



Happy February to all our amazing members!



RV tickets go on sale starting February 15th. Early bird sales for members only. Weekend passes and horse accommodations.

[RV registration](#)

Remember to hit the toggle to turn off Paypal if you don't want to go through Paypal.

Are you planning on attending RV this May?

Yes, with my horse!

Yes, but without a horse.

No, I am not able to attend.

What's Happening at RV this year?

AGM: Of course our annual general meeting. Sunday May 18, 2025 at 9:00 am.

ENJOY: We will have lot's to just sit back and enjoy some amazing presentations at Rendezvous 2025! Ride in Mongolia, Historic Trails in the Princeton Area, Open mic: History of Injuries the funnier side and of course the ever popular Cowboy Poetry!

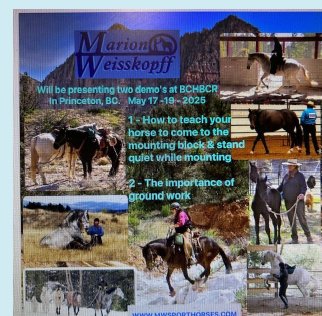
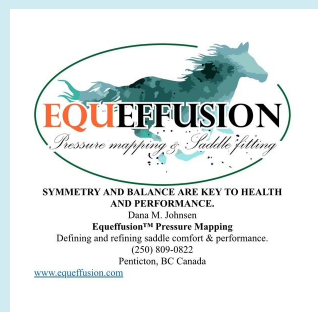
No poster or photos for this one yet. Can break this down even more. RV boasting barn - opportunity for your Chapter to brag about a project they have completed. This can be in any medium: poster, 3d display, video, photo album....bring it to RV and show off!

PLAY: Once again we will have the always popular Mountain Trail Course set up. Ride on your own or have Ron and Kelly help you along! Guided rides with local Lorraine Stubbins, maps to ride out with your own group. Find the Missing Herd and Mule Bingo, Silent and Live Auction, Encampment Challenge and the 1-Minute Challenge.

LEARN: Historic trails with Kelley Cook, Ride in Mongolia with Amelie Zunk, Horse Packing and Caring for Horses in the Mtns with Wes Phillips, Horse leg dissection with Mikayla Peter.



RV long sleeve t-shirts and hoodies to pre-purchase. When you are purchasing your weekend pass for RV look for the t-shirts and hoodies.





John Gardner

Volunteer of the Year Award

For those who are not aware of the award, it was created in memory, recognition and in honor of John's open willingness to help others in the equine world and his many hours volunteering his time.

The Volunteer of the Year Award is awarded to an individual who has made a special or significant contribution to BCHBC. Do you know someone that deserves this recognition?

[Volunteer Nomination Form](#)

Project of the Year

The BCHBC Award of Excellence for an outstanding project is awarded to a team of BCHBC members or a BCHBC chapter who have developed, executed and completed an outstanding project, which exemplifies the mission and vision of the BCHBC. Qualifying projects must be completed by the year of application.



[Project Nomination Form](#)

2025 Adventure Auction

Check out the adventures that are available for our auction.

We have received 26 adventures to bid on. Many are horse related but there are some that are for non-riders as well. Go to our BCHBC page and click on the Adventure Auction button to look at what we have to offer. On that page you will see the link to Givergy which is the auction platform. You can go ahead and register ahead of time in order to be ready to start bidding March 2nd. Bidding closes March 9th at 8:00PM. Invite your friends and family to bid as well. Share the page!

[BCHBC Auction](#)



Hidden Gait

Pioneer Wilderness

Reflection Creek



The Trail Committee is pleased to announce the **“NEW” Volunteer Reporting** documents are now available on the BCHBC Website in the Library or Linked on the Trails and Projects tab.

The new forms look somewhat familiar with a few columns added and some deleted as per our discussion at the Fall BOD meeting and your survey responses.

- Chapters will be responsible for their own Daily recording and will keep these reports. Do not submit Daily reports to our Workbee Coordinator.
- Chapters will complete the Monthly Report based on their Daily records. Only the Monthly Reports will be sent into the Workbee Coordinator either monthly, or quarterly.

You will find the following reporting forms in the library: **Work bee forms**

- How to complete forms
- Daily Volunteer Report
- Monthly Volunteer Report

Please contact the Trail Committee if you have any questions.

HCBC has grants available now. Need some funds to host an educational clinic? Working on some trail maintenance. Please go to [HCBC Grants](#)

**WEBINAR:
HORSE COUNCIL BC'S
FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES**

When:
February 18th 7pm
Where:
Online - Zoom
Cost:
FREE!

Join us to learn about the funding opportunities available to HCBC clubs, affiliates, branches and chapters. In this webinar we will cover the Infrastructure and Equipment Grant, Education Grant, BC Equestrian Trails Fund Grant and our newest grant the Trailhead Advocacy Grant.



**BC Equestrian Trails Fund
Education Grant
Infrastructure and Equipment Grant**

Some racehorses are staying in a stable. One of them starts to boast about his track record. “In the last 15 races, I’ve won eight of them!”

Another horse breaks in: “Well in the last 27 races, I’ve won 19!”

“Oh that’s good, but in the last 36 races, I’ve won 28!” says another.

At this point, the horses notice a greyhound, who has been sitting there listening. “I don’t mean to boast,” says the greyhound, “but in my last 90 races, I’ve won 88 of them!”

The horses are clearly amazed. “Wow!” says one, after a hushed silence. “A talking dog!”

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