



## Trails & Tales Newsletter

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Sept. 8th, 6:30 pm

Meeting at 49ers Saddle Club

6601 Tammany Creek RD

Lewiston ID

### Comin' round the Mountain

#### NOTICE!!

Mr. Covid is really keeping us hopping.

The next meeting will be at the 49ers Saddle Club at the same time, 6:30 pm. If you get there and the gate is locked, be patient, someone will be there to open the gate. The meeting will be inside, so social distancing and masks suggested. It was pretty cool by the time we got done with the September meeting so let's hope we will be warmer inside.

#### **BCHI Raffle Calendars**

We are counting on you again this year to pick up some to sell. Pamela Winalski will be in charge of the calendars and collection of the money. She will have some at the next meeting or you can call her at (509-330-0227) and make arrangements to pick some up. She still has a lot to distribute. If every member would be responsible for buying or selling just 4 or 5 calendars, they would all be gone. Pamela is hopeful to have the sale concluded by our Christmas Meeting.

#### **BCHI State Directors Meeting September 26**

Pat Bogar & Bob Hough, your state directors, will cover some of the highlights of the conference call hosted by Squaw Butte Chapter

#### **Chapter Volunteer Hours**

It is getting towards the end of the year and each bch chapter needs to compile their volunteer hrs from agency meetings, trail work, education topics, etc. For trail work, any member or group can report your time only if you specifically went out planning to clear trails. If you were just riding and ended up cutting a few trees along the way, this will not count.

#### **November Pizza Meeting**

We need to decide at this meeting if we will have Pizza at the meeting, or should we hold off for this year due to Covid-19 and just share our bad experiences with the membership?

#### **Christmas Dinner/Party**

Again, Covid is hovering over us. The chapter will need to decide what they want to do.

#### **E-Bike Classifications for Public Comment**

Forest Service is asking for public comment on proposed updates to FS Manual 7700 (Travel Management) and FS Manual 7710 (Travel Planning) on how e-bikes are managed on National Forest. These proposed directive updates provide needed guidance to field units under existing Travel Management Rule definitions, and establish criteria to designate roads, trails and areas for e-bikes use.

The date due for comments is October 26, 2020. Here is a link to learn more or comment on the proposed directive.  
<https://cara.ecosystem-management.org/Public/CommentInput?project=ORMS-2619>

**Definition:** Electric Bicycle (E-Bike): Also referred to as an electric mountain bike (eMTB), a type of motor vehicle with two wheels attached to a frame,

one behind the other, equipped with fully operable pedals and an electric motor of less than 750 watts. They will establish three classes. The areas they have listed to make additions/changes are highlighted in “Yellow”. **This is not for comment on whether you are for or against e-bikes on trails. At this time, the forest service does not allow e-bikes on any non-motorized trail.**

### Over the Hill

**Chapter Campout and Rides Sept. 11-13**

Craig Mountain Wildlife Management Area, Madden Corrals, Idaho Fish & Game Property  
 We had another great potluck Saturday night with ten members. Friday’s Ride, we cleared the southwest trail down to Corral Creek Jct. With the work done, we road down the road to where the Red Barn used to be before it burned in the 2016 fire. Then back up the road to the main road down Corral Creek and back to camp. Saturday’s Ride, we made a nice loop to Frye Point. Ate lunch in the smoke from fires and had a sliver of the Salmon River showing through the smoke.

Sunday’s Ride, we had plans to ride down to Dough Creek Cabin and Chimney Creek and return, but the smoke was real bad in the low country. The forecast was for 100 degree temperature in the valley so we decided to stay in higher country. Connie Marshal lead the ride leaving the new Eagle Creek parking area, out Hush Puppy Ridge, then cut over to Swamp Creek and returned to the parking lot on Eagle Creek. It was a loop that none of us had done other than Connie so was very enjoyable. No wrecks, no Pizza, a great weekend even with all the smoke in the air.

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

**Washington State Suppliers**

[http://www.nwcb.wa.gov/nwcb\\_hav.htm](http://www.nwcb.wa.gov/nwcb_hav.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 2020

<b>TRBCH Chapter Meeting</b>	<b>Oct. 13 6:30 pm</b>	<b>49ers Saddle Club 6601 Tammany Creek RD Lewiston ID</b>
<b>TRBCH Chapter Pizza Meeting</b>	<b>Nov.10 6:30 pm</b>	<b>To be determined</b>
<b>BCHI State Directors Meeting &amp; Convention</b>	<b>March 10,11, 2021</b>	<b>Nampa Civic Center Hosted by Treasure Valley BCH</b>