



## Trails & Tales Newsletter

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Meeting May 11th, 6:30 PM

49'rs Saddle Club

6601 Tammany Creek RD

Lewiston ID

### Comin' round the Mountain

#### **Chapter Meeting May 11**

The Meeting will be held at the 49'rs Saddle Club, 6601 Tammany Creek Rd. Lewiston ID at 6:30 pm. Social distancing is encouraged. We will be having all our monthly chapter meetings at the 49'rs Saddle Club for the rest of the year.

#### **Monthly Chapter Ride**

Charlie Creek May 8<sup>th</sup>

Ready to ride by 9:30 am. Parking is limited. There is additional parking along the side of the rode at the bottom of Dry Gulch the first draw on the right before Charlie Creek. Please do not block gates.

**Directions:** Allow 30 min. drive time From Clarkston; take Hwy 129 South to Asotin. Turn right before the bridge over Asotin Creek on (Beaumaster Drive) Asotin Creek Rd. #110. When you come to a "Y" keep right and stay at creek level. This road will change back and forth from paved to gravel. The second time it changes to paved at a cattle guard you are there. WDFW Discover Pass or Access Parking Pass is required.

#### **Craig Mountain Project**

On May 20th members of TRBCH and Lewis Clark Master Naturalist will attack the infestation of Hounds Tongue in the Kruze Meadows area of the Craig Mountains. We will meet at the IDFG office at 0900 and leave immediately from there to the Kruze Meadows parking lot. Andrew Mackey will

give a short in-service on invasive weeds in the area and then we will begin our work. Andrew has garbage bags, polanski's, and other tools of your choice that we can use. We will plan to work until 3pm unless mutiny ensues. Bring a lunch, water, work gloves and if you want your own tools. For information you can call Connie Marshall at 208-276-3098 or 208-816-0159. Thanks for your help.

**TRBCH FUN-draiser RIDE June 5** Location is Kruze Meadows Parking lot on Craig Mountain, south of Lewiston. This is our fundraiser ride. Invite all your friends for a great time! Hands are \$10.00 ea. with \$5.00 for each additional hand. Ride out times are between 9 and 11 am. Drawings and cash winners! The ride will be 3-4 hours long. Anyone with donations for prizes should bring them to the May meeting. Betty Barnes (208-305-3714) is trail boss; give her a call if you can help. The signup sheet will be at the chapter meeting or call Betty if you can help. All workers need to be at Kruze Meadows by 8:00 am and station riders need saddled and on the trail by 8:30 am sharp. The chapter will have food to purchase by the riders and members.

**Directions:** From Lewiston ID, head to the Lewiston Roundup Grounds on Tammany Creek Rd. Follow Tammany Creek Rd to County Rd 540, turn right at mile 13, Sign here says Waha, and you will see a McGregor plant in front of you on your

right. Road 540 winds up the hill and turns to gravel just after passing Waha Lake on your right. You will climb a steep grade. When you get to the top of the grade keep going until you cross a cattle guard. Turn right past the cattle guard on ZaZa Rd. This is County Rd 541. Kruze Meadows Parking Lot is on your left in a couple miles. Allow 1 hour for travel time from Lewiston.

### **John's Creek Project**

June 12-13 meet at the trailhead at 9:00 am ready to ride by 9:30! These trails, # 478 Blue Ridge, #401 Frank Brown, #407 Snoose can be cleared with chainsaws and are a combined length of 8.5 miles, a loop ride. The Trailhead is right on Hwy 14, 22.4 miles from Grangeville. Figure two hours driving time from Lewiston. There is no overnight camping at the John's Creek Trailhead, but overnight camping is allowed at Leggett Creek Campground, a primitive campsite with only a vault toilet. There are no stock facilities but stock water is available in the creek. Be sure to bring Certified Feed. Camping is free. It is 14.5 miles past John's Creek Trailhead to Leggett Creek Campground on your left. If you can not make the weekend, feel free to join for Sat. or Sunday only. For any questions, Rod Parks Trailboss (208-791-3246).

### **Dough Cr Adopt-a Cabin**

We need to set a date, possibly on June 6<sup>th</sup> or the middle of the week???

### **Monthly Chapter Ride**

Fordyce-Cabin Gulch Loop June 19<sup>th</sup>

Ready to Ride by 9:30 am. Discover pass required.

**Directions:** Allow one hour drive time, From Clarkston, take Hwy 129 South to Asotin. Turn right before the bridge over Asotin Creek on (Beaumaster Drive) Asotin Creek Rd. #110. When you come to a "Y" keep right and stay at creek level. This road will change back and forth from paved to gravel. The third time it changes to paved at a "y" intersection, Metal shed here, Go right on Lick Fork Rd. #181. Follow this for about 5 miles

### **Monthly Chapter Ride April 17**

We had a beautiful ride from Rock Pile Trailhead. As usual the members that did not come missed out on a beautiful spring day. We rode down Rock Creek and then up George Cr to the end of WDFW

and you will go past a couple barns on the right and cattle guard. After the second barn, look for ED FORDYCE TRAIL sign along the left side of the road, a hitchrail, and a large grassy area. You are there!

### **Seven Devils Wilderness Projects**

#### **Update from Wallowa-Whitman N F:**

"Understand about Old Timer before getting member support. Think Cathy shared that we think both Boise North & Old Timer in decent shape and will hopefully go pretty quickly. We thought it might be good to include as an option in case you breeze through! If there is more work on the Boise North and it doesn't work out, it shouldn't be a big issue. Let me know if there is significant concern and we can remove." **Old Timer Trail #110 is four miles long and has been added to our agreement for a total of 15.7 miles to clear. I advised them that our chapter needs to vote to approve this before we can commit.**

- 1) North Boise Trail# 101 was approved by the chapter to clear and brush 11.7 miles of trail. Dates are set for July 19-25. Camping will be at trailheads, so anyone can join in and help.
- 2) Bernard Creek Bridge Repair The project consists of replacing decking and handrails. Access will be from Pittsburg Landing and then jet boat to the work area. Figure two days and camping at the work site. We originally scheduled for late April or Early May. Paper work from agencies did not meet this time frame. We are looking at some time in the fall after cooler weather as of now.

### **TRBCH Trails Cleared in 2021**

Redbird Trail, North Fork Asotin Creek Trail, Fordyce Trail, Cabin Gulch Trail, Dry Lick Trail, South Fork Asotin Creek Trail, Rock Creek Trail, Halsey Loop Trail

See old newsletters on the TRBCH Website if you do not know how to get to these local trails.

## **Over the Hill**

property. Enjoyed lunch along the creek and then went exploring up Rock Creek looking for another way back to the trailhead. some of us rode a cow trail back to the top while the others back tracked and rode the trail back to the trailhead. If you enjoy

frogs, this is a good place to ride. From the trailhead we could see a herd of elk feeding across the drainage.

**Fordyce & Cabin Gulch Trail Clearing April 18**

This was the best turnout in years for a work project, 16 riders, 2 camp tenders & 19 head of stock. Nine members attacked Cabin Gulch, then

continued on until they caught up with the crew on Fordyce Trail.

There have been more than normal amounts of trees down on every trail this year. Thanks to everyone for opening up this loop trail for all users to enjoy. Back at the trailhead turkey noodle soup was prepared by Karen Parks and Debbie Flanagan had chocolate chip cookies! It sure is nice to have camp tenders!

**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 2021**

<b>Monthly Chapter Ride</b>	<b>May 8, 9:30 am</b>	<b>Charley Creek WDFW</b>
<b>TRBCH Chapter Meeting</b>	<b>May 11, 6:30 pm</b>	<b>49ers Saddle Club 6601 Tammany Creek RD Lewiston ID</b>
<b>Craig Mountain Weed Project</b>	<b>May 20th</b>	<b>Kruze Meadows IDFG</b>
<b>TRBCH FUN RIDE</b>	<b>June 5<sup>th</sup>, 9-11 sign-up \$10/hand, \$5 additional</b>	<b>Annual Fund Raiser, Kruze Meadows IDFG</b>
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<b>Boise Trail Project</b>	<b>July 19-25</b>	<b>Hells Canyon Wilderness Wallowa-Whitman N F</b>