

McCall Hiking Club - September 2011 Hikes

Hikers will meet at 8:30 a.m. at the McCall Post Office at the south end of the Rite Aid parking lot. We will car-pool to our destination. We recommend a donation of \$4 to \$6 depending on the distance traveled to offset transportation costs. Hikers can also meet at the trailhead if that is more convenient. Please bring a spare pair of shoes for traveling as well as plenty of drinking water, food, sunscreen, insect repellent and a personal first aid kit. The hikes are generally full day trips. Dogs and small children are not allowed on the hikes. Scheduled hike locations and leaders are subject to change. For more information please contact Roberta Thompson at 634-7465 or jtloghouse@frontiernet.net.

Saturday, Sept. 3rd: Black Tip Peak. The hike to Black Tip Peak begins at Fisher Creek Saddle off the Brundage Mountain Road. This is an intermediate hike that is approximately 3.5 miles round trip with a 725 foot elevation gain. There are beautiful views of the surrounding valley on the way up and once at the top a 360 degree view of McCall, Upper Payette Lake and the Salmon River Mountains. There is no trail but the hike is mostly in open meadows. Hike Leader: Gary Premoe

Monday, Sept. 5th: Year End Social. The end of the season social will be held at the Woodlands Clubhouse starting at 4:00 p.m. Bring a beverage of choice an appetizer and something to sit on. The club will provide hamburgers and hotdogs and all eating utensils and paper goods. Sign up with Becky Deibert at (208) 484-0025 or e-mail kdeibert@mindspring.com. Those attending will get the chance to vote for our annual "Hiker of the Year" award and your "Favorite Hike of the Year". Please start thinking about who you think should get our beautiful, creative, and one of a kind "Trail Trash Trophy".

Wednesday, Sept. 7th: Duck/Hum Lake. There will be an easy, intermediate and advanced hike. The easy hike will go to Duck Lake off Lick Creek Summit, approximately 2.4 miles round trip with a 330 foot elevation gain. The intermediate hike will continue on to the summit overlooking Hum Lake another 1.75 miles with an elevation gain of 1,000 feet. The advanced hike will descend down to Hum Lake which will add another 2.5 miles round trip with an elevation loss and gain of 874 feet. The advanced hike is approximately 8.6 miles round trip with an elevation gain of 2,300'. Hike Leader: Harry Henze

Saturday, Sept. 10th: Lake Serene. This is an intermediate hike approximately 4.5 miles round trip with an elevation gain of 1,300 feet. The trailhead is 23 miles from McCall on the Brundage Mountain – Goose Lake Road. Hike Leader: Linda Corder

Wednesday, Sept. 14th: Twentymile Lakes: There will be an easy, intermediate and advanced hike. The trailhead is 18.2 miles from McCall off Warren Wagon Road. The easy hike is approximately five miles round trip with an elevation gain of less than 300 feet. The intermediate hike has the opportunity continue up the steep Twentymile trail to a lunch stop or continuing right on the Twentymile Creek trail which gradually continues on to Duck Lake. The advanced hike will go another 4.9 miles to North Twentymile Lake. Hikers will have the opportunity to continue on to South

Twentymile Lake another 0.4 miles, Long Lake another 0.2 miles and East Lake another 0.4 miles. The distance to North Twentymile Lake is 11.6 miles round trip with an elevation gain of 2,500 feet. Hike Leader: Loren Livermore

Saturday, Sept. 17th: Bear Pete Crossover Trail to Nethker Creek Trailhead. Bear Pete Trailhead is 46 miles from McCall off Warren Wagon Road and the “Clochman Saddle, Bear Pete turnoff”. The Nethker Creek Trailhead is 45 miles from Highway 55 in McCall. Go right on Warren Wagon Road to Forest Service Road #246 to Burgdorf. Turn left at 2 miles into the Burgdorf Guard Station and drive straight through the station and continue straight for 1 mile to the Nethker Trailhead. The distance from the Bear Pete Trailhead to the Nethker Creek trailhead is 7.3 miles. One half of the hikers will drive to the Bear Pete Trailhead and the other group will drive to the Nethker Creek Trailhead. Car keys will be exchanged when the two groups meet for lunch. The Bear Pete Trail goes to the ridge above Josephine Lake at 3 miles. The elevation gain is about 1,200 feet. The Nethker Creek trailhead is a steep rocky climb out to the ridge overlooking Josephine Lake and is a little more difficult than coming from the Bear Pete Trailhead. Hike Leader: Bear Pete Trailhead, Sallye Sanders. Nethker Creek Trailhead, Bill Starowicz

Wednesday, Sept. 21st: Grassy Mountain Lakes/Coffee Cup Lake Overlook. There will be an easy and intermediate hike. The trailhead to Grassy Mountain Lakes and Coffee Cup Lake is about 23 miles from McCall off the Brundage Mountain – Goose Lake Road. The easy hike to Grassy Mountain Lake is 3.8 miles round trip with an elevation gain of 750 feet. The intermediate hike to Coffee Cup Lake is 6.4 miles round trip with an elevation gain of 1,800 feet. Hikers will have the option of going to the lake or having lunch on the overlook. There is a 400 foot drop into Coffee Cup Lake. Hike Leader: Ken Mulle

Saturday, Sept. 24th: Crystal Lake. This is an advanced hike. The trailhead is off Lick Creek Road. The round trip is approximately 5 miles with an elevation gain about 1800 feet. There will be some bushwhacking. Hike Leader: Bruce Hovey

Wednesday, Sept. 28th: Lava Butte Lakes from Elk Meadow Road. This hike needs to be explored so I will send out more information at a later date. Hike Leader: Tom Derieg

Saturday, Oct. 1st: Deep Lake/Summit Lake/Dragon Rock. There will be an easy, intermediate and advanced hike. The trailhead is off Warren Wagon Road on access road #431 just past the Victor Creek Trailhead. The easy hike will be to Deep Lake with a round trip of 1.8 miles and an elevation gain of 550 feet. The intermediate hike will go on to Summit Lake another 3 miles round trip past Deep Lake with another 500 feet in elevation gain and bushwhacking. The advanced hike will continue on to Dragon Rock another 1.5 miles with an elevation gain. Hike Leader: Tom Derieg