



## Trails & Tales Newsletter

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### Comin' round the Mountain

#### **Weitas Creek Pack in, June 27-July 2**

Members will start at Weitas Cr. Campground on the North Fork and pony stock to Weitas Guard Station on the 27<sup>th</sup>. Members will pack another 9 miles into Windy Cr. and set up camp. Work consists of weed spraying with horseback sprayer and backpacks. Rod Parks (208-791-3246) is trail boss. We will head home on July 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> depending on when we finish the spraying.

#### **John's Creek Project, June 29-30**

Call Jerry and Linda Lane (509-780-2624) for details and directions to get there. The trailhead is along Highway 14. There are no places to camp nearby. Allow 3 hours to get there and be ready to ride. That includes travel from Lewiston, project meeting, and enough time to saddle and be ready to go. The project is clearing a 13 mile loop with several large trees across the trail. This is not wilderness, so chainsaws are allowed. If there are two groups we can split and meet in the back of the loop. A good group could do the project and go home in one really long day. If we have 2 or three people we plan to pack in horse feed and camp out overnight along the trail.

#### **Elmer Creek Project, July 9-10**

Camp will be at Isabella Cr. Trailhead on July 9th. There is a hitchrail, outhouse and stock water about ¼ mile down the road. Limited stock feed, so bring some supplemental certified feed. The project consists of restocking the FS crews and any additional tools they may need. There is also a chance that the crew may want their camp moved

up the trail closer to their work. - Bob Hough (509-256-3338) is trail boss and could use extra help.

Directions: From Lewiston, take Hwy 12 East; turn left on Hwy 11 at Greer ID. Continue through Weippe & Pierce to Headquarters. Turn left on Rd # 247 at Headquarters. Follow paved road to Bridge across the North Fork Clearwater River. Turn left after crossing the bridge and follow road always staying to the right until the road ends at Isabella Trailhead. It is about 6-7 miles of gravel road after crossing the bridge.

**Sourdough Trailhead Aug. 10-11**, rebuild corral with North Central Idaho BCH and TRBCH. This is a trailhead project. No stock is needed. Call Jerry or Linda Lane (509-780-2624) for details.

**Tenmile Trailhead and Pack in - August 12-15** - trail clearing - Jerry Lane (509-552-3567) - trail boss

Tenmile Creek drains from the Gospel Hump Wilderness to the South Fork of the Clearwater River near Golden, Idaho. The trailhead is located where the Sourdough road crosses Tenmile Creek about 12 miles from Highway 14. The last five miles is a narrow, rutted, dirt road with few places to pass oncoming traffic. The trail is 12 miles long. About 2.5 miles are open to chainsaws, and then the remainder is within the wilderness area, mostly crosscut saw trail clearing. The first day work will be from the trailhead and then the crew will pack camp to Ten Mile Meadows.

**Directions:** From Lewiston, travel East on Highway 12 / Highway 95 to Grangeville, Idaho. At

Grangeville, Turn left on State Highway 13, and travel down the Main Street of Grangeville to the far end of town. At the far end of town you will see Tackett Saw Service on the left and a convenience store / gas station on the right. Past the convenience store, turn right on the Mount Idaho Road which is marked by a wooden sign down low in the grass. Travel on the Mount Idaho Road through the town of Mount Idaho, down to the river and the intersection of State Highway 14. Travel up the river on State Highway 14. At mile marker 35, turn right on forest road 492 and travel 12 miles to the trail head. The total distance 115 miles.

**Kelly Creek Trailhead, August 17-18** – packing out Great Burn Study Group- Rod Parks (208-791-

3246) - trail boss. We will need six pack animals to pack out the crew from Ten Mile Meadows. A few more packers are needed.

**Directions:** From Lewiston, take Hwy 12 East, at Greer take Hwy 11 towards Pierce. ½ mile before Pierce take French Mountain RD (/Right Turn). Follow this road until you come to a bridge across the North Fork River. Turn right and follow the gravel road along the North Fork, always staying to the right at all intersections until you come to the Kelly CR Trailhead. We will spend Aug. 17 past the Kelly CR Trailhead at the meadow across the bridge to the right beyond the corrals. Aug. 18 we will go to Hanson Meadows and bring their gear back to the trailhead.

### Over the Hill

#### **Fun Ride June 8th**

We did not have as good of turnout as we had hoped. Maybe the fact that it was 33 degrees at the trailhead and rain predicted kept many in town. We ended up with 61 riders, sold 110 adult hands and 12 youth hands. Cash was paid out to the three top winners. Annie Bostrum was first, Lucy Pierce second, and Tina Lumper third. We cleared just under \$1000.00 for the day. Thank you all the riders that manned the stations, the great support crew at the trailhead and the kitchen crew. We did not have any flat tires this year.

#### **Kid's Kamp June 18-22, 2019**

Thank you to all the members that took the time from their schedule to make Kid's Kamp a success again this year. We ended up with 21 riders. The schedule kept the kids busy. It was good we had them hopping as it was not the warmest year. We

fired up the wood stove in the shop and was it ever nice. There were some great new activities this year. The highlights were Tie Dyeing their shirts, live music and dancing, cross cut saw competition, putting a design on the sawed blocks with wood burners, dutch oven competition, LNT training in the field, and of course a ride with the elk every day. This year had to have one of the best group of kids we have ever had plus no problems with any stock. Our work project for Washington Fish and Wildlife was trimming the bottom of trees to make them fire resistant, sorting about 1000 t-posts, saving the straight ones and loading the mangled ones in a truck to haul off, and cutting up some scrap wood for fire wood to clean up the yard. We are so fortunate to have such a fantastic place to hold Kamp at the Smoothing Iron Ranch, owned by Washington Fish & Wildlife.

**Certified Weed Seed Free Forage is required in all national forests and state lands.**

**Washington State Suppliers**

[http://www.nwcb.wa.gov/nwcb\\_hay.htm](http://www.nwcb.wa.gov/nwcb_hay.htm)

**Idaho State Suppliers**

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

**Oregon State Suppliers**

<http://www.oregon.gov/ODA/PLANT/WEEDS/weedfreeforageprogram.shtml>

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## Calendar of Events 2019

<b>Weitas Cr Weed Spray</b>	<b>June 27-July 2</b>	<b>Weitas Cr. pack in to Windy Cr. Nez-Perce-Clearwater NF</b>
<b>John's Cr Trail Clearing</b>	<b>June 29-30</b>	<b>Nez-Perce-Clearwater NF</b>
<b>TRBCH Chapter Meeting</b>	<b>July 9th 6:30 pm</b>	<b>Cutting Edge Credit Union 2200 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Lewiston, ID</b>
<b>Elmer Cr Pack Support</b>	<b>July 9-10</b>	<b>Isabella CR Trailhead, Nez-Perce-Clearwater NF</b>
<b>Sourdough Trailhead Corral Repair</b>	<b>Aug. 10-11</b>	<b>Nez-Perce-Clearwater NF Helping North Central Idaho BCH</b>
<b>TRBCH Chapter Meeting</b>	<b>Aug. 13 6:30 pm</b>	<b>Cutting Edge Credit Union 2200 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Lewiston, ID</b>
<b>Ten Mile Project, Clearing Trail #415</b>	<b>Aug. 12-15</b>	<b>Red River RD, located off the South Fork Clearwater River</b>
<b>Great Burn Study Group Pack Out</b>	<b>Aug. 17-18</b>	<b>Hanson Meadows, North Fork Dist. Nez-Perce-Clearwater NF</b>