Riders' Roundup



OET Members enjoying a trail ride following a trail clearing party.

Ride with Us - Protect Oregon's Trails

Oregon Equestrian Trails (OET) is a nonprofit organization dedicated to preserving, maintaining, and expanding access to horse trails and horse camps across the state. We are the unified voice for equestrians in Oregon.

Join a Community That Keeps Oregon Riding Strong

Across Oregon's forests, mountains, and open spaces, equestrian trails and camps don't stay open by accident — they stay open because people like you speak up, show up, and ride together.

Protect What You Love. Be Part of Something Bigger

We advocate at the state and local level to keep trails open and accessible. When decisions are made about land use, we make sure equestrians are heard.

Ride More, Worry Less. Join other passionate riders

From trail clearing to campground improvements, our volunteers work year-round to maintain safe,

enjoyable riding spaces.

Your Voice Matters

Public lands are constantly changing. Without a strong and organized equestrian presence, access can be reduced or lost. Together, we ensure that doesn't happen.

More Than Just Advocacy — It's Fun, Too!

Being part of OET means more than meetings and maintenance. It means:

- Organized group rides across Oregon
- Campouts and social events
- Trail challenges and recreational programs
- Volunteer projects that make a real impact

Ride with us! Checkout some of 2026 OET Chapter Sponsored Ride Activities:

May 3	Stub Stewart Prize Ride, Stub Stewart State Park
May 9	Bristow Bingo, Elijah Bristow State Park
May 10	Mothers Day Duck Hunt, Sister Cow Camp
May 22-25	Group Campout, Northrup Horse Camp
June 6	Poker Ride, Sisters Cow Camp
June 6	Horse Camping Clinic, Williamette Mission State Park
June 23-29	OET State Work Party, Quinn Meadows Horse Camp
June 27	Poker Ride, Mildred Kanipe Park
June 28	Joker's Wild Poker Ride, TE ranch
July 3-5	Group Campout, Northrup Horse Camp
Aug 8-9	Group Campout, Wild Mare Horse Camp

More ride details: **OregonEquestrianTrails.org/calendar**

Sign up and Join us at:

OregonEquestrianTrails.org/membership/registration/

NORTHRUP CREEK
HORSE CAMP



Come ride with us!

GROUP HORSE CAMPING TRIPS

Celebrate the 20th anniversary of Northrup Creek Horse Camp with North Coast Oregon Equestrian Trails (OET) this summer! Enjoy miles of maintained trails over streams, through forests, and along logging roads; plus a small obstacle course.






MAY 22-25	MEMORIAL WEEKEND	Dutch Oven Potluck
JULY 3-5	JULY 4TH WEEKEND	Parade, Bunko, BBQ Potluck
SEPT 4-7	LABOR DAY WEEKEND	Scavenger Hunt Ride

Campsites are limited and require advanced reservation online at
www.tinyurl.com/NorthrupCreek
Clatsop State Forest, NW Oregon

Have a question? Email **Ashley.Lertora@gmail.com**
FB Group: North Coast Oregon Equestrian Trails

SAVE THE DATE! **May 3rd, 2026** SAVE THE DATE!

open to all equestrians

Stub Stewart Prize Ride

Our First Annual Oregon Equestrian Trails Ride
hosted by the Northwest Oregon Equestrian Trails Chapter
(with thanks to the support of several neighboring OET Chapters)

INFORMATION:
Registration 9-11am, last rider out 11am
$25 includes a raffle ticket,
$40 membership free entry plus 5 raffle tickets,
Extra tickets 5 for $20
Prizes called 2:30pm, sharp

FANTASTIC PRIZES include:

- **One ton local grass hay (28 bales/approx)**
- **2 @ $125 gift card Wilco & Coastal**
- **3 @ 2 free nights camping plus trail guide at 3 ODF horse camps**
- **US Rider Classic Membership/ 1 year**
- **Langer's Entertainment Center - Family 4 Pack:**
  (https://langersfun.com)
  4 - Passes to Laser Tag
  4 - Passes for Bowling
  4 - Shoe Rentals
  4 - Passes for Rock Climbing
  4 - $5 Bonus Bucks for Arcade use
  4 - Passes to Timber Town

Other great prizes include: hats, t-shirts, feed buckets, treats, etc.

for more information:
WWW.OREGONEQUESTRIANTRAILS.ORG - EVENTS/NEWS
ALSO IN OUR RIDERS ROUNDUP NEWSLETTER
Questions-Email: vpoutreachoet@gmail.com

Stub Stewart Park: is a 1,654-acre Oregon state park near the community of Buxton
34 miles west of Portland • From Portland: Hwy 26 West then North on Hwy 47

Youths under the age of 18 must have a parent/legal guardian on site.
Helmets are recommended It is preferred that a responsible adult accompany youths on the trails.
SORRY NO DOGS PLEASE!!!!

Elijah Bristow State Park
Explore the park
at your Leisure

Ride!
Search!
Find and complete your card!

BRISTOW BINGO RIDE

May 9th

$35/Card
$45/Blackout Card

First Rider Out 10am
All cards due back at 2pm

Raffle

Costume Contest 10:15am

Silent Auction

Prizes!!

For More Information: Contact Melanie Kate-Mason Text 541-870-3189

Come join us for a

Poker Ride

at Sisters Cow Camp in Sisters, Oregon

Saturday June 6th





Registration starts Saturday morning at 9:00 AM
First rider out at 9:30 AM, last rider out at 11:00 AM

First poker hand is $15
Additional hands are $5 each

CASH AND PRIZES TO WINNERS
Proceeds go to the Central Oregon Chapter of Oregon Equestrian Trail's Mission - clearing trails, maintaining horse camps, and representing rider's concerns using public lands

Lunch available for purchase
For more information contact
Brenda Coats 541-280-3849

Directions to Sisters Cow Camp

*Go West out of Sisters on Hwy 242, go 1 mile, turn **left onto FS road** 15. Go about 2 miles and turn left at the sign for **Sisters Cow Camp**.*

*OET operates under a special use permit with the Deschutes National Forest, who is an equal opportunity outdoor recreation service provider



President

Melissa McLaughlin



Ah, April! Longer days, longer to-do lists, green grass, new blossoms, and shedding horses. It's the season of starting fresh and doing something new.

Work parties are on the calendar, the ground is drying enough to ride out, and many of us are ramping up our horse and barn time. It's an exciting time, and as we head into a busier season, we also have an opportunity to grow as an organization—welcoming new members and keeping the ones we have engaged and involved. One of the simplest and most effective ways to do that is also one of the easiest to overlook: connection.

At rides, meetings, and work parties, it's natural to gravitate toward the people we already know. This month, I'd encourage everyone to take a small step beyond that—introduce yourself to someone new, include someone in a conversation, or ride with a member you haven't spent time with before.

Not everyone shows up in the same way. Some members jump right in and connect easily. Others may be quieter, taking things in and finding their place at their own pace. Both are important parts of our community, and both deserve to feel welcome. A simple conversation, a shared task, or even just riding alongside someone can make a lasting impression. Connection often happens in those small, everyday interactions.

April is a great time to try something new. Attend a work party you haven't been to before, join a ride in a different area, or invite a guest to come along and see what OET is about. These are the moments that strengthen our chapters and keep our organization moving forward.

Enjoy the newness of Spring and expand your ordinary!

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VP of Public Lands

Kim McCarrel



As we reported via TrailMail in early March, the Oregon legislature has finally passed a recreational liability bill. Hooray! This means that the liability releases we ask participants to sign at work parties and events will protect OET and its members from frivolous lawsuits.

A 2014 court case nullified Oregon's recreational liability law, sending recreation providers and nonprofit groups scrambling. For the past several years, OET has participated in efforts led by the Oregon Trails Coalition to lobby the legislature for a revised law to reinstate the liability protections.

Senate Bill 1517B, passed by both houses of the legislature on March 6th, protects ski resorts, guides and outfitters, and nonprofit groups against most lawsuits when they provide recreational opportunities to the public or engage in activities that facilitate recreation. The governor is expected to sign the bill in the coming weeks.

Like the recreational liability laws in other states, the new Oregon law won't protect us in cases of gross negligence. For example, if during an OET work party a member cuts down a large tree and it falls on a passing hiker, that would likely be considered gross negligence, and the hiker could sue. That's because volunteers are not allowed to cut down big trees, and in any case, the sawyer should have made sure the coast was clear before making the cut. On the other hand, if someone gets bucked off their horse at a poker ride, they probably couldn't sue because they were injured by a risk inherent in horseback riding.

It has taken several years of lobbying to pass the bill, but these efforts ultimately paid off. Today, our liability releases give us the protection they were designed to provide.

A big thank you goes out to all the OET members who called or emailed their legislators and met with them during the annual Trail Days at the Oregon legislature. THANK YOU!

Our Mission Statement

OET advocates for recreational access, partners with land managers to care for trails and horse camps, and unites equestrians through opportunities and information related to trail riding.

VP Marketing Outreach

Collette Hayes



Hi OET'ers!

March was a very busy month for me as I toured various chapters to discuss the upcoming Prize Ride at Stub Stewart State Park. I was thrilled to find members so enthusiastic about participating and collaborating on this event. The camaraderie within OET is truly like no other—especially because it involves horses!

I genuinely enjoyed meeting so many of you during your chapter meetings. It was wonderful to connect faces with names and visit with everyone. Hearing about your ongoing chapter activities brings me great fulfillment; it's clear that everyone is driven by our shared purpose.

I am looking forward to a busy riding season of working, recruiting, and—most importantly—riding with you all.

Thank you all, and Happy Riding!

VP of Field Service

Matt Dolphin



Quinn Meadow Work Party – June 23–28, 2026

New to OET or looking for a great way to get more involved? Join us for our annual trail work week at the beautiful Quinn Meadow Horse Camp. This is your chance to meet fellow members, contribute to trail and camp upkeep, and enjoy some unforgettable riding in the stunning Central Oregon Cascades.

We'll be based at Quinn Meadow from June 23 through 28, combining volunteer work with fun trail rides and evening campfire gatherings. Nestled near Mt. Bachelor in the Deschutes National Forest, this scenic camp offers gentle trails with no steep drop-offs—ideal for relaxing rides to nearby creeks, lakes, and panoramic mountain views.

Whether you can come for the day, a few nights, or the whole week, you'll enjoy free camping, great company, and the satisfaction of giving back to the trails we love.

To reserve your camping and corral spot or learn more, contact: Matt Dolphin, OET VP of Field Services
vpfieldservices@oregonequestriantrails.org

OET Tech Corner - Digital Breadcrumbs

Tracking Your Ride with AllTrails

By Marty DeVall, OET Web Master

Getting turned around in the woods happens to the best of us. You take a new spur trail, step off to let another group pass, and suddenly every Douglas fir looks exactly the same. When the physical trail markers are missing or overgrown, finding your way back to the trailer can get stressful.

While a paper map and compass are great traditional skills, your smartphone has a feature that acts like dropping a trail of breadcrumbs in the forest: **GPS Tracking**.

The Tool for the Job: AllTrails

Many of us already use the **AllTrails** app to discover new places to ride. But this app does more than just show you where a trail *should* be—it can actively record exactly where your horse *is walking*.

Because your phone's internal GPS connects to satellites in the sky, **this tracking works even when you have zero cell service**. It is a fantastic tool whether you are in the saddle, doing OET trail maintenance work parties, or just taking a day off to hike the Mirror Lake Trail. (My 9-year-old, 40-pound Blue Poodle, Hank, loves a good trail day just as much as the horses do, and tracking keeps us both on course!)

If you happen to have a premium or lifetime subscription to AllTrails, you can even download the specific trail map directly to your phone before you leave the house, giving you a detailed topographic view even out of cell range.

Crucial Tip: Saving Your Phone Battery

Tracking your location for hours can use up your battery. To ensure your phone doesn't die halfway through a beautiful ride, turn on **"Airplane Mode"** before you start tracking. Your phone's GPS receiver will still work perfectly to draw your breadcrumb line, but Airplane Mode stops the phone from constantly searching for a nonexistent cell tower—which is what actually drains your battery the fastest in the woods!

How to Drop Your "Digital Breadcrumbs"

Using AllTrails to track your ride is simple once you know which buttons to press.

Step-by-Step Instructions:



1. **Open AllTrails at the Trailhead:** Do this while you are saddling up.
2. **Find the Navigate Button:** Look at the very bottom menu of the app. Tap the icon that says **Navigate** (it usually looks like a little compass arrow).
3. **Select Your Activity:** Before you start, tap the activity icon. Change it from "Hiking" to "Horseback Riding."
4. **Start Tracking:** Tap the big, green **Start** button.
5. **Hit the Trail:** Lock your phone screen and drop it in your saddlebag or pocket.

Finding Your Way Back and Marking Hazards

As you ride, the app continuously draws a blue colored line on the map screen. If you ever feel lost, pull out your phone. You will see a blinking blue dot (that is your current location) and the solid line trailing behind you. Simply turn your horse around and follow your own line right back to the start.

You can also use the app while tracking to take photos of trail hazards. If you see a massive tree down across the path, snap a picture through the AllTrails app—it will drop a waypoint on your map at that exact location. This is incredibly helpful information to pass along to our OET trail maintenance crews!

Conditioning and Pacing Your Horse

Besides not getting lost, tracking is an amazing training tool. When you get back to the truck and tap **Finish**, AllTrails will tell you your average moving speed, total distance, and total elevation gain.

2026 Calendar of Events

Date	Time	Chapter	Event	Location	Information
April					
Apr 6	6:00PM - 7:00PM	State	Meeting	Virtual. Google Meets or call in to 601-688-3254 PIN 290189192#	OET Field Service/Public Lands Call. https://meet.google.com/iqw-kjtu-tuc
Apr 11	10:00AM - 2:00PM	Eugene	Work Party	Elijah Bristow State Park, Dexter	Spreading gravel to repair washouts on trails and trail clean up. Bring gloves, shovels, clippers, rakes, etc. Contact Mary Kammlambert@gmail.com
Apr 11	11:00AM - 3:00PM	Northwest	Ride	L.L. Stub Stewart State Park, Buxton	NW Chapter Ride followed by no host lunch
Apr 15	10:00AM - 1:00PM	Mt. Hood	Ride	Sandy River Delta https://maps.app.goo.gl/YLGsQksZcXwyjw7x5	Foot in stirrup 10:00 AM. Lunch to follow. Bring lunch and a chair. Contact Sara Faulkner, (971) 274-6516
Apr 18	10:00AM - 2:00PM	State	Meeting	Virtual. Google Meets or call in to 628-400-8556 PIN 573 588 208#	State Board Meeting. Woodburn Library. 280 Garfield St., Woodburn
Apr 18	10:00AM - 11:00AM	North Valley	Work Party	Milo McIver State Park, Estacada	Cutting Scotch Broom. Wear gloves, bring pruning lops and hand saws. Contact Marty northvalleyoff@oregonequestriantrails.org
Apr 24-26		West Valley	Work Party	Sheep Springs Horse Camp, Camp Sherman	Info: westvalley@myoet.org
Apr 25		North Valley	Ride	Milo McIver State Park, Estacada	Trail Boss: Brent Branch
Apr 25	10:30AM Start	Columbia County	Ride	Nehalem Divide, CZ Trail	Contact Trail Boss Nancy 503-875-4699
May					
May 1-4		Northwest	Work Party	L.L. Stub Stewart State Park, Buxton	All chapter members are invited! Come Friday and stay thru Monday. Saturday - clean up horse camp and prep for the Sunday Prize
May 3		Northwest	Ride	L.L. Stub Stewart State Park, Buxton	Public Prize Ride, $25 entry or free entry with new membership. Raffle tickets 5 for $20. Questions: vpoutreachoet@gmail.com
May 6	6:00PM - 7:00PM	State	Meeting	Virtual. Google Meets or call in to 601-688-3254 PIN 290189192#	OET Field Service/Public Lands Call. https://meet.google.com/iqw-kjtu-tuc
May 8-10		Northwest	Work Party	Reehers Camp	
May 9		Eugene	Ride	Elijah Bristow State Park Dexter	Bristow Bingo! Fundraiser. Costume Contest. Contact Melanie Kate-Mason: Text 541-870-3189
May 10		Central Oregon	Ride	Sisters Cow Camp	Mother's Day Duck Hunt. Contact Gayla Nelson darq69@gmail.com

May 20	10:00AM - 1:00PM	Mt. Hood	Ride	Sandy River Delta https://maps.app.goo.gl/YLGsQksZcXwyjw7x5	Foot in stirrup 10:00 AM. Lunch to follow. Bring lunch and a chair. Contact Sara Faulkner, (971) 274-6516
May 22-25		North Coast	Campout	Northrup Creek Horse Camp 87644 Northrup Creek Rd Clatskanie	Celebrate 20 years of NCHC! Coastal woodlands camp with water, no electricity. Trails include hills and gravel roads, boots or shoes recommended. Dutch Oven potluck.
May 22-25	10:00AM - 1:00PM	North Valley	Campout	Graham Corral, Sisters	More info to follow
May 30	10:30AM Start	Columbia County	Ride	Whipple Creek Washington	Contact Trail Boss Nancy 503-875-4699
June					
Jun 1	6:00PM - 7:00PM	State	Meeting	Virtual. Google Meets or call in to 601-688-3254 PIN 290189192#	OET Field Service/Public Lands Call. https://meet.google.com/iqw-kjtu-tuc
Jun 6		Central Oregon	Ride	Sisters Cow Camp	Jimmerson Trail Poker Ride. Contact Gayla Nelson darq69@gmail.com
Jun 13		North Valley	Ride	Howards Mill	Trail Boss: Faith Roney
Jun 15-22		Roseburg	Work Party	Kelsay Valley Horse Camp	Trail Clearing. Contact Kyle Miller kyletheelkhunter@gmail.com
Jun 23-28		State	Work Party	Quinn Meadows Horse Camp, Bend	Help clear those awesome trails up at Quinn Meadows. Come for one day or come for all! It's up to you and it is free camping. Contact Matt as it gets closer. vpfieldservices@myoet.org
Jun 17	10:00AM - 1:00PM	Mt. Hood	Ride	Sandy River Delta https://maps.app.goo.gl/YLGsQksZcXwyjw7x5	Foot in stirrup 10:00 AM. Lunch to follow. Bring lunch and a chair. Contact Sara Faulkner, (971) 274-6516
Jun 27	10:30AM Start	Columbia County	Ride	Stub Stewart State Park Buxton Trailhead	Contact Trail Boss Nancy 503-875-4699
Jun 27	9:00AM - 11:00AM	Roseburg	Ride	Mildred Kanipe Memorial Park, Oakland	Poker Ride. First rider out at 9:00 a.m., last rider out at 11:00 a.m. Lunch and drinks available by donation.
Jun 28		Mid-Valley	Ride	TE Ranch, Philomath	Jokers Wild Ride. PokerRideInfo@gmail.com
July					
Jul 3-5		North Coast	Campout	Northrup Creek Horse Camp, 87644 Northrup Creek Rd, Clatskanie	Celebrate 20 years of NCHC! Coastal woodlands camp with water, no electricity. Trails include hills and gravel roads, boots or shoes recommended. Dutch Oven potluck.
Jul 6	6:00PM - 7:00PM	State	Meeting	Virtual. Google Meets or call in to 601-688-3254 PIN 290189192#	OET Field Service/Public Lands Call. https://meet.google.com/iqw-kjtu-tuc
Jul 11		North Valley	Ride	Hardy Creek	Trail Boss: Brent and Sandy Branch
Jul 11		Roseburg	Work Party		Fish Packing. Tentative Date roseburgoff@myoet.org

Jul 12		Roseburg	Work Party		PCT Cleanup roseburgoff@myoet.org
Jul 15	10:00AM - 1:00PM	Mt. Hood	Ride	Sandy River Delta https://maps.app.goo.gl/YLGsQksZcXwyjw7x5	Foot in stirrup 10:00 AM. Lunch to follow. Bring lunch and a chair. Contact Sara Faulkner, (971) 274-6516
Jul 25	10:30AM Start	Columbia County	Ride	Reehers	Contact Trail Boss Nancy 503-875-4699
August					
Aug 3	6:00PM - 7:00PM	State	Meeting	Virtual. Google Meets or call in to 601-688-3254 PIN 290189192#	OET Field Service/Public Lands Call. https://meet.google.com/iqw-kjtu-tuc
Aug 8-9		South Coast	Campout	Wild Mare Horse Camp North Bend	
Aug 19	10:00AM - 1:00PM	Mt. Hood	Ride	Sandy River Delta https://maps.app.goo.gl/YLGsQksZcXwyjw7x5	Foot in stirrup 10:00 AM. Lunch to follow. Bring lunch and a chair. Contact Sara Faulkner, (971) 274-6516
Aug 22	10:00AM - 2:00PM	State	Meeting	Virtual. Google Meets or call in to 628-400-8556 PIN 573 588 208#	State Board Meeting. Santiam Horse Camp.
Aug 29	10:30AM Start	Columbia County	Ride	Camp Wilkerson	Contact Trail Boss Nancy 503-875-4699
September					
Sep 7	6:00PM - 7:00PM	State	Meeting	Virtual. Google Meets or call in to 601-688-3254 PIN 290189192#	OET Field Service/Public Lands Call. https://meet.google.com/iqw-kjtu-tuc
Sep 16	10:00AM - 1:00PM	Mt. Hood	Ride	Sandy River Delta https://maps.app.goo.gl/YLGsQksZcXwyjw7x5	Foot in stirrup 10:00 AM. Lunch to follow. Bring lunch and a chair. Contact Sara Faulkner, (971) 274-6516
Sep 19	10:30AM Start	Columbia County	Ride	Ft. Stevens, Delaura Bech	Contact Trail Boss Nancy 503-875-4699
Sep 26-27		Columbia County	Campout	Stage Coach Campground	Contact Trail Boss Nancy 503-875-4699
October					
Oct 5	6:00PM - 7:00PM	State	Meeting	Virtual. Google Meets or call in to 601-688-3254 PIN 290189192#	OET Field Service/Public Lands Call. https://meet.google.com/iqw-kjtu-tuc
Oct 17	8:00AM - 1:30PM	Public	Special	Clackamas Co. Fair & Event Center 694 NE 4th Ave, Canby	Clackamas County 4-H Tack Sale. New and used tack & other horse-related items. Parking $5, admission $1 per person.
Oct 17		North Valley	Ride	McIver State Park	Trail Boss: Tamara Glover
Oct 21	10:00AM - 1:00PM	Mt. Hood	Ride	Sandy River Delta https://maps.app.goo.gl/YLGsQksZcXwyjw7x5	Foot in stirrup 10:00 AM. Lunch to follow. Bring lunch and a chair. Contact Sara Faulkner, (971) 274-6516

Please visit OregonEquestrianTrails.org/calendar for more details of scheduled Events.

Prepare Your Livestock for Disaster

Reprinted from Oregon Livestock Council Prepareness Brochure

Pets and livestock should be included in your family's emergency plan. Keep them in mind as you follow these guidelines:

1. Pre-Register (QR Code)
2. Make a plan
3. Build an "Emergency Kit"
4. Practice Evacuation Loading
5. Stay informed



Oregon Livestock Council Pre-Registration

Using the QR code, pre-register your livestock on Relief Compass; available online and as a phone app. This is REE and enables important communication with us during disasters and emergencies. Your information comes only to us for disaster management purposes and will not be shared.

Make a Plan

If you have emergency plans in place, you will encounter less difficulty, stress and worry when you need to make a decision during an emergency.

- It is critical to have a plan and be ready to evacuate EARLY! If possible, map primary & secondary routes in advance
- Plan your vehicles, trailers, handlers & drivers. If you have need for assistance with any of these, make agreements for these in advance.
- Pre-arrange for a safe alternate location to keep your animal(s). Having a couple locations is beneficial in case of larger disasters (1 close, 1 futher away). Ensure access to water, food, care and handling equipment.
- Animal identification: microchip, tattoo, brand, velcro ID collar, photos and descriptions, animal safe paint/ marker (spray or paint on your information)
- Farm/Barn book with information, photos, phone numbers, any important veterinary or medical/care information including copies of vaccination records or Coggins. Include your address, phone number and emergency contact outside your immediate area. We suggest keeping a copy onsite and one in your personal Go Bag.
- Keep contact information for emergency management, animal control, shelters on hand in case of separation.

Build an "Emergency Go Kit"

Use waterproof containers for anything that should be kept dry. Review go kits annually to ensure their contents are fresh.

Food & Water - 2 weeks supply for each animal, ensure relocation space **stocked**

Medicine - 2 weeks supply for each animal being medicated

First Aid Kit - Well-stocked kit, include a large animal first aid kit if possible

Collar w/ID Tag, Harness/Leash, Halter/Lead Rope - Chip, brand or collar your animals prior to an emergency happening and include extra collars, halters and leashes

Registration information

Proof of ownership and vaccination records

Traveling Bag, Crate or Sturdy Carrier

Grooming items - Brushes, pics, grooming can be therapeutic during stressful times

Sanitation needs - Cleaning supplies and tools

Photo of You and Your Pet/Livestock Together - Barn/ Farm book with all animals' photos, both sides, also one with you as owner for reunification

Familiar items to reduce animal's stress - Toys, comfort items, clothes with your scent to calm

Practice Evacuation Loading

Practice makes perfect, but in this case it just makes it easier.

- Make a habit of keeping barn, pasture and stall entries and
- exits clear
- Work with your animals to trailer load. When the animals are comfortable with your training, ask a friend or neighbor to load your animals as they may be evacuated by a stranger.
- Maintain control of your anxiety and breathing to stay relaxed so the animals remain calm.
- Practice loading during different times of day/night, with different animals loading first, and out through different gates or doors.



March 2026

Public Lands/Field Services Meeting Notes

In Attendance: Della Webb (Eugene), Gloria Rice (Columbia County), Valerie Lantz (South Coast), Bonnie Depriest (Silver Falls), Jodi Knutsen (Mid Valley), Gayla Nelson (Central OR), Matt Dolphin (VP Fields Services), Melissa Wolf (Northwest), Melissa McLaughlin (President and West Valley), Kim McCarrel (VP Public Lands). Bianca Chevalier (South Coast) and Mary Kamm (Eugene) provided additional information via email.

Central Oregon

- Chapter officers, inspired by the annual meeting discussions, met to brainstorm ways to attract new members and make OET more fun for existing members.
- Will send another renewal reminder email to all non-renewed members.
- Installed "No Bikes" signs on the horse trails at all junctions with bike trail.s
- Will resume installing signs soon on the Corral Flat trails in the Ochocos.
- Applied for an RTP grant to create new equestrian trails out of Whispering Pine horse camp; will know in early March whether they got it.
- **May 10:** Duck Hunt ride at Sisters Cow Camp.
- **June 7**: Poker Ride fundraiser at Sisters Cow Camp.
- **August 13-1**6: Campout at Corral Flat

Columbia County

- **Camp Wilkerson**: New steel corrals for sites 1 and 6 should arrive in two weeks.
- **March 7 or 14:** Will tear out the existing wood corral.
- **March 21**: Will install new steel corrals.
- Community Corrections crews are scheduled for trail clearing starting April 1.

Eugene

- **Mt. Pisgah**: Monitoring trail map changes and coordinating with Equine Friends of Mount Pisgah and Lane County to address North Bottomlands trail decisions.
- **Elijah Bristow**: The watershed council's plans to improve wildlife habitat by allowing more water to flow through the park will flood some trails. The chapter is working with the park to plan mitigation actions.
- **February 14:** Had a Valentine's Day ride at Elijah Bristow.
- **March 30**: Elijah Bristow will begin charging for parking.

MidValley

- **June 28:** Poker ride fundraiser at Bell's TE Ranch.
- Planning the monthly fun rides/campouts schedule.
- **South Pyramid Horse Camp**: Pursuing grants and coordination with mountain bikers for trail rehabilitation after the fire two years ago.

Northwest

- **March 7**: Planning meeting for prize ride at Stub Stewart (in-person and virtual).
- **April 18**: Mega trail cleanup event hosted by the State Forest Trust. Volunteers from many groups will work on the Browns Camp Loop. Looking for a group to cook lunch for the volunteers.
- **May 3:** Prize ride at Stub Stewart.
- **Announcement**: May 30 is the Mule Skinners prize ride at Reber's Ranch (formerly the Flying M)

Silver Falls

- **Santiam Horse Camp**: Planning a joint work party with BHCO. Will repair corrals, chain gates, etc.
- **Hardy Creek**: Six sawyers and many swampers held a work party to clear fallen logs.
- **March 21**: Canby Tack Sale fundraiser.
- **March 22**: Fun ride at Willamette Mission.
- Fun rides will be monthly on the third Sunday at Willamette Mission

South Coast

- **Cape Blanco:** did some trail mapping last year; more to come.
- **Early March:** will install gravel (provided by the Forest Service) at Wild Mare and install concrete footing around the feet of corral panels as needed.
- Two horses were found safe and sound after being lost for a couple of days on the North Spit near Wild Mare Horse Camp.
- Annual PNER (endurance ride) conference will be in January next year in Vancouver, WA. The tack sale and trade show are free; fee for excellent lectures.

West Valley

- **Late April:** Sheep Springs work party will spread gravel in corrals and repair gate latches.
- **Nehalem Bay:** will finalize work party logistics. This year, State Parks won't provide reservations for members who want to camp.
- **Nestucca Trails**: waiting for the ground to dry out a bit, likely late May or June.

OET President

- Will promote April 18 Mega trail cleanup (Browns Camp Loop) and recruit volunteers or lunch helpers.
- Continuing to follow the action at Bob and Crystal Rilee Park in Newberg. At recent meeting, park board opted to continue to exclude bikes while they look at other park sites for suitable bike trails.
- **August 22 Board Meeting:** Ashley Lertora (North Coast) heard from Ben Burns at Oregon Department of Forestry. She is recommending Santiam Horse Camp for the August board meeting because they have good internet access. ODF has reserved 3 campsites for us.

VP Field Services

- **June 23-28:** Quinn Meadow work party. Dates are confirmed; Matt is waiting for the Forest Service to approve free campsites for volunteers.
- Will share North Valley Chapter sawyer trail-cutting video link with members (root wad standing back up after log is cut).

VP Public Lands

- Continuing to submit letters and testimony on recreational liability legislation, including proposed amendments to support stewardship organizations.
- Will help out as needed if issues arise with land managers or legislators .



Dates and Locations - OET State Board Meetings

April 18, 2026 — Woodburn Library, 280 Garfield St., Woodburn

August 22, 2026 — Santiam Horse Camp, Gates, Highway 22

November 21, 2026 — Emerald People's Utility District (EPUD) Meeting Room, Eugene

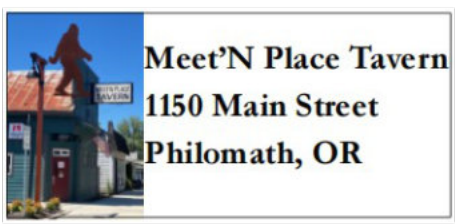
January 23, 2027 — Annual Membership Meeting & Banquet. Roth's Fresh Market, Salem

January 24 2027 — 1st Qtr Meeting.Roth's Fresh Market, Salem













OET Chapters

Chapter	Meeting Time	Meeting Location	Contact
Central Oregon Chapter	First Tuesday Doors Open: 6:00 p.m. Meeting: 6:30 p.m.	Pleasant Ridge Hall 7067 SW Canal Redmond, OR	Gayla Nelson centraloregon@oregonequestriantrails.org **(541) 549-9177**
Columbia County Chapter	Second Wednesday Dinner: 6:00 p.m. Meeting: 7:00 p.m.	Warren Moose Lodge 57317 Old Portland Rd. Warren, OR	Bob Rice columbiacounty@oregonequestriantrails.org **(503) 366-3736**
Eugene Chapter	*New Day!* Third Tuesday Speaker: 6:30PM Meeting: 7:00 p.m.	EPUD Meeting Room 33733 Seavey Loop Rd. Eugene	Mary Kamm eugene@oregonequestriantrails.org **(607) 434-5295**
Mid-Valley Chapter	Second Wednesday Dinner: 6:00 p.m. Meeting: 7:00 p.m.	Sizzler 2148 Santiam Hwy SE Albany	Mark Lehnert midvalley@oregonequestriantrails.org **(541) 730-1653**
Mt. Hood Chapter	Second Thursday Dinner: 6:00 p.m. Meeting: 7:00 p.m.	Elmers 1590 NE Burnside Gresham	Mary Blankevoort mthood@oregonequestriantrails.org **(503) 703-1232**
North Coast Chapter	Second Tuesday Meeting: 5:30 p.m.	Clatsop County Fairgrounds 4H Clubhouse - across from main complex 92937 Walluski Loop, Astoria	Ashley Lertora northcoast@oregonequestriantrails.org **(503) 325-2733**
North Valley Chapter	First Tuesday Dinner : 6:00 p.m. Meeting: 7:00 p.m.	Jimmy O's Pizzeria 1678 S Beavercreek Rd Oregon City	Brett Branch northvalley@oregonequestriantrails.org **(503) 913-2943**
Northwest Chapter	Third Monday Dinner/Social: 6:00 p.m. Meeting: 7:00 p.m.	Prime Time Sports Bar & Restaurant 4450 Pacific Avenue Forest Grove	Melissa Wolf northwest@oregonequestriantrails.org **(503) 550-2048**
Roseburg Chapter	*New Day!* Fourth Thursday Meeting: 6:00 p.m.	Douglas Co. Electrical Co-op 1931 N. Stephens Street Roseburg	Lynda Harding roseburg@oregonequestriantrails.org **(559) 696-7601**
Silver Falls Chapter	Third Monday Meeting: 6:30 p.m.	Salem Saddle Club Mtg Rm 7005 Lardon Rd Salem	Bonnie DePriest silverfalls@oregonequestriantrails.org **(503) 981-8124**
South Coast Chapter	Third Wednesday Meeting: 6:30 p.m.	Dave's Pizza 740 Kooz Bay Blvd Coos Bay	Kimi Larkin southcoast@oregonequestriantrails.org **(541) 321-2092**
West Valley Chapter	First Thursday No-host dinner: 6:00 p.m. Meeting: 7:00 p.m.	American Legion Post 21 126 NE Atlantic McMinnville	Kim Grabill westvalley@oregonequestriantrails.org **(503) 538-0679**

Chapters may need to alter meetings or events.
Please contact Chapter Chairs for up-to-date meeting locations and times

Chapter Reports

Central Oregon Chapter

We have been able to continue trail work throughout the late winter, thanks to the "snow drought" in central Oregon. Three work parties have already completed the installation of "No Biking" signs at Peterson Ridge.

At Dry Canyon, representatives from the BLM, State Parks, and COHVOPS (Central Oregon Off-Highway Vehicle Operations) surveyed damage and trail conflicts alongside Kim McCarrel. The goal is to design separate new trails for horses and motorcycles. In addition to creating a safer and more pleasant trail system, the damaged areas (known as "whoopsies") will be removed and restored with native vegetation. (See photos)

This spring, we will post tree diamonds on 70 miles of trails out of Corral Flat in the Ochocos. Regarding the STAR project—which is creating newly official trails from Whispering Pine and Sisters Cow Camp—Pat Marquis noted that the Forest Service requires volunteers to be aware of noxious weeds, protected plants, nesting birds, wolf tracks, and more. Awareness of these factors is essential, as they may impact the timing of planned trail work. We will be working on the STAR trails for several months. Pat also suggested a training session for those who haven't yet led a work party. He explained that any work performed on a trail or at a camp is considered a "work party," and all volunteers need to understand their responsibilities and how to complete the necessary forms.

While we have been steadily adding new members, we are also brainstorming ways to reach more equestrians in central Oregon. Ideas include articles in local newspapers, hosting a booth at the Trail Posse Trail Course, and sending a letter to current members with an overview of upcoming chapter events. Camille Wood, our historian, noted that shares, comments, and followers on our chapter's Facebook page have significantly increased in the past month; outreach via social media appears to be accelerating.

Our Duck Hunt (featuring rubber duckies on trees) will be held on May 10 at Sisters Cow Camp. For non-members, a $40 participation fee will include a one-year OET membership. Finally, our Poker Ride at Sisters Cow Camp is scheduled for June 6.

Columbia County Chapter

Collette Hayes and her husband, Bob, attended our meeting this month and shared information about the OET Prize Ride at Stub Stewart State Park on May 3rd. The Northwest Chapter of OET has finalized its plans and prizes. Saturday will be a workday, which includes spreading gravel in the corrals. Volunteers helping with camp maintenance or the ride may camp for free; please contact Collette to make arrangements.

We have two new metal corrals waiting to be installed at Camp Wilkerson. The old wooden ones have already been removed, thanks to our volunteers and camp hosts. We hope to install the new corrals on March 14th. Please note that the Cedar Bridge is currently considered unsafe for horses. It is an aging structure, and we are working with Columbia County Parks to replace it. Until then, riders are directed to cross the creek instead of using the bridge.

Gloria and Bob will meet soon with the leader of the Community Corrections Work Crew to discuss trail maintenance at Camp Wilkerson. We will arrange and pay for the crew to maintain the 4.5 miles of trails within the park. This allows our chapter to focus its efforts on developing and maintaining the trails outside of the park, including portions of the 5-Mile Trail, 10-Mile Trail, and Fish Pond Loop. The Liahona Trail remains entirely within the park.

Please note that Wilkerson Horse Camp will be closed the weekends of May 1st–3rd and May 22nd–24th. The park will remain open for day riding.

Damaged areas in Dry Canyon at Fryrear trail system. Dan Shaneyfelt of BLM and Kim McCarrel inspecting trail work to be done. The trail skid-steer on the Dry Canyon equestrian trail.







Upcoming chapter activities include a ride at Forest Park on Saturday, March 28th. Trail Boss Nancy Melton has obtained permission from Anderson's Roofing (5885 Northwest St. Helens Rd, Portland) to use their parking lot for rigs; there is ample space. We will ride up Saltzman to the trail, which follows a moss-covered old road, then ride into Forest Park and back. Contact Nancy for details at 503-875-4699. Additionally, Dave and Fran are planning a "Christmas in July" scavenger hunt at Dibblee Beach—that sounds like fun!

Cassandra has been investigating the possibility of our chapter joining the Columbia County Chamber of Commerce. Chambers serve as information hubs for local services and opportunities, which could help spread the word about OET and local horse camping options. Membership also fosters networking, allowing us to inform other businesses about OET while opening lines of communication within the community. We have decided to join for one year to see how it goes.

Finally, we are looking into developing local emergency preparedness procedures for evacuating livestock during emergencies, such as fires. Cassandra learned about the Oregon Livestock Council at the state OET meeting this year. She will meet with Karla Hoggan of the Council to coordinate a presentation for local OET chapters, veterinarians, barn owners, and other interested parties.

Eugene Chapter

Anyone out there want to start an OET Travel Agency? Eugene Chapter has the wanderlust! This month we heard about riding in the Scotland Border Country; next month will be the Scottish Highlands.

We are gearing up for work parties at Elijah Bristow, mostly brushing and gravel. Della Webb has been busy helping Mt. Pisgah get riding-ready and Lana Smith is doing a little sprucing up at Box Canyon with a beautiful new sign made by some local high school students. Be sure to put Box Canyon on your "**must camp at"** list this summer. The lovely renewed camp is ready for your riding excitement with all the work Lana has corralled! We have to check out those trails!

We are getting ready for our revised fundraising event on May 9th at Elijah Bristow. Our fearless fundraiser leader is on hiatus to recover from surgery, so we are switching to a "Bristow Bingo" format where you search for items on your Bingo card and come back for the prize awarding. The popular Costume Contest will be held again. One caveat is that you WILL NEED a State Park parking pass to park at Elijah Bristow this spring. See you there!

Mt. Hood Chapter

At our March meeting, many plans for work parties, camping trips, and rides were put on the calendar. Thanks to input from Rebecca Newell, Mt. Hood will be helping out with trail clearing in the Molalla River Corridor (Hardy Creek) on March 28. This is the second joint effort with BLM.

Mt. Hood will also be partnering with North Valley to clean up Scotch Broom at McIver on April 18.

May 15-19 we will be assisting Back Country Horsemen to clear trails on the PCTA around the new Stone Creek Camp at Timothy Lake. In addition, this will offer an opportunity for sawyer certification.

Camping starts out with Memorial Day at Stub Stewart, May 20-26. Members have later trips planned for Reehers, Nehalem Bay, Camp Wilkerson, Graham Corral, Silver Falls, and Joe Graham.

Plans are to continue our "Third Wednesday Rides" at the Sandy river Delta. Now added will be every Thursday at McIver, beginning May 7.

It's a full summer ahead!

North Valley Chapter

The North Valley OET meeting was held on March 3 at Jimmy O's Pizzeria, Oregon City OR.

We started with a speaker, Leah Calvin (The Right Fit). Her presentation was about correctly fitting a saddle to your horse. She was a vet technician and saw a need for this expertise.

Brett Branch reported on the State Meeting. We're encouraged to track our volunteer hours. 100 hours earns volunteers a State Park Pass.

Deb DeLorenzo reported on improvements at Graham Corral Horse Camp. The water tank will be installed in May. A Bend company can refill the tank for $225-$350 once a month, three times per season, June through August. We will explore future options for funding. For now, there will be a QR code for donations.

Karen Frogner reported on the Hardy Creek Work Party, held February 28. 18 persons and 6 sawyers split into four groups. 70-100 downfall were cleared on four miles of trail. Another Work Party is planned for March 28.

Lindy Rutherford reported on our Horse Camping Seminar to be held at Willamette Mission State Park on June 6. There is free admission as this is National Parks Day.

DATES OF INTEREST – Check the OET Calendar for updates.
April 7 – NVOET Meeting – Jimmy O's Pizzeria, Oregon City
April 18 – Work Party – McIver State Park – Scotch Broom removal
April 25 – Group Ride – McIver State Park
May 22-25 – Group Campout – Graham Corral Horse Camp
May/June – Support trail clearing at Timothy Lake with TRBCHO
June 6 – Horse Camping Seminar – Willamette Mission State Park
June 13 – Group Ride – Howard's Mill
June TBD – State OET Work Party – Quinn Meadow – Sisters
July 1 – Rascal Rodeo Support – Molalla OR
July 11 – Group Ride – Hardy Creek
July 15-22 – Group Campout – Whitefish Horse Camp
August TBD – Group Campout – Paulina Horse Camp
August TBD – Group Ride – Frog Lake or Timothy Lake – Mt. Hood N.F.
September TBD – Group Ride - Beach
October 17 – Group Ride – McIver State Park – Pink Out
November 7 – NVOET Meeting – Tamarind Ranch – Planning and Potluck
December TBD – Holiday Party and Potluck

Northwest Chapter

The Northwest Chapter has been preparing for a busy spring! On April 18th, we will be assisting the State Forests Trust of Oregon in their “Mega Trail Clean Up - Tillamook State Forest’ by cleaning up the equestrian parking lot at the Wilson Creek Trailhead at Jones Creek and serving lunch to other volunteers.

A few days later, we will be tidying Stagecoach Horse Camp on Earth Day, April 22. For the month of May, the Hillsboro Shute Park Library has offered us the entryway display cases to showcase “Horses in our Community” with fun visuals, kid friendly toys for appeal and OET information.

May continues to bring a lot of fun as we host a prize ride at L.L. Stub Stewart State Park on May 3rd and partner with a local scouting organization to tidy Reehers Camp on May 9th.

Roseburg Chapter

Mildred Kanipe Park Annual Clean Up - Approximately 12 volunteers participated. Food provided by Iva Holmes was appreciated. Bill Bayliss assisted with trail work using his tractor and mower. Work was completed on the Underwood Hill Trail, Mildred Forest Upper Trail, West Side Trail, and Fern Forest Trail. Trails continue to become easier to maintain with regular clean□ups.

Kelsay Valley Update - Camp clean□up scheduled for **April 11 at 10:00 a.m.** at Kelsay Valley Horse Camp. Tasks include general camp clean□up and emptying the full manure bin.

Poker Ride - June 27th

Mildred Kanipe Ad

Friends of Kanipe places an advertisement in the annual News Review Visitor’s Guide. We will contribute hlf the price the ad to promote equestrian trails at the park.

Mildred Kanipe RTP Grant - A **$40,000 grant** has been awarded for herbicide spraying to control hawthorn, blackberries, and poison oak. Riders are encouraged to mark trail areas needing work using one of the following apps: **Survey123, AllTrails, or GAIA**.

Mildred Kanipe Horse Camp Fees - Concern was raised regarding the **$45 per night** camp fee, which may discourage use. At the April meeting, discussion and action will occur regarding a formal fee presentation to the county, encouraging alignment with fees at other horse camps.



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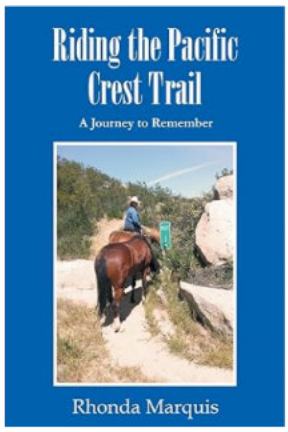

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12:30 p.m. – Endurance seminar

a. Boot Camp Graduates' Perspectives
b. Metabolism
c. Conditioning
d. Hoof Protection
e. Tack
f. Camp & Ride Gear
g. Tech (Ride apps, heart monitors, etc.)
h. Vet Check Protocol/Demonstration

4:00 p.m. – Vet check for all participating equines + safe mount/dismount check

5:30 p.m. – Group catered pizza dinner

6:30 p.m. – Ride meeting to review instructions for Sunday's mock ride + pair-up with mentors

Sunday, May 17

9:00 a.m. – Mock endurance ride with mentors

Noon – Ride recap

1:00 p.m. – Boot camp ends

For more information & registration contact Jeff Tryens @ jeff.tryens@gmail.com

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Riders must return no later than 2 pm to turn in their results, Prizes awarded *after* 2 pm.

Shoes for horses recommended, Children are encouraged to wear helmets and dogs must be on a leash. (One player per horse.)

For Lunch, Enjoy a Taco Bar with all the necessary condiments as well as Street Corn and Refried Beans. Ice water and treats provided, too! Lunch only, $10.

Entry Fees: $30 per Rider; Children 12 Years and Under, $20; Cash or Check. Extra Poker Chip hands (maximum 3 extra), $5 each.

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The Dink

By Kent A. Reeves, Cowboy Poet and Photographer

There's horses that buck sunfish and pitch.
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There's horses that spin and savvy the cow.
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There's horses that help you weather a storm,
But then there's the dink that don't fit the norm.
He'll bugger at ant farts and flea sneezes, too.
Why, he ain't even slicker broke at age twenty-two.
He trips and he stumbles, then falls on his face,
Before he steps out and takes a single pace.
You know that he's lazy, yes lazy indeed,
Because he's the last one to come in for feed.
You wonder about him and all of his like
For you'd be better mounted on a little old bike.
You curse and you swear, but he pays you no heed.
"Good God," you wonder, "who trained this steed?"
Then while you're a ridin', that heavy fog clears.
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Saturday June 6th, 9am-4pm
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Want to camp with your horse, but unsure how to get started? Our free clinic will help you be set up for success! Come and learn about:

- **Types of Rigs**: from SUV "car" camping to truck campers and bumper-pull trailers to larger Living Quarter (LQ) trailers.
- **What to feed your horse in camp**: certified weed free hay and alternatives, including where to find them
- **Trip Planning**: deciding where to go, reserving your spot, getting permits if needed, and more
- **Securing your horse** at camp and on the trail
- **Weather Considerations**: Temporary shelters, tarps, blankets, and more
- **Finding your way** around on the trails: maps, GPS apps, etc
- **Saddlebags**: Types and what to carry in them
- **Overnight on the trail**?!? Learn about ultralight packing and how to camp away from camp

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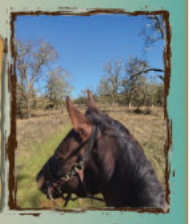
POKER RIDE

Saturday June 27, 2026
Mildred Kanipe Park
16513 Elkhead Road • Oakland



Fun for the family!!!
First Rider out: 9:00 AM
Last Rider out: 11:00 AM
$5.00/Hand or 5 Hands for $20.00
Prize Drawings and Silent Auction
Cash Awarded to Winning Hands
Concessions Available



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Need more info? Contact Rhonda Hjort: 541-430-3453

Directions
North on I-5: Take Exit 138. Merge onto Sterns Lane. Drive 1.4 miles and turn left at S Front St. Drive 2 miles, turn right on Locust St. **South on I-5:** Take Exit 140, Cross bridge into town of Oakland and turn left on Locust St. **Everyone:** Locust St becomes Driver Valley Road. Drive 4 Miles and turn left on Elkhead Rd. Drive 2.7 miles to Equestrian entrance on the left.

Youths under the age of 18 must have a parent/legal guardian on site. Helmets are recommended. It is preferred that a responsible adult accompany youths on the trails.

SORRY NO DOGS PLEASE!!!!

Reserve Camping Sites With Corrals at:
https://properties.camping.com/Mildred-Kanipe-Campground/Reservations

Oregon Equestrian Trails Mid-Valley Chapter
26th Annual
Jokers Wild Poker Ride
Sunday June 28, 2026



TE Ranch, Philomath, OR
North on 9th St. go 1 mile, Left on Heritage Hills Road, then follow the signs.

$10 per hand or 3 for $20
(Minimum one hand per rider)
Less than 13 yrs. ride free
Minors (under 18 yrs. old) need a parent or guardian signature.

First Rider out 9AM * Last Rider Out 12 PM * Awards at 2:30 PM
No Dogs, PLEASE!

Great Prizes! Top hands pick first, drawing for the rest!
50/50 Raffle too!

Food Available for Purchase from

J&C BBQ and Catering

For more information email PokerRideInfo@gmail.com Or call Meg 541-609-1075

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Central Oregon Trail Stewardship in Action - Cleared Trails and New Maps

Curious about the Marquis Trail? The Forest Service recently made the trail official. OET volunteers marked the entire route with white diamonds. Pat, Scott, and Doris wielded chainsaws to open the trail and stop the Pole Creek ditch from overflowing its banks and flooding the trail. Kathryn, Rhonda, and Kim lopped brush. It was a spectacular day, and the mountains were close enough you could reach out and touch them.

The Marquis trail starts at Sister Cow Camp and is an easy, fun, 9 mile ride.







A sparkly new map has just been posted in the kiosk at the Corral Flat trailhead in the Ochocos! For the past year an intensive effort by many Central Oregon chapter volunteers to post official signage on 70 miles of existing trails has been completed. White diamonds have been installed around the camp to help identify the color-coded trail markers. If you use Gaia GPS you can even view the trail tracks, courtesy of Kim McCarrel. If you haven't ridden there, it's a beautiful area with a chance to see wild horses and elk herds.





