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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:

September: Bohan's Home	748 Adell
October: Whitham's Home	706 Laurelwood

Activity Coordinators:

Backpacking	Sam Pole	523-4970
Bicycling	Jeff Coward	522-8135
Climbing/Mountaineering	Kevin Coble	201-1840
	Eric Larsen	522-9354
Conservation	Open	787-2601
Cross-Country Skiing / Snowshoeing	Whithams	520-1728
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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.

OCTOBER Bulletin Deadline is:

5 PM on SEPTEMBER 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

"CLIMBING IN THE SHALULI SHAN RANGE"

BRING A FRIEND AND ATTEND

WEDNESDAY, September 2, 2009 ~ 7:30 PM

IDAHO FALLS LIBRARY

The Genyen Massif forms part of the remote Shaluli Shan Range in the Sichuan province of southwestern China on the edge of Tibet. There are no roads into the area and few western visitors have ventured into the 18,000 to 20,000 foot peaks of the Genyen Massif. Three years ago, when all the peaks in the massif except for Mt. Genyen remained unclimbed, Molly Loomis and her husband Andy Tyson joined their friends Dave Anderson from Lander, Wy and Sarah Hueniken from Canmore, Alberta to explore the area. The group, whose three week expedition was financed by a Shipton-Tilman grant from the American Alpine Club, accomplished first ascents of Shachun and Phurpa. While in Sichuan, the group also helped the monks of the 600 year- old Rengo Monastery construct a hostel for visitors which will serve as an ongoing source of financial support for the monastery. Molly and her husband Andy will present a slideshow focusing on the rewarding climbing in this area as well as their cultural interaction with local residents. Molly currently guides Mt. Vinson in Antarctica for Antarctica Logistics and Expeditions and she guides in the Teton Range for Exum Guides. Andy guides for Alpine Ascents International and has guided Cho-Oyu in Tibet and Mt. Vinson.

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

Hey everyone, did you make it to the summer party? It was a great time with good food and great friends. If you missed it try to make it next year. We need to thank a few people that helped make this event a success. Teak and Dan Cummings organized everything supplied the barbeque and did the cooking, and Dave Sealander who let us use the park that has been in his family for a very long time.

Have you noticed the chill in the morning air? Summer is starting to wind down but that isn't necessarily bad thing. There are fewer thunder showers late in the summer. The cooler temperatures are perfect for hiking, climbing, and those long bike rides. You don't need to carry as much water to stay hydrated and the possibility of heat related illness is a lot lower. Don't wait to get those last trips in or you may be trying to do them in the snow. So get out have fun and be safe.

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.

Due to scheduling there is only one designated hike for Sept. Sam Pole, Hiking Coordinator.

September 12: Dayhike / Taylor Mountain

Taylor Mountain hike via Coal Creek (West-side of Teton Pass). Round trip approximately 7.2 miles and elevation gain of about 2,788 feet. Taylor peak is at 10,068 feet. Hike is moderate to slightly strenuous. Trip leader: Sam Pole. Please call in advance at 523-4970. Depart 8 am from the east-side (Ammon) Wal-Mart store parking-lot out in front of the garden area.

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

Volunteer for an Adopt a Crag Today!

Adopt a Crag season is in full swing, with dozens of events happening each weekend around the country. These events bring local climbers together to take care of the places they play, and are essential to protecting climbing access by showing land managers that climbers are a responsible user group.

<http://www.accessfund.org/site/c.tmL5KhNWLrH/b.5000889/k.166C/AdoptaCrag.htm>

Pocatello Pump September 12-13, 2009

The Pocatello Pump is the oldest (28 years climbing) and most fun rock climbing competition in America.

The basalt crags of Ross Park's Sunny Side and Shady Side. Exit 67 (5th Avenue Exit) off I-15, Pocatello, Idaho

For more information:

www.isu.edu/outdoor/pump.shtml

Entry Fees

Early Registration

Sign up before 5:00 p.m. on September 12th at the Outdoor Adventure Center

\$30.00 (Includes a custom designed T-shirt)

Late Registration On Site-\$35.00 (Includes T-shirt)

Download Registration Form (.pdf)

<http://www.isu.edu/outdoor/pdf/registration%20form.pdf>

Bicycling

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

Below is an abbreviated list of available cycling (and a few other) events for 2009.

* - rides I am planning on doing

? - rides I may do

September 12, 2009 (Saturday) - Logan to Jackson LOTOJA road race.

September 26, 2009 - Old Faithful ride

There is no "day of" registration for the FallCycle Tour.

All participants must register in advance. The ride is limited to the first 300 riders registered by YNP.

There will be no refunds on registration for any reason, including tour cancellation.

Online registration available at:

<http://www.cycleyellowstone.com/falltour.html>

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.

Rafting: April - 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

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. If you are a current member of the Idaho Alpine Club and have decided you would like to run for council this year, 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.

"A perfect summer day is when the sun is shining, the breeze is blowing, the birds are singing, and the lawn mower is broken."

~ James Dent

Dates to Remember:

September 2: IAC General Meeting / Climbing in the Shaluli Shan Range

September 12: Dayhike / Taylor Mountain

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

September 12-13: Pocatello Pump

Rafting & Bicycling:

Club & local events listed on pages 2-3

Winter is coming -
Get out there and experience summer of 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:

**Idaho Alpine Club
P.O. Box 2883
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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