



## January 2024 News Flash

Happy New Year to all our members and their families, as well as all the best in 2024!

As we enter the new year, you may be wondering, where is the winter issue of the Back Country Horsemen of Missouri (BCHMO) newsletter? Due to a vacancy of the Publications Committee Chair position, there was no winter newsletter. The BCHMO Board of Directors is actively seeking an individual for this position, as well as other committee chairs. The committee chairs are vital to the continuity, and success of the organization. Any current member of BCHMO can fill the positions. Current committee chair openings include:

- Education/Expansion
- Public Lands
- Publications
- Service

Position descriptions for the positions are found in the BCHMO By-Laws, and the Policies & Procedures, also on the website: [Bylaws, P&P and Minutes – BCHMO](#)

Individuals interested in the above committee chair positions, (or wanting to be a member of a committee) please contact a current BCHMO Board member or Officer. The listing of these people can be found below or on the BCHMO website at: [Contact – BCHMO](#)

### MEET THE 2024 BCHMO BOARD OF DIRECTORS/OFFICERS:

Back Country Horsemen of Missouri (BCHMO) has begun operations under the new bylaws, which were approved by the membership this past June. This is an exciting time for the state organization, and we are working on building a better organization with some new faces and fresh ideas.

At the 2023 BCHMO Annual Membership Meeting, which was held in September, each chapter was asked to introduce the Director that they had chosen to represent not only their chapter, but the general membership as a whole, when doing the business of the organization. Those Directors are:

**Brownfield** – Leslyn Randazzo; alternate – Phileta Rio

**Cuivre River** – No designated director

**Heartland** – Tim Anderson; alternate – Mary Lamar

**Indian Trails** – Charles Prilwetz; alternate – Richard Stout

**Mountain Riders** – Jennifer Wolf; alternate – Steve Assenmacher

**NEMO** – Becki Krueger; alternate – Gary Harrison

**Ridge Runner** – No designated director

**River Springs** – No designated director

**Rockwoods Range** – Julie Irwin; alternate – Vivian Regna

**South Central** – Kathy Jaeger; alternate – Maury Mertz

**Southwest** – Lynette Miller; alternate – Kem McKinnis

**Tornado Ridge** – Laura Johnson; alternate – Janet Rettenmaier

**Tri-Lakes** – Sherry Copeland; alternate – Vicki Clark

At the October Board of Directors meeting the new Board of Directors began the business of the state. One of the main points of business was the election of Officers from within the directors. The results of the elections are as follows:

**Chairman** – Becki Krueger

**Vice Chairman** – Jennifer Wolf

**Secretary** – Kathy Jaeger

**Treasurer** – Julie Irwin

(According to the new Bylaws, when a Director moves into the Chair position, the alternate director moves into the director position and a new alternate is appointed by the chapter. Therefore, the NEMO Chapter Director is: Gary Harrison; alternate is Pat Reinebach).

As a member of BCHMO, you are encouraged to contact any one of these directors if you have a question or concern. Each and every one of them represents YOU, and YOU are the foundation of this organization. Without YOU, there would be no Back Country Horsemen of Missouri.

The Board also elected the National Directors that will represent Missouri at the monthly Back Country Horsemen of America (BCHA) Directors calls, and at the National Board Meeting in March.

The National Directors are:

Becki Krueger and Kathy Jaeger, with Lynette Miller as alternate.

As mentioned earlier, if you have a talent that you would like to share with BCHMO, we are looking for a Chairman for each of these committees: Publications; Education and Expansion; Public Lands, and Service. Again, if you have any questions, contact any of the Officers or Directors listed above.

ALL members are welcome to attend any of the Board of Directors meetings. We encourage you to come, bring a friend, and be a voice to help guide us on this new path. Our next meeting will be held January 10, 2024, at Denny's Restaurant in Rolla, MO, beginning at 10:00 a.m.

Respectfully,

Becki Krueger – BCHMO Chairman



BCHMO 2024 Board of Directors/Alternate Directors



BCHMO 2024 Officers. Left to right: Julie Irwin, Treasurer; Jennifer Wolf, Vice Chairman; Kathy Jaeger, Secretary, and Becki Krueger, Chairman

## IMPORTANT MEMBERSHIP DUES INFORMATION:

Membership renewals are due, as yearly memberships run from January 1-December 31. BCHMO has a PayPal account where members can renew their memberships on the website, and pay dues with a credit card or PayPal. It is on the MEMBERSHIP page of the website. For those that want to mail in their renewals, please see the Membership Coordinator information below.

## MEMBERSHIP COORDINATOR:

Membership applications, dues, and other membership related information (change of address, email, etc.), need to be sent to: Sue Maynard 352 Old Ferry Lane Pocahontas, AR 72455-1483  
Phone: (870) 810-1274 Email: [pasnipper@gmail.com](mailto:pasnipper@gmail.com)

## 2024 BCHMO CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

### **January 10, 2024 BCHMO Board of Directors Meeting**

10:00 a.m. @ Denny's Restaurant, Rolla, MO

Any current member is welcome and encouraged to attend Board meetings!

### **March 16, 2024 BCHMO Upper Current Clean Up Ride**

Big Creek Trail Rides

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### **March 22-24, 2024 Ozark Spring Roundup**

Springfield, MO

Volunteers are needed for set-up and break down of the exhibit booth, and representing BCHMO at our booth. Contact Lynette Miller or any board member.

### **March 24-27, 2024 Back Country Horsemen of America National Board Meeting**

Casper, Wyoming

### **June 7, 2024 BCHMO Mark Twain National Forest/Ozark Trail Clean Up Ride**

Brushy Creek Lodge and Resort

Reservations: 573/269-4600

### **June 8, 2024 BCHMO Membership Appreciation Ride**

Brushy Creek Lodge and Resort

Reservations: 573/269-4600

### **September 28, 2024 BCHMO Annual Membership Meeting**

Brushy Creek Lodge and Resort

Reservations: 573/269-4600

Questions: Visit our website ([www.bchmo.org](http://www.bchmo.org)) for BCHMO information, latest news, newsletters, calendar of events, and MORE! Want to know more about Back Country Horsemen of America? Their website is [www.bcha.org](http://www.bcha.org).