

Awards 2018

I would like to thank you all for being here this afternoon and welcome you all to our 2018 awards presentation. It has been my privilege and honor to have been recognized as last years 'Member of the Year. I am thankful to the awards committee for their help in recognizing our fellow members for their work on behalf of the club

Cheryl and Chris Westby.....would you please come forward. Cheryl lost her older horse a few years back and began a journey with a new young horse. After several rides she realized that her horse needed more training. She turned to a local trainer and in time she and her horse were able to ride the trails. She continues to work on skills with Cliff Kinneman at his arena. In recognition of her efforts, the awards committee takes pleasure in presenting her the Horse and Rider Award.In addition, Cheryl has inspired Chris to get his own horse so that he may join us on the trail. The awards committee would like to recognize him with the newest rider award.....Thank you Cheryl and Chris

Ron Spalding and Cindy Blanksma.....would you please come forward.....Many of us have experienced the loss of a beloved horse. This year we have two members that went through this. In remembrance of the bonds you shared with your horse we would like to recognize your loss with these angel horses.....Thank you Ron and Cindy.

Jeanette, Cindy and Cheryl--.....would you please come forward. Each of these members are being recognized for their efforts on behalf of the Club with the Extra Mile Award. **Jeanette** records and submits members volunteer hours to BCHW. The Club appreciates this important task being performed by Jeannette. As Historian, **Cindy** has maintained and updated our picture board that goes to Rendezvous each year. **Cheryl** is being recognized for helping to organize the bough gathering task in preparation for our wreath fundraiser. Thank you girls.....

Cliff and Betty Reichel.....please come forward....An ongoing task that our club fulfills is the maintenance of the horse camp at Marg McKenny. A large part of that maintenance is servicing the manure bins. The club can always count on Cliff and Betty lending their help. For this reason we would like to present them with the **Golden Shovel Award**. This is to become an annual presentation made by the former recipient. Thank you Cliff and Betty.....

Kim Habel.....please come forward.While camping at the Humptulips River the group decided to ride into the river as it was a hot day. Kim quickly discovered that she should have

paid attention to the signs her horse was giving her. "Foxy" suddenly went down, enabling Kim to go for an unexpected swim. Once we realized that she suffered no more than a thorough soaking we, including Kim, were all able to enjoy a good laugh. For this comedic equine aquatic event Kim is being presented with this year's Crash and "Splash" award. Thank you Kim.....

Bob and Ron...please come forward....As two guy helpers, we want to recognize you for your continuing construction talents. For Ron, because of his love of snakes I have a bucket of snakes, and for Bob and his DTS mission I have a blow-up pile of ...

Worker Bees---This is a little thank you that we give out to acknowledge all who volunteered on various projects throughout the year...such as work parties, our fundraiser, ...this year we have many.....

Dick and LaVonne...please come forward. Although you have previously been honored by the club, we would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your spirit and continued inspiration to us all. We are blessed to have you as members. Thank you Dick and LaVonne.

Member of the Year....This brings us to our most significant award of the evening.....2018 Member of the Year..... This award recognizes a member for their commitment and passion to advance the interests and desires of the club. It reflects a member's contribution that reaches above and beyond..... Joan Fleming...please come forward.....It is hard to keep up with all that Joan does, but we have come up with a list of contributions. First, Joan attends Legislative Day each year as an equine advocate and keeps members informed of any legislation of interest to the club..... Next, she acts as a representative for us with DNR by attending user group meetings and maintaining communication with DNR Managers. ... Because of her relationship with the DNR our club is kept informed of goings on in Capital Forest..... Joan has championed the planning and construction of the Greenline Climbing Trail that resolves an issue between bikers and horseback riders. She organized 15 work parties and scheduled work over a two-year period to complete the trail. A person of strong will and perseverance was required to see this task to completion, and Joan was that person..... Joan is now representing SCR at the newly formed Wash Dept of Fish and Wildlife Advisory Committee that will keep our interests as riders known.....And lastly, At a time when the club was in need of a new Director, Joan answered the call and stepped up and volunteered. For this act alone, the club and executive committee are deeply indebted to her..... By taking this position Joan has ensured that SCR remains a

chapter of BCHW..... Hardly more could be asked or expected of one member..... For this reason and all the reasons above, the awards committee takes great pride and heartfelt appreciation in giving Joan our Member of the Year Award for 2018.

Present Joan with Flowers and Plaque.

Cook-And last but not least we would like to thank Dick (and Vickie too!) for all the great cooking they do for us throughout the year. Joan and I even had the privileged to be well fed on our camping trip to Elbe this year. Thanks to you both.