

Willmore Wilderness Preservation & Historical Foundation



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Mt. deVeber Trail Restoration

Bazil Leonard, Vice-President of the Foundation, oversaw the 2003 Mt. de- Veber trail clearing initiatives. There were two significant gains on the trail clearing project. The Ptarmigan Lake trail was completed and the Morkill pass trail has been made passable.

We were fortunate to find the old pack trail to Ptarmigan Lake. The blaze marks were old, but the trail had not been traveled in at least 50 years. A fair amount of clearing needed to be done to bring the trail back to life.

While looking for the original Ptarmigan trail, Cody Leonard found an old trapline cabin of Curly Phillips. Mr. Carl Luger, a retired outfitter provided the Foundation with an interview, that allowed us to identify the old delapidated building. We are grateful for Mr. Luger's insight.

Foundation's 1st Annual Fundraiser

The Willmore Wilderness Foundation is hosting the 1st Annual Foundation Fundraiser on April 24, 2004. The event is to take place at the St. Albert Inn. Cocktails are at 6 pm and Dinner is at 7 pm. Included are a Banquet, Auction, Silent Auction, Entertainment, and a Willmore PowerPoint Presentation.



The Foundation did a rough cut on the Morkill Pass trail. We plan to purchase a brush saw in the spring of 2004 and open some areas where the willows have taken over, making travel difficult. We hope to finish the Morkill trail in the 2004 Summer.

The Foundation was also able to complete some smaller projects. We re-routed some muskeg areas near Jackpine lake. We cleared a small portion of the trail on Mt Stern. The Foundation has GPS'd the areas cleared. A full report will be made available in January 2004.

Tickets are \$40.00 per person or \$75.00 per couple. For more information call 1.780.827.2696.

The Fundraiser Committee Chairman is Mr. Herb Schmidt. You can reach him by phoning 780-455-8045

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Special points of interest:

- Annual General Meeting will be held in June 2004 at Smoky River Ranch. In the event of rain go to 10654-104th Ave in Grande Cache. For more information phone 780.827.2696
- Elections of Board of Directors will take place at the AGM in June 2004
- The Foundation is offering the Larry Nelles Horsemanship Clinic in June 2004. For more information phone 780.827-2696.
- The Foundation is offering a basic Trappers Course the first week of February 2- 7, 2004. For more information phone 780.827.2696
- The Foundation is making application for the 2004 summer. We are targeting Mt. Talbot, as well as finishing the Mt. deVeber trails.
- The Foundation is preparing a book for publication. Contact us for more info.