Coalmine Camp

Rules, policies, etiquette

Coalmine Camp is intended for use by Backcountry horsemen of BC members and sponsored guests.

Sponsors of junior members and guests, should be present while juniors and guests are in camp, and will be responsible for the safety and behaviour of those they sponsor.

The designated camp host or the executive committee may allow exceptions.

Backcountry Horsemen of BC is a volunteer organization.

The camp, everything in the camp, and all activities are a result of volunteer effort. While all BCH members are welcome to use the camp, All members have an obligation to contribute to the effort it takes to build, maintain, and operate the camp.

A list of items that require volunteer work is posted at the cabin, or, ask the camp host how you can help.

If members are unable to volunteer time, a monetary contribution will help with ongoing camp costs. There is a donation box and a list of suggested donation rates in the cabin.

Camping

All sites are on a first come, first served basis.

If you have questions, ask the host.

Set up only at established sites unless agreed by host.

In general, set up and use your camp in a way that minimizes negative affects on other campers.

Run generators only when it will not negatively affect other campers.

Keep your campsite tidy.

Dogs

Well behaved dogs are welcome in camp.

Examples of poor behaviour:

- 1. Barking,
- 2. chasing/annoying horses, other dogs, or people.
- 3. Aggressive behaviour

Some people are frightened by dogs. It is the owners responsibility to prevent the dog from causing this.

Dogs showing repeated bad behavior will be bared from camp.

Dogs are not welcome near the clubhouse/cabin during group use. (Meals, meetings, etc.)

If you want to take your dog along on a ride, be sure all other riders are aware of this, before starting out.

Horses

Horses are the responsibility of the owner.

Horses may not be left unattended overnight.

(Someone at camp must be responsible for every horse)

All Campsites have corrals.

Other camp facilities/areas may be used for horses on a first come first serve basis, providing it does not interfere with the designated use. Eg. Horses may pasture in the skills development area if it is not being used for training.

Horses may graze in any area if they do not conflict with campers or other horses.

Manure cleanup must occur immediately after the use of any area is concluded.

Manure may be left at the collection sites.

Leftover/waste hay must be disposed of in the compost site.

Suggested donations

While there is no charge for use of Camp facilities, there are on going maintenance and upkeep costs.

Your help in keeping the camp's status as "no fee" is appreciated. You may chose to use one of the following templates as a guide.

Option 1 – horse based \$10/horse/day

Option 2 – camper based \$10/person/day

Option 3 – site based \$20/site/day

Rides.

The back country horsemen provincial "best practices " rules apply to all sanctioned rides, and are encouraged for non-sanctioned rides.

Ensure someone knows your intended trail/route/timing. This not only addresses safety concerns, but helps others plan their own rides.

The whiteboard at the cabin can be used to leave this information.