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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, 2018

The May meeting is scheduled for

**Thursday, May 24 at
The Old World**

**8370 S Florida Ave, Floral City, 34436
352-344-4443**

Dinner 5:30-6:30 business meeting at 6:30 p.m.

We were not able to get a speaker for this meeting so it will be mostly social with a short meeting after dinner.

We will try again for the June meeting.

We welcome your ideas as to projects you would like us to consider. We have recently installed five new mounting blocks and found the concrete blocks were relatively simple to install. We hope to put picnic tables at some of these locations before the fall riding season is here.

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



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Cal McDavid
demonstrating
the proper
mounting
block
technique!



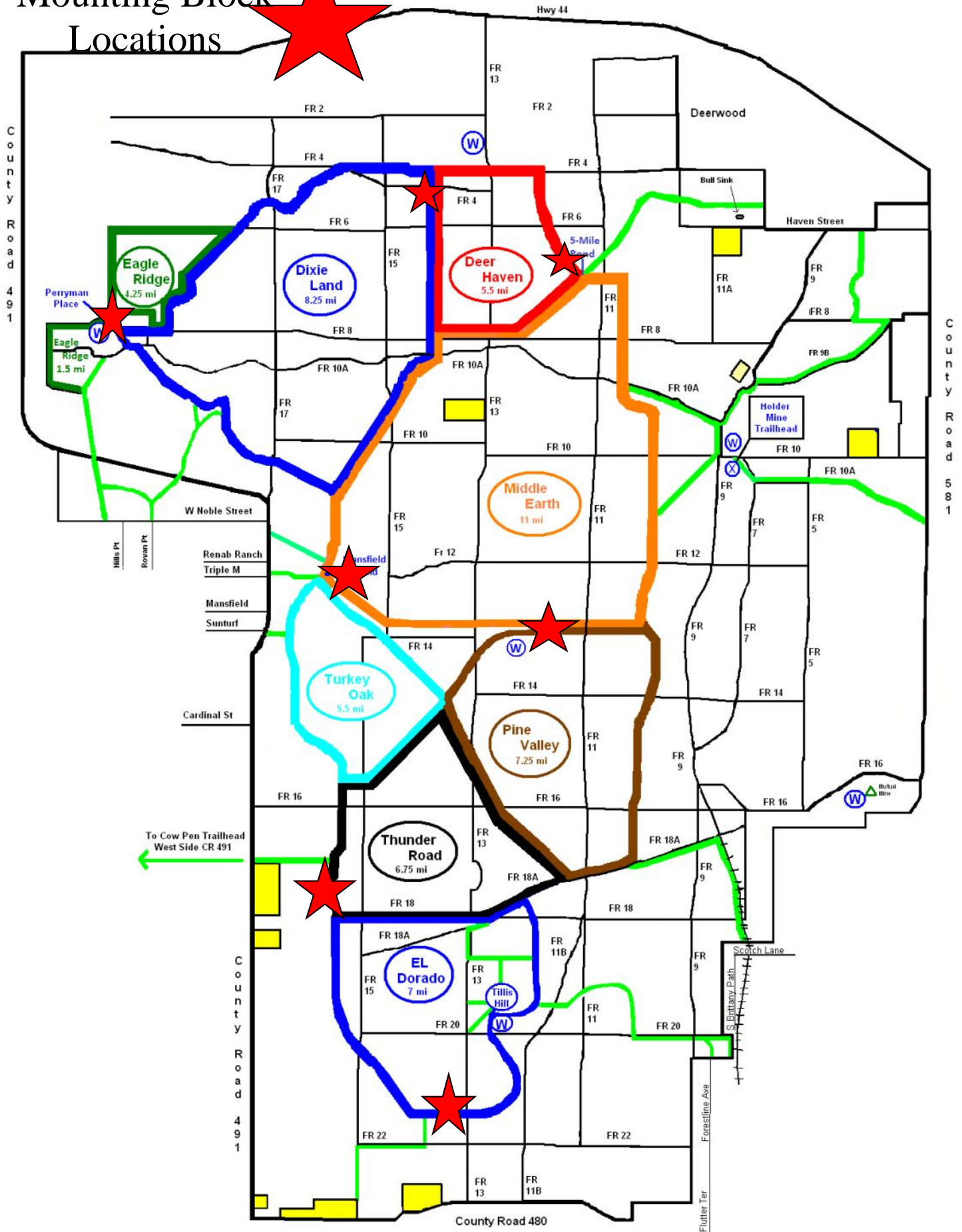


Top: Steve Rossman & Fred Fulcher breaking the bucket off the block along with Becky Fulcher & Karen Rossman.

Bottom: Karen giving detailed instructions on correct technique!



Mounting Block Locations



April 2018
FFBCH General Meeting
4/23/2018
Habanero's

Meeting called to order @ 6:30 by Sally McDavid

Sally presented Bill Bishop with a Forestry Volunteer cap. She then showed the group the nice plaque we received in recognition of our volunteer work for building the stalls in the new horse barn. We also received a day pass to any Forestry property and this was given to Faye Durrett.

A Motion to approve the March minutes was made by Fred Fulcher, 2nd by Jean ? and group approved.

Treasurer's report by Sally McDavid Motion to approve by Sue Brascia, 2nd by Calvin McDavid and group approved.

There was some discussion on meeting places. Old World in May and Sonny's in June. Sue Brascia will check out the Inverness China Buffet. Ray Durrett suggested Catfish Johnnies by Panasoffkee (need min 30 people for that one) Also, the Buffet City in Brooksville was mentioned.

There will be no meetings July, August or Sept.

Future speakers: We are looking into some horse related topic speakers. Perhaps Dan Post or Dr. Geoff Tucker.

Margaret Miller Hack Line. Calvin and Eddie are going to check out the new trails she has made. It has been reported to forestry and they will handle it.

Please stay off the hiking trails and out of the cave area. There are no official horse trails south of 480 either. Kathy Jackson reported that she went on a hike and was embarrassed by the amount of hoof prints and horse poop on the hiking trails. Hiking trails are well marked with NO HORSE signs. There is no excuse for being on them.

Lillian asked for recommendations for workers to do fence repair, lawnmowers, etc.

50/50 \$69.50 won by Arlene Pender.

Meeting adjourned.



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!

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!**



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