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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

After July 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

THIRD ANNUAL MEMBER SLIDE NIGHT

8 PM Wednesday, October 4th

Idaho Fall Public Library - Large Meeting Room

It is time again to share those slides from the 2000 IAC trips we have all been enjoying so far this year. From the winter cam pouts to the heights of the mountaintops we have all had some epic trips. If you don't have slides, bring your snapshots. The slide presentations will be limited to 10 minutes apiece. Get them sorted out and bring them to the meeting. A carousel type projector will be available but you will need to provide your own tray.

President Speaks

The IAC has had another great summer with a full calendar of activities to choose from. Now it is time to start planning the fall and winter activities. The Sawtooth trip during the first week of September gave the eight of us a brief taste of winter with a skiff of snow upon awakening the first morning on the trail. Cramer Divide had over 3 inches of the white stuff on the trail at the top of the divide. We are looking forward to more of that in the months to come...maybe even snow days from work (wa-hoo let it snow!!).

Plans are afoot to mark several snowshoe trails this year, so if you haven't tried snowshoeing yet...member Wade Seeley can tell you where you can rent them to try them out. We found that the hiking season ends later and starts a lot sooner since we bought our snowshoes several years ago. The annual Christmas tree snowshoe trip is coming up and is a great trip to try out snowshoeing. There will be a Women's Snowshoe hike and a practice session with avalanche transceivers in December.

Cross country ski trips are also being planned already, including the annual epic Ponds to Harriman trip which seems to have more participants every year.

We are in the process of scheduling the Wilderness First Aid class in the spring. There are 15 of us who have WFA certifications expiring in May 2001. WFA is an intense hands on two day First Aid course like no other first aid course you have ever taken. Watch the bulletin for more details and dates.

Start renewing your memberships now and save \$5. In honor of 40 years of the IAC, members who renew their annual membership, by January 31, 2001 will save \$5. This is a one time renewal savings and your renewal has to be in the Treasurers

hands by January 31, 2001. So don't wait till the last minute to renew.

If you are interested in running for council please contact one of the nominating committee members: Garney Hardy, Betsy or Tim Adkison, or myself. Requirements are that you are a current member in good standing, enthusiastic about promoting growth of the IAC, willing to show up for council meetings held once a month in Idaho Falls, support the By-laws, Incorporation Articles, and the Common Adventure Policy.

See ya out there
Donna

August Council Minutes

In attendance: Donna Whitham
Garney Hardy
Betsy Adkison
Tim Adkison
Jeff Coward
Mark Whitham

Note taker: Tim Adkison

8:17pm - meeting convened. Reading of last months minutes.

8:21pm - minutes approved.

8:22pm - Treasurers report:

Checking account	\$1,838.00
CD	\$4,180.00
Rafting	\$1,393.00
General fund	\$4,625.00

Expenditures:

Picnic	\$139.00
Bulletin	\$135.00
(members to date - 122)	

8:25pm - Adopt-a-crag Day participation cancelled due to lack of interest in participation. Rescheduled for next year.

8:27pm - Discussion of F.W.O.C. and recent call to Donna from Marty Huebner in regards to F.W.O.C. annual meeting.

8:40pm - Discussion of underage trip participation and of handout provided by Donna. Donna will revise form as needed.

8:57pm - Discussion of council nominating committee. Discussed need for updated member printout. Each committee member to get one new electee.

9:05pm - New business. Tim to work on getting prices for vinyl window stickers and patches. Also, he will look into getting long-sleeve club shirts in the dry-release material.

9:11pm - Jeff Coward discussed September meeting speaker. Discussion of other options for September presentation.

9:17pm - Media discussion of advertising in local newspaper, Tidbits, community calendar, etc.

9:46pm - adjournment.

September Council Minutes

Date: 9/26/00

Location: 734 11th Street

Time: 8:00pm

Present: Donna Whitham, Mark Whitham, Tim Adkison, Betsy Adkison, Eric Peterson, Kathy Hellyer

Note taker: Kathy

Read and approved last month's Council meeting minutes.

Treasurers Report:

Checking \$1,867

Savings \$4,206
General Fund \$4,680
Rafting Fund \$1,393
Currently 125 memberships

Old Business:

Underage member trip permission forms are on the website for easy access for trip coordinators. Donna will verify all forms are updated.

Tim is getting quotes for several marketing items (stickers, patches and t-shirts). He will research further and get more quotes from other sources.

New Business:

Media promotions - we will use the KIDK Community Calendar for Club activities.

Wilderness First Aid Training will be scheduled and meeting room reserved by Donna.

Proposed: Discount on 2001 renewal memberships. A \$5.00 discount will be advertised in the Nov. & Dec. Newsletter. Discount effective until Feb.1.

Proposed: Buying one new raft (\$1,500) will research the options.

January 2001 meeting room will be reserved by Donna.

Next council meeting:
Tim & Betsy Adkison - 625 Ruth 10/31/00

Meeting Adjourned at 9:20pm.

Upcoming Programs

November 1 - Idaho Trails Council Slide Show Presentation about the Boulder White Clouds and the efforts to protect it forever as a Wilderness Area.

December 6 - Discovering the Continental Divide Trail: Idaho and Montana's High Country. Our newest IAC member Lynna Howard and her brother Leland will provide a wondrous slide show travelogue that covers all of the Idaho and Montana portion of the Continental Divide National Scenic Trail. They will autograph and sell their books on the CDT at the presentation. Also available will be Leland's 2001 Idaho calendar.

IAC Web Site News

The club WWW site is indexed on most of the major search engines and is referenced on over 60 outdoor activity and local interest sites. The site is averaging about 300 visitors per month to the homepage, with half of those viewing the scheduled club activities page. All common adventures appearing in the club bulletin are posted, as well as a few common adventures that don't make the bulletin's publication deadline, so be sure and check the web site often for upcoming outings.

A club activity calendar where you can quickly see at a glance the scheduled club activities is now functional. Should you wish and activity to be placed on the calendar, email the Webmaster at iac@srv.net or give George Cole a call at 522-4084. Any

worthwhile event qualifies inclusion on the calendar, and is not limited to club events.

Several mailing lists have also been implemented on the club web site. Mailing list topics include Climbing and Mountaineering, Water Sports, Snow Sports, Backpacking and Hiking, Boise Area Activities, Bicycling, and Conservation and Trail Maintenance. Many club members have already received "Complimentary" subscriptions to some of the lists and have been notified by email. The intent of these mailing lists is to facilitate distribution of information of general interest to subscribers. Any subscriber can send messages to other subscribers. The mailing lists are a great way to announce your last minute trips and pass on items of interest to other subscribers. Members wishing to subscribe to any or all of the lists need only go to the club WWW site. Go to <http://www.srv.net/~iac>, click on the "info" button and follow the simple instructions giving your email address and assigning yourself a password. It is recommended you use your membership number as a password so you don't forget it, but any password will do. You can unsubscribe at any time by visiting the site and following the instructions. Once you have subscribed, you will receive an email with more detailed information.

Blank "Common Adventure Release Forms" are also available to be downloaded from the club WWW site. They are in several different formats and should reproduce well on most home printers. If you are leading a Common Adventure, be sure and have all participants sign the forms and return to the club secretary as instructed on the form.

As always, if anyone has any comments, suggestions, criticism (constructive or otherwise), email George Cole at iac@srv.net or call him directly at 522-4084.

Day Hikes 2000

Table Mountain - October 14

It is time for our annual fall trek up Table Mountain on the west slope of the Tetons. This year will be a special trip. Call Mark and Donna for more information and to sign up. 524.6119 or dwhitham@srv.net

IAC LOGO T-SHIRTS!!

The t-shirts are really cool! Short sleeves, crew neck, heather grey (just dark enough to not show dirt unless you wallow in the mud) Dri Release material with embroidered club logo! The logo is sooo detailed that you can even see the rope hanging from the little climber! \$12 each. Sizes 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 Teton Crest Trail. 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.

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
 --Sports Korner, Inc., 660 Northgate Mile

\$1.00 discount at Stone Walls Climbing Gym

Discounts on Jerry Painter's Hiking and Biking guide books

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

Plus much more!

Connect with climbing, whitewater, hiking, backpacking, biking, ski, expertise

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-- Leon Wolfram
Climbing harness, carabiner & figure 8-- Eric Peterson
Caving helmets-- Dean K.
Carbide lamps-- Dean K.
Ice axes-- Leon Wolfram
Clinometer & compass for cave mapping----Dean K.
PLUS rafting equipment --Vickie 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