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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:
 Individuals: \$20
 Family: \$25
 From July 1 - October 1
 Individuals: \$15
 Family: \$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 2188 St. Clair Road, Idaho Falls, Idaho 83404 or by email to rener@srv.net

Rafting the Colorado River Wednesday, May 2, 2001, 8PM, at the Idaho Falls Public Library

Greg Hulet or Jim Lee will present a video of a raft trip on the Colorado River, that they and several club members participated in. Rob Mullin edited this exciting video, which has shots of the different rapids along the way. They will also briefly review the club rafting policy and will have sign-up sheets at the meeting for upcoming raft trips. The presentation is open to the public and all outdoor enthusiasts are invited to attend.

President Speaks

First of all, THANK-YOU to all those members who have renewed their memberships for this year and a HUGE WELCOME to all of the new members who have recently joined the IAC. For everyone's interest the IAC Bylaws pertaining to the general membership and common adventures policy are elsewhere in this bulletin. The full text of the Bylaws will be available at the general meeting.

It is time to start planning your summer trips and the coordinators have some trips lined up ranging from day hikes to backpacking to mountaineering. The water sports coordinators have lined up their trips for the summer and need a few volunteers to help out with some of the details. Highway cleanup for the spring will be on May 6, May 12 -13, a wolf watching trip in Yellowstone Park for those who can't make it to Smith Rock, May 25 - 28 is the annual rafting and potluck event on the Main Salmon near Shoup, National Trails Day is coming up on June 2, and the Women Only backpack trip is scheduled for June 9 -10.

The Wilderness First Aid class was a huge success and tremendously worth going to. EIRMC's training room and grounds provided plenty of room for the hands on practicals we all had to perform.

Cheers
Donna

Idaho Alpine Club Meets in Boise Too

Typically meets first Monday of each month at REI, 6:30 PM. Call 208.336.8421 or see website for meeting information. Outings have included rock climbing, hiking, backpacking, skiing, and snowshoeing. Group trips often center around the Sawtooth Mountains, Idaho City area, Owyhees and of

course the Boise mountains. Watch the schedules in the bulletin and on the website for upcoming events for all IAC members to take part in.

IAC LOGO T-SHIRTS!!

The t-shirts are really cool! Short sleeves or long sleeves, crew neck, heather grey (just dark enough to not show dirt unless you wallow in the mud) or white (long sleeve only), Dri Release material with embroidered club logo! The logo is sooo detailed that you can even see the rope hanging from the little climber! Short sleeve \$12 each. Long sleeve \$21 each. Sizes Small, Medium, Large, and X-Large. These shirts are great out in the field. They dry really fast and don't get stinky like the polypro stuff does after a couple days or even a week on the trail. They are also pretty cool to wear around town or even to work. 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.

Bike Rides ~2001

B.A.M.I.C. + Hot Springs.

Self-contained bike tour around Idaho, visiting natural hot springs along the way. June 20 - July 4, 2001, Approx. 700 miles (50 miles/day average). A trip description and contact information can be seen on the web at:
<http://users.sisna.com/vagabond/bamic/bamic.htm>

Conservation ~2001

Highway Cleanup - May 6

Time to get out and see how many empties abound on our stretch of Highway 31

between mileposts 6 & 8. Stylish orange vests and matching orange bags will be provided. Sturdy boots and work gloves are requisite. Call Mark and Donna for more information and to sign up. 524.6119 or dwhitham@srv.net.

Wolf Watching in Yellowstone Park May 12 -13

Stay at Mammoth Hot Springs Hotel (307-344-7311) and get up early to go out to observe the wolves. Dayhike in the afternoon and soak in Boiling River. Bear spray, hiking boots, the 10 essentials, and bathing suits will be needed. Camping is also nearby. Call Tim and Betsy Adkison for more details and to sign up. 208.542.0786 or ga2idaho@aol.com.

National Trails Day ~ June 2.

Watch for information on IAC Activities

Hiking ~ 2001

May 12-13, 2001. Sat & Sun Three Forks Hot Springs

This spectacular, high volume warm (88-92 degrees) springs in the Owyhees is reached (weather-permitting) by a 3 hour fairly scenic drive (4wd needed at end) from Boise, a short ride in my raft across the swollen Owyhee R., and an easy rock scramble up to the large pool; probably vertical smiles, but bring a suit; car camp; possible 1.5 mi hike to thunder egg (geode) spot on Sun; leave Allens at 8 AM Sat, return Sun PM; for details contact Mike or Debbie Allen at 384-1545 or mjallen@micron.net

Dark Canyon: June 8th (evening) - 17.

We will hike from the Ponderosas of Elk Ridge to the hot sands of the Lake Foul Sewage Pond. Difficulty is estimated at moderate. It will be HOT in the lower canyon. Trip size = 5. For info, contact Rob Jones robjones@sisna.com or 801-485-3262.

Woman's Only Backpack Trip

June 9 - 10, 2001

Leave the guys to their own devices for the weekend and go on a "Chick Trip." Mill Creek Lake in the Lemhi Mts is a little over 2.3 miles with an 850 foot elevation gain to the lake. Some what of an alpine setting with the option to continue up to the divide for a view towards Meadow Lake on the other side. This is the first of two womans trips we plan to do this summer and is more of a beginners trip or a first trip of the season shakedown for the rest of us. 524.6119 or dwhitham@srv.net for more details and to sign up.

July ?? 2001, Sat - Death Hike

A 40+ mi dayhike in the Sawtooths; I've done this the last few years and it's not as bad as it seems, plus if you finish you can buy a Tshirt; I should find out the date and location of this year's course in May; for details contact Mike or Debbie Allen at 384-1545 or mjallen@micron.net

Wind River Mts. Highline Trail Backpack - August 11 - 19

Hike the Highline Trail in the rugged Wind River Mountains, climb Squaretop, and enjoy some really spectacular scenery along the way. The tentative plan is to go in at Green River Lake and come out at Elkhart Park with several side trips along the way. 524.6119 or dwhitham@srv.net for more details and to sign up.

Jan/Feb-2002 – Climb of Kilimanjaro

(19k) in Tanzania, Africa – 3 wk trip; 1 wk for climb; 1 wk for safari or another mountain; mandated guides push up cost – est. total trip

cost pp = \$4-6k; I'm only in the preliminary planning stages; for details contact Mike or Debbie Allen at 384-1545 or mjallen@micron.net

Eric would like someone to help him out this summer on the Thursday night climbs to set the ropes and lead the routes. Contact Eric for more information about the position at 529.9538.

Climbing ~ 2001

This schedule can be somewhat flexible in terms of the routes we choose and the difficulty of the climbs, depending on the level of the climbers taking part in each trip. The trips to Smith Rocks, Massacre Rocks, and Thursday night climbs will provide good opportunities for less advanced climbers to practice technique and learn more about rock climbing protection and placement of gear.

May 11-13/14 Smith Rocks, Oregon
 July 5-8 Mt. Rainer (Liberty Ridge) or
 Mt. Adams (North Side), WA
 Aug 3-5 Tetons - Various Day Routes

There will probably be other climbs or hikes not on this schedule, as well as activities coordinated by others. Call Kurt Myers 522-5279 or Eric Peterson 529-9538.

Thursday Night Climbs

These are short, local-area climbing outings which take place every Thursday evening starting on May 31st. We leave at 6pm from the Yellowstone McDonald's parking lot, travel to the area, climb for 1 1/2 to 2 hours. The schedule details will be released before summer.

Climbing Co-Coordinator STILL Needed for 2001 Thursday Night Climbs

Thursday Night Climbing Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Leader</u>
June 7	Ross Park,	Peterson
June 14	Blackfoot	????**
June 21	Ririe Dam	????**
June 28	Paramount	Peterson
July 5	HOLIDAY No Thursday Night climb	
July 12	Ross Park,	Peterson
July 19	Blackfoot	Peterson
July 26	Ross Park,	Peterson
August 2	Blackfoot	Peterson
August 9	Paramount	Peterson
August 16	Ririe Dam	Peterson
August 23	Ross Park	Peterson
August 30	Blackfoot	Peterson

**Eric Peterson not available for Thursday night climb, leaders sought.

Rafting ~ 2001

There will be sign up sheets at the meetings for the following day section trips. Other ideas for trips are welcome. The dates for these are somewhat flexible. We will be trying to obtain a canceled Main Salmon, or Middle Fork permit through the summer, which may take precedence over the day section trips. We also plan to do some weekend camping trips on the South Fork, below Palisades Reservoir this spring and in

Rafting Continued:

the fall, depending on the weather. Please contact Jim Lee (524-5836), or Greg Hulet (523-6199) for trip information.

Rafting Schedule 2001

May 19-20, 2001- Sat& Sun – Rafting on the Grande Ronde R. in NE Oregon – Easy (couple class 3, many class 2 rapids, good current) 38 mi. float down a beautiful forested canyon w/nice primitive campsites; 3.5 hr drive from Boise; we'll hire the excellent shuttle service at the put-in; I have room for 5 more people in my 2 rafts, plus many life jackets and waterproof gear bags; however, someone will have to row my little raft (not that hard on this river); more people can come but will have to provide their own boats; lv Allens at 6 AM Sat, rt Sun PM; for details contact Mike or Debbie Allen at 384-1545 or mjallen@micron.net

May 25-28

Main Salmon near Shoup (Spring Creek campground), class III. Annual event with pot luck Friday and Saturday night.

June 2

Fall River, class IV, depending on flow.

June 13-17

Main Salmon below Sunbeam Dam (O'brien campground) class III

July 7

Alpine Canyon, class II-III

July 18-22

Main Salmon near Shoup (Spring Creek campground), class III, or try for a canceled Main Salmon permit around this time.

August 8-12

Main Payette below Banks (Hot Springs campground), class III

August 25

Alpine Canyon, class II-III

Anyone interested in leading trips is welcome to contact us regarding these trips, or to post additional ones. Please contact us if you are interested in gaining captain experience, safety practice, or repair and rigging information.

Canaleta – The Hell You Say My Climb of Aconcagua

By Michael J. Allen - Boise, Idaho.

The flights from Boise to LA to Lima, Peru to Santiago, Chile to Mendoza, Argentina were tiring, so after spending over 24 hours in airplanes and airports, we crashed into the coveted horizontal comfort of the Hotel Argentina's beds. We awoke a few hours later and proceeded to a nice sidewalk café for a great steak and papas fritas (french fries) multi-course dinner. We spent the next

two days locating and buying white gas (not allowed on planes), extra food, odds and ends, picking up climbing permits (\$120/person) and making hotel and mule transport reservations for our climb on the Normal Route of Cerro Aconcagua, the highest (22,841 feet) mountain outside of the Himalaya.

I began planning the climb last September (2000). Gathering all the information I could find from books, acquaintances, and the Web, I decided on having a small team, sacrificing some strength and options for speed and easier logistics. My local climbing buddy Matt Bednar, whom I had done several Rainier trips with, was an eager "yes." Several other prospects came and went, as usual for a 3.5 week commitment. In late November, Deborah Fulkerson, from the newly formed Boise chapter of the Idaho Alpine Club, told me about a Web posting from an Eastern US climber, Ken Abelt, looking to combine his team of three with another small group for a February, 2001 climb of Aconcagua. The timing was right, so I responded. We decided to combine our teams, although I insisted on maintaining group gear integrity in case something went wrong with either team. I did not want to be left sitting at the base of Aconcagua without the stoves or tents that the other team was "bringing." Ken had been planning his expedition for a year and had comprehensive equipment lists and detailed itineraries. I got my Hepatitis A shot, passport and airline tickets. Everything was coming together well when my wife Debbie and I headed to upstate New York to visit relatives during the Christmas/New Years holidays.

On December 29, just after returning from a three day backpack in the Tongue Mountain Range of the Adirondacks, I received an Email from Ken stating that his crew had bailed and asking to join our team. After discussing this situation with Matt, we

welcomed Ken to join us. Ken had not received any other responses to his Web postings, and would not have attempted the climb alone. While Ken's teammates cited girlfriend problems and busy work schedules as their reasons for dropping out, I don't think that the timing of last chance to purchase discounted airfares and bailing was a coincidence. For longer trips and especially for expeditions, I've found that requiring a nonrefundable contribution of \$200 to a team fund early in the planning process tends to separate the "talkers" from the "doers."

On Saturday, February 3, 2001, we rode a modern bus for four hours from Mendoza to Los Penitentes, the small ski area in the Andes that remains partially open during the summer climbing months from December to March to provide lodging and food for andinistas (climbers). Remember, in the Southern Hemisphere, the seasons are reversed (i.e. February is like August). We weighed our gear bags (30 kg/duffel limit) at the head muleteer's house and spent our last night (for at least two weeks) in beds. We would be using two mules, that can carry 60 kg (130 lbs) apiece, to transport our gear to base camp.

We checked in at the ranger station at 9700' on the following morning, received our official (numbered) trash bags, that must be returned full or a hefty fine would be imposed, and headed up the huge Horcones Valley at 10:30. It was sunny, hot (90-100 degrees) and very dry on our backpack to Confluencia Camp at 11,000.' Spirits were high as we spent our first night on the mountain.

We decided to spend an extra acclimatization day at Confluencia, so, after a helicopter evacuation of a diabetic climber, we day-hiked up the Little Horcones Valley to about 13,500' for a close view of the dramatic and almost sheer 9000' South Face of

Aconcagua, one of the toughest climbs in the world. We felt fine and returned to camp, but unknown to us, the next day would be the second hardest on the mountain.

We left Confluencia at 9:30 AM, Tuesday, February 6 for the nine mile hike to Plaza de Mulas base camp at 14,500.' It soon became hot and, since there was no vegetation above 12,000,' we had no shade other than our safari hats. We passed a clear running side stream of the very muddy Horcones River after about two hours of hiking. Since we still had a couple liters of water apiece, we chose to keep our loads light by forgoing pumping water there and doing it later from another of the many (we thought) tributaries ahead in this mountainous terrain. Our pace slowed with the increasing temperature and elevation. We drank the last of our rationed water about two miles and a 600' steep hill before base camp. Suffering more than my teammates, I dragged into camp at 6:30 PM and crashed, skipping supper. Too bad the guidebook hadn't noted that in February there is only one viable source of water between Confluencia and Plaza de Mulas.

We felt better the next morning, knowing that the next two days would be for rest and acclimatization. We retrieved our beat up duffels from the outfitter, happy that our gear and supplies had survived the 25-mile mule ride. We explored the sprawling tent city of Plaza de Mulas, finding crude, but appreciated, "restaurantes" that served hamburguesas, pizzas, and cervezas. The base camp sits on a moraine at the base of the Horcones Glacier, surrounded by peaks with Cerro Cuerno (18,000') dominating. We made a short hike to the huge penitentes (melted ice formations) at the bottom of the glacier and then over to the Hotel Refugio (a real hotel) for a steak lunch. The next day we hiked (plodded) up the climbing route to a couple of the higher camps. Everyone moves very slowly when going uphill because of the reduced oxygen levels in the air. We passed

a climber being "short-roped" down the mountain. His head was bobbing, his eyes were glazed, and his feet were stumbling as he held on to the pack of the climber in front of him and the climber close behind him kept the rope tight. The helicopter and mules do not go above 14,500' for rescues, so anyone having trouble on the upper mountain must somehow get to base camp.

On Friday we made a carry (no more 4-legged mules) to Camp Canada at 16,600.' We returned to Plaza de Mulas after enjoying the views for a couple hours. Pizza was our last good meal before being resigned to the gruel-in-a-bag fare (freeze-dried food) we would ingest on the upper mountain for the next several days.

On Saturday we moved to Camp Canada and set up my Northface VE-25 tent in a nice spot next to a cliff. Camp Canada is not very big, having room for only 20 tents. As with all the other camp locations, topography rules – if it's flat, it's a camp. I spent the entire night braced against the tent wall to keep it from collapsing because of the strong gusts of wind. In spite of my efforts and even though the tent is rated for 85-mph winds, two tent poles were bent, but at least we weren't blown off the cliff. On Sunday we carried food, fuel, and clothing to Nido de Condores (Condor's Nest) Camp at 18,000', where it was noticeably colder. The winds were calm for our second night at Camp Canada.

On Monday, February 12 we moved to Nido, retrieved our cache, and set up the tent in an existing, fortified (2' rock walls) spot. Nido was my favorite camp, as the views in all directions were spectacular, especially the twin summits of Aconcagua towering above, and the camp was large with many interesting rock formations. After an hour of searching, I found a small piece of jasper that is now part of a necklace for my wife. While Canada had a small ice-melt stream for a water source,

we had to melt penitentes at Nido. For the first time since being on the mountain we saw a few clouds in the distance.

On Tuesday we moved to high camp at Berlin (19,500'), feeling that we were acclimatized enough to skip a carry day. Berlin Camp is small like Canada and contains the ruins of four old wooden A-frame structures. The reduced oxygen levels were more noticeable and any exertion was difficult. We set up the tent in one of the few remaining spots about 15' from some rock formations. As with all the camps above Plaza de Mulas, any rocks over two feet high are to be avoided, since they are the monuments for the decades of human waste that surround them. While the litter problem on the mountain has been solved with the trash bag regulation, turds and TP rule at the high camps. Everyone complained about it, but contributed to it. Luckily, the very dry climate tends to greatly reduce the smell, and even more luckily, it never rained or snowed during our climb, so the aroma was not enhanced. Supposedly, this problem will start to be remedied next year. Temporary privies would at least confine the mess.

Wednesday, February 14 was our summit day. Ken's alarm didn't sound at 5:30 AM, so we didn't leave until 8, a late start. It was our coldest weather so far, 10 degrees with a 20-mph wind. We slogged up the mountain, breathing hard. I didn't drink enough, got dehydrated, and lagged behind Ken and Matt. The wind picked up to about 40 mph at around 21,500' and I was concerned about conditions on the summit. The last 1300' to the summit is the infamous Canaleta. This 30-degree slope has been kindly referred to as "mind-numbing scree." I'd call it Hell. Many climbers turned back at or on this daunting grade. Even though I felt lousy, I kept thinking about all that had preceded this – the effort, the time, the money – and kept putting one foot in front of the other. Finally, the

ordeal was over and life was relatively good – no more uphill.

The North summit of Aconcagua is about the size of a football field and covered with small to large, flat stones of andesite, a fine-grained igneous rock. The views were fantastic. It was 34 degrees with a very slight wind and mostly sunny. After a short rest, I opened the valentine card from my wife that I had been packing for weeks. Even though I was thousands of miles away from her, I felt her love. A Dutch climber took the obligatory summit shots of me near the summit cross with the 100' lower south summit in the background. Three Polish climbers summited via the Polish Glacier Route, and I overheard that two of their party had to be evacuated from the mountain, lower down. After 45 minutes on the top, I headed down the Canaleta. While not as tiring as going uphill, the looseness and danger of rolling rocks makes the descent trying. While taking a break at the ruins of the Independencia Hut at 21,000,' I took a sip of water and immediately threw up bile. I was really dehydrated. I dragged into Berlin Camp at 8 PM and went directly to bed. I was able to drink a little water and fell to sleep. I awoke at 2 AM and puked into a handy bowl. I felt better then, as Matt decided to join in by barfing on the outside of my tent. Ken elected to not participate.

On Thursday we descended to the now rich and thick air of Plaza de Mulas. We repacked our equipment and supplies, deciding to hire an extra mule to haul our gear out on Friday, while we would day-hike all the way to the ranger station with light packs. We ate our last and best meal at base camp –large hamburgers covered with cheese, bacon, ham, and eggs plus drinks for \$7 apiece – a bargain at 14,500 feet. We watched the other climbers heading up, feeling sorry for the ordeals that we knew they would encounter. We decided to camp in our bivy

sacks and watch the southern constellations on our last night.

I left at daylight to avoid the oppressive heat that had zapped me on the hike in. I felt great – more oxygen with each step, light pack, mostly downhill. I was at the ranger station in six hours at 1:30 PM. Ken and Matt arrived at 3:45. We called the head muleteer at Los Penitentes to pick us up. We rode in the back of his beater pickup to the hotel. I took the best shower I've ever had (alone). Two weeks of mountaineering slime and grime was gone, and I emerged a tourist, ready to visit Mendoza and Santiago.

Mendoza was great and is the only large city I've ever liked. The streets are all tree-lined and clean. The wide sidewalks are mostly tiled. It is walker friendly. There are many little interesting shops. The old style hotels are clean and inexpensive. The restaurants are varied, serve good food, and are cheap. The wine is good and cheap. The people are very friendly and helpful. There are virtually no bugs because of the very dry climate. United States currency is readily accepted. Go to the El Meson restaurant and have a good meal while listening to Charlie sing and play – you won't be disappointed.

Santiago is not nearly as nice as Mendoza, although there are some impressive old buildings, good seafood restaurants, and great fruit. The subway system is modern, clean, efficient, and cheap. However, there are dangerous and dirty parts of the city, sometimes only a block or two away. Be careful in Santiago.

I learned a few things from this expedition: 1. Start planning early, 2. Allow at least 3 months to get a passport, unless you want to pay the exorbitant fees to expedite the process, 3. Get a financial commitment to a group fund from each prospective teammate,

4. Go slow up the mountain, 5. Drink lots, 6. Reduce your food quantity - you won't eat as much as you think – we packed twice as much food as needed, even on the upper mountain, 7. Reduce your fuel quantity – we packed three times as much as we needed, although we had nice weather, 8. Use mate, an Argentine herbal tea, instead of diamox (although I used neither), since it is natural, healthy, and helps to hydrate – most of the Argentine climbers were sipping mate on the mountain to acclimatize, 9. Plan on spending about \$2500 total/person (including airfares) if you arrange your own trip – double that for a guided trip, 10. Allow at least 3 weeks for the whole trip – we spent 13 days on the mountain (11 up, 2 down), but had ideal conditions, 11. Let the journey be the goal, not the summit – you won't be disappointed.

IDAHO ALPINE CLUB, BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I --Name

The name of this organization shall be the Idaho Alpine Club.

ARTICLE II -- Purpose

The purpose of this Club is to provide a forum and structure for its members to participate in, protect, and become educated concerning the use and conservation of mountain, wilderness and other outdoor experiences through common adventures of the membership.

ARTICLE III -- Membership

SECTION 1. Any person 18 years or over, whose interests are compatible with the purposes of the Club and who acts in a responsible manner at Club Common

Adventures, may be a member of the Club with full privileges of voting, holding office, attending Club functions, and examining Club records at reasonable times.

SECTION 2. Any person under 18 years of age whose parent or guardian is a member of the Club may be a member for the purpose of attending Club Common Adventures.

SECTION 3. Charter members are those persons who were members at the time the Club was founded.

SECTION 4. Any membership may be terminated by the Council if a member fails to comply with the By-laws or other Club Policies applying to Club Common Adventures.

SECTION 5. Honorary membership may be awarded to individuals selected from the general membership for long and meritorious service to the IAC, as approved by the council. Annual dues are waived for Honorary Members, but otherwise such individuals have all the privileges and responsibilities of regular IAC members.

ARTICLE IX - Common Adventures

Each Common Adventure shall be under the jurisdiction of the designated adventure coordinator. The adventure coordinator shall be approved by the appropriate activity coordinator. The adventure coordinator may refuse participation in a given trip to anyone. Adventure coordinator should attempt to assure that a person with recognized first aid or emergency care training participates in the trip. Each participant is responsible for identifying the other participants and determine whether the group makeup is appropriate for that persons participation and all other persons participating.

Non-members may attend a maximum of two Club adventures unless otherwise specified by the appropriate outing coordinator. Participants on an adventure must be familiar with and must abide by all rules and guidelines of the Club, activity and activity coordinator, and are subject to the established adventure fees.

There will be no participation by an individual in any Common Adventure of the Club unless that individual has read and signed the Common Adventure form for that specific activity, preferably prior to embarking on travel to that adventure.

Club Member Benefits

K & R Adventure Gear - is offering club members, with a current member card, a 10% discount on hiking, climbing, and outdoor equipment. For more information the web address is www.knradventuregear.com and email: knrgear@srv.net or call Kurt or Rebekah locally at 208.522.5279 or toll free at 1.877.369.7407.

Canyon Whitewater Supply - is offering club members, with a current member card, a 10% discount on rafting and kayaking non-sale supply and accessory items. For more information call 208.522.3932

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

Discount membership to the American Alpine Club. Singles may join the AAC for \$40 (instead of \$65) Couples may join for \$65 (instead of \$92.50). Applications must be accompanied by a copy of your Idaho Alpine

Club membership card to get the discounted rates. Applications can be accessed on the AAC website:

<http://www.americanalpineclub.org> or at IAC general meetings.

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

--Idaho Mountain Trading, Shoup & B

--Timberline Outfitters, Eagle Rock Station

\$1.00 discount at Stone Walls Climbing Gym

Discounts on Jerry Painter's Hiking and Biking guide books

Plus More!

Outdoor (non rafting) gear is available for free use by paid up club members

Plus much more!

Great activity schedule

Two annual socials (January and August)

Specialized information on outdoor activities from local experts

Informative, fun, and even occasionally educational programs

And last but not least, a subscription to this wondrous newsletter. . .

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

Caving helmets-- Dean K.

Carbide lamps-- Dean K.

Ice axes-- Kurt Myers

Clinometer & compass for cave mapping----Dean K.

PLUS 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.-9:30 p.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.]*

Web site news

Have you visited the Idaho Alpine Club's homepage at <http://www.srv.net/~iac> 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