

R.Cappello 2022

Here is the agenda I am planning for the annual stock event. (Currently referred to as annual equipment check and refresher in the PWV pack training outline) It will be held at Mountain View Ranch and Stables in Ft Collins. I have attached a drawing of the acre we have reserved for Saturday July 9, 2022 .

- 1) This event will be held every year to accommodate new participants including PWV stock members, horses and or pack animals and trail crews and hikers who will be working together with the stock committee during the upcoming season.
- 2) It will be the biggest stock committee event of the year for several reasons; this event will be open to the public and therefore it's an opportunity for the recruitment committee to get the word out however they see fit. It will be an excellent opportunity for recruiting stock members especially, because there are currently over 100 horses boarded at this facility and we are allowed to put up flyers ahead of the event.

The areas to be covered are as follows with a general timeline.

- 1) 9:00 am stock committee members arrive and set up for the event approximately 30 to 45 minutes.
- 2) 9:30 to 10:30- Saddle equipment check and saddle fitting. Once we determine a saddle fit for someone wishing to use a horse of their own, borrowed, leased or being trained by one of our trainers, the saddle can be given to them for the season to practice with. (ideally, I'd like to do this event before the end of June.) Anyone can be present if they have an interest in this particular part. But most people can arrive about 9:30
- 3) 10:00 With the saddles on the pack horses were ready to proceed, with the event. Before going on I'll take an opportunity to personally introduce all the stock members present and their animals by name. Anyway, it will be a little fun part to get everyone acquainted and lead off to the next part which will include hikers and trail crews and other interested people.
- 4) Fred will be sending an email to ALL members about the event. In the email we will request that some hiking/backpacking members bring along everything they would take with them on a 3 or 4 day backpack trip including food, packed in airline size carry on bags as described in my Pack Training outline as well as their empty backpacks. If we get

six people to participate, we will pack two horses, if we get more we will pack as much as we can. This will take at least an hour or two.

Stock members will be asked to attend with or without horses to show support for their stock committee members. Horses not being worked with will have to stand tied or hobbled.

I would also ask committee chairs to promote this within their committee to their members they work with. Especially trail and restoration crews.

The last part is especially important and can take as long as needed. First off, this is the first time we are doing this and we will all be learning. Second is, this will be the ONLY time the trail crews or hikers/backpackers will see what we do with their equipment as they will be hitting the trail about 4 hours ahead of us. Ideally, they will be PAST the drop off/camping spot by the time we get there. They can either continue cutting the trail past the drop off point or just wait for us to arrive. All this depends on working well together. We will always, before every detail, get together and go over what we are doing and the timeline in which we are to operate.

I am requesting this entire event be filmed by our film team as well. And I would like some trailhead hosts as well.

We currently have 30 stock members if 15 show that would be great. If we get 15 board and committee members that's 30 so far. If we get 15 hikers and trail crews (sawyers ect.) that's 45, if we add 15 additional guests from the ranch stables, CSU and other PWV members or guests we'll have 60. So I'm guessing we could have 55 to 65 people minimum, and up to 75 or 80 maximum.

Just so you all know, I'm wingin' it here! Ill need as much help as I can get!!

All I know is go big or stay home!