



Trail Blazer

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April 2018

Upcoming Events

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----- May -----		
1	Tue	TCO Board meeting MMC
2	Wed	Morning hike - Class A/B
5	Sun	TCO 2018 Banquet
9	Wed	Morning hike - Class A/B
15	Tue	Blazer Deadline
16	Wed	Morning hike - Class A/B
23	Wed	Morning hike - Class A/B
30	Wed	Morning hike - Class A/B

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Trails Club Banquet
Sunday, May 6, 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM
McMenamin's Kennedy School
5736 NE 33rd Ave, Portland, OR 97211
More info on page 6

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Events

April 4 (Wed) Morning Hike - Class A/B
We begin our hike at 9:30 am and hike 4 to 6 miles, for 2 to 4 hours, somewhere in the Portland metropolitan area, often in Forest Park.

This week we will meet at Tryon Creek State Park.
Leader: Phil Crosby, 503-636-8379
ascot4433@gmail.com

April 8 (Sun) Trips Committee at the Lucky Lab
The trips committee will be getting together to socialize and plan hikes for the season.

When: Sunday April 8th, 5 PM
Where: Lucky Lab - 915 SE Hawthorne Blvd,
Portland, OR 97214

Why: Another opportunity to meet at a central location and sign up to lead hikes and enjoy some socializing.

April 11 (Wed) Morning Hike - Class A
We begin our hike at 9:30 am and hike 4 to 6 miles, for 2 to 4 hours, somewhere in the Portland metropolitan area, often in Forest Park.

This week we will meet in front of the Multnomah Arts Center at 7688 SW Capitol Hwy. in Multnomah Village.
Hike will depart at 9:30.

Leader: Chuck Barrows, 503-244-4967,
barrows4967@msn.com

April 18 (Wed) Morning Hike - Class A
This week we will meet at the Tryon Creek visitor center for 9:30 departure. We will hike on pavement over to the Lewis and Clark campus, then loop around the campus and back to the visitor center. There may be trilliums.

Leader: Ray Amsinger, 503-442-9228,
rayamsinger@hotmail.com

Scheduling is updated on web site www.trailsclub.org

TRIP FEES: Members \$1; Guests \$2

Donations to the History Fund -

Donations to help preserve over 100 years of Trails Club History are greatly appreciated - A special "History Fund" has been set up to pay the cost of storage & preservation work space in Oak Grove. Those wishing to contribute to the fund may send a check to PO box 69061, Portland OR 97239-0061, payable to the "Trails Club of Oregon."

Please refer to "History Fund" on the designation line of the check. .

Donations to the Nesika Restoration Fund -

Donations can be made to help restore Nesika Lodge and its surroundings. Those wishing to contribute to the fund may send a check to PO box 69061, Portland OR 97239-0061, payable to the "Trails Club of Oregon."

Please refer to "Nesika Restoration Fund" on the designation line of the check. .

Donations in general will not be refused .
They will be put to good use. Remember, this is **your** club.
If, like your editor, you can't contribute physically as much as you used to, there are other ways ... Ed.

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The purpose of the Trails Club is to foster and stimulate interest in hiking, climbing, skiing, camping and other similar outdoor activities and to promote activities of a social nature for the benefit of its members. The Club's interests and concerns are conservation of natural beauty and resources of the country. All Club activities are affected by the voluntary participation of the members. Membership requirements include an approved outdoor activity, a scheduled lodge visit, recommendations by two members within a one-year period, approval by the Board of Trustees, and payment of \$50 in dues and a \$15 entrance fee.

Board Meetings: First Tuesday of the month, 7:00 pm, at Mazamas Mountaineering Center, 527 SE 43rd Ave. at SE Stark St. Portland, OR

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April 21-22 (Sat-Sun) Tye Open - Mindful on the Mountain Retreat

Please join weekend immersion of yoga recreation, self-care directed by Meredith, a certified yoga instructor. Discussions on mindfulness and grounding practices as well as taking principles of yoga off the mat will be facilitated. Participants can expect a weekend of relaxation, self inquiry, kinship, and the Great Outdoors.

Day one Includes guided meditation, breath work and yoga movement, We will have time for journaling, hiking, snow shoeing (weather permitting!), and free time. Lunch and dinner provided.

Day two includes, a morning yoga class, a gratitude send-off activity, and breakfast.

Cost is \$75 for TCO members / \$85 for non-members and includes. Meals, lodge overnight fee and workshop and supplies. The event will be limited to 17 participants.

Watch the TCO Meetup Site for more details and sign ups. TCO members interested in early registration should contact Julia Mace juliamace1993@gmail.com no later than March 10, 2018

April 25 (Wed) Morning Hike – Class A/B

We begin our hike at 9:30 am and hike 4 to 6 miles, for 2 to 4 hours, somewhere in the Portland metropolitan area, often in Forest Park.

This week we will meet at the Powell Butte visitor center, top of the hill at Powell Blvd. and SE 162nd Ave. for 9:30 departure through open fields and woods. Bring walking sticks if you use them.

Leader: Kathy Pollock, 503-341-9441,
pollockkathy@gmail.com

May 2 (Wed) Morning Hike – Class A/B

We begin our hike at 9:30 am and hike 4 to 6 miles, for 2 to 4 hours, somewhere in the Portland metropolitan area, often in Forest Park.

For the starting location of this week's hike, watch here or call or email the leader.

Leader: TBD

May 6 (Sun) 2018 Trails Club Banquet

2018 Trails Club Banquet will be held from 3:30 PM to 7:00 PM at

McMenamins Kennedy School Gymnasium

5736 NE 33rd Ave,

Portland, OR 97211

See page 6 for full details

May 9, 16, 23, 30 (Wed) Morning Hikes – Class A/B

We begin our hike at 9:30 am and hike 4 to 6 miles, for 2 to 4 hours, somewhere in the Portland metropolitan area, often in Forest Park.

For the starting locations of these hikes, watch the TCO website.

Meeting Places

Friendly House NW Thurman and 26th. TriMet bus service on routes 15, 17 and 77 is nearby.

Gateway TCO

From I-205: take the Glisan Street exit, proceed east to 99th Ave, turn north, proceed a couple blocks and park in the Park and Ride garage. Meet at the SE corner of the structure (near the stairs) on the sidewalk (directly inside if it is raining).

From I-84: take I-205 and follow the above exit and instructions

Mazamas Mountaineering Center (MMC)

is a common meeting place for Board meetings and other administrative functions. It is located at 527 SE 43rd Avenue, one block south of Stark St.

Rose Villa

13505 SE River Rd, Milwaukie, OR 97222, is a common place for club meetings
Adventures and Travels meets in the Rec Hall, Fireside Room. Parking on Shroeder Lane, off of Courtney Rd by River Rd. Park before end of road, walk to multiple garage buildings on right, turn right, walk down ramp to your right. It is a yellow building, with a central arch on top, visible from River Rd.

Follow Treasure House signs. Map of Rose Villa, follow route C or B to the Recreation Hall (Treasure House signs)

<http://trailsclub.org/events/Images/2014RoseVillaMap.pdf>

Target

is a common westside meeting place for hikes. Exit US 26 at NW 185th Ave and drive south to Evergreen Pkwy turn east (left) one block to NW Town Center Dr., Park and meet on the west side of Target's parking lot across from Starbucks Coffee. Tri Met bus service on routes 47, 52 and 89 is nearby.

Tryon Creek State Park

sometimes used for Wed. AM (and other) hikes.

From I-5 South: Take Terwilliger Blvd. exit, bear right, heading south past Taylor's Ferry Rd. and bear left at split to Boone's Ferry Rd, right at second roundabout exit, staying on Terwilliger. Park entrance is on the right about one mile past the roundabout. Park near the Nature Center.

Meetup Website

The Trails Club Meetup site allows event planners to organize TCO events online. While we try to get every event in the Blazer and on the Trails Club web site (www.trailsclub.org), some events, especially those that are planned on short notice, may appear only on the TCO Meetup site at: <https://www.meetup.com/Trails-Club-of-Oregon/events/> Ed.

TCO on the Web

Do you get directed to a website that isn't what you want?

Remember - typing www.trailsclub.org in the browser address (URL) box always works. Ed.

Trails Ahead

**Weekend Outing on the McKenzie River
June 22-24, 2018 (Fri-Sun)**

Belknap Lodge and Hot Springs on the gorgeous McKenzie River is the setting for this 13th annual outing. The resort, about 150 miles from Portland, has two mineral spring-fed swimming pools and acres of landscaped gardens and trails. Visit the resort website at www.belknaphotsprings.com for photos and details on the lodging choices. Recreational opportunities in the area include: hiking, mountain biking on the McKenzie River Trail, fishing, boating on nearby lakes, whitewater rafting trips, golfing, and other natural hot springs.

The outing is Fri and Sat nights, with an option of Sun night on your own. Sat and Sun breakfasts and Sat appetizers/campfire dinner will be provided. Fri night is an optional potluck dinner. Lunches are not included. There will be a 7 mile loop hike Sat to view Sahalie Falls and around Clear Lake.

LODGING OPTIONS (per night, including tax): TENT SITES for 1 or 2 people (\$8 each additional person) are \$32.94. There are 4 drive-up tent sites near the "group area" where we have meals, and 1 "wheelbarrow your gear" tent site across the river.

RV SITES for 1 or 2 people (\$8 each additional person) are \$38.43 w/no sewer hookup or \$43.92 w/ sewer hookup.

CABIN prices are divided by the number of people, ranging from \$148.23 for 1-2 people, to \$301.95 for up to 6 people (\$10 each additional person).

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LODGE ROOMS range from \$120.78 to \$153.72, varying from 2 to 4 people (\$10 each additional person).

TO REGISTER (open Feb 1st for TCO members/ March 1st for nonmembers):

1) Contact Vicki Wood at 503-850-4366 or vw48@comcast.net to inquire about lodging availability (all lodging has already been reserved at the resort for this outing);

2) Mail a \$25 nonrefundable deposit and completed application/liability and medical forms for each person to:

Trails Club of Oregon, PO Box 69061, Portland, OR 97239.

These forms can be downloaded from our website at www.trailsclub.org in the "outings" section under "Weekend Outing on the McKenzie River" (balance of payment is due May 14th and is nonrefundable unless there is someone on a waiting list who wants your accommodation). The outing is limited to a maximum of 40 people.

TCO is not responsible for providing or arranging your transportation to or from the outing.

Editor's Note – On behalf of the Trails Club of Oregon, Historian Sylvia Milne thanks all those who visited the club archive in Oak Grove, donated collections, helped preserve club history, or contributed financially to support of the operation.

TCO Members

Candy Bagley	Marie Duell	Ron Kinder	Melva Murphy	Ann Steinle
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Contributors

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Carella	Kathleen Graham	Christine Olsen	Celine Stroinski	Vicki Wood

Non-Members

Zoe Ann Arrington - Author	Wendy El - Hajj - Guest	Allie Osburn - Guest Volunteer
Zoe's Husband - Guest	Marcy Houle - Forest Park Author	Chris Paris - Guest
Anita Bennett - Guest	Mel Huie - Metro Planner	Teri Poppino - Guest
Erin Blue - Guest	Christopher Hyde - Guest	John Rettig - Mazamas, FWOOC
Loo D. Boe - IT	Brian Johnson - Archivist, C of Port.	Vonnie Sage - Guest
Jeannie Brickley - Guest	Max Johnson - Archivist, C of Port.	Marianne Scharping - FWOOC
Shirley Cameron - FWOOC	Susan Johnson - Guest	Scott Shanley - former Jr. Member
Breanna Campbell - Guest	Ron Kemnow - Lookout Website	Caryn Shetterly - Guest
Bill Carr - retired USFS, author	La Vaughn Kemnow - Lookout Author	Dee Shurk - Guest volunteer
Jay Clarke - Guest	Susan Langenes - Web Consultant	Robert Spurlock - Metro Planner
Ann Marie Cordova - Guest	Melisa Lampert - Guest	Jonathan Squier - Guest
Olivia Cordova - Guest	Dominic Lampert - Guest	Linda Steinle - Guest
Kris Dungan - Guest	Randy Larson - Guest volunteer	Emma Strauch - Guest
Ken Dungan - Guest	Denis Lee - Mazamas, Facilitator	Ian Strauch - Guest
Kaylee Eisal - Guest	Charlie McGeehaw - guest	Holly Swogger - Guest
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Patrick Finn - Guest	Brooke Milne - Guest	Jill Winegar - Guest
John Gillock - Guest	Matthew Milne - Guest, Volunteer	(2) Guest Volunteers
Oren Glick - FWOOC	Michael Ober - Fox 12 News	
Ben - El - Hajj - Guest	James Olsen - retired USFS, author	

Submitted by: Sylvia Milne, Historian	Assisted by: Nadine Morris	Christine Olsen Jane Olsen	Celine Stroinski
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Book Review – by Sylvia Milne

A Glimpse into History: What Prominent People Have Said About Nature in Oregon and the Need to Conserve It – Michael McCloskey, 2018

What a valuable resource! Eight hours and two hundred and sixty nine pages later, expanding my knowledge of conservation in the state I grew up in. It explains how ninety people helped turn Oregon into a “green” state. Just a quick look at the index, I recognized three Trails Club of Oregon members: Sam Lancaster, Marshall Dana and Ding Cannon.

Curious to know if there might be others, comparing the authors list of names with our centennial roster in the Archive I learned of six others joining TCO from 1915-1919. Ding Cannon is the only one linked to both the Trails Club of Oregon and the Federation of Western Outdoor Clubs, having been president of both.

Also featured, the fact Ding played a key role catalyzing efforts by the city of Portland to bring protection to Forest Park. Now, years later, Commissioner Mike Lindberg is asking everyone to support past efforts to protect Forest Park. However, the link below indicates that mayor Ted Wheeler wants outreach to youth and compromise, using the analogy that “the river is for both swimming and the fishes”.

Read it here

<https://bikeportland.org/2018/03/12/in-nod-to-off-road-cycling-mayor-wheeler-urges-parks-board-to-stay-relevant-as-portland-changes-271127>



The author sharing his book during lunch following a strategic planning meeting of the Federation of Western Outdoor Club Board of Directors held last weekend. Visit the home page of the FWOC website to view other photos and check back mid-April for the posting of their strategic planning results.

Historian’s Blog

It is interesting to note that most people view the value of preserving history as a way to learn culture from times past, while others just want information. My goal has been to provide a bit of both in the Blazer. Unbeknownst to me, in November I exceeded space dedicated to history, which bumped my Nov blog to December. Since then, I’ve chosen to dedicate the majority of space to stories – Angelo, Randy & Carla.

For those who like facts, in the last five years the Trails Club Archives, located in Oak Grove on the Trolley Trail, have logged 7,103 volunteer hours. When multiplied by the 2015 National rate of \$27.07 per hour, this equals an in-kind donation of \$192,285. Then, without the benefit of a tax deduction, recent cash donations exceed \$10,000. We need an additional \$1,118 to meet our 2018 lease.

In February, the Officers/Trustees agreed to develop a partnership with the Crown Point Country Historical Society that is building a new museum with archival storage space. They appointed me as club liaison and donated \$1,000 toward the building project. Though breaking ground in April, it will probably be several years before the museum is ready for occupancy. Between now and then the history committee hopes to spend more time preparing club records for long term storage and working to publish the club’s rich centennial story, rather than raising funds.

The History Committee will convene on Sun May 20th from 2-4pm in the TCO Archives to update outcomes and prepare a budget for the June Board of Directors meeting on Tuesday June 5. Sylvia Milne, Historian

From Membership Trustee, Lori Leach

This is your final dues reminder!

Remember to check online for the monthly Trail Blazer at www.trailsclub.org. To continue to receive a paper Blazer, please send the additional charge of \$25/yr to:

Membership
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Thank you for your continued support of the club!

Trails Club Banquet Announcement

The Trails Club of Oregon Annual Banquet will be held at the McMenamins Kennedy School Gymnasium on Sunday, May 6th from 4 pm to 7 pm. McMenamins is widely known for good food and drink, and this wonderful expansive space, including an attached outdoor courtyard, should allow us all the space we need to make this event a great showcase for the club.

This will be a great party. We want to invite not just our wonderful members but also our friends who want to be involved in the club, particularly those expressing a wish to support the recovery of the club from the tragic fire last Fall. We will be asking \$40 per person as this will just barely cover the space, the food and speakers' gratuities. Please let us know if you are gluten-free or vegetarian, or have any other special needs so we may accommodate them. Coffee and tea service will be provided starting at 3:30 for a social hour, as well as a no-host bar.

As in years before, we will be asking for donations for a silent auction of new or gently used camping/hiking/sports gear and newer items of interest. This year, with the access to a large courtyard, please consider bringing potted trees or plants for sale that you believe people might want to take home for a small donation to the club. This can include starts for garden plants or quality indoor plants that could be appreciated in a new home. Just a heads up; the venue prohibits bringing food items from home.

For any inquiries about attending, donating items or reserving table space, please contact Susan Ashenfelter at socialchair@trailsclub.org.

Eli Boshetto, Author of the book, "Hiking the Pacific Crest Trail," will be speaking. His presentation is named "Hike Your Own PCT Hike."

This is a great opportunity to get together and talk about important events and adventures that members have been a part of in the past and may be a part of in the future.

McMenamins Kennedy School has free parking and is wheelchair accessible. It is located at:
5736 NE 33rd Ave, Portland, OR 97211

Something Big is Coming



Please Join Us for the Historic Ground Breaking of the Crown Point Country Museum
Saturday April 7, 2018 11:00 A. M.
36901 E Historic Columbia River Highway
Corbett, Oregon 97019 (across from the fire station)

<p>Draft</p> <p>Trails Club of Oregon Board Meeting Minutes</p> <p>The TCO Board meeting on March 6, 2018 was called to order at 7:09 PM at the Mazama Center.</p> <p>Board members present: Susan Ashenfelter, Aaron Bech, Glen Conrad, Randy Dietrich, Lori Leach, Cindy Lee, Joel Reitz, Art Stangell,</p> <p>Also, Kelly Marlin</p> <p>Merrill Hugo , Raya Budrevich, and Candace Bonner were absent.</p> <p>Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.</p> <p><u>Treasurer's report:</u></p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Cash balance</td> <td>1/31/2018</td> <td>.....</td> <td>\$47,120.94</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Beginning balance</td> <td>1/1/2018</td> <td>.....</td> <td>\$47,217.66</td> </tr> <tr> <td> Deposits</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td>\$5,685.01</td> </tr> <tr> <td> Checks/Withdrawals</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td>(\$5,781.73)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Ending balance</td> <td>1/31/2018</td> <td>.....</td> <td>\$47,120.94</td> </tr> </table> <p>The post office has no plans to replace the postal boxes we had been using. TCO mail is being temporarily forwarded to Cindy. A new box should be arranged long before the end of the year to avoid confusion. Signups for Beltnap Springs are starting to come in. There was a discussion about sending out postcard reminders for dues. Dues should include a penalty if received after January.</p> <p>Thank you notes were received because of our donation to the Mt. Hood Cultural Center and the Crown Point Historical Society. Cindy needs the address for our donation to the Crown Point Historical Society. History archives will hopefully be stored there.</p> <p>Secretary – We need a replacement as Merrill Hugo has been laid up and has not been able to attend.</p> <p>Conservation Committee – There was a Forest Park update. The board moved and approved spending \$180 per person plus a travel stipend for Sydney Herbert and Candace Bonner to attend the FWOOC meeting in California.</p>	Cash balance	1/31/2018	\$47,120.94	Beginning balance	1/1/2018	\$47,217.66	Deposits			\$5,685.01	Checks/Withdrawals			(\$5,781.73)	Ending balance	1/31/2018	\$47,120.94	<p>Nesika Restoration – Glen reported that the Forest Service intends to grant us an Access Letter for the season, to be used for work trips into Nesika. Our authorized representative, Glen, needs to inform the Incident Commander when we will need access. We have permission to clear the road of any downed trees and brush. We need to write a letter to the Forest Service formally requesting access. Glen has also been working on the pre-permit filing for a building permit with Multnomah County. We will need donated tools and wheelbarrows for our Nesika work parties as all of our tools were destroyed. There are several large trees lying across the monster trail that need to be cut and moved. Glen will arrange for Iron Mountain Tree Service to do some of this work. There was discussion about cutting rounds from some of the downed trees. Milling the trees is not feasible based on past experience with the remote site.</p> <p>Tyee – Aaron reports that the men's bathroom faucets may need repair. Lights may also need to be upgraded in the bathrooms. Richard Gaunt has the siding for finishing the porch. Chaz is working on finalizing the operating plan for the Forest Service.</p> <p>Membership - Lori has cleaned up the data base. We need to find the latest by-law source files to update them with the latest changes and make them available on the web site. There were two second readings approved for membership: Kari Hayes and Sara Pitzman. First reading for Richard Zheng.</p> <p>Publications – Board members were encouraged to check out the preliminary new web site under development.</p> <p>Social – Susan has arraigned for Eli Boschetto to speak at the banquet. He wrote "Hiking the Pacific Crest Trail Oregon". He will present a visual tour, best practices tips, updated information after the 2017 fires, etc. The banquet menu was discussed, with diet selection, cost, desert inclusion, etc. This event is open to non-members as an outreach. It will be advertised on the TCO FB and Meetup.</p> <p>The meeting was adjourned just before 9pm.</p>
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Membership Notes - February 2018	
<p>If you have any feedback, positive or negative, about the following individuals who have received their first readings, PLEASE contact one of the board members before the next board meeting (First Tuesday of the month). We wish to hear your input before the final vote into membership. Club member input is very important in this process.</p> <p>Do you know a prospective new member? Send his/her name and address to membership@trailsclub.org for him/her to receive a couple of free Blazers. This is the best way to report guest information from hikes, lodge visits, and other trips.</p>	
<p>First Readings</p> <p>Richard Zheng Lake Oswego, OR</p> <p>Sponsored by Nathan Barton and Anne Stevens</p>	<p>New Members</p> <p>Kari Hays Sarah Pitzman</p>

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Gentle Reminders

For activities such as bicycle, snowshoe, and x-c skiing check with the leaders for the difficulty level of the activity. Good equipment for the specific activity is required for all events. For hikes and snowshoe activities:

Class A—Shorter, less strenuous activity, typically 4 to 8 miles, less than 1500 feet elevation gain.

Class B—Moderate to difficult, typically 6 to 12 miles, up to 3000 feet of elevation gain.

Class C—Long and difficult, strong experienced participants only, typically over 8 miles, and over 3000 feet of elevation gain. Boots are recommended for B/C hikes.

Note: Harsh or unusual conditions may greatly increase the exertion and skill required. Be prepared for the level of activity you are planning to take. Contact the leader if you have any questions about the trip and to let him or her know that you will be attending. Bring plenty of water and a sack lunch. Please, no alcohol. Remember to bring your Ten Essentials. Pets allowed on designated trips only.

Everybody should stay with the group and follow the leader. The leader is responsible for the group's safety. The leader determines which route is taken. The leader has authority to determine if a participant is prepared for the activity. Group safety must come first.

Be prepared to pay a small fee of \$2 for Guests, \$1 for Members for day activities. Please contribute to any carpooling expenses at the rate of \$.15 per mile. With multiple riders the driver can collect up to \$.30 per mile shared by all the riders.

If you have reserved for an activity at a lodge involving food expense and are unable to participate you are obligated to do one of the following: cancel before the food is purchased, find someone to take your place, or pay for your share of the food.

All activities must be approved by the appropriate activity Coordinator or the Trips Trustee.

Newsletters

Send write-ups to: blazer@trailsclub.org

Submissions are due by the fifteenth of the month prior to publication.

Please use the following format:

Month Day (Day of week) Event Title - Class A, B, C

Description Text - Please include distance, elevation change, and round trip driving distance.

Do not capitalize full words, lines or sentences for emphasis
Day trip descriptions should be under 100 words.

Depart: Meeting place, with address if possible, and departure time

Leader: Name, Phone, and/or email.

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Send pictures, new events, corrections and anything else for the Trails Club of Oregon website to:
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