



**Bonita Valley Horsemen  
General Membership Meeting  
April 1, 2009  
Minutes**

**Members present:**

Amalfitano, Barbara	Haltermann, Cindy
Carter, Diane	Kukuchek, Mark
Carter, Keith	Pennington, Sherry
Cruger, Doug	Severn, Dwayne
Fiedler, Judy	Shaffer, Sandy
Gonzales, Sandy	

**Old Business:**

- Minutes—A motion was made and seconded to pass the March, 2009 minutes as written.
- Member Appreciation Night, June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 p.m.—The Community room will not allow us to bbq outside so Sandy S. will cancel that room reservation and we will have the event outside the Museum. Diane will make flyers and, with the help of Sandy S., call all the members. Various members will post and handout flyers at neighboring barns. We will ask for a list of barns' client address and offer to pay postage for them to include the flyer in their monthly bill or newsletter.

**President's report:**

- Sunnyside Bridge is still in the process of getting temporary environmental and easements on both the golf course and Stock Farm sides. It is anticipated that full on construction will begin the first of May with completion in 3-4 months. The current trail will remain open until construction restarts. The route across the river has been cleared of brush in advance of the bird nesting season.
- The "Matching Mud Fund" has had some activity and there is \$100 in the fund. We will match to \$300.
- BVH together with the Trail Patrol have brought two trail issues to the Community Trail Coordinator, Marianne Valcio for correction. The mud pit in the center of trail in Sweetwater Authority area by Vernal Ponds needs attention (SWA is very unresponsive). Fenced off area off Proctor Valley Rd. between Jonel Way and Bonita Meadows the entrance gates need to be opened so you don't have to go down Jonel Way.
- The March work party was very successful and a new trail was opened up alongside Conduit Road across from the Lucky Seven (Ames Ranch). Starts at the ballpark and comes out by the kiosk and alongside the road. Pulled 3 skip loads of barbed wire out.
- We have been riding quite a bit on the weekends, mostly Sundays. We have been to Rancho Peñasquitos, San Pasqual, Horse Thief Canyon. It was decided to send out an email to the general membership in case they would like to join the group. Please remember that weekend rides happen on the spur of the moment and most times you will only have a day or two notice via email. If you have extra space in your trailer, please let us know so those who don't have a way to transport their horse have the opportunity to join us on these rides.

### **Treasurer's report:**

- Balance at \$3,584.67. There is approximately \$1500 in obligations projected for the rest of this year.
- Sandy sent the completed application, for exempt status, via registered mail. It was signed indicating it was received but a decision has not been made yet whether or not to grant the request.
- Motion was made and seconded to have a booth at the Bonitafest on September 26 if Chula Vista Mounted Police would like to split the \$125 cost again this year. Waiting to hear if a parade will be held this year.

### **Trail report:**

- Trail East side of entrance to Morrison Pond needs to be cut back.
- Dwayne is going to clear the Tieber trail that is overgrown with grass.
- Water crossing at the Highlands is bad. They made the slopes very steep and it is muddy. Needs a bridge or culvert. Nobody wants to claim this area. Dwayne and Mark will work on it.

### **Membership report:**

- In process of doing flyer for Membership Appreciation Night which is June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 p.m. A motion was made and seconded to allow \$125 be set aside for this event.

### **New Business:**

- Park was very happy with the donation of the refrigerator donated by John Carroll. Thanks John!
- Sandy Shaffer donated a ream of paper to the Summit Campground office. Thanks Sandy!
- Discussion was held regarding BVH donating and building a round pen at Borrego State Park. The discussion will be tabled until a more informed decision can be made.
- It was decided to mail out minutes before agenda goes out because the information is out of date before membership receives it.
- Discussion was held regarding a blue jacket Mark had on. He has a vendor that will get these jackets for us with our names and Bonita Valley Horsemen on them for a very reasonable price.

### ***April 11<sup>th</sup> Ride***

***Meet at Summit Campground***

***We will leave from there at 9:00 a.m.***

***This ride will go out east of the Campground and then head south.***

**For Sale:** Lance Lite 8 ½ ft. slide on camper--model 835. Fits long bed with extended cab ¾ ton truck. Roof air, refrigerator/freezer, 3 burner stove and oven, bathroom, heater and water heater. Sleeps 4, queen island bed. Great shape--\$6500. Call Cindy at 619-773-5600 if interested.

**Next BVH meeting: Wednesday, May 6, 2009 at the Bonita Museum at 7:00 p.m.—ALL members welcome.**