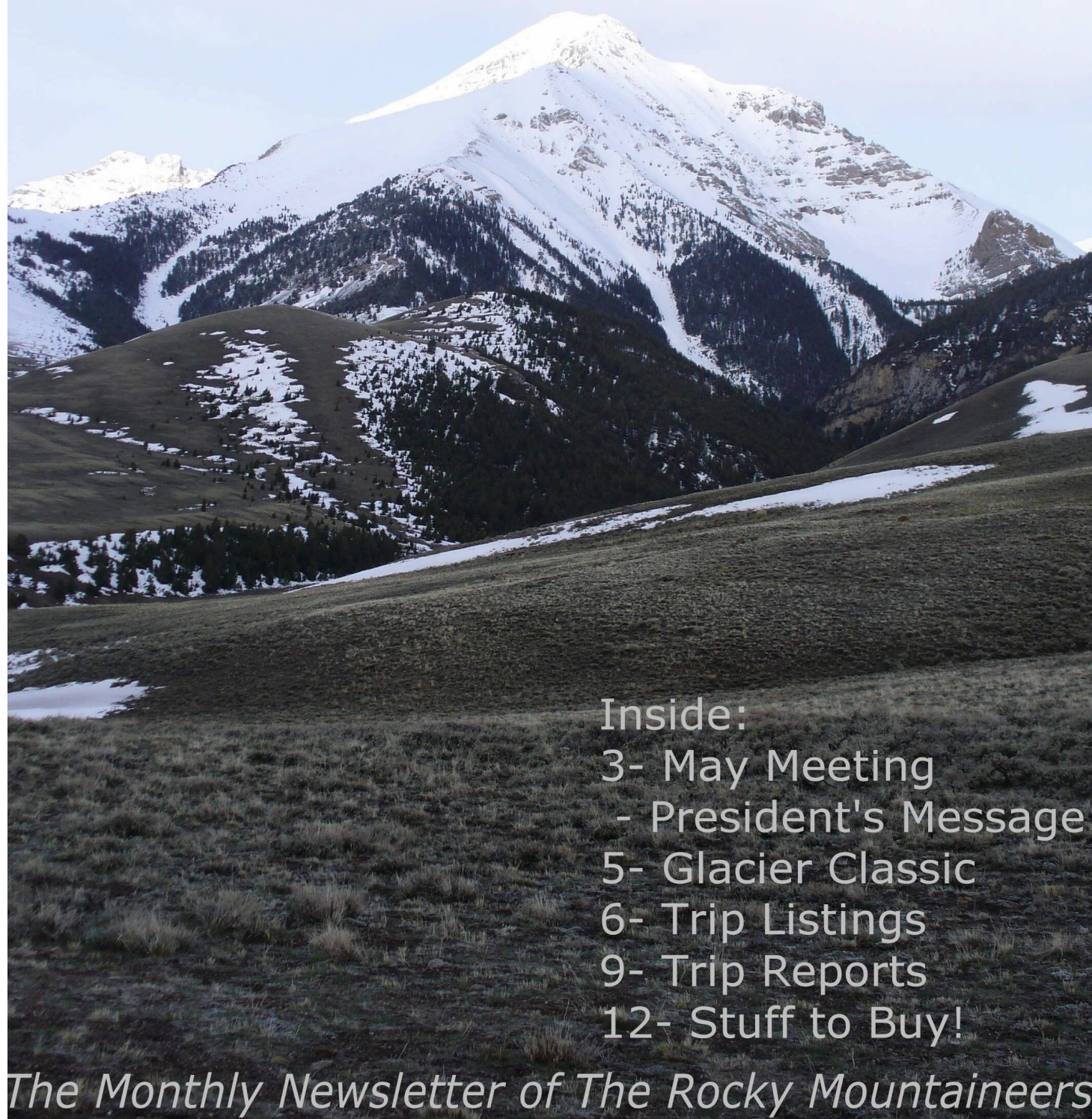


MAY 2009

# THE MOUNTAIN EAR



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The Mountain Ear is the club newsletter of The Rocky Mountaineers and is published near the beginning of every month. Anyone wishing to contribute articles of interest are welcomed and encouraged to do so- contact the editor.

Membership application can be found at the end of the newsletter.

**ABOUT THE CLUB:**

*Mission Statement:*

The Rocky Mountaineers is a non-profit club dedicated to the enjoyment and promotion of responsible outdoor adventures.

*Meetings and Presentations:*

Meetings are held the second Wednesday, September through May, at 6:00 PM at Pipestone Mountaineering. Each meeting is followed by a featured presentation or speaker at 7:00 PM.

*Activities:*

- ☐ Hiking
- ☐ Backpacking
- ☐ Alpine Climbing & Scrambling
- ☐ Peak Bagging
- ☐ Backcountry Skiing
- ☐ Winter Mountaineering
- ☐ Track Skiing
- ☐ Snowshoeing
- ☐ Snowboarding
- ☐ Mountain Biking
- ☐ Rock Climbing
- ☐ Canoeing & Kayaking
- ☐ Rafting
- ☐ Kids Trips
- ☐ Terracaching/Geocaching

## *May Meeting*

### **We're having our May meeting in Bonner Park!**

Mark your calendars. Instead of having the usual monthly meeting in May we are going to enjoy the spring and hold the meeting outdoors on **Wednesday, May 13<sup>th</sup>, at the pavilion in Bonner Park**. We will discuss some business first, and then at 7 PM we will start the picnic. We will hold the annual election and then hand out achievement awards. Afterwards will be a good time to mingle and talk to friends about trips to take this coming summer.

Bring some food and beverages. We have an alcohol permit, but the rule for both food and beverages is no glass containers, and no alcohol other than beer or wine. Please follow the rules, bring cans or boxed wine, and haul out trash and make sure the area is clean before you leave. We have to pay a fee for the park, so a donation of a dollar or two will be appreciated. Any money in excess of \$40 will be put in the club's general fund for cabin maintenance and other expenses.

There will be no slide show or other program this evening. But next year The Rocky Mountaineers are going to celebrate their 50<sup>th</sup> birthday. If people enjoy this type of event it will help us plan the bigger party next year.

## *President's Message*

My deepest thanks goes out to all you Rocky Mountaineers that showed up as volunteers to make the GrizzlyMan Adventure Race such a huge success. Your presence at the race showed that you have a vested interest in our club; and the race would not have been such a success without you. Racers approached me afterwards and commented that they had very rarely seen such volunteer support at an adventure race. A big thank you also goes out to The Resort At Paws Up and Lubrecht Forest for being so great to work with.

Eighty one racers came out to put their navigational skills and their endurance to the test. We had racers travel from New York, Colorado, Oregon, Washington, and Idaho to participate. For those of you that could not make it, I wish you could have seen the looks on racers' faces as they crossed the finish line. Some were so completely exhausted their jaws hung loosely from their faces as they rode, pushed, or carried their mountain bikes across the line. Most were smiling ear to ear, however. Maybe only the racers themselves and those of you who helped design the course know the magnitude of their accomplishment in finishing the race. The winning time of the USARA Nationals Qualifier GMAR course was 7 hours 8 minutes 20 seconds (by local coed team Grandma's Biscuits: Meredith Ruland and Francis Preston)! Congratulations go out to all racers that participated!

The post race spaghetti dinner and awards ceremony, held at Lubrecht Camp's Rec. Hall had a cozy, summer camp feel. The fireplace roared and racers and volunteers alike sipped Big Sky brews and accepted prizes for their efforts. For my part, I had a blast!

To view the results for the GrizzlyMan Adventure Race and Black Bear Challenge go to:

[http://www.rockymountaineers.com/grizzly\\_man\\_results.html](http://www.rockymountaineers.com/grizzly_man_results.html)

To read a Ravalli Republic article written about the winning solo competitor (Marvin Webster) go to:  
<http://www.ravallirepublic.com/articles/2009/05/01/outdoors/od45.txt>

Many of our sponsors have already committed to supporting next year's race. I'm looking forward to another successful Rocky Mountaineers' event in 2010! Thanks again, Rocky Mountaineers!

I hope to see you all at Bonner Park on Wednesday, May 13<sup>th</sup>, for the last TRM meeting of the year!

*Joshua Phillips*

## **2009 – The Rocky Mountaineers – CLASSIC SERIES**

<b><i>Month</i></b>	<b><i>Destination</i></b>	<b><i>Activity</i></b>	<b><i>Leader(s)</i></b>
May	GRAY WOLF PEAK	Snow climb	Forest Dean
June	CANYON PEAK	Climb	Forest Dean
July	GREAT NORTHERN MTN	Scramble	Forest Dean
August	GLACIER CLASSIC (Rising Sun)	Various	Forest Dean/Steve Niday
September	HOLLAND PEAK	Scramble	Paul Jensen
October	MCDONALD PEAK	Scramble	
November	LOLO PEAK	Scramble/Snowshoe	
December	WARD MOUNTAIN	Ski/Snowshoe	Joshua Phillips

# **The Rocky Mountaineers**

## **5<sup>th</sup> Annual**

# **GLACIER CLASSIC**

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**Friday, August 28 – Sunday, August 30**  
**Rising Sun Campground,**  
**Glacier National Park**

Mark your calendars now for what promises to once again be a fun weekend of climbing, hiking, exploring and most of all, having a good old time with your fellow members and friends in our wonderful Glacier National Park. Each year this event has continued to grow in popularity and it is now likely our most attended single event. It is a great chance to explore this spectacular place with a bunch of like minded folks; it's a great chance to meet and make some new friends; it's a great chance to learn why a "Hanou Burrito" is heaven sent after a 12 hour climbing day!

Each year we have moved the "basecamp" from place to place to attempt to give attendees the chance to see different parts of the Park. Previously we have visited: Blankenship Bridge (outside of West Glacier), Two Medicine, Fish Creek Campground, and last year, Many Glacier. This year we have chosen Rising Sun Campground on the eastern side of the Park by St. Mary Lake. A plethora of great climbs and hikes exist within just a short drive from Rising Sun. We are still in the process of putting a final schedule together, but a few listings are below. As always, we would love to have some new trip leaders, so if something interests you, let us know! Even if you aren't comfortable leading the trip, throw it out there, and chances are someone will want to do it with you.

Although you will be free to arrive and depart anytime you chose, as well as take part in any activities (or none at all) that you are capable of, the following is the basic itinerary:

**Friday, August 28** – Drive up to Glacier and Rising Sun Campground. Hopefully, we will have a couple of volunteers to arrive early and secure campsites. Cost and campsites can be shared by number of attendees. Also, we may have a couple of hikes or climbs listed for Friday afternoon for those who can get up there early. Friday evening, bring your own food and drink for dinner in the campground.

**Saturday, August 29**- Three Trips listed thus far:

**Florence Falls**- Hike- Leader: Julie Kahl

**Little Chief Mountain**- Scramble/Climb- Leader: Forest Dean

**Goat Mountain/Siyeh Pass**- Hike/Scramble- Leader: Tom Hanou

Saturday evening- return to camp...eat, drink and be merry!

**Sunday, August 30** – No trip listings as of now, but we will have something soon. Depart for home at leisure.

For more information, contact: Forest Dean – [mtnear@gmail.com](mailto:mtnear@gmail.com) , C: 406-240-7612

# UPCOMING TRIPS AND ADVENTURES

## **Trip Notes:**

Please contact the trip leader for more information regarding any listed trips.

Mileage listed is round trip mileage. Elevation listed is gain only. For information on Class Rating see below:

## Class Rating System

**CLASS 1 – HIKING** Mostly on trails, but may also include some easy cross country travel.

**CLASS 2 – EASY SCRAMBLING** Rugged off trail hiking, no hands required.

**CLASS 3 – SCRAMBLING** Use of hand to ascend some sections of rock. Little to no exposure; a fall would not likely cause serious injury.

**CLASS 4 – CLIMBING** Easy climbing, great exposure; a fall would quite possibly cause serious injury. Use of a rope and protection at times possible.

**CLASS 5 – TECHNICAL CLIMBING** Use of rope, protection and belay are a must.

**CLASS 6 – AID CLIMBING** Use of equipment to support your weight as you climb.

## **Saturday, May 16 – GREAT NORTHERN MOUNTAIN (Flathead Range)**

*Note: Trip is co-listed with Glacier Mountaineering Society and thus uses their format below:*

For aspiring mountaineers and all climbers in good condition

Coordinator: Jim Cossitt (sign-up by email) Limit: 12 Rating: \_\_\_\_\_ General area: Flathead Range  
Great Northern is 8720 foot (2,658 meter) peak in the Flathead Range overlooking the South & Middle Forks of the Flathead River . It is a strenuous, non-technical 7-8 mile round trip climb that gains about 4,600 feet. The route is accessed from the East Side Road of Hungry Horse Reservoir. The trail climbs steeply through the forest to a long ridge ascent of the summit; it is a fantastic ridgewalk !

## **Saturday, May 16 –GREY WOLF PEAK (Mission Mountains) *CLASSIC SERIES TRIP***

*Rating:* Class 4-5, *Distance:* 8 miles, *Elevation:* ~4200'

*Description:* Will hike up to Riddell Lakes and climb either the south snow couloir or hike up and over the small saddle into the Scenic Lakes basin and climb the long narrow snow couloir on the east side of the mountain to the notch between south and north summits. This is intended as a snow climb; certain changes to equipment will be dictated by conditions. Participants should have some experience with technical snow and rock climbing, as well as be in reasonably good condition.

*Special equipment:* Tribal recreation permit; ice ax, possibly ice tools, harness, crampons, helmet.

*Leader:* Forest Dean, 240-7612 or 721-6384, [fdean@midlandimplement.com](mailto:fdean@midlandimplement.com)

## **Saturday, May 16 – LOCHSA LODGE CYCLING TRIP**

*Rating:* Distance cycling with frequent breaks. Approximately 6.5 hours of ride time (average of 17 miles per hour)

*Description:* 113 miles of scenic touring on Highway 12. This is a great trip to get some “saddle time” on. I’m planning on leaving the Lolo Conoco gas station on Saturday morning and will have planned “regrouping points” throughout the ride. (ie: Lolo Hot Springs, Lolo Pass Visitors’ Center). I’m planning on stopping for a “sit down” lunch at the Lochsa Lodge and then returning to Missoula after lunch.

\*If you’re planning on doing RATPOD on June 27<sup>th</sup>, this would be a good training ride!

Email or call me if you're interested.

*Special Equipment:* Road bike in good repair, extra tubes, money for lunch at the Lochsa Lodge, oh, and padded cycling shorts

*Leader:* Joshua Phillips–H: 543-0898, email: [mtsurveyor@gmail.com](mailto:mtsurveyor@gmail.com)

### **Memorial Day Weekend, May, 22-25 – MASSACRE ROCKS CLIMBING TRIP**

*Rating:* 5<sup>th</sup> class rock climbing – single pitch bolted “sport” routes

*Description:* South central Idaho's Massacre Rocks offers excellent sport climbing on basalt. I have reserved one campsite at Massacre Rocks State Park that can accommodate up to 8 people. I plan on driving down early Friday morning and coming back on Monday. Campsites are filling up fast so let me know soon if you'd like to come climbing with us!

Email or call me if you're interested.

*Special Equipment:* Rock climbing shoes and helmet

*Leader:* Joshua Phillips–H: 543-0898, email: [mtsurveyor@gmail.com](mailto:mtsurveyor@gmail.com)

### **Sunday, May 31 – GOLD CREEK PEAK (Rattlesnake)**

*Description:* If the maps are accurate this will be a long drive trying to follow the right logging road, followed by a short hike, 1 – 2 miles with 500' approximately gain, to the top at 7207'. Or we may find some roads closed and will have to do a longer walk. This peak is a high point in the part of the Rattlesnakes which are east of the Gold Creek drainage.

*Leader:* Steve Schombel - 721-4686

### **Sunday, May 31 – HOLLAND PEAK (Swan Range)**

*Note:* Trip is co-listed with Glacier Mountaineering Society and thus uses their format below:

-For intermediate climbers comfortable on steep snow.

Coordinator: Jim Cossitt (sign-up by email) Limit: 8 Rating: III(4)LL-I General area: Swan Range

What to expect: A VERY challenging spring climb. Follow route to Upper Rumble Lake, gain the summit ridgeline and ascend the peak. The climb will entail ascending and descending steep snow with exposure. Belays and rappels may be utilized. Be prepared for cold conditions. EXPECT: 5,000 + feet vertical gain; 12 + miles R/T distance; a long day at a moderate pace. NOTE: Harness, crampons, carabiners, ice axe and helmet required. BELAY DEVICE OPTIONAL

### **Saturday, June 6 – CANYON PEAK (Bitterroots) – CLASSIC SERIES TRIP**

*Rating:* Class 4, *Distance:* 13 miles, *Elevation:* 4300'

*Description:* We will get an early start and hike the trail up to Canyon and Wyant Lakes. From there we will ascend to the saddle north of the peak before climbing the narrow North Ridge Route (class 4). I will bring a rope. The reviews are mixed on whether or not one is needed for the ascent, but I like to be prepared. And we will likely rappel on the descent. So, harnesses and helmets are required too. Additionally, we may need snowshoes and/or crampons for the approach. Game time decisions.

*Leader:* Forest Dean, 240-7612 or 721-6384, [fdean@midlandimplement.com](mailto:fdean@midlandimplement.com)

## **Sunday, June 7 – CONTINENTAL DIVIDE TRAIL TO GREEN MOUNTAIN**

*Description:* This trail starts at Rogers Pass and Green Mt. is the 1st high point north of the pass' summit mount. It is about 5 mi. one way. The trail climbs from the pass up to the ridge and at this time of year will go through several vegetation zones with earlier blooming flowers just starting above. Once on the summit ridge the walk is along the ridge to Green Mt. Those who just want to do the "wildflower walk" are welcome. It takes 2 hrs. to get to Rogers Pass east of Lincoln on Hwy. 200, there may be snow on the ridge.

*Leader:* Julie Kahl - 543-6508

## **Sunday, June 21 – WARRIOR MOUNTAIN (Swan Range)**

*Note:* Trip is co-listed with Glacier Mountaineering Society and thus uses their format below:

-For all mountaineers & HIKERS

Coordinator: Jim Cossitt (sign-up by email) Limit: 20 Rating: II(2)MS-I General area: Swan Range

What to expect: A summer solstice warm-up. Starting at 6,400 feet at Napa Point in the Goat Creek State Forest, hike the Alpine Trail to Inspiration Point and ascend Warrior. Snow travel is likely on this non-technical outing. EXPECT: 4,669 feet VERTICAL UP AND DOWN; 10 miles R/T distance; a full day at a moderate pace. NOTE: Ice axe required. Dogs are welcome.

## **TRIP FORUM**

**McDonald Peak Traverse-** We are thinking about doing this the first part of July. Not sure if we would go west to east or vice versa. Ideally we would find someone to drive us to the trailhead on the east side then go east to west coming out in the Ashley Creek drainage. Would be an overnigher. Idea would be to go light and fast, probably camping quite high. Will need crampons and an ice axe and the knowledge of self arrest. If interested contact Forest Dean – [mtnear1@gmail.com](mailto:mtnear1@gmail.com) or Chris Dunn – [hammaneater@gmail.com](mailto:hammaneater@gmail.com)

**North Fork Of The Blackfoot** - Bob Marshall Complex backpack July 3-6. Camp at the trailhead Fri. the 3rd. Hike 4th and set up a camp. Checkout the area on the 5th, return the 6th. There is also the possibility of doing loop trails that cover more ground. The trail will be about 7 1/2 miles long but with an elevation gain of like 400 ft. A water fall on the North Fork of the Blackfoot River is near by, as is a ranger station, but we will camp a short ways away from both. Appropriate grizzly bear precautions expected from participants. Julie Kahl -543-6508 - [jawkal@hotmail.com](mailto:jawkal@hotmail.com)

**Hyalite Peak** - Hyalite Peak, south of Bozeman would be a long day hike. Julie Kahl 543-6508  
[jawkal@hotmail.com](mailto:jawkal@hotmail.com)

**Bob Marshall backpack:** It would be fun to take a long backpack into the Bob. One destination would be the Flathead Alps, deep in the southern half. It looks to be about 18-20 miles from Benchmark to Camp Creek Pass. From there it would be a short scramble to Junction Mountain, highest in this small group at 8695'. Just east of the pass are the slightly higher Twin Peaks, but, are they part of the Flathead Alps? We could return on a loop trail down to the South Fork of the Sun River, and maybe even take a side trip to the Chinese Wall. I'm not sure how I'll allot my vacation time this summer, but if this interests anyone I could get more serious. Late July or early August would be suggested times. [stephenschombel@yahoo.com](mailto:stephenschombel@yahoo.com).



## TRIP REPORTS

### April 5- Pack Creek (Lolo Pass area)

This trip lead by Lois Crepeau had Roy Regal joining Lois and Julie & David Kahl. There were mixed feeling about the mushy snow that kept our speed down but none about the bright sunshine that graced this end of season trip. The road from the junction down to the pack creek bridge was chewed up by recent snowmobile use, but once we got past the bridge it was untracked snow over a snowmobile base, nice except in a few shady curves where it got hard and ridgely. There was snow all the way to the highway. We took our time, particularly trying to scope out exactly where Moose Pass was on the opposite slope. Lois pointed out Rooster Rock below the Moose Pass Trail. We piled into Lois' rig at the Crooked Fork bridge and picked up the other vehicle at Lolo Pass and had beer at Lolo Hot Springs to end the day. *Julie Kahl*

### April 25 – Trapper Peak (Bitterroots)

Chris Dunn, Brett Doucet, and I left from Missoula at about 6:25. Despite reports of drifts on the road near the highway, we were able to drive to about half a mile from the first major switchback. The snow was well-consolidated from the very warm weather earlier in the week, and the temperature remained cool all the way up, so we climbed to the top without using skins or snowshoes. Rob McCleod (not a trip participant) arrived at the top while we were there, and we met his wife on the way down. For my style of skiing (downhill technique on tele skis) the skiing was great, although some icy patches near the top bothered Brett. Chris walked all the way down without putting on his snowshoes. Brett flushed a turkey into a tree on the way down. Brett and I arrived at the car at about 5:30, an hour after Chris. *Alden Wright*

### April 26- Bass Creek Day Trail (Bitterroots)

There was a lot of interest, but, perhaps due to the rain and snow forecast, only 5 went on the hike, Ann, Terry, Brett, Cathy and Steve. We had decent weather, cool but not windy and only a few drops. And there were flowers out, lots of Pasque Flowers, more than I've seen any other day, and buttercups. Also a few Arnica and Shooting Stars and Trillium along the creeks. The trail was mostly dry and in good shape, despite the heavy horse use. We kept up a good pace and did the outer loop in about 3 and a half hours. It was a good spring outing. *Steve Schombel*

### May 2-3 – Diamond Peak and The Brow (Lemhi Range, ID)

Originally I had posted a trip to Glacier for this weekend to attempt Edwards and Gunsight Mountains. However, Glacier received multiple feet of snow over the course of several days leading up to that trip so I had to come up with an alternate plan. After checking forecasts and guidebooks and SummitPost, we came up with the idea to head south and attempt the high point of the Lemhi Range and fourth highest peak in Idaho- Diamond Peak (12,197').

DAY 1 - After picking up Paul Jensen and Shawn Bennett, we headed south from Missoula about 7:00 am on Saturday. The trip down was quick and easy as we arrived at the "trailhead" about 11:30. Trailheads on the east side of this range appear to be simply an area where the sagebrush lined two track becomes too steep to go any further. We arrived at such a point and quickly decided that we would pack up daypacks and make an attempt at Diamond Peak. We had brought all the gear to enable us to spend a night on the

mountain, but after a good look at the mountain it appeared that we would have sufficient time to get up and down if the conditions were okay. So with light packs (and no ski's or 'shoes) we started up at noon.

We walked a few hundred yards up and over a little sagebrush hill and much to our surprise ran into three guys who had just descended a snow filled bowl on the lower part of the mountain. Hadn't expected to see anyone in this remote country! They wished us luck and then we headed up the East Ridge of the mountain. This area had received a decent amount of snow over the past several days as well and it wasn't long before we were trudging through it. Fortunately the first 1500' vertical feet was just a matter of using the footsteps created by the fellas who had been up there earlier that day. At about 10,000' the ridgeline eases for a bit as it bends to the northwest. Here we lost the nice footprints....and we lost the heretofore decent weather.

The clouds had been descending and now they lowered past us. And the snow began to intensify. Assuming the ridge line was going to be fairly windswept (we had viewed a lot of bare rock from below) we continued on. At about 10,700' the ridge bends back to the west and the both steepens and becomes very narrow. At this point, Shawn decided he had enough. A very good effort getting to that point being that this was his first true mountain adventure! He turned back and eventually made a nice fire on the lower part of the ridge while waiting for us to descend. Paul and I continued on alternating breaking trail through sometimes waist deep snow. The East Ridge has a pretty broken ridge that sometimes left us descending around the rocky outcrops and other times picking our way up and over them. Even though we were at times on knife edge ridges or atop narrow cornices, the exposure was never great (this route is rated as a Class 3). Several times we questioned going on, but we kept pressing and at long last made the summit at 5:15 PM. ("Turn-around time" we decided, was that time when we reached the top!). The views were non-existent, but the wind wasn't too bad so we took a few pictures, had a snack and began the descent at 5:30. After descending about 500' the weather eased just a bit and we were able to at least get some views of the ridge route we had just climbed. We continued on down without problem, eventually meeting up with Shawn. At about 8:00 PM we arrived with very tired legs back at the vehicle. The climb had taken us 8 hours and consisted of about a 4300' climb.

After an aborted drive to find a place to camp (the roads were muddy and I feared getting stuck) we came back near to where we had began our climb. We found a small pothole of water and set up camp next to it. The water had cow dung in it and around it, but we were hungry, tired and didn't care. After boiling some of it and making dinner we hit the sleeping bags.

DAY 2- We awoke around 7:00 AM to rapidly clearing skies. After breakfast and some decision making, we decided to attempt a ski tour up the drainage on the north side of Diamond Peak. No stream was currently flowing from this drainage and at an elevation over 7000', although forested, there was no brush to negotiate in the canyon. Our only real plan was to head up the canyon and check it out. Starting at 9:45, we did just that. At around a mile and a half we again parted ways with Shawn as he elected to hang out around some limestone cliffs and then head back. Paul and I continued west up the drainage (about 3 miles?) eventually coming (around noon) to a beautiful open basin with the north face of Diamond Peak on the south and two big peaks named "The Brow" and "Lame Jack Peak" in the west and north. The upper parts of these peaks were completely covered once again by clouds and blowing snow, so our intentions were to just climb up a little further then ski back down. After some lunch we ascended to a 10,200' saddle

separating The Brow and Lame Jack. Here, summit fever kicked in for me. "Hell Paul, its only another 800' to the summit of the Brow! Thats just like hiking up to the M on Mt. Sentinel", I said. Through the blowing snow and clouds we really couldn't make out any of it. Paul didn't seem to have the same fever as me, but nevertheless said, "oh we might as well stick together." (Thanks, Paul). As soon as we started up the storm decided to hit us full on. The ridge up, although steep, did not have any of the obstacles that we had encountered on Diamond Peak. The snow was quite deep near the top, but in 45 minutes we reached the 11,005' summit at about 2:00 PM. The whiteout conditions were such that it took us a minute to even realize we were on a knife edged summit ridge! And it even got nastier as we descended. Arriving back at the saddle, we strapped our skis back on, then headed on a blind ski descent for several hundred feet till we got below the clouds and storm again. The rest of the trip out was smooth and fun as we descended down the canyon arriving back at our vehicle at 3:30. A 6 hour ski tour/climb with 3700' of elevation gain.

After packing up we headed back towards home. We made a stop for a quick soak at Sharkey Hot Springs (BLM land- free and developed springs) approximately 15 miles south of Salmon. Then we stopped at Bertram's Brewery in Salmon for the largest burgers we had ever laid eye's on (and beer of course). From there it was a 2 ½ hour ride back home.

A great weekend it was! Thanks to Paul and Shawn for making it so! The Lemhi Range (and the Lost River Range for that matter) are often overlooked areas to hike and climb. They are an easy 4-5 hour drive from Missoula and I would highly encourage folks to discover them if you haven't already. *Forest Dean*

*To view pictures of this trip:*

<http://picasaweb.google.com/mtnear1/LemhiTripMay2009?authkey=Gv1sRgCNqxha7p25rFNQ#>

*Cover photo:*

*Diamond Peak from the east. Photo by Forest Dean.*

## Rocky Mountaineers Merchandise

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## The Rocky Mountaineers – Meeting Minutes - April 8, 2009

### **1. Call To Order** - 6:17 PM

### **2. Record Attendance** - Joshua Phillips, Steve Niday, Julie Kahl, Steve Schombel, Chris Dunn, Tom Hanou, Mario Locatelli

### **3. Minutes from 11 Mar. 2009** -Accepted

### **4. Correspondence** - Hillsound (a Canadian Company) sent club crampons that can be used on regular shoes for us to tryout

### **5. Treasurer's Report** - checking \$865.93, got \$500 from GMAR; Savings \$46.27 or so.

### **6. Club Business**

#### **A. Old - Updates**

\*GMAR -96 participants, volunteers can just show up, few more sponsors mostly local business food, beer, Blue Mt. Clinic

\*May Meeting -Bonner park, Josh signed forms, Pot Luck, Beer & wine only, 6:PM -10:30, election, awards, maybe start next year as part of the 50<sup>th</sup>. Ann. Party?

\*Glacier Classic -Rising Sun

\*2009/2010 calendars -Paper still a problem, check commercial producers, or doing on a laser printer

\*Rocky Mountaineers Website redesign -Alden not here

\*Membership Renewals- Brief recap, no changes

\*Merchandising- No new order, do table at GMAR? Get get more shortsleeves? Yes

\*How to celebrate next years 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary - Party? Reunion? Special calendar?

#### **B. New**

\*Should we show Gene Bernofsky's latest video, *Hear the Buffalo* –No

\*Bitterroot Summit Registers- Asked Mario Locatelli -Keep it wild, small Ok on more challenging peaks, We'd put them up and maintain them, including club contact info. Last year Ben Ireys (FS Ranger) said someone brought him the Lolo Peak register and they didn't know what to do with it.

### **7. Adjourn Meeting** -6:57

## THE ROCKY MOUNTAINEERS MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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