



Mountain West Outdoor Club Newsletter

November, 2020

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Thanks to Ruth Garcia for organizing the Crooked River Hike earlier this month. Despite a little smoke, it was a beautiful day and the new bridges provided safe footing, if not the excitement of crossing them on previous outings. Photo credits: Ruth Garcia and Darlene Stattner





UPCOMING EVENTS

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5 ~ TRAIL MAINTENANCE

Our Club's annual maintenance of a Ridge-to-Rivers trail is back on the schedule! The Boise City Council recently okayed small groups of up to 15 individuals for participation on trail maintenance projects.

We will be maintaining the Rabbit Run, REI and Big Springs trails. We will work with Ridges to River staff to trim bushes and fill ruts. All the necessary tools will be supplied. But, if you have favorite loppers or a special shovel, you are welcome to bring them.

Because the group size is limited to 15 volunteers, watch for an email requesting your RSVP. If you have questions, please call me. Judy Farnsworth, 208-344-7973.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14 ~ RAKE UP BOISE

Yes! MWOC will be participating in Rake Up Boise again this year. There will be a few modifications ... sadly no brunch ... but you can show off your favorite new fall inspired mask, greet your friends at arm's length (2 arms, that is) and still provide a community service to our neighbors who cannot rake their own yards.

Watch for time and location details by email a few days before Saturday, the 14th. Questions? Feel free to email or call me. Mary Brown, 208-340-3301

NOVEMBER 25 ~ Deadline for submissions (news, photos, events) for the December newsletter. Send to Chris at clg83706@yahoo.com

DECEMBER 15, 2020 ~ YAHOO GROUPS TERMINATED Yahoo sent out this notice on October 18: "We're shutting down the Yahoo Groups website on

December 15, 2020 and members will no longer be able to send or receive emails from Yahoo Groups."

If you need help posting an email through the club's Wild Apricot account, just ask any officer or activity leader for assistance.

NOVEMBER 2021 ~ EVEREST BASE CAMP TREK For more information please contact Wendell or Janette at janettey99@gmail.com. or go to the Hike With Sherpa website: <https://hikewithsherpa.com>

MONTHLY MEETINGS ~ While we are all anxious to resume this long-standing tradition of monthly potlucks, enlightening speakers and good company, the safety of indoor gatherings for larger groups remains unclear. Therefore, until further notice, there are no scheduled MWOC meetings.

MID-WEEK ACTIVITIES

TUESDAY HIKES Email announcements are sent each week with location and time. Hikes are of moderate difficulty, 4 to 6 miles, lasting approximately 2 to 2.5 hours. Starting time varies with time of year and weather conditions. If you have questions contact Pat Dailey, 208-272-0639.

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 an email announcement of meeting place and hike description. If you have questions, contact Scott Stolhand, 208-891-2214.

THURSDAY KAYAKING While there will be no more regular Thursday outings until spring, watch for email invitations from Francesco to join him for some winter paddling as weather permits.

THURSDAY HIKES and other miscellaneous activities will be posted via email. If you have questions contact Liz McWhorter, 208-891-0426.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

EMAILS Local mid-week activities (hikes, paddles, bike-rides, etc.) are announced through Wild Apricot emails. If you have questions about sending or receiving e-mails, please contact Kay Stoll at teksas2steppe@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, or an issue of likely interest to members are welcome.



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MWOC ACTIVITIES Planning a MWOC excursion? Or thinking of an excursion where you would like to invite like-minded souls? For publication in the newsletter send details to clg83706@yahoo.com.

MWOC WEBSITE You don't have to login to visit most of the MWOC pages, including the calendar of events, news, and resources. The pages that require login are your own profile, membership directory, and Gallery. If you haven't already created a password for the website, click on Login at the top of the page, enter your email address, and click "Forgot password." You will receive an email message with instructions. Please address questions to laura.jenski@gmail.com.

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