



Newsletter for November - December, 2005
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and Ginny Rench

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634-5906; and filling in as past president is Jan Endsley, 634-1945

NEWS

Proposed by-laws change

A change was recommended by the board at their November 1st meeting. At the end of each club year we are to have an audit performed on the club books by an outside accountant. This change will be read at the Christmas Party. We will have a short business meeting and then adjourn and call a "special meeting" to vote on the proposed change to the by-laws. This action is in accordance with our by-laws.

New Editor of the Voice of the Horseman

Chris Bromley's mother, Betty, has volunteered to take over this job. A special thank you to Chris for really pitching in to help in the compilation of this month's newsletter.

Betty does not ride, but enjoys using her computer and is ready to help us out. Please send articles, pictures, want ads or whatever you have to Betty.

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We all need to contribute, so when you see something that you think may be of interest to others, please pass these items along.

A reminder - Membership dues is due the end of December for the year 2006.

UPCOMING EVENTS

November 12th - Camp Verde Marshal's office, Annual Toy Ride. This is a great event. You not only have a nice trail ride and lunch, but you can make a difference in a child's Christmas. The organizers ask for an unwrapped toy and a \$10.00 tax deductible donation.

Call 567-6621 for more information.

November 19th - White Hills Ride - This will be both a gaited and non-gaited ride. Gaited riders will leave first. The duration of the ride will be about 3 to 3.5 hours for the gaited ride and 4.5 to 5 hours for the non-gaited ride. The leaders will be, Bill Dean for the gaited riders and Pat Miller for the non-gaited riders. The trail rating is a #3, medium difficulty, definite grade, obstacles, rougher terrain, rocks and narrower trails. Bring a lunch and be ready to ride at 9:30 AM.

Directions: Go east on Hwy. 260 across the Verde River to Verde Park Drive. The meeting place is on the left just across the road from Verde Park Drive.

RSVP to Slim Chapman at (928) 301-4668

December 10th - Holiday Christmas Party and Trail Ride - This ride will start at 9:30 AM and will be followed by a barbecue back at the Pate's prepared by our very own "Camp Fire Gang". See the enclosed flier for details and reservation form. Non-riders are welcome to come for lunch. After lunch, there will be a short business meeting, followed by a very short "special meeting".

Please note computer friendly members

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Included in this Issue

A current roster, membership application and a flier with information about the Holiday Ride & Christmas Social.

“25th Anniversary Party”

The membership ride on October 29th was definitely a huge success. We had 49 riders and it was indeed a thrilling sight to see all of the horses going out on the ride. We had three groups with Fran Whetten, Pat Miller and Chris Bromley serving as trail bosses. When the riders finished their ride, the “Camp Fire Gang” made up of Russ Bromley, Joe Williams and Steve Rench had the grills going and served up some great hamburgers and hot dogs. Several people joined us just for lunch and we served close to sixty people.

Beth Blay and Ginny Rench handled registration and passed out newsletters and membership applications. We have five new single memberships and two family memberships as a result of this event. Many riders said they didn’t know anything about the club and were so grateful that we held this public event.

Thanks go to the hard working committee for putting this event together.

Submitted by Ginny Rench, President

The “Camp Fire Gang” at work.



One of the groups assembling to head out on the trail.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

A warm welcome to the following - Nancy Allbright, Meredith B. Dawson, Evelyn Wolf, Merry Bolton, Betty Ince, Nancy O'Heir, Shari and Don Williams, Robin Anderson, Joseph and Denise Sciarrotta and Russ Bromley

FYI UPDATES

Walter Cox took a bad tumble off of the horse he was riding on the 25th Anniversary Ride. He suffered three fractured ribs, is still quite sore, but is recuperating and feeling much better. We wish you a speedy recovery Walter.

Russ Bromley also took a spill two weeks earlier off of his horse because of a faulty cinch. He too suffered three broken ribs, but is doing well.

FOR SALE SECTION

HORSE PROPERTY - Custom home located on non-flood side of Oak Creek in Cornville. Approximately 2.17 acres with large trees and landscaping. This is a "must see to appreciate" property, bordered by Oak Creek on the east and Forest Service on the west. Lots of varied riding directly from the property! Extremely secluded and private. bbinaz@earthlink.net or 928-634-1234 or 928-300-8988. Beth Blay, owner/agent

Non-horse Christmas vacation at The Ridge in Sedona. See RCI.com for details about this 5 Crown resort. Nonsmoking studio unit is located on the ground floor. It is reserved for 12/23/05 to 12/30/05. One full week of Sedona splendor for \$500.00 or BO. We can't use it this year and hope you can. bbinaz@earthlink.net or 928-634-1234 or 928-300-8988 Beth Blay, owner/agent

Don West 16" saddle. This is a well-loved saddle with some trail scratches but in excellent condition and has matching tapaderos-just doesn't fit present horse. Make you and your horse happy for \$1200, firm. bbinaz@earthlink.net or 928-634-1234 or 928-300-8988

Simco Buena Vista 15 1/2" saddle in excellent condition with tapaderos. \$350 firm. This is under what I just paid at Equifest but the saddle did not fit the horse and I really don't want a saddle collection. bbinaz@earthlink.net or 928-634-1234 or 928-300-8988

1968 Wrangler Horse Trailer
Two horse, straight load, single rear door. New tires, spare and mats. Good shape, \$1,000. cbncb24pt@wmconnect.com or 928-649-5928 or 821-2413

Holiday Ride & Christmas Social December 10th, 2005



Our hosts for this event will be Milton & Gail Pate, at their lovely ranch, "Spirit Wind Arabians & Llamas." The address is 3302 Middle Verde West, Camp Verde. From I-17, exit 289, (this is the same exit as the Casino). Proceed west on Middle Verde West, about 4 miles. Their place will be on the right, just after FR 119A. If you have any problems finding your way, the morning of the ride, their phone number is 567-6378.

The ride will start at 9:30 AM. We ask that riders arrive no earlier than 8:30 AM. Depending on the response, a gaited ride and a non-gaited ride will be offered.

Trail rating is a #3, medium difficulty, definite grade, obstacles, rougher terrain, rocks and narrower trails. The "Camp Fire Gang" will be preparing lunch and plan to serve around 1:00 PM. Non-riders and significant others are more than welcome to join us for lunch. After lunch, there will be a short business meeting, followed by a very short "special meeting".

Reservations for this social event are necessary. Any questions about this event may be addressed to Chris Bromley at 649-5811 or 821-2413. Please fill out the form below and mail ASAP to Chris Bromley, PO Box 1081, Cornville, AZ 86325. Reservations for this event will only be taken until December 6th.

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Plate Cost: Members \$5, Non-members \$10

Make check payable to Verde Valley Horsemen's Council

Name: _____

Phone# _____

Number staying for lunch _____ Number of Riders _____

Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Please circle your preference: gaited ride or non-gaited ride