

**THE IDAHO NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY, SAWABI CHAPTER, TENTATIVE FIELD TRIP LIST, MAY THROUGH SEPTEMBER, 2018**

**THE PUBLIC IS INVITED TO ALL IDAHO NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY (INPS) FIELD TRIPS AND EVENTS.**

**\*BISON:** Most of our trips carpool from the Bison sculpture located behind the Idaho Museum of Natural History building which is adjacent to the Pond Student Union building, lower campus, Idaho State University. The sculpture is by the big parking lot at 5<sup>th</sup> and Dillon. You may choose to meet us at the Bison to carpool and caravan, or later at the trip site.

**FOR QUESTIONS AND DIRECTIONS:** Contact the Holtes, 232-6563, or the Nicholls, 233-0714, or Geoff Hogander, 232-3437. At least a week before each trip, an email is sent to those on our email list with details about the trip's plants, terrain, location and directions to the site.

DATE	CAR-POOL from Bison*	MEET at site	SITE	LEADER	DESCRIPTION
Saturday, May 12	1:30 pm	2:00 pm	Cherry Springs Field Trip Kick-Off, Kinney Creek if time allows; Holte potluck party after.	Karl Holte	Discover early spring flora followed by a 5:00 pm backyard potluck party at the Holte's 1506 N. Mink Creek Road
Sunday, May 13	TBD	TBD	Inman Canyon (fairly arduous hike)	Jeff Oesterling Email to be sent out.	Jeff will lead a hike up Inman Canyon. This is not an official Sawabi Chapter hike, but Jeff welcomes anyone who would like to join him.
Saturday, May 19	1:30 pm	2:00 pm	Blackrock Canyon	Paul Allen	This will be a combination car stop and hike up a local canyon with pockets of maple and sagebrush slopes.
Monday, May 21	6:00 pm	6:45 pm	Scout Mountain Nature Trail	Janet Bala	This beautiful area will have early spring flowers like glacier lilies, yellowbells, pussy toes and other early spring flowers.
Thursday May 31 to Sunday, June 3	To sign up, go to the INPS Website		<b>INPS State Plant Foray</b> (idahonativeplants.org)	Various NPS members	This is a three-day field trip to gather and press plants from the Soldier Mountains area for herbaria in the state. It's a chance to meet other NPS members from other areas. Pioneer Campground 10 miles north of Fairfield, Idaho.
Monday, June 4	6:00 pm	6:30 pm	West Fork Mink Creek	Karl Holte	This is a beautiful shaded gradual uphill trail with much diversity in flora.
Saturday, June 9	8:00 am	10 am	Craters of the Moon, plus camping option	Grant Thomas	See buckwheats, bitterroots, monkey flowers, and other dry area plants.
Monday, June 11	6:00 pm	6:30 pm	South Fork of Mink Creek	Geoff Hogander	This is an easy, short walk along the S.Fk. Mink Cr. Road. We'll see plants common to sage and riparian habitats.
Saturday, June 16	8:00 am	10:30 am	Tex Creek Wildlife Management Area near Ririe	Paul Allen	This is a chance to see the recovery from a devastating fire last year.
Monday, June 18	6:00 pm	6:30 pm	Kinney Creek	Karl Holte	This is another shaded gradual uphill climb up a small drainage near Cherry Springs.
Saturday, June 23	See ID St. Journal		Pebble Creek Wildflower Festival, Ski Area	Not a Sawabi trip	Go on your own. See the beautiful wildflowers by the ski lift. \$10.00 to park and \$15.00 to ride up the chair. Live music.
Friday June 29 to Sunday, July 1	To sign up, go to the INPS website		<b>INPS Annual State Meeting</b> (idahonativeplants.org)	Various NPS members	The meeting this year is at Bumblebee Campground on the Little North Fork Coeur d'Alene River, 7 miles west of Kellogg, Id and 8 miles north of Interstate 90. It's an opportunity to meet other Society members from around the State.
Monday, July 2	6:00 pm	6:30 pm	Gibson Jack Creek	Geoff Hogander	This is a popular hiking and biking trail in the foothills of Pocatello. We'll see riparian and dry-land plants.
Saturday, July 7	8:00 am	9:00 am	Big Springs, Pebble Creek area.	Mel Nicholls	Just over the hill from Pocatello this is a riparian area surrounded by forests and sagebrush hills
Monday, July 9	6:00 pm	6:30 pm	Pocatello Creek Road	Paul Allen	A drive with multiple stops in a canyon just east of Pocatello
Saturday, July 14 to Sunday, July 15	8:30 am	11:00 am	Mesa Falls, Island Park area; and Sunday, Sawtell Peak drive plus camping option	TBA	This is a beautiful area with a variety of late summer plants and two waterfalls. Sawtelle Peak is one of the highest peaks in the area.
Saturday, July 21	To be determined	TBD	Mount Harrison with Audubon Society	TBD	This is not an official Sawabi trip. Audubon is leading a trip to view the Cassia crossbill. Some Sawabi members might be joining them to also see the rare Christ's Indian paintbrush at the top of the mountain.
Monday, July 23	6:00 pm	6:45 pm	Scout Mtn. Campground turnaround	Abby Stelzer	This is our second trip to the area. See how the flora has changed. We'll also see a bog with plants we don't usually see on these trips.
Monday, July 30	6:00 pm	6:45 pm	Inman Canyon	Grant Thomas	This is a beautiful canyon and the air is cooler than in town.
Saturday, Sep 22	10:00 am	11:00 am	Goodenough Canyon walk followed by a picnic	Brad Willis	This canyon has great fall colors of maples and aspens, plus a trail with fall blooms. Come look for mushrooms and celebrate the end of the NPS field trip season.