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Florida Forever Back Country Horsemen, Inc.
Preserving our equine cultural heritage on public lands for today and tomorrow.

FFBCH NEWS

September 2016

MARK YOUR CALENDARS !!
The June meeting is scheduled for
Thursday, September 15, 2016.



750 W Main Street, Inverness 352-341-2686

Dinner begins at 5:30.

After everyone is finished eating, a short business meeting will be held to approve the minutes and treasurer's report. No speaker is scheduled.

This will be primarily a social meeting.

Non-Members are WELCOME!
Please come and join us!

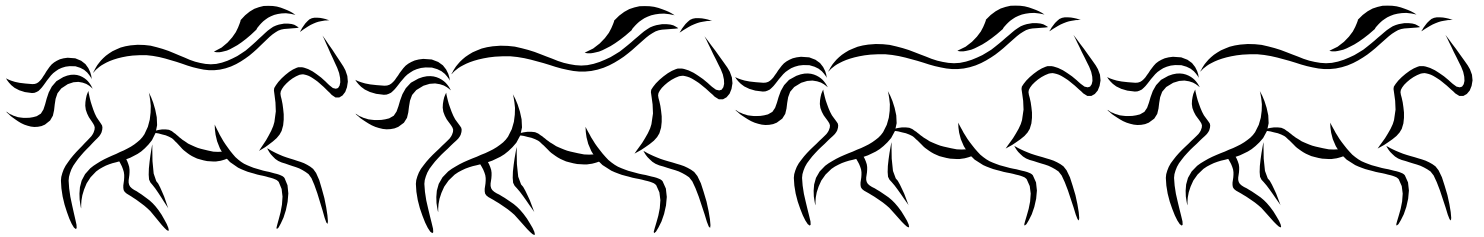


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Save The Date !!!



The November meeting will be held on
SATURDAY, November 19 at
Tillis Hill !!

The club will host a Bar-B-Q
at the Tillis Hill Pavilion.

The menu, time and activities will
be announced soon.



Diatomaceous Earth - Not Just For Your Pool Filter!!

The following is NOT a recommendation but information to allow you to make a decision if this product is right for you.

At our June meeting, Lt. Chris Evans happened to mention during dinner that he has been using FOOD GRADE Diatomaceous Earth aka DE to help control fleas, flies and a variety of other insects.

Barb Porch reported at our August meeting that she and Larry tried it and they believe that it really is working. You must use **FOOD GRADE**. Barb also reported the best pricing (that she found) is at Tractor Supply. Make sure you use appropriate safety precautions - such as a mask and gloves and remove all animals from the premises before you treat it.

The website link below is the page specifically for flies. However, they offer information about a multitude of uses. The site below is one that I just happened to find and think informative. If you Google it you will find a number of websites with a variety of information.

<https://www.diatomaceousearth.com/natural-fly-repellent/>



A special thanks goes out to
Fred Fulcher, Cal McDavid and Gary Reynolds
for their continued efforts on the new 8-stall barn at Tillis Hill. They finished all but two gates when they ran out of lumber. The extra supplies are in and the project will soon be complete.



What a nice job!



Looking at the new 8-stall barn toward the old barn and paddock.

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Looking at the renovations behind the new barn toward the dog kennels. A retaining wall is where you see the large post tops.

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View of the back of the new barn from a different angle.

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August 2016 General Meeting
8/18/2016
Riviera Mexican Restaurant

Meeting called to order at 6:22 PM by Sally McDavid

Minutes of July meeting: Motion to approve by Barb Porch, 2nd by Tom Allen and group approved.

Treasurer's report by Gary Reynolds > Motion to approve by Betty Lewis, 2nd by Fred Fulcher and group approved.

Need suggestions for speakers. We may or may not have one for Sept and possibly we will go back to Sonny's BBQ.

October: Suggestion was to have a feed dealer speak. Maybe Triple Crown?

November 19 is our cookout at Tillis Hill.

December is our Christmas at Stumpknockers.

January possibly have Nick Nicholas Ford people again.

Barb Porch reported that she has tried Diatomaceous Earth (FOOD GRADE) for fly control and it seems to be working pretty well. More information will be in the September newsletter.

Fred Fulcher announced that his neighbor has a horse trailer for sale.

Tom Allen said there was an article in Horse and pony about Truman's trip to the National BCH meeting.

Betty Lewis announced that there is a new vet in Brooksville. Dr. Alex Urban and there is an open house on Sept 24 at the Hernando Co. Fairgrounds to meet her. Flyers at your places re this event.

Calvin is getting back with Eddie about finishing the stall gates at Tillis Barn project.

Sally will get with Lita about our other proposed projects.

50/50 \$19 won by Betty Lewis.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 PM


Trail Issues

Report any and all trail issues in the Citrus Tract of the
Withlacoochee Forest to Fred Fulcher at
352-341-2461 or email at rafulche@aol.com.
Fred will get the word out to the appropriate people

**Please
Respect Other
User's Trails**

**Stay OFF
Hiking Trails**






Want to help? Can't find the time to work on the trails? Can't always make the meetings? That doesn't matter! You can show your support by joining Florida Forever Back Country Horsemen (FFBCH). Individual memberships = \$25 and Family memberships = \$30. Or, make a donation! 100% of a donation goes to the club.

Every member of a local chapter is automatically a member of the Back Country Horsemen of Florida AND Back Country Horsemen of America. Not in the Citrus County area? Then join Back Country Horsemen of Florida as an at-large member until a local chapter is developed in your area. Don't forget Nature Coast Back Country Horsemen serving Hernando, west Sumter and northeast Pasco Counties and Southeast Ocala Back Country Horsemen.

There are many issues facing equestrians today. Help us to preserve the trails we have. Add your voice to those of more than 15,000 of your fellow American horsemen and women. **You only have to look at the Croom and the Citrus Tract of the Withlacoochee Forest as an example of what can be accomplished when we work together and with our land managers!**



Current Officers and Directors
President—Sally McDavid
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Secretary—Becky Fulcher
Treasurer—Gary Reynolds
Janet Day - Director
Tom Allen—Director
Barb Porch—Director
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