



NSFWA Spring Fun Days @ Dillon & Bannack
June 10 & 11, 2022 Schedule of Events

June 10 (Friday)

Bring a Cooler with a Picnic lunch/drink

(Dillon to Bannack { See Map} a 35 minute drive / 23 miles.)

10:00am-Gather in Bannack at the **Information Center**, where we will meet Mr. John Phillips, who has offered to give us a “Guided Tour,” of Bannack, including interesting stories about the beginning of a gold town then growing to earn the title of Montana’s first Territorial Capitol and eventually a ghost town. **Note:** You will be welcome to roam around on your own after the Guided Tour ends.

12:30-1pm- Enjoy lunch together at the covered pavilion located at the Camp Ground. at Bannack.

Immediately Following Lunch: Remain at your Picnic Table and listen to our Guest Speaker, Mr. Michael Hanley, speaking to us about the Trials & Tribulations of The Stagecoaching and Freighting Business of the mid to late 1800’s.

2:30 pm- Done at Bannack. You are given some free time to travel back to Dillon to visit with each other or site-see or relax until dinner or you might want to visit the “Big Hole Battle Field” by going back to Hwy 278, from Bannack, then turn left or west and travel to Wisdom, 46 miles then turn left on Hwy 43 then approx, 11 miles to the Battle Site.

5:30 to 6:30 A \$7 Barbeque dinner at the Elks Club, **27 E Center Street, Dillon**

7:30pm- Entertainment at The Beaverhead Co. Museum **15 South Montana St, Dillon**
\$10 cover Fee going to the Beaverhead Museum. 1800’s Cowboy tunes
Well liked in the Montana area.

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Breakfast: After breakfast with friends and family, Then after your Breakfast:

Option 1: head to the Virginia City / Nevada City area, where we can roam around and see the sites or enjoy a guided tour of the 2 towns by Mr. & Mrs. Harland Olson. There you will see Wagons & Stagecoaches, working Blacksmith And pioneer event demos.

Option 2: With good roads & weather we can enjoy, by auto tour, the old Stage Freight road that connects together this rugged & scenic area.

2:30 Please meet at the west city limits @ The **McFarland Curatorial Center**, located at **700 W. Hwy 287**. There we will view the original J.R.Hill Harness Poster that was found at the Jos. Sullivan Saddle Shop. Your NSFWA took the lead, along with Mrs. Marjorie Antolik of the Montana Heritage Commission to conserve this rare Harness Poster and protect it from the elements.

5pm- Done for the day & Enjoy Dinner and roam around the two old towns.

Spring Fun Days events are Complete . We hope each of you have enjoyed your weekend and had fun & informative time.

A Special Thanks to: Bannack State Park along with Mr. John Phillips and all Employees of BSP - The Town of Dillon Montana - The Elks Club of Dillon – Beaverhead County Commissioners – Montana Heritage Commission & Mrs. Marjorie Antolik, Assistant Curator – Mr. Harland Olson and Mrs. Joel Olson, Both Virginia and Nevada City Historians and NSFWA Members. - “Living History Blacksmith”, Mr. Jem Blueher , a NSFWA Member.