



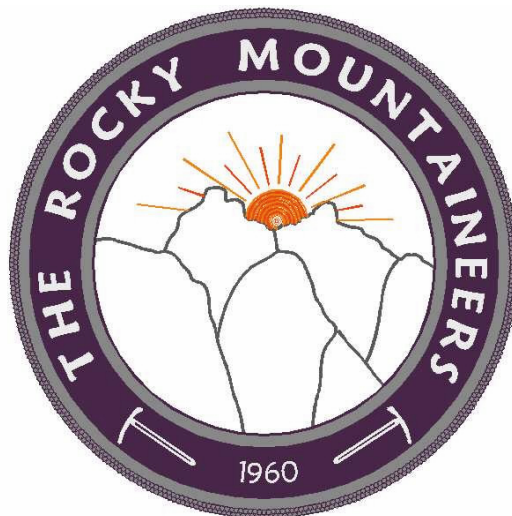
MAY/JUNE-2011

THE MOUNTAIN EAR

Inside:

- 3- News and Notes*
- 4- Snow Travel Clinic*
- 4- 7th Glacier Classic*
- 7- Trip Listings*
- 9- Trip Reports*
- 11- Meeting Minutes*

The Monthly Newsletter of The Rocky Mountaineers



Climb. Hike. Ski. Bike. Paddle.
Dedicated to the Enjoyment and Promotion of
Responsible Outdoor Adventure.

Club Contacts

Website: <http://rockymountaineers.com>

e-mail: info@rockymountaineers.com

Mailing Address:
The Rocky Mountaineers
PO Box 4262
Missoula MT 59806

President: Tom Hanou
tlhanou@aol.com

Vice-President: Joshua Phillips
mtsurveyor@gmail.com

Secretary: Forest Dean
mtnear1@gmail.com

Treasurer: Steve Niday
seniday@yahoo.com

Webmaster: Alden Wright
webmaster@rockymountaineers.com

Newsletter Editor: Forest Dean
mtnear1@gmail.com

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. Each meeting is followed by a featured presentation or speaker at 7:00 PM.

Activities:

- ☐ Hiking
- ☐ Backpacking
- ☐ Alpine Climbing & Scrambling
- ☐ Backcountry Skiing
- ☐ Winter Mountaineering
- ☐ Track Skiing
- ☐ Snowshoeing
- ☐ Mountain Biking
- ☐ Rock Climbing
- ☐ Canoeing & Kayaking
- ☐ Rafting
- ☐ Kids Trips

TRM News and Notes

Well folks, summer is almost upon us, although I am not sure what happened to spring. On several recent trip into the high country I have remarked to my companions that the only way one knows that it's not mid-winter up there is that, one- the days are so much longer, and two- when you look down into the valleys (well, when its not too cloudy and you can actually see the valleys) you see a lot of green. The snowpack right now is incredible, and with the current weather, it isn't going away anytime soon. That is good if you like skiing, snowshoeing, or climbing snow. If you don't, then it's going to be awhile. The last two weekends in the Mission Mountains, I have encountered consistent snowpack at 5500'. A lot of the snow is packed and you can walk on it. Other areas you posthole and swear a lot.

Our monthly meetings are over until September. We don't hold business meetings or presentations during the summer months. Look for an announcement sometime this summer about our scheduled feature presentations beginning on Wednesday, September 14.

At the May meeting we held our annual elections. The new list of officers is the same with one exception: the secretary. Tom, Joshua and Steve enter their second and final years at their respective positions.

President- Tom Hanou
Vice President- Joshua Phillips
Treasurer- Steve Niday
Secretary- Forest Dean

The role of Webmaster will continue to be filled by Alden Wright.

This Club has been around for 51 years now. Primarily our goal is to serve as a resource for getting folks together to partake in muscle powered outdoor recreation. There are a administrative items that need to be taken care of, however, to make this or any other club function. Without those dedicated folks, this Club would likely fall apart. In addition to the officers and webmaster for helping to keep this Club going strong, there are a couple other individuals who should be recognized for their continued service to this Club. Their names aren't on the list above, but if you read the meeting minutes, trip listings, reports, etc., you will note their continued participation and assistance. Please give a big thanks to Julie Kahl and Steve Schombel next time you run into them!

As for this publication, the newsletter, changes are happening. I no longer have the time to put out a good monthly newsletter. More and more Clubs like ours are going to a website format for getting information to their members. Our plan is to follow suit. With a website, information can be more up to date. Trip listings can be published anytime and changed anytime. Members can post pictures, interact with other members via our forums, etc. This is the direction we are heading, so please be looking for notices regarding how all of this will function. As we transition from newsletter to website-only, we will continue to update you with information and perhaps some periodic newsletters, via email. If you have trip listings, news, notes, etc., you can continue to send them to me for the time being (and please, do!). If anyone has any questions, comments, or concerns, please let any of us officers know.

Enjoy the summer and get out on some of our trips!

Forest Dean, Newsletter Editor

Snow Travel Clinic

Glacier National Park, June 24-26, 2011

Many people are uncomfortable traveling in the snow in the mountains, but it is a wonderful way to go, if you are prepared. This trip will be an introduction to snow travel safely, mainly the use of an ice ax and its use in climbing and more importantly, stopping! I have a few ice axes and other members, please bring yours. I will also have three different sets of crampons with me, not to use, but to show and tell their different uses. Snow will be firm to soft, depending on the time of day. It will not be icy.

Plans are to travel to Apgar Campground on Friday night and on Saturday head up to Logan Pass and on to the east to the first drainage-Lunch Creek. There is parking there and as soon as you are off the road, you're in the snow. Lunch Creek ascends into a large amphitheater with great run out and a safe place to learn the glissade and the "Self Arrest". This large amphitheater where we will stage from is probably a mile in from the road and 500' gain in elevation. There are some steep spots going up, but we will kick in good steps for a good route for everyone. If you can't make it Friday night, we will be there all day on Saturday. I'm bringing a chair.

Oh yeah, it is beautiful up there and an excellent way to ascend up some ledges to the saddle between Pollock and Piegan Mountain and an easy ascent of Piegan. Suggest an older pair of rain pants or synthetic pants (for fast drying) and gaiters, because a glissade is being on your ass in a controlled descent. I encourage everyone to come who wants to explore more in the mountains when they are still stacked up with snow.

If Logan Pass is not open, we will do the same trip on July 8-10.

Tom Hanou
tlhanou@aol.com
360-3564

7th Annual Glacier Classic

Please consider joining us for The Rocky Mountaineer's biggest annual event-- The Glacier Classic! This year marks our seventh Classic and as always, we will be holding this on the last weekend of August (Friday the 26th through Sunday the 28th). We will be basing our activities out of Two Medicine Campground on the southeast side of Glacier National Park. The 2nd Classic back in 2006 was held here and it was a good one. We climbed peaks such as Rising Wolf, Flinsch, Helen and Sinopah, hiked numerous trails, and started the tradition of Tom Hanou's Saturday night burritos. Two Medicine provides an opportunity to start all hikes and climbs right from camp without the need to drive to a trailhead. There is a group campsite here and we will do our best to get this for a couple nights. Because it is non-reservable, anyone wanting to volunteer to help us nail this site down please let us know.

The itinerary: Most of the participants will plan to arrive on Friday afternoon or evening (unless you are joining Richard Smith on his trip which will begin Friday morning- see below). Again, we will try to get the group site- up to 24 people can stay here (tents only). If you wish to get your own site, feel free- you can still come over to the group site and partake in festivities. "Festivities" will mainly involve just eating and drinking and discussing trips to take place on Saturday and Sunday. Saturday morning, join up on one of the trips listed below, or create your own (let us know if you'd like us to publish it). Saturday evening join us back in the

campground for more partying...Tom Hanou will once again be making his delicious burritos. On Sunday, you can again partake in a trip, or head home at your leisure.

Please let us know if you plan on coming. We want to try to ensure we get enough tent space for everyone. Contact Forest Dean (240-7612) or mtnear1@gmail.com to sign up or ask questions. Hope to see you there!

Friday-Saturday

False Summit to Two Medicine

Richard Smith will lead an overnight trek, roughly 20 miles in total distance, from False Summit to the Two Medicine campground. This will be a combination of "go-light" trekking, route finding, peak bagging, and exploring an area of the park that is seldom visited. Moderate Class 3 climbing is expected for the peaks. After picking up our permit at the Apgar Backcountry Ranger Station early Friday morning, we will start at the False Summit trailhead (7 miles west of East Glacier on Route 2). Hopefully a friend will shuttle our rig to the Two Medicine campground. We will hike to Firebrand Pass, leave the trail to climb Red Crow Mountain, then drop into Ole Creek basin and head toward the south slopes of Grizzly Mountain. Our overnight camp will depend on a water source, which may be low in the basin. Day 2, we will climb to the saddle south of Grizzly, and head to Two Medicine Pass (with possible summits of Grizzly Mountain, Tepee Mountain or Mt. Rockwell). We will then descend the trail to the Two Medicine Lake campground. If our timing is right, we will join Steve Niday's party, who will also be attempting Mt. Rockwell on Saturday. Contact Richard at 546 6756 if you are interested in this trek.

Saturday

Mount Rockwell

Rating: Class 3-4; *Distance:* 15 miles round-trip; *Elevation gain:* 4000 ft

Description: Upper Two Medicine Lake route as per "A Climber's Guide to Glacier National Park." Summit is 9272'.

Leader: Steve Niday – 721-3790 or seniday@yahoo.com

Two Medicine, Dawson Pass, Pitamakan Pass Loop

Rating: Class 1; *Distance:* 17 miles round trip; *Elevation gain:* 2800 ft

Description: A long scenic hike from Two Medicine Campground through Bighorn Basin, over Dawson and Pitamakan Passes and looping back to the Two Medicine Campground via Dry Fork.

Leader: Vick Applegate - 549-0027, k7vk@arrrl.net

Grizzly Mountain

Rating: Class 3; *Distance:* 21 miles round trip; *Elevation gain:* 4000 ft

Description: I am leading a climb up Grizzly Mountain (El. 9,067'), heading south up the Two Medicine Pass trail to the Continental Divide. Route will follow the Divide to the southeast and a scramble up Grizzly Mtn..

Leader: Tom Hanou, 360-3564 tlhanou@aol.com

Sunday

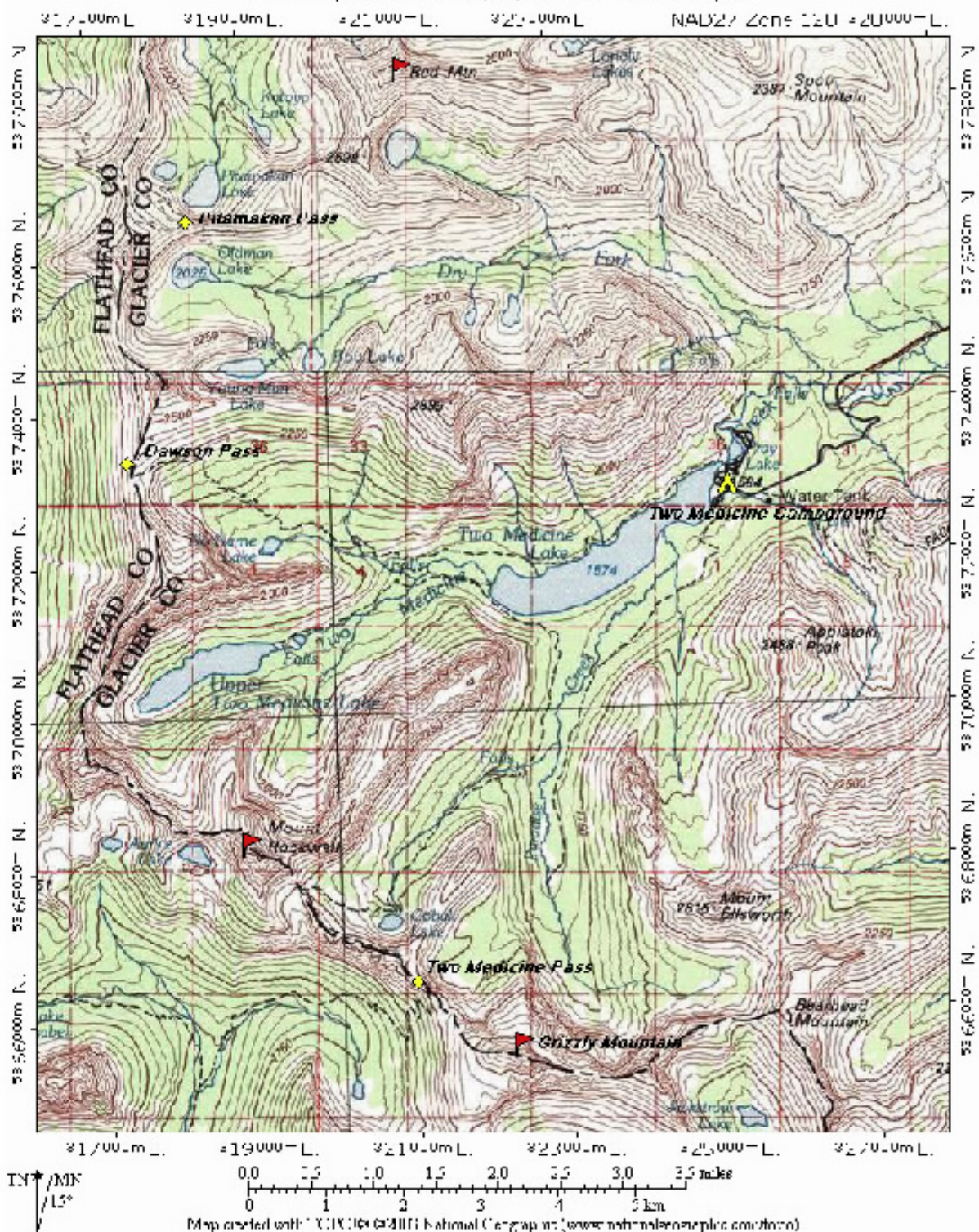
Red Mountain

Rating: Class 3; *Distance:* 12 miles; *Elevation Gain:* 4600 ft

Description: Will hike the Pitamakan Pass trail to the point where it intersects the stream draining Lake 7015'. Up the drainage and up to the summit of Red Mtn (9377'). I expect a fairly straightforward scramble with minimal bushwacking.

Leader: Forest Dean, 240-7612, mtnear1@gmail.com

TCFOI map printed on C6/C1/11 from "Two Mec Upo"



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, June 11- PENGELLY DOUBLE DIP (Missoula)

Description: This is not a race sponsored by The Rocky Mountaineers. However, it takes its name from one of our former prominent Club members, and onetime President, Dave Pengelly. There are two race options to choose from- a 5 mile "Single Dip" or a 13 mile "Double Dip". Both races occur on and around Mt. Sentinel and University Mountain. Trail running, hiking and lots of elevation gain (2700' for the Double) and loss are what they are all about. For all the info and to register, check out the RunWildMissoula website. Several of us TRM members usually participate. For more tidbits of info feel free to contact me (Forest Dean- 240-7612 or mtnear1@gmail.com)

Sat-Sun, June 11-12 – GRAY WOLF PEAK (Mission Mountains)

Rating: Class 4-5, *Distance:* 14 miles, *Elevation:* ~5000'

Description: On Saturday afternoon we will hike up to Riddell Lakes and climb up and over the small saddle into the Scenic Lakes basin and set up camp. Sunday morning will attempt the NE ridge route and then hike out again. Those not wishing to make the climb are still invited to come along for the approach and camp.

Special equipment: Tribal recreation permit; ice ax, harness, belay device, crampons, helmet.

Leader: Forest Dean, 240-7612, mtnear1@gmail.com

Thurs- Sun, June 16-19 – MT. RAINIER (Emmons Glacier Ski Descent) – 14,410'

Rating: Grade II, Glacier Travel, 30-40 degree slopes, roped ascent/unroped ski descent

Distance: 2-3 days; *Elevation gain:* 10,000 ft

Description: Start at White River Campground, ascend to Inter Glacier and rope up for the ascent to Camp Schurman at 9,460'. Climb up the Emmons Glacier and summit morning of second day (weather permitting), ski back down to Camp Schurman. Decide if we want to ski down, go for another lap, or stay the night.

Required Equipment: skis/skins, harness, ice axe/whippet, crampons

Leader: Joshua Phillips – 396-3162 or mtsurveyor@gmail.com

Sunday, June 19 – GREEN MOUNTAIN from ROGERS PASS

Rating: Class 1; *Distance:* 7 miles; *Elevation:* 800'

Description: This trail is north of Rogers Pass on Hwy 200, the pass is 5600 feet, and summits in the area are in the 6000 -6500 range. Most of the approximate 800 ft elevation gain is in the climb up to the ridge from the pass where the trail winds through several different habitat zones and their associated wildflowers, with no water available if there are no snow banks. It takes about 2 hours to drive to Rogers Pass from Missoula.

Leader: Julie Kahl, 543-6508, jawkal@hotmail.com

Fri-Sun, July 1-3- GUNSIGHT and EDWARDS MTN. (Glacier National Park)

Rating: Class 3, *Distance:* 18 miles, *Elevation Gain:* 7700 ft

Description: This proposed trip was snowed out at end of April, so thinking I might try it again. Would hike in on Friday afternoon/evening and set up camp at Sperry. On Saturday we would attempt the climb of both peaks. Camp again, then hike out on Sunday morning. A per person per night camping fee of \$5 is required by the park. See J. Gordon Edwards book or Summitpost.org for more information pertaining to the routes on these peaks.

Special Equipment: Ice axe; crampons.

Leader: Forest Dean - 240-7612 or mtnear1@gmail.com

Sunday, July 3 - HYALITE PEAK (Gallatin Range)

Rating: Class 1, but may be some snow, *Distance:* slightly over 5 Mi. to Hyalite Lake, 7 1/2 miles to summit, *Elevation Gain:* 3300 Ft

Description: We attempted this summit last year but got shut off the summit by an early thunderstorm that brought in severe weather. There may be snow above the lake, but as this is a very popular route there will probably be an obvious trail. Having "snow gear" handy could help. There are 10 waterfalls either on, in or accessible from the trail, those who may want to just see the water falls or go to Hyalite Lake are welcome. The lowest falls -Grotto Falls, is wheelchair accessible as is Palisade Falls on the opposite side of the Hyalite Canyon. We will drive over on Sat. July 2nd, climb on Sun. July 3rd, and drive home Mon. July 4th

Leader: Julie Kahl, 406-543-6508, jawkal@hotmail.com

Monday, July 4 – LOLO PEAK (Ski) (Bitterroots)

Rating: Class 2; *Distance:* 14.3 miles; *Elevation gain:* 4,825 ft

Description: On good snow years (like this one!) I like to ski Lolo Peak before heading to a BBQ for fun and fireworks. Let's get an early start so we can get a couple of laps in on the sun cupped northeast face of this great summit!

Required Equipment: Skis

Leader: Joshua Phillips – 396-3162 or mtsurveyor@gmail.com

Thurs- Mon, July 14-18 – KAISER POINT (9996') (Glacier National Park)

Rating: Class 4, *Distance:* 28 miles round-trip. *Elevation gain:* 5500+ ft

Description: We will start at Chief Mtn Customs and travel up the Belly River and into the Whitecrow basin. The bushwhacking could be severe through this basin. For those interested, the Wolverine Route to Cleveland starts here. I am scheduling 5 days for this trip to allow for the long drive, possible side trips, and my decrepit physical state. Driving up after work is an option. I will move the dates either way to take advantage of weather conditions. A \$50 dollar fine for illegal camping will be considered part of the trip expenses.

Leader: Steve Niday – 721-3790 or seniday@yahoo.com

Saturday, August 6 – SWAN CREST TRAVERSE (Swan Range)

Rating: Class 3-4, *Distance:* 16-20 miles, *Elevation Gain:* 8000-10,000'

Description: A couple years ago while driving through the Seeley-Swan Valley, I noticed the beautiful high ridgeline from Holland Lake area to the Morrell Falls area. After consulting some maps I figured this would be one great scramble. I threw the idea out there and received invaluable help and info from Tanner Keil who has hiked and climbed much of the route. The idea continues to evolve and the final route has not been firmly established. We have agreed to the following parameters, however: do this as a one day trip; traverse the Swan Crest north to south from Carmine Peak to Matt Mountain. We will go as light as we can; our hope is we don't need a rope or harnesses (still to be determined). Trip will start by headlamp, and quite possibly finish by headlamp. *Leader:* Forest Dean – 240-7612 or mtnear1@gmail.com

TRIP FORUM

Bitterroot Grand Traverse

I would once again like to attempt this Traverse. Two years ago I completed it solo in 17 hours (its reportedly been done in 12 hours). Last year the weather never cooperated and we never got an attempt in. I would again like to do it in one day, but am not opposed to a two day go-lite trip. The trip begins in the small hours with headlamp and takes us up the Little Rock Creek drainage before ascending El Capitan, The Lonesome Bachelor, and the West, Middle and East Como Peaks, then returning to the drainage and back to the trailhead. About a 20 mile trip with 12,000' of elevation gain (and loss). Look for a date in sometime in August or September. Forest Dean- 240-7612- mtnear1@gmail.com

Montana Highpoints: Apgar Hills and Scotchman Peaks

Apgar Hills: This involves a lot of elevation gain and several miles of up and down along a ridge for someone my age, so I'd like to try it early in July when the days are long. The weekend of Jul. 9-10 would be the tentative date. It will involve camping at least 2 nights along the North Fork of the Flathead.

Scotchman Peaks: Another one of the Montana Highpoints - unnamed. This is another one I'd like to do when days are long, but my schedule is getting full, so I'll suggest the very end of July. Assuming that there is still a washed out culvert, we'll plan on backpacking 4-5 miles up the road then the trail partway to Upper Spar Lake. From there, I found a route that avoids most of the bush a few years ago, but I was running out of daylight so I turned around. Call Steve Schombel at 721-4686, or stephenschombel@bresnan.net if you are interested.

TRIP REPORTS

April 16- McLeod Peak (Rattlesnake)

Fred McDonald his two dogs and I began this trip under cloudy skies at about 7:30am. We hiked east up the Finley Creek drainage on the west side of the range. Not much more than a mile up the trail, we had to strap on our snowshoes (approx. 5400'). At a bit over two miles we headed up into the valley that serves as the drainage for the north fork of Finley Creek. The weather continued to deteriorate as we climbed up and to the end (east end) of this basin. Near the end of the basin, we climbed to a low saddle on the north ridge and then up to a high point on the ridge. From here it was a trip along the ridge, first about a half mile to the east (to another ridge high point), and then another half mile to the north and the summit of McLeod Peak (8620'). We had occasional views of the surrounding area, but most of the time the wind was blowing hard and everything was socked in. We returned the way we came, arriving out at 3:45pm. Round trip of about 9 miles, 4800' of gain, 8:15 hrs. *Forest Dean*

April 29- May 1 – Meadow Peak/Bell Mountain attempt (Lemhi Range, ID)

I had scheduled an attempt on Edwards and Gunsight Mountains in Glacier for these dates, but for the fourth year in a row weather changed this end-of-April plan. So I recruited some others to join me for a trip to the Lemhi Range instead. On Friday afternoon, Fred McDonald joined me and my son Frank for a drive down to Idaho. Our goal was an attempt on Bell Mountain (approx. 11,800') one of the two very prominent peaks in the range (Diamond Peak being the other). Paul Jensen and Rob McLeod would come down later that evening and camp at the trailhead. We turned off of Idaho 28 around 5:00 and immediately found our 5 mile drive back to the foot of the mountains blocked by numerous snow drifts. This is high desert country and anywhere there was a bit of a depression is where snow would accumulate. We took over an hour to figure out how to get closer to the trailhead, but eventually gave up, parked in the middle of the sagebrush flats, took a compass bearing and started walking (about 7:00PM). Visibility was nil- it was snowing. We hiked about three miles until we came to the mouth of Bell Mountain Canyon. It was getting late and dark, so after making our way

about a mile up the canyon, we stopped and set up camp (about 9:15pm). The next morning the weather had improved greatly and we took our time getting ready wondering if Paul and Rob would show up. Sure enough, around 10:00am they rolled into camp just as we were getting ready to head up the Canyon. We all made our way up this wide scenic canyon as the day warmed. Near the end of the Canyon, we gained a ridge and had our first real good looks at Bell Mountain. Rob and Paul (on ski's) decided to go for a more direct approach via a NE ridge spur. Fred, Frank and I (on snowshoes) decided to follow our original plan and take the long, winding east ridge. After gaining a 10,000' highpoint on the ridge around 1:30pm, we decided to change plans. The going was extremely snow as the snow wasn't consolidated at all. It was going to take a long time just to get to the summit block (which didn't look easy at all). We watched Rob and Paul cut switchbacks up the steep face of the NE spur from atop this high point and figured they weren't going to make it either. So we made a decision at that point to head east instead to Meadow Peak (10,652'). There was a bit of down and up to get there, but the going was straightforward and around 4:00 we summited- just as a brief snow squall blew in. We didn't stay long at the top and decided to head down the narrow north ridge to make a loop back to camp. We hiked down more than a mile along this ridge then dropped 1500' to the west and back into the canyon. Another mile or so and we were back in camp, arriving at almost the same time as Paul and Rob. The had gained the top of their ridge and were going to start around the base of the summit block to look for a gully or couloir to lead to the top. As soon as they started around the base, however, Rob heard and detected some settling in the snowpack, so they turned back and skied the face they had just climbed. Made a nice fire that evening, slept well and awoke to another fairly nice day. Frank hadn't applied much sunscreen the day before and was now in some sunburn misery. Rob went up canyon for a little ski. The rest of us packed up and headed out. A stop at Sharkey Hot Springs on the way home. Good trip in a great range. Drive time is a little over 4 hours from Missoula to this area. Bell Mountain is a beautiful mountain and I would highly recommend folks check this area out! *Forest Dean*

May 29 – Kakashe Mountain attempt (Missions)

Another weekend where I changed my original trip objective. This one (McDonald Peak) was changed for two reasons: 1- weather and 2- the bridge to the Ashley Creek trailhead is out. Fred McDonald and I exchanged ideas for a daytrip and Fred suggested Kakashe. Should be an easy one, right? Nothing is easy. Fred, Paul Jensen, Frank Dean and I met at 6am at Muralts and headed up to the Missions. Weather was terrible. Clouds right down to the valley floor when we got to the Lucifer Lake trailhead. Starting at 7:40am, we hiked up the wet trail to Mission Falls. Here the trail gets terrible. We climbed up a muddy steep section to start, and then encountered very overgrown, brushy conditions. At about 5500' we were on consistent snow. Only Paul had brought skis, and he fought with them while trying to hike through the brush. We lost the trail several times, but always managed to find it again. At about 6300' we made a decision to head straight up a steep gully. This provided a good, fun snow climb of 1000' and we gained the side of a ridge to the east of Kakashe Mtn. The time was a little after 2:00 and here we had to make a decision. The peak was only half a mile away, but would involve a couple hundred foot descent and then an ascent of 1100-1200'. It was certainly doable, but none of us relished the possibility of hiking the steep brush covered trail in the dark. So we turned around, ate lunch and headed back out. The trip out took about 4 hours and in hindsight, this probably would have put us out between 9:00 and 9:30pm, which would have been still light (we arrived out at 7:00pm). But it was still a good day, with 4000' of climbing. LOTS of snow in these mountains still (including about 8" of new snow at 7000' level). *Forest Dean*

Rocky Mountaineers Meeting 5/11/2011

I Call To Order: 6:14 PM

II Attendance: Tom Hanou, Joshua Phillips, Steve Niday, Forest Dean, Steve Schombel, Julie Kahl, Michael Krebs, Jeff & Laura Schmerker, Lois & Jeremy Crepeau

III Treasurer's Report:

- A. \$1589.78
- B. Money was transferred from Paypal
- C. GMAR funds? We bought 12 folding chairs

IV Correspondence -Chris Dunn's E-mail on the Atlanta Outdoors Club

V Old Business

A. Electronic Interface

- 1. Chris Dunn's E-mail on the Atlanta Outdoors Club an example of how it works
- 2. It will take time, over next year or so
- 3. Forest's May newsletter will be the last traditional newsletter
 - a. Will still do periodic "updates"
 - b. Trips and trip reports will have place on the site
 - c. Will use an E-mail notification system for members
- 4. Electronic newsletter still needs someone to do "final assembly," several people will work in that capacity

VI New Business

A. New Meeting Location?

- 1. Joshua Notified Todd Frank, he said he'd work with us
 - a. Problem -they are open until 8:PM
 - b. We can't "close up" by ourselves like we did at Pipestone
 - c. Change time to 7:30, 8:PM? Not on a week night?
- 2. Some will look around at other spaces

B. Name Change?

- 1. Atlanta Outdoors Club started the question
- 2. Add "outdoors club" to our name?
- 3. We are more climbing oriented than other clubs
- 4. We have "hard core" reputation locally, cuts down on members
- 5. Think about this more

VII Adjourn 7:PM

Cover Photo: Bell Mountain in the Lemhi Range.

THE ROCKY MOUNTAINEERS MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Annual Membership Fee: \$10.00 for electronic newsletter

Note: Membership includes all members of a family or household.

Make checks payable to 'The Rocky Mountaineers' and send to:

The Rocky Mountaineers, PO Box 4262, Missoula, MT 59806

Name: _____

Additional Family Members Names: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone (optional): _____

Email: _____

Additional Email (optional): _____

Joining or maintaining your Rocky Mountaineers membership has never been easier!

PayPal is now available on the Rocky Mountaineers website. Click on the membership link on the main page.