

MOUNTAIN WEST OUTDOOR CLUB – January 2018

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CHECK YOUR EMAILS FROM YAHOO GROUPS FOR LAST MINUTE TRIPS, CHANGES IN CURRENT TRIPS

<p><i>A big shout out to December's new and returning members</i></p>	<p>Les Christie, Bobbi Dodd, Gregory Farmer, Linda Martin, Gloria Myhre, Claudia Parcells, Sally Suter, Sara Leigh Wilson</p>
<p>Dec 30, 2017 thr Jan 1, 2018, Sat thr Mon</p>	<p>SPEND NEW YEARS IN THE SUN VALLEY AREA SNOWSHOEING, CROSS COUNTRY/SKATE/DOWNHILL SKIING WITH FRIEND – Our annual New Years' Celebration is on the schedule!</p> <p>Winnie Morrison has reserved the AmericInn suite on the 2nd floor; 4-6 people can sleep comfortably (still spaces for more in the suite). OR, Phone AmericInn (208-788-7950) to reserve your own room. Let them know you are with Mountain West Outdoor Club (host: Winnie Morrison). The Motel has nice breakfast choices <i>and</i> a hot tub and pool. <i>Potluck New Year's Eve.</i></p> <p>If you are interested in this trip, or want more information, call Winnie at 208-631-4065 or email her at wesmo40@gmail.com.</p>
<p>Jan 4, THURSDAY</p>	<p>MWOC POTLUCK MEETING The January MWOC Potluck meeting is scheduled for THURSDAY, January 4th! Everything this else is the same – it'll be held at the Fish and Game (600 S. Walnut, Boise). Socializing starts at 6 pm. Our presenter this month is Craig Gehrke, the Regional Director of the Idaho office of the Wilderness Society. He will describe some of the back-and-forth in the process that culminated in the Boulder-White Clouds Wilderness.</p>
<p>Saturdays</p>	<p>CROSS COUNTRY SKI AND SNOWSHOE SATURDAYS at the Park and Ski trails north of Idaho City. Two to three Saturdays per month, snow permitting, Jerry Niday will be going up Highway 21 to play in the snow. He will leave Boise about 9:00 am. (or whatever works best for those going), drive up to the Park and Ski trails, and spend about three hours exercising before returning home. He usually stops at Trudy's in Idaho City to eat on his way home. Contact him (<i>Jerry Niday</i>) at 208-954-9305 or 208-238-4413 if you have questions or would like to join him, so you can arrange a meeting place. Jerry has a Ford F-150 with studded tires and 4-wheel drive and can take up to three people.</p>
<p>Jan 15, Mon NEW TIME – 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p>MWOC Planning Meeting Join us – Sockeye Brewing, 3019 N Cole Road The meeting starts at 4:30. Add your voice to the discussion about the ins and outs of the club (and eat); bring ideas for hikes, ski, snowshoe and sledding trips...</p>

Feb 5, Mon Annual MWOC Activities	MWOC'S ANNUAL SLIDE SHOW... Please go through your photos taken this year (2017) of MWOC activities; pick out the ones you wish to share and email them to Judy Farnsworth or give them to her on a thumb drive. Contact Judy at 344-7973 or email jfarnsw@mac.com.
Plan ahead! Mid-February	SKI OR SNOWSHOE AT ALTURAS LAKES! Spend two nights at Smiley Creek, North of Sun Valley, and ski or snowshoe at Alturas Lakes. Return to Boise by way of Sun Valley. Call Jerry Niday, 208-954-9305 or 208-238-4413, if you are interested in going or have any questions. (Jerry can take up to two additional people in his vehicle.)

MID-WEEK/FUTURE ACTIVITIES

TUESDAY HIKES. Watch for a Yahoo Groups announcement each week for location and time. Hikes are of moderate difficulty, 3 to 5 miles, lasting approximately two hours. Lunch after the hike for those interested.

WEDNESDAY HIKES begin at 10 AM winter, earlier in the summer. Hikes are fast-paced, of challenging difficulty, 5 or more miles and lasting 3 or more hours, depending on trail and weather conditions. Challenging difficulty means that you'll need to be in good hiking condition because of significant elevation gain and/or increased mileage. Watch for the weekly Yahoo Groups announcement for meeting place and hike description. If you have questions, contact Scott Stolhand, 208-891-2214.

OCCASIONAL THURSDAY HIKES and other miscellaneous activities will be posted on Yahoo groups. If you have questions contact Liz McWhorter, 385-0100.

THURSDAY AFTERNOONS NORDIC SKI/ SNOWSHOE. Watch for weekly Yahoo announcements in January and February to meet at noon (meeting place to be determined) to car pool to Bogus Basin. Bring snacks to share in the lodge after 2-3 hours of exercise. We will head back to town at 4:00. Gas (and nerve) costs for drivers appreciated. Email questions to Ruth Garcia at: rannygar@aol.com

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

QUESTIONS ABOUT YAHOO EMAILS. Local mid-week activities (hikes, paddles, bike-rides, etc.) are sent out through Yahoo Groups. If you have questions about receiving Yahoo e-mails (the subject line includes "Mountain West") please contact Cheri Worsley, cheriworsley@gmail.com.

Group emailing is not to be used to advocate for any political issue, whether national or local. Messages that provide only factual information, such as the time and place of a meeting, on an issue of likely interest to members are welcome.

MWOC ACTIVITIES: Planning a MWOC excursion? Or thinking of an excursion where you would like to invite like-minded souls? Send me the particulars and I'll publish it here – Anne Schorzman, aschorz@cableone.net.

AIR ST. LUKE'S MEMBERSHIP: A reduced Air St. Luke's yearly membership rate is available to MWOC members on request. Contact information: stlukesonline.org/air or 208-706-1000

VISIT THE MWOC WEBSITE: Go to www.mwocid.org and you will be redirected to the club's website (<https://mountainwestoutdoorclub.wildapricot.org>). You can find the calendar of events, newsletters, and other resources. If you *haven't* already visited the website and created a password, simply click on the login icon in the upper left corner, enter your email address, and click on Forgot Password. You will receive an email message with a link to create a password. Then you can view members-only webpages, including the membership directory. Questions, comments, or suggestions for enhancing the website? Please contact Laura Jenski at 208-860-9477 or laura.jenski@gmail.com.

2018 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM/LINK was sent to members on December 1 (reminders will be sent periodically). Membership dues are \$15/person. As before, you can choose to renew with cash, check, or electronic payment...with a paper form or online.