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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

October Council Meeting: Ken Krivanek's
2185 St. Clair

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.

October Bulletin Deadline is:
Midnight October 16

Camas National Wildlife Refuge

Wednesday, October 5, 2005 - 7:30 PM ~Idaho Falls Library

Camas National Wildlife Refuge provides vital habitat for a variety of migratory birds. Additionally, moose, mule deer, and white-tailed deer can be seen on the refuge. About half of the refuge's 10,578 acres are lakes, ponds, and marshlands. The remainder consists of grass-sagebrush uplands and meadows. Camas Creek flows for 8 miles through the length of the refuge and is the source of water for many lakes and ponds. The refuge is only about 35 miles north of Idaho Falls on Interstate 15. Just after sunrise or before sunset are magical hours to observe the wildlife in the refuge.

Rob Larranaga from U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service will be providing a presentation to the Idaho Alpine Club about the refuge, its function, and its year round recreational opportunities which include hiking, snowshoeing, cross-country skiing, and bicycling.

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

Hello fellow IAC members!

Fall is here already! With the change in the weather comes some changes within the Idaho Alpine Club. As you already know, the IAC council and the bylaws committee has been working hard to revise and update the bylaws. Over the past 9 months we have been reviewing suggestions, solving problems, and correcting inconsistencies within the bylaws. We have set on a goal of voting on the final draft of the bylaws at the November General Meeting. In fact, we have even worked on the bylaws since our last meeting! We feel that now the bylaws are at last ready to be voted on. I will be reading the final version of the changes in the bylaws at the October General Meeting, so that we, as a club, can vote on them in November. It has been a challenge but it also was necessary to bring the bylaws into the 21st century with the IAC! We appreciate your patience with this endeavor. Also in November, we will be having elections for 4 of the 8 council positions. A list of the candidates is printed here in the bulletin. Many thanks to the members who volunteered to be candidates! We appreciate it. As you can see, Fall is a really important time to attend IAC General meetings - not only to enjoy the programs, but to participate in IAC business. So I will see you soon at the October meeting! Definitely, definitely please try to attend the November General meeting, as we need a quorum - 25% - of the membership present to pass the bylaws we have been working so hard to complete. Thank you in advance for your participation!!

Now Go Take a Hike! :)

Michelle

IAC Council Meeting Minutes

September Meeting Date: 09/21/2005

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 - (08/01/2005 - 08/31/2005):
Income - August: \$6.12
Expenses - August: \$404.08
Rafting Fund Balance: \$2,387.50
Overall Balance: \$3,519.30
Checking Balance: \$363.41
Members to Date: 101 as of September 16, 2005
Treasurer's Report approved by vote.

4) Old Business:

Review/revision of by-laws

Due to some additional concerns that were raised, the Bylaws changes as previously proposed have been withdrawn. The Bylaws committee members will meet again on Friday, September 23rd to address these issues. Once that is completed, an updated version of the revisions will be posted on the web site and will be available at the general meeting for member review.

Potential Council Member Candidates

Potential candidates for the Council have been contacted. The list of candidates will be 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.

5) New Business:

New Climbing Coordinator(s) needed

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

6) Administrative Business:

Membership dues

Outstanding dues owed have now been received from one of the members.

October general meeting snacks: Michelle

October council meeting at: Ken Krivanek's
2185 St. Clair

October 18, 2005 7:30 pm

7) Meeting adjourned: 9:00 pm

Council Candidates – 2005 Elections:

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

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

Anyone else interested in being a candidate can contact a council member.

August Meeting Date: 08/16/2005

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: previously approved via e-mail
- 3) Treasurer's Report - (07/01/2005 - 07/31/2005):

Income - July: \$46.03

Expenses - July: \$159.55

Rafting Fund Balance: \$2,387.50

Overall Balance: \$6,304.76

Checking Balance: \$767.49

Members to Date: 101 as of August 16, 2005

Treasurer's Report approved by vote.

- 4) Old Business

Review/revision of by-laws

Hard copies of the current bylaws and the proposed changes will be available at the September general Meeting as well as on the web site. Comments from members are welcome and can be communicated to any council member. The club membership present at the October general meeting will vote to either accept or reject the proposed changes to the bylaws. The membership list will also be used to determine if a quorum of members is present at the October general meeting. Ken will recalculate the number of members needed for a quorum before the meeting.

There was also a proposal for additional changes to allow voting by other methods besides attending the general meeting, in order to accommodate those members who do not live in the Idaho Falls or southeast Idaho areas, or who cannot be present at the meeting. This proposal will be separate from the original by-laws changes prepared by the committee and the council. All by-laws currently in effect will be followed for voting on by-laws changes or officer elections.

Potential Council Member Candidates

The council has contacted some potential candidates, and will contact additional members to see if they are interested. So far, five members have agreed to run for the open council positions. Anyone else interested in being a candidate is encouraged to contact a council member.

Island Park Chamber of Commerce e-mail

Michelle received some additional information from Gary Campbell, owner of Pond's Lodge in Island Park and a board member on the Island Park Chamber of Commerce. His primary interest at present is in getting some input and assistance from our members on setting up a winter carnival event. He is not looking for any sort of financial assistance. Alan will be attending a meeting in Island Park on Wednesday, and will try to meet with Gary to see exactly what sort of assistance he might be looking for and to suggest some possible ideas. Alan will report back on the meeting with Gary.

- 5) New Business:

Membership fees

Membership fees for two memberships have not been paid as yet. Ken will check on these to see about payment. If payment is not received for the memberships, appropriate action will be taken.

- 6) Administrative Business:

August picnic donation

Ken will send a check to the Sealanders for the use of their park for the August picnic.

September General Meeting snacks: Jeff

September Council Meeting at: Wednesday, September 21, 2005 – 7:30 pm at Vino Rosso

- 7) Meeting adjourned: 9:25 pm

Upcoming Programs

Sea Kayaking

Fall Highway Clean-up October 8

It is once again that time to don the stylish bright orange vests that the Idaho highway department provides, to fill matching bright orange bags with all the trash accumulated over the summer on the IAC section of Highway 31 between mile posts 6 & 8. Sturdy work boots and work gloves are required. Afterward, we are planning a potluck picnic. For more details and to sign up contact the Whithams at programs@idahoalpineclub.org or 520.1728.

Rafting

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

Backpacking / Dayhiking

For fall and winter trip information, unless otherwise listed in a trip description, contact the Whithams at 520.1728 or backpack@idahoalpineclub.org.

Bicycling

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

October 8: West Yellowstone

Chamber of Commerce

Fall Cycle Tour:

This is a scenic 60 mile ride in the park to and from Old Faithful, while the roads are still open to traffic. Please note this is not an IAC sponsored trip. Limited to 300 participants. There is NO day of registration for the tour. For information and registration form: www.wyyellowstone.com/bicycle or call the West Yellowstone Chamber: 406.646.7701.

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.

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 Michelle Benson 525-3238 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