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General Club Meeting

Held at 8:00 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month, normally in the large meeting room of the Idaho Falls Public Library. NO GENERAL MEETING IN JULY.

Membership Fees

	Full Year	July 1 - October 1
Individuals:	\$20	\$15
Family:	\$25	\$20

After October 1, the payment of full year fee applies to the following year. Full-time students (18 or older) and seniors (65 or older): \$5 off the above fee schedule.

Council Meetings and Bulletin Deadline

Any interested member is invited to attend.

Materials for the bulletin are due by the weekend before the council meetings. Please send material to the bulletin editor at rener@srv.net

Up Coming Programs:

ANNUAL WINTER BASH AND MEMBERSHIP PARTY

Wednesday, January 9, 2002, 8 PM

St. Marks Episcopal Basement Meeting Room - Corner of 4th & South Boulevard

It is that time of the year again for the IAC Annual Winter Membership Party and to renew your membership in the IAC. If you haven't already renewed your membership or joined the IAC, start off the new year right, so you can enjoy the many benefits of being an IAC member.

Finger foods and beverages will be provided by the club. Those who desire may bring munchies to share. A Kodak Carousel style slide projector will be available for showing members' slides. Signup sheets for pending XC Ski and Snowshoe trips will be available.

The party is open to the public. All outdoor enthusiasts are invited to attend.

President Speaks

I hope that everyone has a safe holiday season.

Thankfully our area has received its fair share of snow so far this winter and there are many club trips planned to take advantage of it. Cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, and even winter camping. Our area has a lot to offer and I encourage you to come out and participate in some of the scheduled trips.

Of course, along with the snow comes cold weather and lately it has been outright arctic! Be sure and prepare yourself before heading outside by brushing up on cold-weather injury management and proper dressing. It may be cold outside but a little extra care can go a long way.

Our annual membership drive is coming up January 9th. If you have a friend or two who has thought about joining the club, or would like to meet other people with similar outdoor interests, don't forget to bring them along.

Happy trails,
Tim

XC Ski / Snowshoe Trips

January 27 - Brunch & Ski at the South Fork

Brunch & Ski at the South Fork Lodge Nordic Center trail system. 20k of the trails are groomed for skating as well as traditional diagonal stride. An additional 14k is groomed for skate skiing only (which translates to lots of herringboning on traditional gear if one is following a skater). We'll ski, eat, and ski some more. Trail Fees are \$12 per day but if we can get a large enough group together we may be able to swing a discount. Brunch at the restaurant along the banks of the Snake River is fabulous. If you have a Targhee Vertical Value Pass the food is 15% off or Idaho Falls Ski Club members can show their membership card for a 10% discount on the food. Call Mark or Donna to sign up and for the meeting place and time, 524.6119 or XCski@idahoalpineclub.org

February 16 - 17 - Teton Canyon Overnight

East of Idaho Falls, near Driggs. Ten miles round trip moderate trail. Camp overnight at Teton Canyon campground, set-up camp, and do transceiver practice. Depending on snow stability conditions, we will ski into the Jeddiah Smith Wilderness Area before skiing back to the cars on Sunday. Call Mark or Donna to sign up and for the meeting place and time, 524.6119 or XCski@idahoalpineclub.org

February 23 - Ponds to Harriman

Northeast of Idaho Falls in Island Park. Rolling intermediate terrain. Trail is rated as advanced due to the 12+ miles. A shuttle will be needed so those that would rather ski at Harriman could drop the rest of the skiers off at Ponds and drive the cars back to Harriman. End of the day beverages and snacks. Ski Club members will need to provide their ski club member number. Call Mark or Donna to sign up and for the meeting place and time, 524.6119 or XCski@idahoalpineclub.org

March 16 -17 - Huckleberry Hot Springs

East of Idaho Falls near Flagg Ranch. Easy 2 mile ski in over mildly rolling terrain. Depending on the trip participants, we may continue on an additional mile to Polecat Hot Springs to camp and soak there. This is also great snowshoeing terrain. This is the annual celebration of Mark's birthday too. Call Mark or Donna to sign up and for the meeting place and time, 524.6119 or XCski@idahoalpineclub.org

March 30 - Meadow Lake

Located 110 miles north of Idaho Falls in the Lemhi Mountains. 5.5 miles of moderate difficulty with a 2000 foot elevation gain to Meadow Lake Campground. This trip is not recommended for beginners. Snowshoers are welcome. Leashed dogs are welcome. We meet in Idaho Falls to car pool to the trail head at the old town site of Gilmore. End of the day beverages and snacks. Ski Club members will need to provide their ski club member number. Bring towels and tevas in case it is necessary to ski the hot springs at Goldbug instead. Call Mark or Donna to sign up and for the meeting place and time, 524.6119 or XCski@idahoalpineclub.org

Ski Club Warming Hut

On Thursday, December 13, 2001, the Idaho Falls Ski Club Warming Hut was set up at its usual location in the Kelly Canyon Nordic Area. The hut is now open for the season and available for both day and overnight use. For overnight use of the hut, contact Glen Hayes by phone at 523-6839 by e-mail at hayesbg@ida.net.

Harriman State Park

Cross-country ski season is in full swing at Harriman State Park. More than 3 feet of snow cover the park's 23 miles of trails, providing excellent cross-country and skate skiing opportunities. More than two miles of new trails are open this year.

Grooming occurs in the evenings on Monday, Wednesday and Friday of each week. For more information call the park at 558-7368

Cross-Country Ski Clinic

The 20th annual West Yellowstone, Montana cross-country ski clinic will be January 20th. The daylong event is sponsored by Idaho Mountain Trading.

A bus will leave the parking lot at 7:30 a.m. and will return at 7 p.m. The cost is \$30 per person and it includes 2 1/2 hours of instruction from a certified ski instructor and up to three hours of skiing in the afternoon.

For more information, call Idaho Mountain Trading at 523-6679.

Bike Trips ~ 2002

April 7 - Bike Trip in Yellowstone Park

The roads will be closed to motorized traffic for two weeks after park has plowed them. Idaho Mt. Trading will be running this trip so contact Mike at IMT for details 523.6679. Mike also plans to give us another short presentation of preparing your bike for the season at our April meeting.

April 27 - 28 - Bike Trip and Overnight Camp Out in Teton Park

This is a great time to ride in the park with out having to dart the tourists. Every year the weather has been different for this breathtaking 32 mile round trip to the dam from the Bradley and Taggart Lake trail head parking lot. Afterwards, we plan to haul their camping gear in to stay overnight in the park. Call Mark or Donna to sign up and for the meeting place and time, 524.6119 or XCski@idahoalpineclub.org

Club Member Benefits

10 % discount on (non sale) outdoor equipment at the following stores:

- Idaho Mountain Trading - Shoup & B
Idaho Falls - 523-6679
- Timberline Outfitters - A Street, Idaho Falls
552-3853 www.timberlineoutfitter.com
- K & R Adventure Gear - 522-5279
or 877-369-7407 www.knradventuregear.com
- Canyon Whitewater Supply - 450 S Yellowstone
Idaho Falls - 522-3932

All Topo Maps on CD-ROM - now available to IAC members who have a current membership card at a 15% discount through Timberline Outfitters

Discounts on Jerry Painter's Hiking and Biking guide books

Alpine Club Rental Gear:

Gear is available to paid-up members. Call the appropriate coordinator for more information.

North Face VE-24 tent--George Cole
Climbing helmets-- Kurt Myers
Ice axes-- Kurt Myers
Caving helmets-- Dean K.
Carbide lamps-- Dean K.
Clinometer & compass for cave mapping
--Dean K.

Rafting equipment --Greg Hulet

Newsletter Advertising

Members: Free space is usually available for members' ads for used or needed equipment. Free space (up to half pages depending on space) is also available to businesses that offer discounts to members.

Nonmembers: Half page ad - \$25

12 half-page ads, purchased at the same time - \$20 each for a total of \$240

Full-page ad - \$40

12 full-page ads purchased at the same time \$33.34 each for a total of \$400.

Stone Walls Rock Gym

Hours are 3:30 p.m.-9:00p.m. Mon-Fri

1:00 a.m. -9:00 p.m. Saturdays

1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Sundays.

The gym offers a \$1 discount to Alpine Club members. *[Note: these hours may be out of date-- please call to check.]*

IAC Logo T-Shirts!!

Short sleeves or long sleeves, crew neck, heather grey Dri Release material with embroidered club logo! Short sleeve \$12 each. Long sleeve \$21 each. Sizes Small, Medium, Large, and X-Large. The shirts are available at the monthly meetings, but if you just can't wait until the next meeting, contact Mark or Donna at 524.6119 to get yours sooner.

IAC Website

Have you visited the Idaho Alpine Club's homepage at www.idahoalpineclub.org lately?

Have you tried the great interactive features that have recently been added to the site:

* An IAC CLUB BULLETIN BOARD where you can post information, announcements, ask questions, make comments, whatever you'd like. It's like our own club newsgroup!

A 'SHARE-A-LINK' page where you can link to WWW sites submitted by members. You can even submit your own favorite links and they'll automatically be added to the list.

* Looking for specific information on the site? - use the IAC SITE SEARCH feature to locate pages of specific interest