

## **McCall Hiking Club September, 2007 Schedule**

**In September we return to our 9:00 a.m. departures.** Hikers meet across from the post office at the south end of the Rite-Aid parking lot. Transportation is by car-pooling or McCall Recreation van on Wednesday hikes. We recommend a donation of \$3 to \$5 depending on distance to offset transportation costs. Please bring a spare pair of shoes for traveling as well as plenty of drinking water, food, sun screen and insect repellent. The hikes are generally full day trips. No small children or dogs are allowed on the hikes. Scheduled hike locations and leaders are subject to change. For further information, please contact Tom Derieg at 208-634-9781.

**Sat. Sept. 1                      No Hike due to Labor Day Weekend.**

**Wed. Sept. 5                      Trail Maintenance.** This is our opportunity to give back to the forest some of pleasure we get from it. Subject to the Forest Service giving us another assignment we will return to the Hazard Creek Falls Trail we worked on a couple of years ago. Bring loppers, hedge clippers, or small saws. We will reclear overgrown areas, and clean up approximately 3 miles of trail.

**Sat. Sept. 8                      Box Lake.** This is a difficult hike of 7 miles RT and 1,600 foot elevation gain to a magnificent lake. There will be a scenic hike from the East Fork of the Lake Fork to Idler Creek. This is a short, low altitude gain hike. This hike is subject to change if a significant number of people do this hike on August 25<sup>th</sup> rather than do Snowslide Lake. Hike Leader:TBA.

**Sun. Sept. 9                      End of the Season Social at the Woodlands.** Start time will probably be 4:00 p.m. Social Chairman Janis Seufert will put out further information. Attendees will vote for the Hiker of the Year and the favorite hike of the year.

**Wed. Sept. 12                      Clyburn Trail Head to Hard Butte Lake.** This will be an approximate 7 mile RT with a 500 foot elevation gain. We will also pass by Lower Twin and Upper Twin Lakes on the way to Hard Butte Lake. Hike Leader: Ed Hershberger.

**Fri. Sept 14                      Tamarack Zip Line.** Contact Vreny Middleton, [vreny7@yahoo.com](mailto:vreny7@yahoo.com), 208-382-6363 for details.

**Sat. Sept 15                      Hazard Lake to Hard Creek Lake Trail Head.** This will be a crossover, seeing Hazard Lake, Upper Hazard Lake, and Hard Creek Lake. The hike is approximately 4 miles total with a 500 foot elevation gain. Hike Leaders: TBA

**Wed. Sept 19                      East Fork of the Lake Fork Campground to Anderson Lake.** This is a difficult but great hike of 8 to 9 miles RT with a 2,000 elevation gain.

There are two creek crossings, an easy one right at the beginning and a more difficult crossing about 2 miles in. River shoes or sandals are recommended for the second crossing. Those wanting an easier hike can turn around at any point and still have a good hike. Hike Leader: Bruce Hovey.

Sat. Sept 22            Hard Meadows Trail. Easy, intermediate and advanced. 6 miles RT to the meadows, 4 miles RT to the creek. Advanced may proceed beyond the meadows. Elevation gain to the meadows is approximately 300 feet. Anyone wanting a REALLY tough challenge can leave from the same trailhead and hike to Morgan Lake. This would be an approximate 7 mile RT with a 3,200 foot elevation gain with about a 600 foot drop into the lake. Hike Leader: TBA.

Wed. Sept 26            Fisher Creek Trail to Little French Creek. This hike is dependent on the road past the east side of Brundage reservoir being reopened after the Horton fire is out. Distance will vary depending on the hikers. There is an approximate 1,000 drop in elevation in the first mile and a half. Hike Leader is Bruce Hovey.

**REALLY ADVANCED PLANNING. WE WILL BE RETURNING TO STANLEY NEXT YEAR AND CONTINUE OUR EXPLORATION OF THE SAWTOOTH MOUNTAINS. MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW. WE WILL GO TO STANLEY ON MONDAY AUGUST 4<sup>TH</sup> AND STAY FOUR NIGHTS AND LEAVE ON FRIDAY THE 8<sup>TH</sup>.**

**HIKE LOCATIONS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO MANY VARIABLES INCLUDING WEATHER, FOREST FIRES, LEADER UNAVAILABILITY, ETC. WE WILL ATTEMPT TO EMAIL MEMBERS IF TIME PERMITS WHEN THE HIKE SCHEDULE CHANGES.**