

**LNT EDUCATOR
OVCBCHW
Janet Logan**



Ask Janet Logan the details of her full and busy life, and it is horses, horses, horses, with "I've lived in more places than I can name, but that's another story." She was a charter member of BCHW and has worked on many trails and in many offices since then, and also does double duty with the Okanogan chapter, now serving as Leave No Trace Educator.

But the real story is a horse story. Janet got her first feisty Welsh pony at eight, then a hand-me down Morgan mare at eleven, when she took her first real trail ride. Flash forward through high school and starting a family, and at 31 things started to happen: from trail riding on Jubal, a flashy half-bred colt, to Northwest Park Horse Championship

with Setting Sun's Rhythm, "who was never out of the ribbons," she was hooked on gaited horses. Janet bred, raised, trained, and showed Tennessee Walkers for the next 16 years. She was licensed by the USDA to inspect gaited horses at shows, and did a little judging. Meanwhile, in addition to mountain trail riding, packing, and hunting, Janet's work with gaited horses overlapped with a new interest in race horses. She started with a big bay Appendix QH, "Smokey Mobile One," and made him many time winner and track record holder. Her favorite then became a competitive trail horse, and came with her as her first Methow Valley ride. For two decades from Long Acres to Boise and Emerald Downs to Salem, Janet was respected as owner and trainer of about 200 racehorses, many Thoroughbreds and Quarter Horses, and some Arabs. She often exercised her own mounts; "depending on their temperament" (wisely stopping after the ground hit her head one time.) Somehow Janet also squeezed in 23 years working with the Simpson Timber Company, retiring in 1993. And by 2004 she was in the Methow, making a home out of two acres of sage and bitterbrush. Now she's busy acquainting her new paint mare "Whinny" with the miles of trails that are her backyard ride on Texas Creek

I first joined Back Country Horsemen over 30 years ago When Ken Wilcox was trying to address RARE II Wilderness Act through Washington State Horsemen. Since then the history goes BCHW to Chapters on to Tread Lightly and now Leave No Trace. I was a charter member of Grays Harbor where I was held office of Director. I now am a member of 2 chapters Methow Valley BCH where the last office I held was Alt. director a couple of years ago and now the LNT Educator for the Okanogan Chapter.