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Council Meetings:

Council Meetings are held on the second TUESDAY of each month at 7:00 PM until further notice

Upcoming Council Meetings:

October 7:30PM: Whitham's Home 706 Laurelwood
November: McKinley's Home 425 Pevero Dr.

Activity Coordinators:

Backpacking	Sam Pole	523-4970
Bicycling	Jeff Coward	522-8135
Climbing/Mountaineering		
	Kevin Coble	201-1840
	Eric Larsen	522-9354
Conservation	Open	
Cross-Country Skiing / Snowshoeing		
	Whithams	520-1728
Day Hiking	Sam Pole	523-4970
Rafting	Greg Hulet	523-6199
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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.

NOVEMBER Bulletin Deadline is:

5 PM on OCTOBER 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

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

IDAHO ALPINE CLUB GENERAL MEETING

"A TRIP THROUGH WESTERN CANADA"

BRING A FRIEND AND ATTEND

WEDNESDAY, October 7, 2009 ~ 7:30 PM

IDAHO FALLS LIBRARY

This month's program features a slide show by Mike Munts of several parks in British Columbia and the Yukon. Mike has served as a wildlife biologist at Craters of the Moon National Monument for the last 11 years. However, three years ago, he was on a temporary assignment to the Klondike Gold Rush National Historical Park in Skagway, Alaska. On his way to and from his assignment, Mike had the opportunity to spend time hiking in Banff and Jasper National Parks and other provincial parks. And while in Skagway, Mike spent his weekends hiking in the Wrangell Mountains and in Kluane National Park, Canada's largest park. Come and enjoy photos of beautiful alpine scenery as we accompany Mike on a journey through the far north.

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

For more information contact programs@idahoalpineclub.org, log onto the club website at www.idahoalpineclub.org, or contact Bob Tyler at 787-2601.

President Speaks

Fall is upon us again. This is a great time to get out and enjoy the cooler temperatures and fall colors. Don't miss out on this last chance to get one more good trip in before the snow starts to fly. A long day hike, a scenic bike ride or a climbing trip to The City of Rocks would be a great way to wrap up your summer.

Fall is also the time of year when the Idaho Alpine Club is looking for people to run for positions on the council. If you are interested in making a contribution to the club by serving on the council, contact one of the current council members or show up at the next regular meeting and let us know. We are looking for four members to run for council positions and elections will be in November. Don't wait; get your name on the ballot today.

Did you know the Idaho Alpine Club will be 50 years old in 2010? Let's make 2010 one of our biggest years yet. Tell your friends about the club, or better yet bring them to the next meeting. Volunteer to lead a trip or go on one of the planned trips or get really involved by becoming a council member.

Mark Whitham

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.

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
- Other personal items of interest

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.

September 12 WE had a great hike with 9 people. Sam Pole, Hiking Coordinator.

October 3: Dayhike / Snake River Canyon Rim

This hike is along a shelf above the Snake River up-river from the Heise area. The hike is easy to moderate. Round trip is approximately 5-6 miles. This is a beautiful fall hike with the change in colors along the river. Trip coordinator, Sam Pole. Please call in advance at 523-4970 or 520-3630, or email at sbpole@cableone.net. Meet at the Ammon Wal-Mart in front of the garden center, 8:00 a.m.

October 17: Dayhike / Cress Creek Nature Park

This is an interesting little park down-river from Heise. Beside hiking the park, we will hike above the park to the bluffs for an overview of the Snake River and surrounding areas. The hike is easy to moderate and approximately 3 miles round-trip. Trip coordinator, Sam Pole. Please call in advance at 523-4970 or 520-3630, or email at sbpole@cableone.net. Meet at the Ammon Wal-Mart in front of the garden center, 8:00 a.m.

Climbing

For information on club climbing trips contact Kevin Coble at 201-1840 or Eric Larsen at 522-9354. 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 or,

via email, send a message with subject or body 'help' to:

iac_climbing-request@macrobotics.com

Wednesday Night Climbing Schedule

Sign up for the mailing list for the schedule to learn of any last minute Wednesday night plans until the weather drives us completely indoors.

Stone Walls Rock Gym.

Call 528.8610 for information.

Summer hours are:

4-9 PM Monday - Thursday

4-10 PM Friday

12 - 10 PM Saturdays

Comment on Planning for City of Rocks Future

The National Park Service (NPS) is looking for public scoping comments, to develop a new general management plan for the City of Rocks (CoR). During this initial "scoping" phase of the General Management Plan (GMP), the NPS would like to know what we want them to consider as they begin planning and setting priorities for the long-term future of City of Rocks National Reserve. A General Management Plan (GMP) is a long range plan that answers "What kind of place do we want this park to be?"

By November 15, 2009 review the public scoping newsletter and send the NPS your ideas and concerns directly online:

<http://www.parkplanning.nps.gov/ciro>

Note: this is for CoR only. Castle Rocks is an Idaho State Park.

Bicycling

For late season bicycling information and trips, contact Jeff Coward at 208.522.8135 or by email: bicycling@idahoalpineclub.org

Fall riding in Grand Teton and Yellowstone National Parks is great. Less traffic and cooler temps, till the snow flies!!

Rafting

For information on renting club rafting gear (IAC club members only) contact Greg Hulet At 523-6199 or 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.

Through November: Call to arrange Alpine Canyon (class II-III) float trips. Preferred trips would be with participants providing their own boats and equipment (15 max total).

I can sometimes accommodate 1-4 people needing equipment. Note: Saturday's are very busy. Week day afternoons or Sundays work best. (Jim Lee 208 569-5573) Note: Saturday's are very busy. Week day afternoons or Sundays work best.

Alpine Canyon Group Size Limits:

For those planning to take a group to Alpine Canyon the following rules apply. You will be ticketed if you are caught breaking them:

1. Maximum party size with no permit is 15. If your party is 15 people or less, no other limits apply, including the four boat limit.
2. Organizational trips only apply to groups with a paid leader (Some outdoor programs, Youth Minister, etc.).

Rafting Gear Available to Rent to IAC Members Only:

- 16-ft Ryken self-bailer
- 15-ft Aire self-bailer
- 13.5-ft Maravia self-bailer
- 14-ft Ryken conventional floor
- 14-ft Udisco conventional floor
- Inflatable kayaks - 2

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.

- Self bailers - \$60/day
- Conventional floor - \$20/day
- Inflatable kayaks - \$20/day

October 18:

IAC Highway Clean-Up & BBQ

It is that time of year to contribute to the community and have a great time with friends while helping to clean up our short 2 mile section of Highway 31. The section is located between mile marker 6 & 8 near the old Pine Basin Ski area.

Benefits include getting out in the fresh air, exercise, the feeling of pride in your efforts every time you drive thru that section of highway. Bob and Marie have graciously offered to host a hamburger BBQ and potluck (bring a salad, finger food, or dessert) at their home in Victor afterwards.

Matching bright orange safety vests and trash sacks are provided for our use. Work gloves are required. Leather boots & safety glasses recommended.

Remember the more who show up, the faster the work is done.

For more information and to sign up for this easy fun day, call the Whithams by October 28 at 520.1728 or 520.7232.

IAC Logo T-Shirts & Patches!

Short sleeves or long sleeves, crew neck, heather grey Dri Release material with embroidered IAC Logo!

Short sleeve \$14 each.

Long sleeve \$21 each.

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.

Caribou-Targhee Maps on Line

Most of the Palisades and Teton Ranger District color topographic maps on the Caribou-Targhee National Forest web site have been revised to reflect trail number, trail route and trail use changes. Many of the Palisades district trails have been recently GPSed and so the maps are now considerably more accurate. There are 11 maps at a scale of 1:112,500 covering both ranger districts and 13 more detailed maps (hiking scale, 1:50,000) covering popular trails. All maps are Acrobat format and can be printed at home.

Run For A Position on the IAC Council

Hurry and sign up to run for a council position. Be part of the 50th council. If you are currently a member of the Idaho Alpine Club in good standing and have decided you would like to run for council, please contact Mark Whitham to find out what is entailed or take a look at the club bylaws on the website for more information about the council positions.

Dates to Remember:

October 7: IAC General Meeting / a Trip Through Western Canada

October 3: Dayhike / Snake River Canyon Rim

October 17: Dayhike / Cress Creek Nature Park and more

Climbing: Subscribe to find out any updates on the weekly climbing location. See page 2.

Winter is coming -
Get out there and experience
2009!!

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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Idaho Falls, Idaho 83403-2883

www.IdahoAlpineClub.org

Membership Fees

	Full Year	7/1 to 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:

- ★ Idaho Mountain Trading
523-6679
Shoup & B, Idaho Falls
- ★ Alpine Schwinn 523-1226
1352 S. Holmes Ave. (Excluding bicycles)
- ★ Bill's Bike Shop 522-3341
805 S. Holmes Ave. (Excluding bicycles)
- ★ Lynna and Leland Howard offer members of IAC a 10% discount on all of their published books.
357-1917 or 357-3166;
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leland@wildernessbooks.com
- ★ Discounts on Jerry Painter's Hiking & Biking guide books

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