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

FFBCH NEWS

May, 2014



MARK YOUR CALENDARS !!

**The May meeting is scheduled for Thursday,
May 22 at Sonny's Real Pit Bar-B-Q
750 W Main Street, Inverness.**

352-341-2686

**Dinner 5:30-7:00 business meeting at 7:00 p.m.
No speaker scheduled.**

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



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“LIKES”



Florida Forever Back Country Horsemen (FFBCH) is **PROUD** to announce its new Facebook page. What a great way to stay in touch with everything that is going on. We hope you will “LIKE” us on Facebook and invite all your horsey friends to join us also.



FFBCH GENERAL MEETING - APRIL 24, 2014 - Angellotti's Pizza

Call to order: 7:06 PM. Welcome by President Sally McDavid

Introduction of Board members: Vice President, Fred Fulcher, Secretary, Rebecca Fulcher, Board member Janet Day (Absent: Treasurer, Gary Reynolds and Board member Tom Allen)

New members and visitors: Don Woods, Mike and Sue Kessler, Karen and Greg Murphy, Ray Dodge and Jean Tata.

Minutes from the March 1 and March 27 meeting were in the newsletters. There was no discussion or corrections. President McDavid explained that going forward we would have minutes available and a treasurer's report at each meeting. She also explained the restructuring of BCH in Florida into a State organization (BCHFL) and the creation of a new chapter (NCBCH) in addition to FFBCH.

Treasurer's report: Balance after the Shindig was \$5,159.25. Income from 50/50 and dues \$119.50; Expenses "Respect other user's Trails" signs \$37.10; Department of State Annual Filing Fees, \$61.25, P.O. Box rental \$64, dues collected for at-large members submitted to BCHFL \$105; one-half of Treasury to Nature Coast Back Country Horsemen of Florida \$2,489.70 leaving a balance of \$2,521.70.

Motion to approve: Karen Rossman Second: Bill Bishop.

Membership applications on the website have been updated with the appropriate address, phone, etc.

Facebook: Like us on Facebook and get immediate updates. We currently have 58 likes and all our members need to check it out.

President McDavid commented on the excellent job the group did at the Bear Hammock trail clean up on April 17. A good turn out and lots accomplished. Pictures are on the website (newsletter) and FB.

President McDavid introduced our quest Speaker: David Hunnicutt of the Inverness Farm Bureau office. Mr. Hunnicutt was born and raised in rural Florida. He is local to Citrus County and his farm is on the south end of the County.

He explained the history of the Farm Bureau group and its current structure. The Farm Bureau was formed to represent Agriculture issues at the state level. Insurance came along afterwards. There are 47,000 members in Florida with 210 agents. Farm Bureau still believes in the agent system with a commitment to customers to care for them.

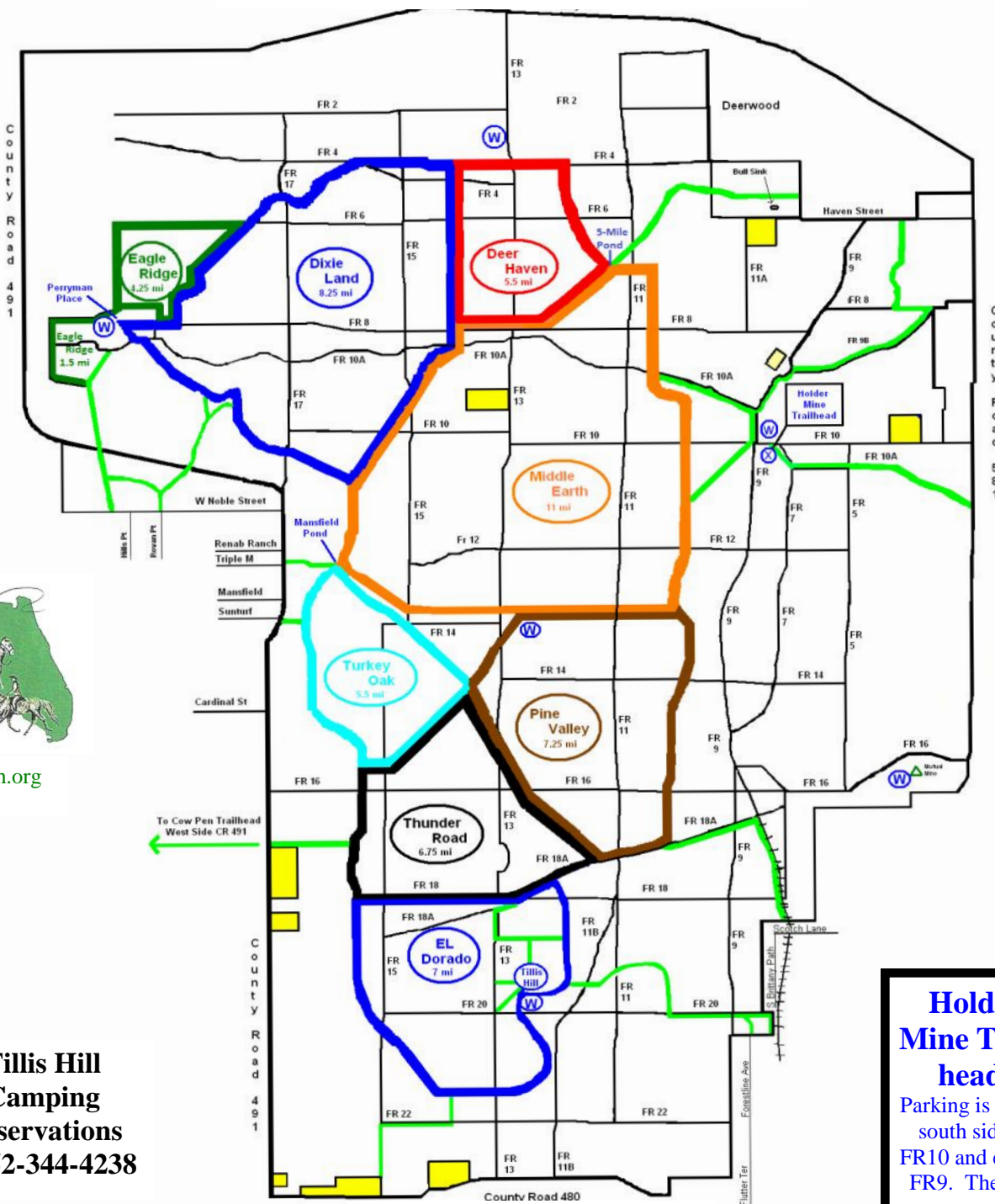
There was much discussion and questions from the group. Horse trailer coverage. Owning horses and how it affects liability. He stressed to always discuss with your agent about the animals you own. Also be sure to check with your agent to see if your pool enclosure is covered. Other topics discussed were Hurricane deductibles, Wind Mitigation, mobile homes, other structures and barns.

50/50 drawing won by Fred Fulcher \$26.

Meeting adjourned 8PM.

For a .pdf downloadable copy of both the entire forest and the south half with the field trial runs, please go to our website: ffbch.org and click on maps.

Withlacoochee State Forest Citrus Tract



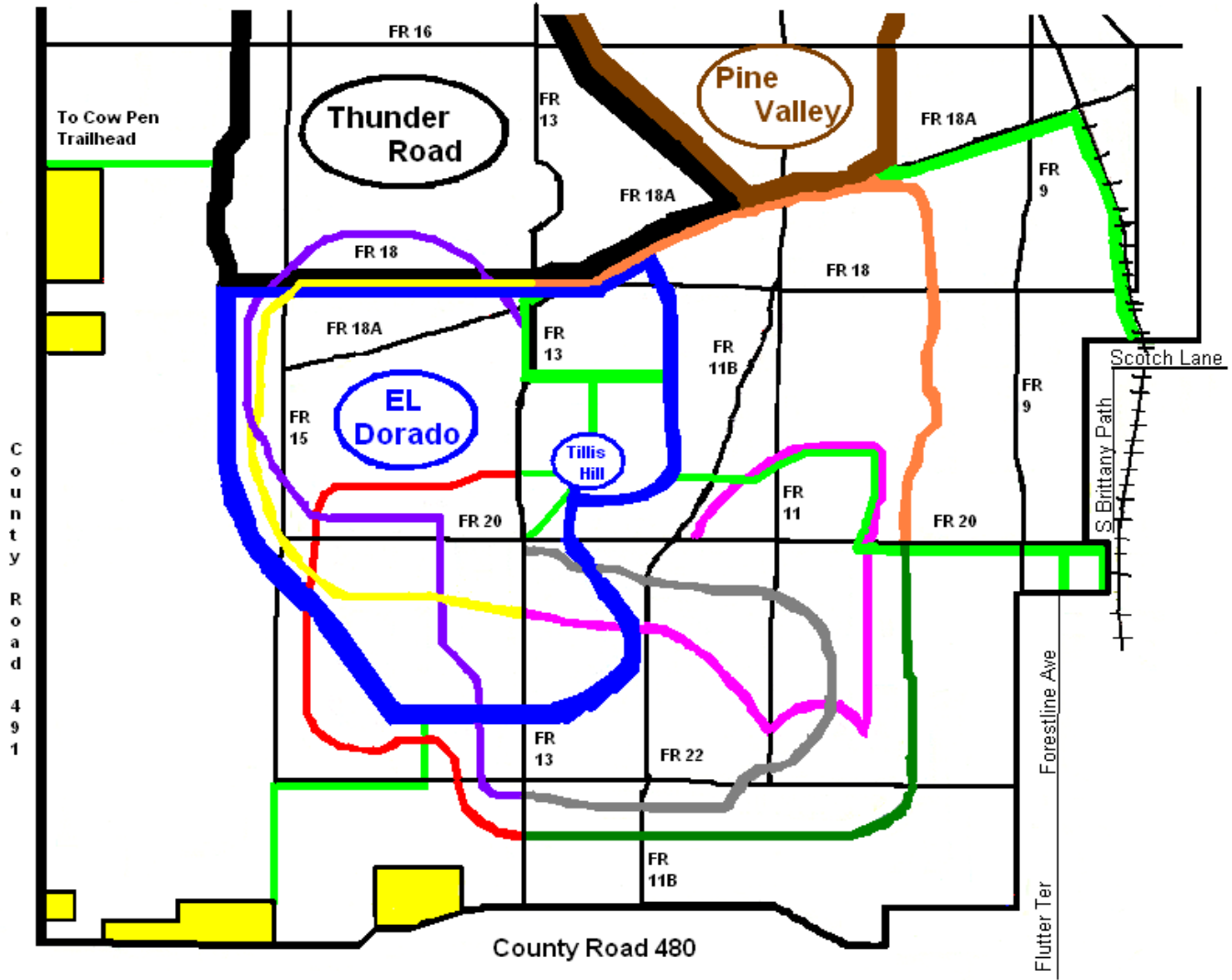
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head:**
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south side of
FR10 and east of
FR9. The cor-

**Florida Forest Service
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Field Trial Run Mileage:	
Purple	4.0 miles
Green	2.8 miles
Red	2.9 miles
Yellow	3.3 miles
Pink	4.2 miles
Orange	3.2 miles
Gray	3.6 miles



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 = \$20 and Family memberships = \$25.

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.

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
Vice President—Fred Fulcher
Secretary—Becky Fulcher
Treasurer—Gary Reynolds

Janet Day - Director
Tom Allen—Director

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