



# Trails & Tales Newsletter

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**Meeting: Tuesday, Aug. 10th, 7:00pm**  
Idaho Fish & Game Building  
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## Comin' round the Mountain

### 2011 BCHI Calendars

For our new members that have not had the opportunity to sell calendars, this is the biggest fund raiser for BCH of Idaho.

Two thousand calendars are printed with all pictures provided by members of BCH of Idaho. There are some great shots!! The calendars sell for \$20.00 each. You may be thinking that this is kind of spendy for a calendar, but you are getting much more than a calendar. There is a card inside to fill out for drawings. January through November 2011 one lucky person will win \$500.00 cash each month. In December, the luckiest person drawn will have a choice of a \$6000.00 Cabela's Gift Card, or a \$6000.00 Cenex Fuel Card, or the opportunity to split these cards 50-50. The sales pitch that works the best for me is: Where else can you buy a raffle ticket for \$20.00 and have 12 chances to win something and even if you don't win, you have a useful fantastic calendar in hand rather than a few tickets with some numbers on it that you usually misplace and forgot when the drawing was anyway. So pick up your calendars and start selling!!

The calendars are here and some were already handed out at last month's meeting. Our chapter has 300 to sell. Mark Bogar is in charge of all 2000 calendars printed and has some left to hand out if we go through the 300! Lisa Swanson (Cell # 208-305-1331) has agreed to be in charge of the 300 that our chapter has to sell. Please call her and make arrangements to pick some up to sell to family, friends, and others. Our chapter has committed to sell the 300 calendars and these must be paid for whether we sell them or not. There has not been a dues increase for BCH of Idaho since we started hosting the Backcountry & Outdoor Show and the selling of the calendars, so do your part to keep BCHI solvent without dues increases by helping sell the calendars.

A side benefit for our chapter is that 25% of the sales our chapter make are returned to our chapter in March 2011.

### Lifelight Network

We have many new members that joined for Kid's Kamp. Welcome to everyone and hope to see you get involved with other activities that our chapter does throughout the year. Something you may not be aware of is that as a member of TRBCH you have an option of joining Lifelight Network for an annual fee of \$35.00 for an individual or your entire family. As a member, if you have a medical emergency in the coverage area and are flown out by helicopter, any charges above what your own medical insurance pays are covered by Lifelight Network. For more information and an application, please go to the chapter website; [www.twinriversbch.com](http://www.twinriversbch.com)

## Clearwater NF

### Windy Ridge Packing Project Aug. 12-16

North Fork Ranger Dist.

Windy Ridge Tr. # 167, junction Tr. # 531

Project Description: Pack in culverts and camp, remove corduroy, install culvert, build retaining walls, and pack out gear and camp. Camp will be at the work site. 4-8 head of pack stock are needed.

Bill Correll (509-243-4855) is Trail Boss. Camping is limited at the work site and Bill has a pretty good crew lined up already. Thanks to all that have committed to this pack in project.

## Umatilla NF

TIN CAN TRAIL

Bob Hough is trail boss for the Tin Can Trail work. He plans on setting a date in September for this ride. The trail is for experienced stock and tough dudes!!

## **Washington Fish & Wildlife**

### **Lick Fork Fence Project Grant**

The grant has been approved by Washington Dept. of Fish & Wildlife. The plans are to build new fence across Sourdough and Sheep Canyons with non motorized access gates at both places, install a hitchrail at Asotin Creek and Fordyce Trailheads, a fire ring at Fordyce Trailhead and possible highline poles, and remove most of the down wiring along the road from Sourdough to Sheep Canyons. We will do some purchasing of materials and some fabrication work, but do not plan on any on site work until this fall when it is cooler.

## **Hells Gate State Park**

Don Uhlman Shelter final plans are approved. Doug Head is the construction boss. Bill Correll hopes to get a slab poured for the building and then wait until this fall to do the fabrication of the building. When a date is set, an email will be sent out for help.

## **Over the Hill**

### **Kid's Kamp**

Pat said that we could have made money with Kids Kamp if the grounds rental wasn't so much. A Discussion followed and a motion was made and passed to research alternative places for Kids Kamps such as the Blacks Ranch at Smoothing Iron. Two serious accidents happened at Kids Kamp. Volunteer Evelyn Wantz broke her ankle and is on crutches. Attendee Julia Todderud broke her arm near the shoulder.

### **BCH of Idaho Directors Meeting**

Priest River BCH hosted a fantastic meeting at the Pee Wee Creek trailhead near Priest River Idaho. We were well taken care of. The only thing they had not prepared for was Mother Nature when a wind gust came through five minutes after we had adjourned and destroyed the screened in meeting room they had set up. Highlights of the meeting: Robin Schindele, Squaw Butte Chapter presented his modified educational poster for back packers and equestrian encounters on the trail and it will be presented to BCHA for there endorsement. Motion passed that

each chapter will receive 25% commission on all 2011 calendar sales rather than the 10% that we have received for 2010 sales. The BCHI Annual Convention will be held in Grangeville on November 6<sup>th</sup> and hosted by BCH of North Central Idaho. Registration forms and rules for the photo contest at the convention can be downloaded at [www.bchi.org](http://www.bchi.org) Each chapter needs to send 8 voting delegates. A rotation schedule for the annual convention was voted on. There were four proposals. The chosen one has the convention alternate between North and South Idaho and assigned chapters for the coming years. Our chapter will be hosting the 2018 convention. Each state will be receiving from BCHA, a list of all trails on federal land and the trail class they have been given with the new trail classification system. BCH will be responsible to make sure that all trails that were open to pack and saddles stock under the old system are still open to them with the new plan. A big job for each and every chapter.

## **Idaho Fish & Game**

### **Dough Creek Adopt-A Cabin Project**

Bill Correll and Rod Parks enjoyed a great ride on the Craig Mountain Wildlife Management Area from Billy Creek to Dough Creek and finished the work around the cabin that was started in June. A coat of sealer was applied to the floor and deck, fire breaks were made around the cabin, outhouse, and hitchrails, and plans were made to put formica on the counter top and table for next year. The trail from the top was cut out by Idaho Fish & Game employees. The trail from Billy Creek to Dough Creek was cut out by Rod & Karen Parks and Bill Correll.

### **Weed Seed Free Forage**

Remember, weed seed free forage is required in all national forests in Idaho and on any public land in Washington. As BCH members, we must set an example for other users.

### **Washington State Suppliers**

[http://www.nwcb.wa.gov/WWHAM/WWHAM\\_suppliers.htm](http://www.nwcb.wa.gov/WWHAM/WWHAM_suppliers.htm)

### **Idaho State Suppliers**

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

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### **Calendar of Events**

TRBCH Meeting	Aug 10	7:00 PM	Idaho Fish & Game Facility
Packing Project	Aug 12-16		Clearwater NF
TRBCH Meeting	Sept 14	7:00 PM	Idaho Fish & Game Facility
BCH of Idaho Annual Convention & Director's Meeting	Nov. 5-6		Grangeville, ID