Legal Fund in reserve with a means to be funded

Income generated from the state convention goes to the hosting chapter rather than to BCHI

BCHI Education Committee has an annual budget that chapters can request funds from

BCHI Website with chapter contact information which provides a wider base for exposure and potential new members

Exposure, and influence on decisions for Idaho at the Sportsman's Show & Horse Expo, Idaho Horse

Council, Owyhee Initiative & Idaho Sportsmen's Alliance

Cash awards for Chapter Display Competition

BCHI member's need to decide if we continue with raffle calendar sales providing a source of income outside the membership or do we return to almost all of our entire income coming from the members themselves.

If anyone has an idea that will generate funding comparable to or exceeding the raffle calendar income, please contact one of the officers of BCHI.

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