

# Idaho Alpine Club Bulletin

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## 2010 Council

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## Council Meetings:

Council Meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM

Upcoming Council Meetings:

June: Whitham's Home	706 Laurelwood
July: Jantz's Home	2955 West 17 <sup>th</sup> North

## Activity Coordinators:

Backpacking	Sam Pole	523-4970
Bicycling	Jeff Coward	522-8135
Climbing/Mountaineering	Kevin Coble	201-1840
Conservation	Open	
Cross-Country Skiing / Snowshoeing	Whithams	520-1728
Day Hiking	Sam Pole	523-4970
Rafting	Greg Hulet	523-6199
Trail Maintenance	Alan Crockett	529-5188
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Publicity	Open	
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Program	Bob Tyler	787-2601

## General Club Meeting

Held at **7:00 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.

## **AUGUST Bulletin Deadline is:**

**5 PM on JULY 10**

Trip descriptions, reports, and material for inclusion in the next bulletin are due by the 10th of the month due to bulk mailer deadlines.

Please send electronically to the bulletin editor at [editor@idahoalpineclub.org](mailto:editor@idahoalpineclub.org)

Note: Hand written or hard copy material will be included in the bulletin, time permitting.

## "Get Out and Have Fun"

## No Regular Meeting in July

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE

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## AUGUST 4<sup>th</sup>

## Details in the Next Bulletin

## President Speaks

Continuing the June theme, The Weather! Love it or hate it and brag about its changing character, but enough is enough. This has been one of the most unusual springs-going-into-summer that I have seen in 20 years living in eastern Idaho. It is not so much that I am against the weather, just the cycle we have been on. We have had ok-to-good weekdays but the weekends have really been up in the air. I would like that to change. Give us good weekends and so-so weekdays. Because then we would be better able to enjoy club activities. Rain, bring it on because we need the water due to a poor snow pack. Wind the same, during the weekdays but calm weekends. I know I sound like a curmudgeon, but current weather patterns have affected club activities. And it is club activities that have been the glue for 50 years.

So be safe this summer and remember that there is no meeting in July and the summer picnic is August 4.

Now with all that said, I invite club members to participate in the newsletter by submitting a club-oriented paragraph for the President Speaks space. I am sure that club members have some interesting things to say. Just do so by the 10th of the month.

Sam Pole

**Participation on Club Activities Common Adventure / Trips:** With the exception of rafting, Non-members may attend a maximum of two club trips or activities, then must be members in good standing to continue participating.

Participants on rafting trips or rafting rentals must be members in good standing.

Participants on a club trip must pay any established trip fee, abide by club rules and activity guidelines, and must follow instructions of the activity coordinator.

An individual may not participate in any common adventure/trip of the club unless that individual has read and signed the common adventure form for that specific activity prior to embarking on that adventure / trip / activity.

### **Day Hiking / Backpacking**

Unless otherwise indicated in the trip descriptions contact Sam Pole: Home-523-4970, cell-520-3630, or email sbpole@cableone.net for trip information and to sign up to go on a scheduled trip.

### **All Trips Bring Your Own:**

1. Water
2. Food/snacks
3. Dress in layers. Bring adequate extra appropriate protective clothing - no cotton. Hat and gloves or mittens.
4. Minor first aid items including sun screen, personal medications, as needed during the day.
5. Headlamp (& Batteries)
6. Map & Compass
7. Sunglasses
8. Lightweight shelter/space blanket.
9. Appropriate equipment- depending on activity or terrain.
10. Repair kit for your own equipment including duct tape.
11. Mat to sit on
12. Other personal items of interest

### **July 10, 2010, Day Hike / Spring Creek**

Approximately 7 miles roundtrip. This is a steady uphill moderate hike, through what should be wonderful wild flowers, to a spectacular overview of Darby Canyon and the Wind Cave hanging valley. There are also views east into the heart of the Tetons. The hike follows and old jeep trail which is now a motorcycle and 4-wheeler route. Contact Sam Pole at 523-4970 prior to the trip. Bring the usual, but especially a jacket for wind and possible rain showers. Meet at the Ammon Wal-Mart out in front of the garden center at 7:30 am.

### **July 23-24-25, 2010 Multi-day Backpack / Darby Canyon-Wind Cave**

This is a one or two night backpack trip, first of the season. We will leave Friday at 1 pm, hike up into the Wind Cave area, make camp and look over the wind cave. Saturday will partly be the same with an opportunity to hike up Fossil Mountain at the head of the valley. Distance to camp is approximately 2.7 miles with mostly moderate hiking. Fossil Mountain will be a day hike from camp of about 4 miles roundtrip. Depending on time one can hike out Saturday evening or stay another night and hike out Sunday. Contact Sam Pole prior to the trip at 523-4970. Meet at the Ammon Wal-Mart out in front of the garden center at 1 pm.

### **Climbing**

For information on club climbing trips contact Kevin Coble at 201-1840. Otherwise to find out about climbing locations or impromptu weekend trips you will need to subscribe to the IAC climbing mailing list by visiting:

[http://www.macrobotics.com/mailman/listinfo/iac\\_climbing](http://www.macrobotics.com/mailman/listinfo/iac_climbing) or, via email, send a message with subject or body 'help' to: [iac\\_climbing-request@macrobotics.com](mailto:iac_climbing-request@macrobotics.com)

### **2010 Wednesday Night Climbing Schedule:**

July 7	Pocatello
July 14	Heise
July 21	Blackfoot
July 28	Pocatello
Aug. 4	Paramount
Aug. 11	Heise
Aug. 18	Pocatello
Aug. 25	Paramount
Sep. 1	Blackfoot

On Wednesday night I (Kevin Coble, and anyone who wants to help) will head out early to set ropes at the specified location at about 4:30 p.m.

The rest of the group usually leaves at 5:45 from the north side McDonalds parking lot (if climbing at Ririe, Heise, or Paramount), or the climbing gym (if climbing at Blackfoot or Pocatello). If anyone can't make the meeting times and needs directions to get to the climbing location on their own, give me a call and I'll be happy to provide them.

(Tentative) July 3rd-4th - Mt. Shasta - Avalanche Gulch Route. Mt. Shasta is a 14162 footer on the border between California and Oregon. The Avalanche Gulch route is the easiest route up the mountain, but still requires 2 days for most, because of an almost 8000 ft. elevation gain from the parking lot. Snow climbing experience required. Possibility of sport climbing in California afterwards (Yosemite, Tuolumne meadows, etc.)

### Stone Walls Rock Gym

Call 528.8610 for information.

Winter hours are:

4-9 PM Monday - Friday

12-9 PM Saturday

Idaho Alpine Club members may show their membership card to receive \$1 off of the daily admission price.

### Bicycling

For spring bicycling information and trips, contact Jeff Coward at 208.522.8135 or by email: [bicycling@idahoalpineclub.org](mailto:bicycling@idahoalpineclub.org)

Please check the IAC website for a calendar of organized rides and races throughout the northwest, including links to the websites to register or download applications. Check with Jeff to coordinate ride sharing in case he or other club members are planning to attend any or all of the events.

### Benefit for the Art Museum of Eastern Idaho:

August 21 - HeArt of Idaho Century Ride, Idaho Falls, ID, 25, 62, and 100 mile options. Entry fees are \$40.00 and \$65.00 that will cover entry, t-shirts, fully stocked rest stops, and post ride BBQ. \$5 early bird discounts. Route is flat to rolling, easy to moderate difficulty. Miyai Griggs, 208-529-6666 [mabe@theartmuseum.org](mailto:mabe@theartmuseum.org), [www.theartmuseum.com](http://www.theartmuseum.com)

### Rafting

For information on renting club rafting gear (IAC club members only) contact Greg Hulet at 523-6199 or [rafting@idahoalpineclub.org](mailto:rafting@idahoalpineclub.org).

For trip information contact the trip leader indicated in the trip description. You MUST be an IAC member to participate in IAC raft trips or to check out club equipment.

### Gear Available:

Rafts can be checked out by those who have demonstrated ability to handle a boat on the type of water to be run. Life jackets are included with each boat. Boats must be returned dry and clean. Damage to boat must be repaired and if extensive, paid for. Checkout fees are for days on the water. All fees go to the rafting fund to buy new equipment:

16-ft Ryken self-bailer - \$60/day

15-ft Aire self-bailer - \$60/day

13.5-ft Maravia self-bailer - \$60/day

14-ft Ryken conventional floor - \$20/day

14-ft Udisco conventional floor - \$20/day

2 - Inflatable kayaks - \$20/day each

**Rafting/ Alpine Canyon Multiple trips over summer** (class II-III) 8 mile float. (Jim Lee 208 569-5573)

### Happening Hounds Pet Services

IAC Member: Liz Downing (208) 757-0108

[happeninghounds@gmail.com](mailto:happeninghounds@gmail.com)

Areas covered: Greater Idaho Falls Area

Services: Home visits (minimum half hour), overnights, pet transport, exercise & social interaction for pets, general grooming (no clipping, etc). As a member of a professional pet sitters network, Liz offers reasonably priced, reputable, and insured pet services. For those of us with backyard bird feeders, Liz is a bird watcher too, she will keep them full for you if needed.

**Main Salmon (Corn Creek) TBD** - No permits were drawn. Those interested in a late August trip contact Greg Hulet to help in a call-in campaign to get a turned back permit. Greg Hulet, 523-6199

### Invasive Species Prevention

All craft, motorized and non-motorized (except inflatable non-motorized craft under 10 feet) are required to have a sticker. The web site: <http://parksandrecreation.idaho.gov/idahoinvasivespeciesfund.aspx>

At the bottom of the page is a link to purchase a sticker, and you can purchase multiple stickers. When in full enforcement, the fine will be \$57. The sticker is \$5.00 per person plus \$1.30 for online purchase. The money goes to the Idaho Invasive Species Fund.

### 50th Anniversary IAC Logo T-Shirts Retro IAC Patches!

Short sleeves or long sleeves, crew neck, heather grey Dri Release material with embroidered 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary IAC Logo! Short sleeve \$20 each. Long sleeve \$25 each. A women's style short sleeve shirt is available for \$20 on a prepaid special order basis. It is fitted with shorter sleeves in a wicking material. Sizes Small, Medium, Large, and X-Large.

A limited number of embroidered Color IAC Logo Patches are available for \$10 each.

The shirts and patches are available at the monthly meetings or contact the club Treasurer to get yours sooner.

### East Idaho Maps:

Maps of the entire Westside Ranger District of the Caribou-Targhee National forest should be on the forest web site now or very soon. The Westside covers the national forest area around Pocatello and Malad. Two more detailed maps covering the Gibson & Slate Mtn area and Scout Mtn will also be posted. Another two new maps on the Alpine Club web site cover the Targhee Creek Trail area near Targhee Pass and another covers the Warm River Springs area trails.

Dates to Remember:

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Subscribe to find out any updates on the weekly climbing plans. See page 2 for information on how to subscribe.

Aug 21: Bicycling / HeArt of Idaho  
Century Ride

**Enjoy the outdoors with the IAC**

Join today

*For more information write to the address below or visit our web site to download a free newsletter and application:*

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Membership Fees

	Full Year	7/1 - 10/1
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.

IAC Council Meeting Monthly minutes are available on line.

**Support the Merchants who Support the IAC**

Show your membership card for 10% discounts on regularly priced merchandise:

- ★ Happening Hounds Pet Services  
Liz Downing (208) 757-0108  
happeninghounds@yahoo.com
- ★ Idaho Mountain Trading 523-6679  
Shoup & B (Non-Sale Items Only)
- ★ Alpine Schwinn 523-1226  
1352 S. Holmes Ave. (Excludes bicycles)
- ★ Bill's Bike Shop 522-3341  
805 S. Holmes Ave. (Excludes bicycles)
- ★ Canyon Whitewater Supply  
522-3932 (Accessories Only)  
450 S Yellowstone, Idaho Falls
- ★ Lynna and Leland Howard offer members of IAC a 10% discount on all of their published books.  
357-1917 or 357-3166;  
[lynna.howard@mac.com](mailto:lynna.howard@mac.com)  
[leland@wildernessbooks.com](mailto:leland@wildernessbooks.com)
- ★ Discounts on Jerry Painter's Hiking & Biking guide books

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