



FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Fellow Members,

At this time your Board of Directors would like to take this opportunity to update the membership on the club's land dealings. We also think it is important to bring clarity to various rumors and falsehoods we hear floating around in our community about the WPSC. First of all, the club's investments with John Eden and Merrill Lynch are intact in the full amount as was initially placed. The interest earned is what the WPSC uses to function. The majority of the income is spent on land acquisition costs, planners, surveys, engineers, attorneys etc. The remainder is used for the activity and operations budget, which has performed accurately. This is only the second year of actually having and using a budget in the club's history.

The purchase closing of the Divide property has been extended until December 31st of this year. This had to be done because of the overwhelming requirements of the Teller County Land Use Regulations in light of our purchase and zoning changes. We have made the final applications submittals and are in the process for our final appearances before the Planning Commission and Board of County Commissioners. Your directors understand that this whole process has taken much more time than anyone could have imagined. We appreciate your patience and realize there are virtually no activities for the club socially. This is a function of no real place of our own. Your Board hopes this will no longer be the case at this time next year.

The sale closing of the southern 11 acres of the club's 23 acres in Woodland Park has been extended until April 7th 2012. This was done because of delays encountered by the buyer. These delays were the result of traffic and engineering study reviews. These were expensive reports required by CDOT. Their review and comment process is still not complete. It is the BOD's opinion the buyer is doing everything possible to move this along. As there is no other buyers interested in this real estate, we felt it in the club's best to cooperate with the purchaser and grant this extension with no additional cash required.

We can discuss these matters or any other questions or concerns at the **October 15th General Membership Meeting** in Divide. It is also the Board's intention to bring you accurate and current cost estimates for the Divide facility at the February 2012 meeting. You the membership can give the board direction on how to proceed with your club and your money. We hope to see as many as can make it to the upcoming October 15th meeting in Divide.

Sincerely,
Your Board

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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING & Potluck Dinner!

PLACE: *DIVIDE COMMUNITY CENTER*
DATE: **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15**
TIME: **5:30 PM:** Potluck Dinner & Raffle
7:00 PM: Meeting

Meat will be furnished by the WPSC!
 Please bring a salad, side-dish or dessert. There will be a raffle for some fun prizes between dinner and the meeting. Come join us, bring your thoughts and input, and let's break bread.

NEWSLETTER CHANGES!

For the Fall/Winter months, the WPSC Newsletter will be published *every other month* due to the reduced amount of activities. When we have an activity we will contact you via phone, email (is yours up –to-date with us?) or with a flyer. Our objective is to provide you with a newsworthy newsletter filled with land-acquisition updates, regional equine information that we obtain from our various resources, and current classified ads, etc.

We also want you to know that when you receive your newsletter it contains information pertinent to your interests and our area activities. So PLEASE, continue to provide us with newsworthy articles and information that we can pass on to our members.

Our activities are limited at this time due to the fact that we are in transition. However, that does not mean that we do not promote activities not related to the Woodland Park Saddle Club. Our goal is, and always has been, to promote the horse. That's why we are here.

TRAIL RIDES

Our trail boss, Jack Heard has been unable to lead trail rides this summer due to health reasons.

There is still plenty of wonderful weather left for trail-riding and the Pike's Peak Back Country Horsemen offer many opportunities for group trail rides.

For information on upcoming rides please call 719-964-5696 or contact Henry Cole at :

purplepeaks1@q.com.

See below for information on the Gold Camp Trail Ride on **September 25**.

PurplePeaks of Colorado
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"A Ride Through History"



Saddle Up! It's time for a "Ride Through History" on the 25th of September 2011 at 10:00AM.

Gold Camp Trail Ride will sponsor Pikes Peak Back Country Horseman of Colorado trail ride from Cripple Creek through the Mining District to Victor, Colorado.

The ride will depart at 10:00 AM at the Teller County Fair Grounds. It is approximately a 14 mile round trip.

The ride is a NON-PROFIT ride.

Please contact Hank Cole at (719) 964-5696/purplepeaks1@q.com for registration and directions ASAP.

There will be a \$35.00 fee to cover insurance costs.

Riders are at their own risk on this ride!

Please, No Stallions or Dogs.

The city of Victor will have water for horses and lunch/drinks available at local restaurants.

Gold Camp Trail Ride mugs and t-shirts available for purchase. Pre-order yours now!



GYMKHANA AWARDS AND FUN DAY, SEPT. 10, 2011

What a hoot! Fun-day participants brought their horses for fun and games and most certainly were not disappointed! But first and most importantly, awards for the 2011 Gymkhana season were announced by Jay Dial. Please join us in congratulating the following "stars"!

VOLUNTEER THANK YOU'S: Mike Decker, Barbara Gardiner, Connie Mahoney, Jennifer Decker, Jay Dial, and Sonny and Jeremy Keller.

SPONSORS: Outpost Feed, Circle H Smokehouse, Bill's Tools and Rentals, Hutchison's Lumber, Double M Concrete, and Mr. Potts.

SPECIAL THANK YOU'S: Myron and Janine Hendricks

LEAD & ASSIST, 2 OUT 4 PARTICIPATING DAYS: Ashley Delorne, Isaac Williams, Courtney Gault.

LEAD & ASSIST, 100% PARTICIPATION: (\$20 GIFT CERTIFICATE & T-SHIRT) Rylee Schoendaler, Blake Decker, Emily & Cori Stephens.

8 & UNDER: Shalee Schoendaller, Piper & Sedona Doust.

9-13: Morgan Serafin and Rachael Rooks.

19-39: Courtney Ankrum, Crystal Hudspeth, Dee Schoendaller, Amy Stephens.

40+: Kathy Ankrum and Frank Trigg.

TOP 3 OVERALL WINNERS:

3RD PLACE:

8 & Under:	Shalee Schoendaller	116 pts.
9-13:	Kayce Serfin	85 pts.
19-39:	Amy Stephens	85 pts.
40+:	Michelle Serafin	59 pts.



2ND PLACE RESERVE CHAMPIONS: (Buckle)

8 & Under:	Sedona Doust	129 pts.
9-13:	Madeline Cope	113 pts.
14-18:	Joyce Segovia	105 pts.
19-39:	Brenna Haugen	99 pts.
40+:	Frank Trigg	132 pts.



1ST PLACE GRAND CHAMPIONS: (Buckle)

8 & Under:	Piper Doust	151 pts.
9-13:	Rachael Rooks	119 pts.
14-18:	Brittany Kilcullen	110 pts.
19-39:	Crystal Hudspeth	126 pts.
40+:	Kathy Ankrum	134 pts.



FUN DAY RESULTS:

EGG & SPOON: Kim Delorme

FLAGS: Don Delorme (PULLING A HORSE!?). Hmmmmm.

**RED LIGHT/
GREEN LIGHT:** Brandon Brown (Isn't he a Delorme too?)

RIDE A BUCK: Kim Delorme

BEAR ATTACKS IN PALMER LAKE

One of our members forwarded an email to us regarding recent bear attacks in the Palmer Lake area. This is a reminder to all of us that bears are getting ready to go into hibernation and we need to watch our livestock carefully.

During the first week of September, two miniature donkeys belonging to Circle B Farm and Ranch Supply were killed by a bear. *"In both attacks the bear climbed over tall metal panels into paddocks to capture the donkey, then climbed back over the fence with it's prey, drug it a good distance and feasted on it. It left the remains and climbed over another fence. It bowed a metal panel and split an entire vinyl fence in half."*

A few weeks before, another attack occurred in the same area and killed a neighbor's goat. It wasn't confirmed it was the same bear however.

"Although this is a very rare occurrence and we have never had any problems in the past, we must all take responsibility and reduce the number of attacks by following DOW guidelines and safety precautions."

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HORSES FOR SALE

9 Yr. old grade QH Palomino Mare: 15.0 H; intermediate rider; nice trot & canter; no spook; lots of personality & fun! Great trail horse! Loads & ties. \$2,000. Photos available upon request.

9 Yr old Tennessee Walker Gelding: 15.0 H; black, 2 white socks; smooth trail horse; very sweet disposition. Loads & ties. \$2,500. Photos available upon request.

For more information call Randi @ 687-4253 or email at:

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FROM YOUR COLORADO HORSE COUNCIL LOOKING FOR HAY?

Annual Directory Connects Producers and Buyers

LAKEWOOD, Colo. -The Colorado Department of Agriculture publishes the Colorado Hay Directory annually to help connect hay producers with buyers. The 2011 edition of the directory is available to the public at no cost.

"Hay continues to be a leading crop in the state, and we have requests from around the country for Colorado hay," said Wendy White, marketing specialist for the Colorado Department of Agriculture. "The directory is a great way for producers to market their hay and it is an important resource for buyers across Colorado and the nation."

The 25th edition of the Colorado Hay Directory features nearly 100 producers and brokers of hay as well as companies that provide hay-related products and services. Categorized by region, each listing includes the type and amount of hay available, bale type and size, whether or not laboratory analysis is available, certified weed free status and identifies organic hay.

The Colorado Hay Directory is published by the Colorado Department of Agriculture in cooperation with participating Colorado hay producers, Colorado State University Extension, and with support from Ag Biz Solutions, LLC, Hutchison Incorporated, ProAG-Morris Industries Inc. and Scimetrics Ltd. Inc.

The directory is available online at www.coloradoagriculture.com/hay. For more information or to request a copy of the 2011 Colorado Hay Directory, call the Colorado Department of Agriculture at (303) 239-4115.

WPSC BOARD MEETINGS

The Board meets the 1st Thursday of each month at 6 PM. Membership is encouraged to attend. We meet at the Woodland Park Professional Building, 400 W. Midland in the 2nd floor conference room. A 2nd monthly meeting may be added if necessary. For details call and leave a message at 687-9975 or email us at info@wpsaddleclub.com.

A Rider's Prayer

Dearest Creator in Heaven,
Give me strength to guide my horse.
Make my hands soft and my head clear.
Let my horse understand me and I him.

My heart you have blessed with a special love of these animals.
Let me never lose sight of it.
My soul you have gifted with a deep need for them.
Let that need never lessen.

Always let my breath catch as the sun gleams on an elegant head.
Always may my throat tighten at the sound of a gentle nicker.
Let the scent of fresh hay and a new bag of grain be sweet to me.
Let the touch of a warm nose on my hand always bring a smile.

I adore the joy of a warm day on the farm.
The grace and splendor of a running horse,
The thunder of its hooves makes my eyes burn and my heart soar.
Let it always be so.

Dearest Creator grant me patience,
For horses are harnessed wind, and wind can be flighty.
Let me not frighten or harm them.
Instead show me ways to understand them.

Above all, dear Creator, fill my life with them.
When I pass from this world, Send my soul to no heaven without them.
For this love you have given me graces my existence
And I shall cherish it and praise You for it for all time.



Welcome New Members!

Larry & Melody Money

Stephanie & Damon Skidmore

"Whoever said a horse was dumb, was dumb" ~Will Rogers



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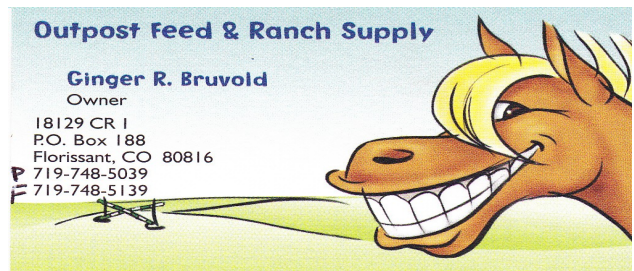
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