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Trail Maintenance

Open

Please mail completed common adventure forms to the secretary.

General Club Meeting

Held at **7:30 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

Council Meetings held on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 PM

November Council Meeting:

Alan Crockett's 4810 W Foxtrail Lane

Bulletin Deadline:

Materials for inclusion in the next bulletin are due by the weekend before the council meetings.

Please send electronically to the bulletin editor at editor@idahoalpineclub.org

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

December Bulletin Deadline is:

Midnight November 13

Annual General Meeting & Election

Wednesday, November 2, 2005 - 7:30 PM ~Idaho Falls Library

The following members have volunteered to be candidates for the IAC Council in the November 2005 election:

Brent Dietering, Sandy Pew, Donna Nicklaus, Bob Tyler, Judy Williams, Leon Wolfram

Come to vote for four of them, then stay for an awesome evening program and refreshments.

Rescue on Mt. Moran - Climbing Helmet Saves Life:

On August 6, club member Jerry Painter was hit on the head by a melon size rock while ascending the first pitch of the CMC route on Mt. Moran. The rockfall broke Painter's helmet, and he sustained injuries to his head. The injury resulted in Jerry being airlifted off of the mountain. The park report states that while Jerry did sustain serious injuries, his use of a helmet—combined with a rapid evacuation—likely saved his life.

After the November general meeting and election, Jerry and Steve Bohrer, who took most of the photos, will show us the slides of the exciting rescue. Jerry's smashed helmet is currently on display at Idaho Mt. Trading.

The presentation is open to the public and all outdoor enthusiasts are invited to attend.

For more information contact programs@idahoalpineclub.org or check out the club website at www.idahoalpineclub.org or call D. Whitham at 520.1728.

President Speaks

I hope that you have gotten out to see the gorgeous Fall color. Even in town it is enjoyable! Autumn is my favorite season in Idaho. It just doesn't get any better. Thanks to all who participated in the highway cleanup, helping keep Idaho beautiful. Well, our VERY IMPORTANT November general meeting is finally here. We really need you to attend this meeting to vote on our new bylaws and council members. I cannot stress enough how important you, as members, are to this process. This is your club, and we need to record your choices. So please, please plan on attending the November general meeting Wednesday, November 2, 2005 at 7:30 p.m. at the Idaho Falls Public Library. The voting will be brief, and our program coordinator has an enjoyable program lined up for us. Don't miss it!! Our climbing coordinator, Eric Peterson, has moved to Washington, D.C. to work for a year. We wish him good luck, and now I am making an early appeal to the climbers in our club: We will be needing a new climbing coordinator for the 2006 climbing season. Please take some time to think about it, and if it appeals to you, please let a council member know! We really appreciate all of our coordinators, they help make the club special. So please consider it!
Now Go Take a Hike. :)
Michelle

IAC Council Meeting Minutes

October Meeting Date: 10/18/2005

Invitees: Tim Adkison, Betsy Adkison, Michelle Benson, Jeff Coward, Alan Crockett, George Cole, Gary Vecellio, Ken Krivanek
(Attendees are underlined.)

Note Taker: Jeff Coward

- 1) Meeting call to order: 7:40 pm
- 2) Reading of previous month meeting minutes: approved
- 3) Treasurer's Report - (09/01/2005 - 09/30/2005):
Income - September: \$5.26
Expenses - September: \$54.38
Rafting Fund Balance: \$2,387.50
Overall Balance: \$3,464.92
Checking Balance: \$303.77
Members to Date: 101 as of October 18, 2005
Treasurer's Report approved by vote.
- 4) Old Business:
Review/revision of by-laws
Bylaws revisions are completed and have been read at the October meeting. Providing a quorum is present at the November meeting, voting will take place. All members are encouraged to attend and vote on the bylaws revisions and for the Council candidates of their choice.
Annual Council Member Election

The list of candidates was sent to the Bulletin editor for publication.

Island Park Chamber of Commerce e-mail

Alan met with Gary Campbell to get additional information. No action planned at present.

New Climbing Coordinator(s) needed

Due to changing circumstances, volunteers for the climbing coordinator's and/or co-coordinator's positions are needed. Council members will contact potential replacements to see if anyone is interested. If anyone is interested in coordinating the Club's climbing activities, please contact a council member.

5) New Business:

AHS Grant Application info

The American Hiking Society send the club some information on how to apply for grants for trail maintenance projects. Alan will forward this information to the personnel at Harriman State Park, where trail maintenance money could be used for some recently identified projects.

E-mail from Pakistan

The club received an e-mail from an outdoor organization in Pakistan requesting information about our club and copies of the club Bulletin. Tim will reply to this and provide them with information on where to find information on our web site. Council will also check with George to see if the Bulletin issues on the web site are up to date.

Inquiry from Boy Scouts

The club received a request from a Scout leader inquiring about instruction for a group of scouts in various outdoor activities. An item will be prepared for the Bulletin for interested members who would like to assist with this to reply to.

6) Administrative Business:

Election Ballots

Ballots for the Council election have been prepared.

Bylaws Quorum

Ken will prepare an updated quorum list for the bylaws voting.

Library Reservations

Ken will see about reserving the large meeting room at the I.F. Public Library for next year's general meetings.

January Meeting

Tim will check with Michelle on reserving the meeting place for the January 4th meeting.

November general meeting snacks: Ken

November council meeting: Alan Crockett's

4810 W Foxtrail Lane

11.15.2005 @ 7:30PM

7) Meeting adjourned: 8:15 PM

Upcoming Programs

Ski Mountaineering in the Cascades
Winter Party
In the Footsteps of Bears

Rafting

For fall and winter rafting trip information unless otherwise listed, contact Greg Hulet, 523-6199 or rafting@idahoalpineclub.org.

Bicycling

For fall and winter biking information, contact Jeff Coward at 522-8135 or send an e-mail to bicycling@idahoalpineclub.org

Cross Country Skiing / Snowshoeing

Contact Mark or Donna Whitham, 520.1728 or xcski@idahoalpineclub.org, for trip information and to sign up.

November 22 - 26: Yellowstone Ski Fest:

The event includes skate and classic clinics for skiers of all levels, the Try It and Buy It Gear Demo, an Indoor Ski Show and the NorAm XC Supertour races. For more information contact:

Jamie Greene, Yellowstone Ski Festival Coordinator
The West Yellowstone Chamber of Commerce
PO Box 458, West Yellowstone, MT 59758
406-646-9427
info@yellowstoneskifestival.com
or go to <http://www.yellowstoneskifestival.com/>

December 3 - Christmas Tree Cutting Trip

Snowshoe or cross country ski to search out the perfect Christmas tree in Tie Canyon, which is in the Pine Creek Pass area. The location could change depending on where the Forest Service is allowing Christmas tree cutting this year. Forest service Christmas Tree permits required. They are available at the Eastern Idaho Visitors Center on Lindsay Blvd or the Forest Service Office on the Ririe Highway. (Permits were \$5 last year).

Help the Boy Scouts

A local Boy Scouts group is looking for people with outdoor experience in various areas to help teach their skills to members of their organization. These are young males from 14-17 and would like experience in rock-climbing, cross-country skiing, rafting, and other adventurous activities. If you would like to help these young people experience a new skill please contact Jess Whiler at 524-9079 for further information and coordination help.

Trip Reports

Fall Highway Clean-up October 8

Marv Lambrecht, Alan and Alice Crockett, Dawn Janney, Mark and Donna Whitham, and Marie Tyler had a beautiful all though cloudy fall day to pick up trash on the IAC section of Highway 31. Seven bags of trash were picked up. Afterwards we enjoyed a great chili lunch at Bob and Marie Tyler's home in Victor. Thank-you to all who participated and to the Tylers for lunch.

Chocks and Nuts:

Pack for Sale:

Dana Design Terraplane backpack. Mens medium.
Good condition. \$100.
Ken Katsma 523-0147

Climb Indoors at:

Stone Walls Rock Gym
Call 528.8610 for fall hours.

Geocaching and Letter Boxing:

These are fun things to do if you want to practice with your GPS or just get out for something to do especially this time of year. For more information go to www.geocaching.com or www.letterboxing.org

PARK 'N' SKI INFORMATION

While we all would prefer to ski free, Park N' Ski permits have financed much of the cross-country skiing development in Idaho during the past several years. Purchasing a pass provides a funding source for ski clubs and agencies interested in maintaining and developing cross-country skiing facilities. Services offered to skiers vary from year to year depending on volunteer support, donations and revenue generated through the sale of Park N' Ski permits. Poor snow years and no support of the program often translate into low income, thus reduced services. When you purchase a \$20 annual permit, or a 3- day temporary permit for \$7.50, the money is dedicated by law to be used exclusively for improving cross-country skiing opportunities. As such, the program has been widely supported by Nordic skiers statewide. When skiers purchase a permit, they are asked to designate a specific Park N' Ski area they would like to see improved. This gives skiers greater control over how and where the funds are spent.

For more information about the Park 'N' Ski Pick up a guide at one of the permit sellers in Idaho Falls, Pocatello, or Island Park. Two of the permit sellers in Idaho Falls are:
Idaho Mountain Trading 474 Shoup Ave Idaho Falls 523.6679
Eastern Idaho Visitor Info 505 Lindsay Blvd Idaho Falls 523.1012

East Idaho XC-Ski Guides & Maps

Available on the Idaho Falls Ski Club Website:

<http://ifskiclub.com>

Bear Gulch-Mesa Falls Guide Map

Brimstone-Buffalo River Guide Map

Fall River Ridge Guide Map

Harriman State Park Guide Map

Harriman-Brimstone Connector Map

Kelly Canyon Nordic Area Guide Map

www.Delorme.com kindly allows the ski club to use these maps.

The IFSC Nordic Ski Schedule is also available at the same web site.

Grant Applications

Recreational Trails Program Project Funding to be Accepted Until January 27, 2006:

The Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation provides a variety of grants to government and private entities in Idaho for the creation and renovation of outdoor recreational facilities. Governmental entities and private organizations can apply for grant funding. All projects are reviewed by the Recreational Trails Program Advisory Committee, which makes recommendations to the Idaho Park and Recreation Board for final approval. Grant Forms are available at

www.idahoparks.org/about/grants_trails.html

Peak Named for Alex Lowe

The U.S. Board on Geographic names has approved a proposal to give the name Alex Lowe Peak to a 10,031-foot mountain in Gallatin National Forest, near Bozeman, Montana. Lowe, who was killed in 1999 by an avalanche on Shishapangma, lived in Bozeman and is thought to have made the first ski descent of a couloir on the north side of the remote peak, with the late Hans Saari. "I am pleased and proud that this incredible honor has been given to Alex for his accomplishments as a mountaineer and for the positive, humble spirit that he shared with so many," said Jennifer Lowe, widow of the late climber and president of the Alex Lowe Charitable Foundation (www.alexlowe.org). -From THE AMERICAN ALPINE CLUB E NEWS September 2005

IAC Logo T-Shirts!!

Short sleeves or long sleeves, crew neck, heather grey Dri Release material with 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 Tim Adkison, 542-0786 to get yours sooner.

IAC Stickers

Two styles: 4.25" high x 3.5" wide with the IAC logo, web address, and list of club activities. 1.5" high x 11" wide "Idaho Alpine Club" sticker. The stickers are white graphics on a transparent background with adhesive on the face so they can be applied to the inside of a window on a vehicle. 50 cents per sticker or \$1 if you want one mailed to you. Contact the club Treasurer to obtain stickers.

Bulletin Advertising

Members & Supporting Merchants:

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.

Support merchants who support the IAC:

- ★ Idaho Mountain Trading
Shoup & B, Idaho Falls - 523-6679
- ★ Canyon Whitewater Supply
450 S Yellowstone, Idaho Falls-522-3932
- ★ Free Heel and Wheel,
40 Yellowstone Ave. West Yellowstone, Montana,
406-646-7744.
- ★ Discounts on Jerry Painter's Hiking & Biking guide books

Web Site News

Log onto the IAC web site (www.IdahoAlpineClub.org) to find the most recent club bulletins as well as all the posted club activities. Additionally, you can:

- Look up contact information for club officers and activity coordinators.
- Download membership applications and Common Adventure Release forms in PDF format.
- Check out club discounts with local merchants
- See what club equipment is available to paid up members
- Read the club By-Laws
- Search the club classified ads or post your own ad
- View pictures from recent club activities
- Check out club members' Restaurant Reviews or submit your own review
- Find links to other cool outdoor websites

Activity coordinators and officers wishing to publish information on the web site can contact the IAC Webmaster (George Cole) at 522-4084 or Webmaster@IdahoAlpineClub.org