

Trails & Tales Newsletter

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Meeting: Tuesday, Feb 8, 7:00pm Idaho Fish & Game Building 3316 16th St, Lewiston, ID

Comin' round the Mountain

2011 BCHI Calendars

Everyone, please bring the money from the calendars you have sold to the meeting. If you cannot make the meeting, please make arrangements with Lisa. Lisa Swanson (Cell # 208-305-1331) is your contact for calendars. If you don't, you will be getting a call!!

2011 TRBCH Membership Applications

Time is running out to rejoin TRBCH. Next month's issue of this newsletter will be your last if you have not renewed your membership by the March meeting. It is a great investment in enjoyment even if you are only able to make one event a year. New membership applications are available at chapter meetings and on the website www.twinriversbch.com. A check off box for ordering BCH calendars is included. Life Flight is no longer included on the application.

Lifeflight Network

Something you may not be aware of is that as a member of BCH of Idaho, this includes our chapter; you have an option of joining Lifeflight Network for an annual fee of \$35.00 for an individual or your entire family. As a member, if you have any medical emergency in the coverage area and are flown out by helicopter, any charges above what your own medical insurance pays are covered by Lifeflight Network. For more information, map of coverage area, and an application, please go to the chapter website; www.twinriversbch.com

In 2010, Lifeflight Network added a helicopter that is stationed at the Lewiston airport.

If you were a member of Life Flight Services in 2010, you will be billed directly from them for 2011 before your service expires.

2011 Forest Service Projects

Carol Hennessey is the Trail Coordinator for the Nez Perce & Clearwater National Forests. The Nez Perce and Clearwater National Forests have been combined and reorganized into 3 zones. Carol handed out a spread sheet and explained potential projects for us in these three zones. Tim Lewis is her go-to trail expert. She would like a formal proposal from us by February 2011.

Check out the proposed projects on the chapter "Activities" website under the www.twinriversbch.com and come to the meeting with your thoughts and be willing to be a trail boss. Bill Correll resigned as a Forest Service liaison since the two forests have been combined. Bob Shelton 208-877-1125, will be liaison for the combined forests. Call him and advise him of the projects that interest you and offer to be a trail boss. We have a cheat sheet that helps with trail boss responsibilities to make your job easier. The liaison is responsible for general communications between us and the Forest Service. The trail boss is responsible for everything on an assigned, individual project.

Rod Parks will talk about the Challenge Cost Share Agreement and Volunteer Agreement that we use when we are doing projects for the FS.

TRBCH Annual Chili Ride February 26th

Bob Kuther has graciously agreed to host the Chili Ride again this year. Arrive around 9:30 am, so we can all be ready to ride by 10:00 am. For those of you that have attended in the past, you are already aware of what a great time this is. This ride is usually the first chance for Pizza in 2011. There is always great food and stories in the Kuther shop after the ride. The ride will be on a new route this year. Shod horses will not be necessary, but you decide, as there will be some rocky areas also. The ride will be about two and one half hours depending on the weather. Fair weather riders are welcome to show up without their stock for the chili and socializing, but be prepared to be chastised!! The Chili will be provided. Everyone needs to bring a potluck dish to go with the chili, a chair, beverages, and table service. Please contact Karen Parks, 208-791-3246 if you will be attending.

<u>Directions:</u> Take Highway 12 West from Clarkston towards Pomeroy, go about 2.5 miles and turn left on Evans Road, follow Evans Road until it intersects Peola Road, turn right on Peola Road. When you come to a big red barn, make sure you go left, as Peola Road continues up the hill. Turn left on McGuire Gulch Road, a gravel road at the bottom of the hill. Kuther's home is down the road on the left and the only house on McGuire Gulch Road. You will need to park on the side of the county road or in the field before their driveway if it is dry enough. Someone will be there to help with parking.

BCH of Idaho Board of Director's Meeting Sat., March 5, 2011

Mark Bogar and Rod Parks will be attending this meeting representing our chapter as your state directors.

PHOTOS FOR THE 2012 BCHI CALENDAR

Photos need to be in JPEG, TIFF or Raw Format. Photos for the 12" x 12" pages need to be 300dpi, which would be

 3675×3675 pixels. 200 DPI at 2450 x 2450 pixels will also work.

Please follow your camera's user guide and set your images to the highest resolution. Please be aware that the higher the

resolution, the few images your camera will hold. My old 3.2MP camera's highest resolution is 2048 x 1536 pixels on the

TIFF/SHQ setting and with its small 250MB card I can only get 27 photos before swapping cards or saving to my computer.

Photo selection criteria for the calendar is as follows:

A 12 x 12 photo for each chapter, with photos in Idaho take precedence over out of state.

Photos must have a horse/mule in the shot, unless it's of a work project.

Heads and faces preferred over tails and backs.

Photos are placed by seasons - winter, spring, summer and fall.

Include all winter, kids, trail riding, packing, and work project photos. Nature photos will be used only as needed.

Please do not resubmit photos that have been used in previous calendars.

Print all information legible.

List the file name for each photo and any awards it may have won.

BCHI would like 50 of the best photos from each chapter to select from. Erica Foley, Colleen Head, and Pat Bogar have volunteered to narrow down the selection of photos members sends in. Please put your photos on a CD or DVD and snail mail or deliver to Erica at a meeting. The photos should not be emailed, as the quality is not good enough for the calendar. **Submittal deadline is March 14th**

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First Aid Training

Jenny Franklin said she would bring more information to our next meeting. We have quite a few members interested in having training.

The human first aid kit and the stock first aid kit have been update and are ready for 2011. Thank You Carol Hough!!

Inland Northwest Outdoor Show April 8-10

Our chapter will be involved in this show again this year. We will be doing a hands on packing clinic like we did last year. Jim White has volunteered to be in charge. He will need lots of help from our members. We will need advertising, ideas and a possible Sponsor for the event. So come with some ideas on ad layout and poster ideas. We will need to get the advertising and posters up by the middle of March. We are going to man a booth this year representing TRBCH and BCH of Idaho. Karen Parks is in charge of the 2nd Annual Dutch Oven Cook Off and needs

some help with prizes, putting up posters and setting up. So we will need people to be added to each event to make committees. Step right up at the meeting and volunteer and let the ideas fly.

Kid's Kamp 2011

Kids Kamp - July 13 - 17. Washington Fish and Wildlife, Smoothing Iron Ranch is where we will have Kid's Kamp this year. They are willing to come up with supplies for the upgrades we need if we can do the work. We are planning a week long work project there in the spring to hopefully get everything we need ready. A few horse rides to loosen up the over worked muscles are also planned.

Pat is working on getting a registration form to put on the chapter website.

Hell's Gate State Park Memorial Shelter

Maybe after this cold spell, we will have some nice weather and can finish the work on the shelter. Doug Head will supervise the construction.

Washington Fish & Wildlife Grant

The gates on Asotin Creek will be open the end of March. A weekend will be scheduled in April or May to remove the old fencing and install the rest of the new fencing and then this project will be completed. If things go well, we can do some clearing for the poker ride and get some saddle time in too.

Weed Seed Free Forage

Remember, weed seed free forage is required in all national forests in Idaho and on any public land in Washington.

Washington State Suppliers

http://www.nwcb.wa.gov/WWHAM/WWHAM_supp liers.htm

Idaho State Suppliers

http://www.idahoweedawareness.net/netcenter/library/weedfreeforage.html

TRBCH Newsletter Editor/ Website Articles

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Calendar of Events

TRBCH Meeting	Feb. 8	7:00 PM	Idaho Fish & Game Facility
TRBCH Chili Ride	Feb. 26	10:00 AM	Kuther Ranch, McGuire Gulch
BCHI Directors Meeting	Mar 5		Boise BCH Hosting
TRBCH Meeting	Mar. 8	7:00 PM	Idaho Fish & Game Facility
2012 Calendar Photo Deadline	March 14th		Erica Foley, Chairman
Inland Northwest Outdoor	April 8-10		Nez Perce County Fairgrounds
Show			Lewiston, ID
National Trails Day	June 4		
Kid's Kamp	July 13-17		WDFW Black's Ranch
BCHI Packing Clinic	Aug. 14-21		www.bchi.org for details