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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Ted Voelker

First, I want to thank everyone for the support and encouragement I have received as your president. We have had some tough times to get

through. It does seem like things are moving in a direction that will give the Mesa Verde Back Country Horsemen a chance to keep moving forward. I am happy to see planning starting for a poker ride and the rendezvous this summer. We have some great people working on these and they can use all the help they can get.

Twine recycling continues to move forward thanks to Alan Story. There is a lot going on and I am sure Alan would not turn down help.

We had a nice ride on the first day of spring. Eight of us rode in the Canyons of the Ancients and saw some ruins but not all of them. There is a lot to explore and the weather was great.

In about three and a half weeks Veronica and I are heading off on our next adventure. We are moving to Thorndale, Texas. I will be making a couple trips to move everything and plan on visiting when I pass this way on my summer trip to Oregon. We are hoping to get a few more rides in Colorado before we leave. Hopefully some of you will have time to go with us.

Ted 503-927-1681

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Mesa Verde Back Country Horsemen General Meeting Tuesday, March 9, 2021 Nihla McCabe, Secretary

In Attendance

Alan, Tif, Lyn, Ken, Marla, Nihla and Ted

Approval of Minutes

The minutes were read from the February meeting and approved

Announcements

Ted and Veronica have sold their home and will be

moving to Texas. We are sad to see them go but wish them well in their new adventures, Ted will be popping in and out and will still lead us until all is final with their moving progress.

Treasure's report was approved.

Scholarship report

No scholarship entries have been received yet, but hopefully we will have some before our deadline is up. If not, we will just leave it as is and hope for next year to be normal.

Social ride

Our group social ride is coming up on the 20th, we will meet at Dove Creek Superette at about *11 am. We will send out a reminder email with more details or give Ted a call.

New Business

- · Poker ride is getting finalized, more details soon. Discussion was to ask for a participation fee as well as cost per hand. Ken and Marla have great ideas and tactics to handle the poker run. Each member is asked to get a prize donated. Tentative date June 26.
- · Its supposed to snow on our work day so it has been cancelled
- · Ag expo is coming up on March 27, many of our members have volunteered to help. We will have a poster up for poker ride.
- · State Rendezvous' Is being scheduled for August, Nihla will Ask Lenetta Shull if she would like to cater. (she said yes)
- · A weekend trip to Bluff is in the works for a ride up comb wash and to the petroglyph panel. Nihla would like to know how many want to attend. It is scheduled for April 17 and 18. Weather permitting.
- · CPR and First aid will be planned for April, (10th) it will be a 4-to-8-hour class and will certify you in CPR. The chapter will be paying ½ of your cost of 20.00. So, bring 10 dollars for the class. It will be held at the Cortez Fire Department. Not sure of what time as of this meeting.

Committee Reports

- · Membership dues are due
- · Education committee is working on some outdoor activities for the summer
- · Twine is still being collected at Basin Coop and IFA

Next Meeting

04/13/2021|6:30 Social hour, 7:00 meeting. Place to be determined.

Motion to adjourn was made at 9:00 p.m. and was passed unanimously.

PLEASE CHECK THE CALENDAR – MEETING DAYS HAVE CHANGED TO THE 2^{ND} TUESDAY OF THE MONTH!

Public Lands Committee Report

Tif Rodriguez, Public Lands Chair



Greetings!

All quiet on the Western Front!!! Will have more information after the meeting on March 27th.

Keep an eye out for the national e-blast for more of what we accomplished.

So glad we're being recognized on a local, state and national level. BCHA is an amazing organization to support and we couldn't do it without our members and volunteers. Thank you for your support and love of our public lands.

If you're interested in helping with public lands, locally, statewide or nationally, contact me. There is a lot happening. Also, you don't have to be a state director to help on a state committee, and we need all the help we can get.

We couldn't do it without you.

Thank you!
Tif Rodriguez
MVBCH Public Lands Chair
BCHCO Director

MVBCH First Aid/CPR

Thank you Keith Bean and Tif Rodriguez for organizing this

Please see below and RSVP by 4/15/21. If the class fills, we'll close signups.

We may either go on a ride or go to grab some food afterwards, so plan on it!

Thank you!
Tif Rodriguez
mvbchorsemen@yahoo.com

First Aid/CPR Certification Saturday, May 1, 2021 8:00 a.m. - Noon

MVBCH will pay a portion of the cost for our members.

If you're doing trailwork, you really should be certified.

RSVP by 4/15/21 if you want to attend. Final details will be sent to attendees.

mvbchorsemen@yahoo.com



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Adobe Spark

Where have you been rid'n?

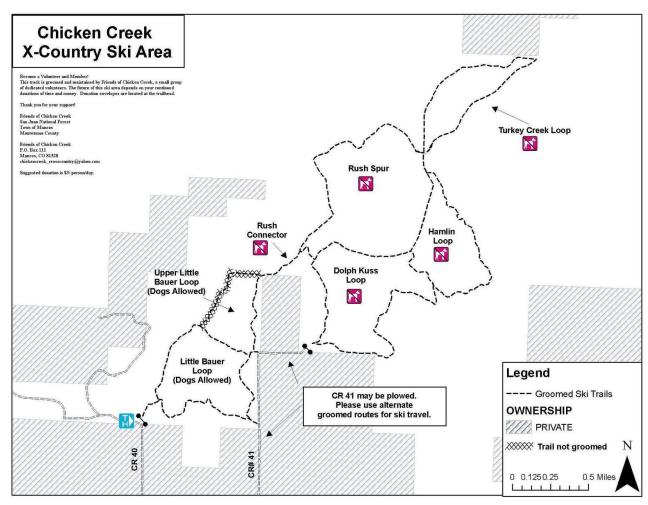
I've been riding in the desert in Scottsdale this winter. Yesterday I saw 2 Gila Monsters. They are usually pretty hard to spot so I felt very fortunate to spot 2 in one day. Sneakers was very curious as it climbed up the hill.

Kathe Hayes





Places to ride locally – when ground dries a bit From Cortez: 160>Mancos>L.184>R CR 41 follow to trailhead



SAVE THE DATE!!

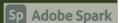


Save the Date

Mesa Verde Back Country Horsemen's Annual Poker Ride

Camping, cookout and more ... stay tuned!

Saturday June 26th, 2021



CAMPING WEEK-END in the works

MEMBERS ONLY APRIL 17-18 BLUFF, UT PETROGLYPH'S

Email Nihla: nihla54@hotmail.com if you want to attend or For more information

Also, when going over state lines you will need hauling papers: Coggins test, health cert and brand inspection. If you travel frequently, a permanent trip pass can be obtained from the Brand Inspector.

Meeting Corner:

April 13, 2021 6:30 Happy Half Hour, 7:00 Meeting Alan Story's Home Contact us for deets. Directions from Cortez

Going North from Cortez on Rd 491, turn left on Road Y and g 2 ½ miles west. Driveway is on the south side with a sign Story Mustang Meadows. We sit about 400 feet off the road.



September meeting – Kathe's house

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Now is the time to renew your membership for 2021. You can renew at the meeting (bring or mail the application below) or online on our web site at www.mesaverdehorsemen.com

A new membership form must be completed each year.

This will be the last Newsletter sent directly to members who do not renew. You can view it on our Website.

Twine Recycling Continues for MVBCH

Be on the lookout for our new banners that will be posted on our twine recycling bins as soon as they come, which should be by the end of the month. We are continuing this wonderful project. Thanks to those that are working on it, making donations and spreading the word. More information will be forthcoming and advertising done.



Collection bins are located at:

Basin Coop

16032 Highway 491 Cortez, CO 81321

IFA

10501 Highway 491 Cortez, CO 81321

Spread the word!

PLEASE BE SURE TO DROP YOUR TWINE OFF AT BASIN COOP OR IFA.

ALAN CONTINUES TO COLLECT AND STORE FOR OUR CHAPTER!!

Sell! Sell! Sell!

It's time to renew your ad and get new vendors' ads for 2019!

You can have your business card placed in our newsletter. \$15.00 for members and \$25.00 for non-members per year. Tell your friends and associates.

Have anything of a personal nature – tack, horse, saddles – to sell or find a home for? Members can have your personal ad in our newsletter for free. Non-members \$25.00 minimum for 6 months.







Mobile Therapeutic Massage Rob Chontos LMT (970)394-4920

With the weather hopefully clearing, the board would like to know where the members want to meet – somewhere in Cortez? Maybe outdoors, someone's back yard?? Please email your thoughts to Lynr1217@msn.com or Nihla McCabe nihla45@hotmail.com



KEEP AN EYE ON THE NEW AND IMPROVED WEB SITE!

www.mesaverdehorsemen.com

Go to the Web to sign up for Event Participation, Membership application and payment and Donations!

Cutthroat Castle - Canyon of the Ancients

MVBCH MONTHLY CALENDAR

March 2021	April 2021	May 2021
9th - Monthly Meeting - TBD	13th - Monthly Meeting - TBD	11th - Monthly Meeting - TBD
13th - Work Day - Sorting the MVBCH	10th - Work Day - Weather Permitting	8h - Work Day - Weather Permitting
work trailer. Weather permitting.	17th & 18th - Bluff camping week-end	22nd - Social Ride - Weather Permitting
Should we plan a Lunch or gathering	24th - Social Ride - Weather Permitting	
after?		
9thth - Monthly Meeting - TBD		
28th - Social Ride-Weather Permitting		

Area Calendar

March 25th, 26, 27th – Four State Ag Expo, Montezuma County Fairgrounds April 23rd, 24th, 25th – Cortez Gun Show – Bill Gilbert will have space at the show for anyone wishing to sell firearms and accessories – call 970-403-2802 June 5th – National Trails Day August 4th – Great American Outdoors Act September 25th – National Public Lands Day

Mesa Verde Back Country Horsemen Mission Statement

- 1. To perpetuate the common sense use and enjoyment of horses in America's back country and wilderness.
- 2. To work to insure that public lands remain open to recreational stock use.
- 3. To assist the various government and private agencies in their maintenance and management of said resource.
- 4. To educate, encourage and solicit active participation in the wise use of the back country resource by horsemen and the general public commensurate with our heritage
- 5. To foster and encourage individuals to join and participate in their local, State, and National Back Country Horsemen organization

2021 MVBCH CALENDAR

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Mesa Verde Back Country Horsemen 2021 Membership Form

You can also join and/or rejoin at www.mesaverdehorsemen.com

Names(s)	_Occupation:
Name(s) Mailing Address:	•
Phone:Other:	*E-mail:
Referred By:	(Please list how you heard of us!)
*INCLUDING YOUR EMAIL HERE, GIVES YOUR CONSE YOUR CONSENT TO SEND IT TO OUR NATIONAL BCH.	ENT TO RECEIVE MVBCH EMAIL BLASTS, AS WELL AS IA ORGANIZATION FOR THEIR MAILING LIST.
Type of Membership (check): □New □Renewal □ Individual \$33 □Family \$38 □Associate/Business \$3 □Youth \$9 (under 18 accompanied by guardian/sponsor)	38
(Memberships paid October-December include	le the rest of the current year & all of the next year)
Please indicate the Committee/s you'd like to serve on:	☐ Education ☐ Fundraising ☐ Membership☐ Social ☐ Trail Work ☐ Public Affairs
Would you be willing to be the COMMITTEE CHAIR?	_Yes
Please make checks payable to: MVBCH or Mesa Verde E <u>Mail to</u> : MVBCH, P.O. Box 812, Cortez, CO 81321	Back Country Horsemen
for an injury to or the death of a participant resulting from participant's representative shall make any claim again activity sponsor or any other person for injury, loss, dainherent risks of equine activities. I (We) release the Me	e 13-21-119, an equine activity sponsor shall not be liable rom the inherent risks of equine activities. No participant or nst, maintain an action against, or recover from an equine amage, or death of the participant resulting from any of the esa Verde Back Country Horsemen, its officers, directors, arise as a result of injury to my (our) person or property is activities.
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Big Game Hunting Planner

2021–2022 DEER, ELK, PRONGHORN, BEAR & MOOSE SEASON DATES — finalized in January each year

(Sheep and goat season dates are listed in their brochure.)

Season Dates Overview		2021	2022			
Archery						
Deer/elk (west of I-25 and Unit	t 140)	Sept. 2-Sept. 30	Sept. 2-Sept. 30			
Plains deer (east of I-25, except	Unit 140)	Oct. 1–29 and	Oct. 1-28 and			
-		Nov. 10-30 and	Nov. 9-Dec. 3 and			
		Dec. 15-31	Dec. 15-31			
Moose		Sept. 11-30	Sept. 10-30			
Pronghorn (bucks only)		Aug. 15-31	Aug. 15-31			
Pronghorn (either sex)		Sept. 1-20	Sept. 1-20			
Muzzleloader (by draw o	nly)					
Deer/elk/moose	•	Sept. 11-19	Sept. 10-18			
Plains deer (east of I-25, except	Unit 140)	Oct. 9–17	Oct. 8–16			
Pronghorn		Sept. 21-29	Sept. 21-29			
Rifle Deer/Elk/Moose						
Moose		Oct. 1-14	Oct. 1-14			
Limited elk	(1st season)	Oct. 16-20	Oct. 15-19			
Deer/elk	(2nd season)	Oct. 30-Nov. 7	Oct. 29-Nov. 6			
Deer/elk	(3rd season)	Nov. 13-19	Nov. 12-18			
Limited deer/elk	(4th season)	Nov. 24-28	Nov. 23-27			
Plains deer (east of I-25, except	Unit 140)	Oct. 30-Nov. 9	Oct. 29-Nov. 8			
Late plains deer (east of I-25, ex	xcept Unit 140)	Dec. 1-14	Dec. 1-14			
Rifle Pronghorn (by draw	only)	Oct. 2-10	Oct. 1–9			
Black Bear		2021	2022			
September Rifle limited (by dra	aw)	Sept. 2-30	Sept. 2-30			
*Archery (over-the-counter an		Sept. 2–30	Sept. 2–30			
*Muzzleloader (over-the-coun		Sept. 11–19	Sept. 10–18			
**Rifle (over-the-counter and/	or limited)	(see 1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th Deer/Elk rifle season dates above)				

NEW *Archery and Muzzleloader Add-On Bear licenses are available in unlimited numbers this year. Hunters can 'add-on' an over-the-counter bear license for archery or muzzleloader seasons if they hold a deer or elk license for the same method of take and at least one unit overlaps. Look for the paw print in the regulation brochure.

NEW **Hunters do not need to hold a deer/elk license to purchase an over-the-counter rifle bear license.

Hunting and Fishing Regulation Brochures:

(updated and released annually):

Available online at cpw.state.co.us, at sales agents statewide and at CPW parks and offices.

*Big Game (Deer, Elk, Pronghorn, Bear & Moose)—Late February

*Sheep (Rocky Mountain & Desert Bighorn) & Goat—Late February

Fishing—Late February

Mountain Lion (online only)—Mid-March

State Recreation Lands—Late July

Small Game and Waterfowl—Mid-August

Small Game Walk-In Atlas—Late August

Late Cropland Walk-In Atlas—Late October

*Turkey—Mid-December

*Regulation brochures are mailed to those who applied for those species the previous year. Nonresidents can request a mailed brochure online: cpw.state.co.us/brochures

NOTE: For more detailed information, see the regulation brochures online at **cpw.state.co.us/brochures** or pick up a printed brochure at sales agents.



2021 APPLICATION & DRAWS

Online and By Phone

PRIMARY DRAW

Big Game Limited-License Draw Application Deadline

April 6, 2021 8:00 p.m. MT

(Applications Open March 1)

Payment Deadlines

- May 4: Sheep & Goat
- June 11: Deer, Elk, Pronghorn, Moose & Bear

SECONDARY DRAW

Deer, Elk, Pronghorn & Bear Limited-License Draw Application Deadline

June 30, 2021 8:00 p.m. MT

(Applications Open June 16)

Payment Deadline

• July 16: Deer, Elk, Pronghorn, Bear

2021 OVER-THE-COUNTER (OTC) LICENSES

Online, By Phone, In Person

& Add-On Licenses

<u>On Sale</u>

August 3, 2021 9:00 a.m. MT

Increase Your Opportunity to Hunt Colorado

- Apply for all four choices on your primary draw application.
- Apply for the secondary draw (elk, deer, bear & pronghorn).
- Purchase an over-the-counter (OTC) license and hunt this fall.

Call a CPW Hunt Planner for personalized planning assistance, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. (MT) Monday-Friday (303) 291-PLAN (7526) or (303) 297-1192

2022 Colorado Hunting and Fishing License Fees

Application Fee, Habitat Stamps (non-refundable)	Re	sident	Nor	Nonresident			
Application Processing Fee (per species & draw)	\$	7	\$	9			
Habitat Stamp (valid 3/1–3/31 of following year) (One per year required for persons ages 18–64 buying or applying for a license)	\$	10.40	\$	10.40			
Lifetime Habitat Stamp	\$	312.30	\$	312.30			
License Fees*							
Elk, Cow	\$	56.88	\$	516.63			
Elk, Bull or Either Sex	\$	56.88	\$	688.26			
Deer	\$	41.28	\$	412.61			
Pronghorn, Buck or Doe	\$	41.28	\$	412.61			
Youth Elk, Deer & Pronghorn (12–17 yrs)	\$	16.30	\$	105.76			
Bear	\$	39.75	\$	101.75			
Youth Bear (12–17 yrs)	\$	15.50	\$	51.50			
Moose	\$	313.80	\$	2,300.51			
Rocky Mtn Bighorn Sheep, Desert Bighorn, Mtn Goat	\$	313.80	\$	2,300.51			
Rocky Mtn Bighorn, Mtn Goat, Moose Pref Pt	\$	50.00	\$	100.00			
Mountain Lion	\$	51.68	\$	351.75			
Turkey (spring)	\$	30.87	\$	157.77			
Turkey (fall)	\$	25.67	\$	157.77			
Youth Turkey (under 18 yrs)	\$	16.31	\$	105.77			
Annual Small Game	\$	30.87	\$	84.96			
Small Game (1-day)	\$	14.23	\$	18.69			
Youth Annual Small Game (under 18 yrs)	\$	1.29	\$	1.29			
Annual Small Game & Fishing Combo	\$	51.68		N/A			
Senior Annual Small Game & Fishing Combo (65+ yrs)	\$	30.50		N/A			
Annual Fishing (18–64 yrs)	\$	36.08	\$	100.57			
Youth Annual Fishing (16–17 yrs)	\$	10.07		N/A			
Senior Annual Fishing (65+ yrs)	\$	10.07		N/A			
Fishing (5-day)		N/A	\$	32.95			
Fishing (1-day)	\$	14.23	\$	17.35			

^{*}Refund policy may apply. *All non-resident big game licenses are a big game and annual fishing combination license.

Big-Game Limited License Draw Application Reminders

▶ 2021 Qualifying Hunting Licenses—available starting March 1

All applicants, including youth, must purchase* or hold** one of the licenses below before *applying for the big game draw(s):*

- 1. *2021 Annual small-game license (resident and nonresident)
- 2. *2021 Annual small-game and fishing combination license (resident only)
- 3. *2021 Senior annual small-game license (age 65+) (resident only)
- 4. *2021 Spring turkey or fall turkey license, when available (resident and nonresident)

Below licenses are for residents only and require advance legal paperwork submissions:

- 5. *Annual small-game license for senior lifetime fishing license holders (65+, total and permanent disability or low income)
- 6. **Veteran lifetime combination license (60% disabled or Purple Heart)
- 7. **First responder lifetime combination license (permanent occupational disability)
- **Successful License Draw Fee** will automatically be charged to the credit card you have on file in your online account. The payment deadline is final. Plan ahead.

Order a free Official State Vacation Guide and road map at www.colorado.com

Reserve Your State Park Campsite, Cabin or Yurt Today

Online: cpw.state.co.us Toll Free: (800) 244-5613 Can reserve 6 months in advance.



PURCHASE Licenses, Park Passes and Conservation Stamps:

- Online: cpw.state.co.us (click 'Buy and Apply')
- By phone: (800) 244-5613
- In person: at Sales Agents, CPW Offices and State Parks



For Hunter Education Classes (if born on or after 1/1/49) or Replacement Cards cpw.state.co.us

License, State Park Pass, Camping Reservation & Online Account Set-up customer service available 24 hours/7 days a week..... (800) 244-5613

CPW customer service available 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday (303) 297-1192



^{*}License fees include a 25-cent search and rescue fee and a \$1.50 Wildlife Council surcharge, if applicable.

^{*}Annual licenses and habitat stamps are valid March 1-31 of the following year (13 months) and non-refundable.