

2019 PRESIDENT'S REPORT
SQUAW BUTTE CHAPTER
BACK COUNTRY HORSEMEN OF IDAHO
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JANUARY: We began 2019 with our monthly meeting held the first Thursday of every month. Our next item was the annual Leadership Meeting with purpose of budget, and planning for the year.

FEBRUARY: This is the month we normally have our first fun ride. Like last year, this ride was cancelled due to weather. The last two days of February were dedicated to the Idaho Sportsman Show.

MARCH: We began the month, along with Treasure Valley and Boise chapters working the Idaho Sportsman Show. Great opportunity to let people know what Back Country Horsemen are all about. Later in the month we had our first public event, a fun ride at Wilson Creek followed by finger foods in the parking area. The annual State BOD meeting and BCHI State Convention were held in Idaho Falls 23-24 March. In addition to the business conducted this was a great time for education and networking.

APRIL: The very important First Aid and CPR refresher training started off our April calendar. We had a scheduled public fun ride at Succor Creek that was cancelled due to weather and Equine Herpes outbreak in SW Idaho. The 12-14 had our members manning the BCHI booth and attending the Idaho Horse Expo. The end of the month several of our members conducted a Back Country Packing and Planning Clinic.

MAY: A busy month started out with highway clean up along highway 52. We had a train the trainer's class and evaluation for Sawyers and later in the month a Sawyer Safety Workshop. We also had our annual yard sale. Although not a BCH ride, our members participated in a Diabetes Ride.

JUNE: We jumped into June on the first with the National Trails Day project at the Peace Creek Trailhead. Later in the month we had projects on the 20 Mile Lakes Trail near McCall and the Yellow Jacket Trail near Warm Lake.

JULY: Bull Trout Lake near Stanley was where we had a campout the first part of the month. Our members supported/conducted a pack in and pack out operation in the Sawtooth, followed by a Trail Project in the Boise National Forest.

AUGUST: Had another pack in and pack out operation this month in the Stanley area.

SEPTEMBER: Another busy month with three trail projects including Kenally Creek, Squaw Creek, and Boiling Springs, along with another trail ride along Squaw Creek. In addition our Directors attended the BCHI state BOD meeting.

OCTOBER: Sawyer training and field workshop again. Later in the month a fun ride in BNF to a Fire Lookout tower.

NOVEMBER: We had our fall potluck hosted by Rob and Linda Adam. Great time with good food. We also sold BCHI Calendars at the Grand Opening of D&B in Kuna.

DECEMBER: We elected new officers and said thank you to those who had done such a great job over the past several years. Ended the month with our end of season party.