

# HIGHLINE

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## From the President's Pen

By Kathy Sherer

The first thing I'd like to say is, thank you for letting me represent you on the 4CBCH Board of Directors for the last 13 years. That is WAY too long for any one person to be on a Board, so I'm removing myself at the end of this year. I will continue to be a 4CBCH member, but not in any kind of leadership role. I will also retire my position as Highline Editor (after 11 years) at the end of this year. If nobody takes over the newsletter, at least we have a very active, current Facebook page with details about what we're doing.

Our Board Secretary has also resigned, so we're hoping that some of you will step up into these positions. The world has certainly changed since 4CBCH was formed 30 YEARS AGO, and we need new members with new ideas to take the reins if we are to keep our chapter alive.

As of last year, we helped a 4-H group take over the Tack Sale, and we are now selling them our trailer that stores and moves the equipment. The Poker Ride is also a labor-intensive event, and it MAY or MAY NOT happen this year due to volunteer burn-out.

Without these fundraisers, our bank account will continue to diminish unless new members come forward with new ideas and renewed energy.

Our next membership meeting is a very important one, so let's all meet at the **Florida Grange at 6:30 on FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1st for a pot luck dinner. The topic of discussion will be "Reviving 4CBCH" and the annual Board election.**



## NATIONAL PUBLIC LANDS DAY

Saturday, September 28

By Linda Boulder

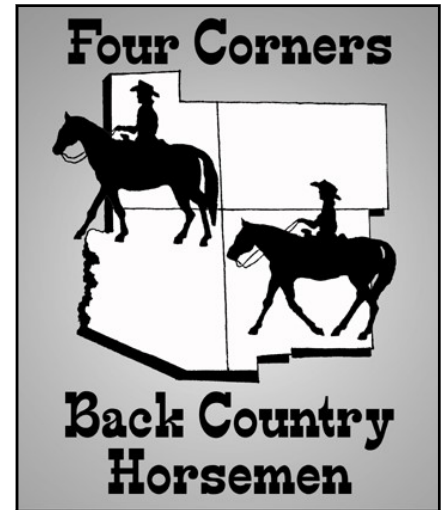
National Public Lands Day is September 28th.

To observe the day, 4CBCH members will be cleaning out the corrals at the Pine River Trailhead ~ corrals that our club installed years ago.

We will start at 10 a.m. and we typically finish in about an hour, then hang out to enjoy each other's company.

You don't need to bring your horse unless you want to ride the trail afterward.

So bring your rake, shovel, muck tub, weed snippers, gloves, water and lunch. I'll provide a wheelbarrow. See you then!



## Next Membership Meeting

Friday, November 1

6:30 Florida Grange

Pot Luck

**Important topics:**

**Reviving 4CBCH**

**Board Election**



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**CRATER LAKE TRAIL CLEARED**

By Jon Sherer

On September 7th, the Crater Lake trail project was completed. I was joined by Todd Rodas and Andrew Carroll on horseback and we cleared the trail of 5 large trees. Ed Tolen, Jane Robinson, and Art & Pat Berg followed on foot to cut out small trees and brush growing to close to the trail.

This trail is in the Wilderness so we used Silky Saws rather than chain saws. It was hard work, but it was a gorgeous day!



**FCER HORSE OF THE MONTH**

Rookie is a 10-year-old thoroughbred-type gelding who is currently being brought back into saddle work. He has a big personality and loves attention, especially when you find his itchy spots.

His perfect person would be someone who can take things slow and help him build confidence.

With his big movement and flashy stature, we think he would make a fun dressage mount or a horse to practice liberty work with.

For information about Rookie or any of his friends at FCER, please contact us at 505-334-7220 or [www.fourcornersequinerescue.org](http://www.fourcornersequinerescue.org).

**DATES TO WEAR ORANGE**

Archery

Oct. 1-25 Whitetail

Nov. 6-30 Whitetail

Dec. 15-31 Whitetail

Muzzleloader

Oct. 12-20 Whitetail

Rifle

Oct. 1-14 Moose

Oct. 12-16 Elk/Bear (1st season)

Oct. 26-Nov.3 Deer/Elk/Bear (2nd season)

Oct. 26-Nov. 5 Whitetail

Nov. 9-15 Deer/Elk/Bear (3rd season)

Nov. 20-24 Deer/Elk/Bear (4th season)

Dec. 1-14 Whitetail



*Durango Cowboy Gathering*  
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October 5

Plus free performances around town all day Friday and Saturday!  
Go to [www.durangocowboygathering.org](http://www.durangocowboygathering.org) for the complete schedule.

**WANTED**

**Horses, Burros, Mules, Wagons, Dancers, Walkers, and YOU!**

36th Annual Durango Motorless Cowboy Parade on Main ~ Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup> 10:30 a.m.

Ride, drive a wagon, or walk and lead your favorite critter ~ No entry fee ~ Trophies awarded

**You MUST register and sign a release to be in the parade by Thursday, October 3rd.**

You may still enter on parade morning but you will not be considered for a trophy.

If you want to ride in the 4CBCH entry, contact Kathy at [jksherer1@outlook.com](mailto:jksherer1@outlook.com).

**AND BEFORE THE PARADE, there's the all-new HORSEBACK SOCIAL!**

**Saturday Morning, October 5th, Main Street**

**7:30—11 AM: Chuckwagon Breakfast by the Bar D Chuckwagon (8th Street & Main)**

**8:00—10 AM: Horseback Social (Main Ave. from College Dr. to 12th St.)**

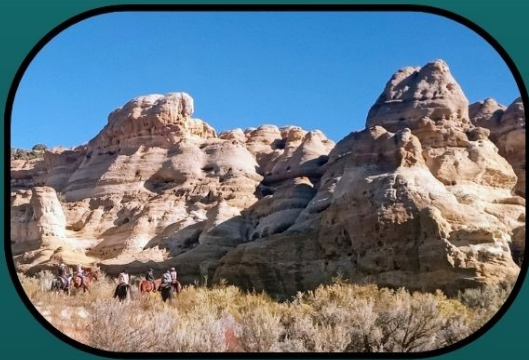
Six blocks of historic downtown Main Street will be barricaded so that horseback riders can hang out, socialize, and ride with friends. Spectators can meet real cowboys, cowgirls, and horses up close.

There will be LOTS of street activities and events along Main to showcase our western culture and the agricultural heritage of our community. From saddle making, to horseshoeing, to a petting coral, there's something for all ages and interests. Everything is kid and family friendly.

**Debbie Coburn Memorial**

# **Pilares Arches TRAIL RIDE**

**October 12, 2024**



**\$40 - Register before Oct. 11th**

**\$50 at the door**

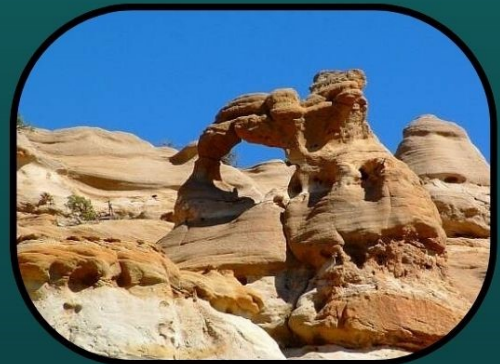
**\$20 - BBQ Only**

**BRING YOUR OWN HORSE!**

**Check-In @ Tiger Park - 8am**

**Trail Ride @ 9am**

**BBQ and Silent Auction @ 1pm**



**For more information visit:**

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1. To perpetuate the commonsense use and enjoyment of horses in America's back country and wilderness.
2. To work to ensure 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 public commensurate with our heritage.
5. To foster and encourage the formation of new state Back Country Horsemen organizations.

### **Please report your volunteer hours!**

Go to [www.4cbch.org](http://www.4cbch.org) and click on "Volunteer"  
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