

Ride Journal

Lowman Clean-up - Boise/Emmett Chapter - June 27-29, 2008

Ride Leader: Bill Jones & Carl Bloomquist

Photos & Story: Pauline Jones

Only a dozen showed up to help clean the Miller Mountain and Kirkham trails this year—must have been the fuel prices that kept members away!?? On Friday, the crew split into two groups. Carl Bloomquist took half the crew over on the front side of Miller Mountain. Bill Jones took the other half and went up the Long Gulch side of Miller Mountain. The plan was to meet in the middle up on top of Miller Mountain! Well Mother Nature stopped both groups! There were deep snow drifts still on the north side of the mountain. Our group tried plowing through, but was stopped by a huge drift—same for Carl's group. Needless to say, both groups winched there way out. Bill's group cut trees along the way. Carl's group cleared all the way up and past the kiosk to the infamous snowdrift! Carl's group had some mechanical problems and a few members went looking



for them around 5:00 p.m. They were supposed to be back around 3:00 p.m. On Saturday, we all went over to the top and hot side of the Kirkham trail. We mostly trimmed brush and yes, Ray Ingram and Bill found a couple of trees to remove. Bob Sterling, left, and others kept busy



trimming. Because of the temperatures, most of us were off the hill by 3:00 p.m. We had a pot-luck hamburger fry that evening and George Silkworth and Bill did the cookin'!!! We also viewed photos from the day!



Thanks to everyone for taking time to come up to Lowman and especially spending the extra money on gas to help! Kudos!

