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Presidents Notes

Hello to Everyone,

The San Lorenzo ride was wonderful. Donna, Lily, Robin, and Rodney attended w/Dacodah leading the ride.

Donna said it was in the top 10 of all the rides she's been on. Dacodah stated if it wasn't for Rodney's fearless riding and keen wit he doesn't know how they would have made it. All in all it was a success!!

The Socorro Chapter can't co-meet with us in April. They are going to discuss work projects at their next meeting, so they'll be more prepared if we co-meet in May. I suggest we put some sort of plan together as well. Anyone who has an idea of areas you'd like to work in, I suggest you contact the Ranger District and see how we can help. We'll have discussion at the meeting on the 15th and put together a schedule. (We are still welcome to have the meeting at the Kiva RV office, we could do potluck.) I hope to see you at the meeting.
Happy Trails

Becky

CALENDAR

Wed, 15 Apr	March Monthly Business Meeting TBD – stay tuned for updates	7:00 PM
Sat/Sun 18-20 Apr	Work Project – Call Rick – 869-2388 Continental Divide Trail near Mt Taylor	
Sat, 25 Apr	Training Ride – Donna is Trail Boss – 310-3896 Cerrillos Hills State Park	10:00 AM
11-13 September	BCHNM Rendezvous Gila National Forest – Make your plans NOW!	

April Training Ride

Donna Ketchson volunteered to take on a ride around the Cerrillos Hills area. This is a newly established NM State Park just off the Turquoise Trail north of Sandia Peak and Madrid. It's supposed to be a great area to ride, and most of our members have never been there. Plan on making it.

Date: Saturday, 25 April 2009 – Ride starts at 10:30 A.M.

Training Ride Trail Boss: Donna Ketcheson – 505-310-3896

Rendezvous: Come to the meeting for final details on the trip.

Weather Go/no-go: If weather seems questionable, call Donna after 6 p.m. Friday, 24 April

Directions: Head for I-40 East of ABQ toward the East Mountain area and take the Tijeras exit 175 onto NM 14 North. Head North toward the Village of Cerrillos (about 45 miles). Turn left onto Rt 57 to Cerrillos, and the right on Rt 59 leaving Cerrillos to the North. Go about 0.5 miles to the Entrada parking area. It's about a 2 hour haul from Los Lunas.

Continental Divide Trail Project – 18-19 April

The NM Volunteers for the Outdoors have a work project developing a new section of the Continental Divide Trail near Mt. Taylor and are looking for help. The project will involve building tread and marking the new trail sections. This is nominally an overnighter – although you can day trip if you just want to work one day. The VO provides breakfast Saturday and Sunday and the evening meal Saturday. It's a walking work project, but you can bring a horse and do some riding on Sunday. VO also provides the tools, unless you have something special you want to bring. Call Rick if you want to help and see a new part of the CDT. 869-2388.

Country Supply Connection

Don't forget our partnership with Country Supply and the rebate that goes to the Chapter. Go to <http://www.countrysupply.com> and order as usual. When you go to check out, there is a box to enter our "Country Care" code - "mrgbchnm." Just enter the code and the Chapter gets a contribution.



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