

# Hellroaring Powder Guides Hut

## Tips, Lists, Guidelines

### Group List

- knowledgeable trip leader with avalanche and first aid training.
- signed liability waivers for each participant
- garbage sack(s) for trash and waste. (heavy duty 30 gal.) **2 per day**
- instant hand sanitizer
- small amount of dish soap,
- bleach dropper for dish water (optional)
- toilet paper
- dish scrubber (metal pads are great)
- paper towels (dishes and cleanup) OR dish towel for drying dishes and wiping up the table

### Personal Gear List

The hut is set up with everything you'll need for a trip. Many people choose to carry large heavy packs unnecessarily. Be smart and don't carry more than you'll need.

- sleeping bag liner (available from Hellroaring if needed)
- hut booties for inside and running to the bathroom
- headlamp
- avalanche equipment (shovel, beacon, probe)
- spare beacon batteries
- helmet (for snowmobile ride in)

If you're wondering how many clothes to bring: we suggest fresh underwear for each day, at the most a spare change of long underwear is nice. The regular layering, skin layer, insulation "puffy", and shell are great.

### Guidelines

**Wood Stove:** Wood has already been cut for your trip so there is no need to use the chainsaw whatsoever. Don't leave the stove un-attended; it's generally not safe and wasteful. When starting a fire make sure the damper and flu are open, start the flame in back using some supplied cardboard; fire starter helps keep things from getting smoky in the hut. At the trip end, use the extra bucket and shovel to clean ashes from the stove. These need to be disposed of by the toilet facility. While there is plenty of wood to burn, it still requires plenty of work to gather, be considerate.

**Propane Stove:** Propane is tough to haul into the hut so only use what is necessary. This means **no melting snow with propane**, there is a spring nearby making this a futile and wasteful task. The wood stove melts snow and boils water well, it also keeps items warm for simmering. Conserving propane helps with condensation AND saves a lot of backbreaking labor. **Turn the propane tank off when the stove is not in use.** Open the windows all the way while cooking for good airflow to prevent condensation and moisture buildup, especially while boiling water.

**Toilet Facility:** Each group is responsible for carrying out it's own solid waste. Line the toilet with a heavy-duty garbage sack (bring one for each day), paper waste also goes in the bucket, this actually absorbs moisture, which is a plus. Let things freeze up solid before packing out at the end of the trip. Don't pee in the bucket. We ask that folks pack their own shit home but if it's a deal breaker

please at least tie and double bag you crap for Hellroaring to haul out. There is a designated pee tree behind the hut for quicker excursions outback.

**Garbage:** Combustible garbage is welcome to be burned in the stove. Everything non-combustible needs to be hauled out. There is a garbage bucket with a liner under the table.

**Lighting:** The hut is outfitted with a solar panel and battery to power some bright LED lamps , a full battery will power the lights all night. There are also USB plugs in the battery for charging a phone and or camera.

**First Aid/Emergencies:** There is a well-stocked and highly visible first aid kit located in the black backpack. Please note any used or missing items at the trip end so they can be replaced. A Delorme inReach satellite messenger is available for emergency use at the hut. The fastest way out is usually the way your group came in. Emergency numbers are listed below. In some areas a snowmobile rescue might be feasible but should not be relied upon. This is a difficult area to access and delayed rescue should be anticipated if you are unable to assist yourselves. There is a fiberglass rescue toboggan at the hut, as well as a compact fabric rescue sled located in the black extra gear pack.

**Hut Condensation:** Due to the impervious nature of the hut, condensation can become an issue if not addressed. Open all windows and the door while cooking. If your group is large consider leaving these ½ way open for ventilation at night. Leave the windows all the way open during the day, and when you leave so things air out.

**Departure Cleaning:** The hut was clean prior to the trip start, and should be left clean at the end of yours. When you leave please do the following

- **empty water containers** (so they don't freeze solid)
- empty pots of water, clean dishes
- pack out any leftover food
- sweep the floor
- wipe down the table
- open all the vents for ventilation
- turn off the lights
- shut the door and prop a board against it to seal things up

### **Cooking Equipment Already at the Hut**

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| ▪ 8-mugs/plates/bowls        | ▪ 2-frypan/skillet        |
| ▪ 8-forks/spoons/knives      | ▪ 1-french press (coffee) |
| ▪ 2-10" aluminum dutch ovens | ▪ 2-spatula/flippers      |
| ▪ 1-2 quart pot w/ lid       | ▪ 1-can opener            |

\*\*\*\* Hellroaring provides a complimentary guide into the hut with the snowmobile shuttle fee; please be considerate of your guide's time and efforts to assist your group to the hut, "tipping" your guide for their extra effort to help the group is a great way to show your appreciation.

## **Getting to the Hut**

Hellroaring is located between West Yellowstone MT and Island Park ID. We will meet at the following linked location the morning of your trip.

3728 Red Rock Road, Island Park, ID 83429, USA

[\*\*Hellroaring Parking Lot Meeting Place Link\*\*](#)

Hellroaring Phone: **208 360 0385.**

From where we park vehicles, we will ride 7 miles on Red Rock Rd. This is an unplowed county rd. used in summertime to access the Red Rock Lakes Wildlife Refuge. This is an easy scenic ride to where we start skinning.

We'll park the snowmobiles near the mouth of Hellroaring Canyon, the hut is a 2.75 mi. skin with 1200' elevation gain. This is very mellow and low intensity trek making it an easy trip for most skiers. Typically this doesn't take more than 3 hrs; many groups are much quicker. Tow behind sleds are possible to take in but very inconvenient due to sidehilling and trees.

**Portering and assistance hauling loads is available on request.**

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**Owner (Sam Hansen): 208.360.0385**

**Emergency: 911**

**Beaverhead County Sherriff: 406.683.3700**

**Fremont County SAR: 208.351.3677**

**Additional Contacts:**

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## **Gallatin National Forest Avalanche Center**

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