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JULY EVENTS

Event information, sign-up and scheduling are available on

TCO Website Calendar
https://trailsclub.org/activities/calendar
Meetup
www.meetup.com/Trails-Club-of-Oregon

6-16	Wed-Sat	Cumbres Pass to Beartown
6	Weds	Weds Eve Conditioning Hike
13	Weds	(Tent) Weds Eve Condit Hike
16	Sat	Hike & Dine Event at Tyee
20	Weds	Weds Eve Conditioning Hike
22-24	Fri-Sun	Nesika Work Trip
24-26	Sun-Tue	Mt Margaret Backpack
27	Weds	(Tent) Weds Eve Condit Hike
29-31	Fri-Sun	Tyee Work Party
31-5	Sun-Fri	Tyee Open



Welcome New TCO Members!

Nicole Beatty Dawn Ray



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SUMMER / FALL LODGE WORK TRIPS

NESIKA LODGE
July 22-24
July 29-31

Aug 19-21 Aug TBD
Sept 16-18 Sept 23-25
Oct 15-16 Oct 21-23

Seeking Trip Leaders!

We need leaders for day hikes, camping, biking and backpacking trips!
Email Trips Chair Crisse at: trips@trailsclub.org

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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:

Usually first Tuesday of the month, 7:00pm, over Zoom. See the calendar on the TCO website for the link if you wish to attend. Contact the President prior to a meeting if you have an issue to bring to the board.

Trails Club of Oregon & Meetup Websites

Our website (<u>TrailsClub.org</u>) is the official site for club events and information. There is also a Trails Club Meetup.com site that allows event planners to organize TCO events online, and publicize these events to a wider audience (<u>Meetup.com/Trails-Club-of-Oregon/events/</u>). However, all events posted on the TCO Meetup site should be added to our TCO website as well.

While we try to get every event in The Blazer and on the Trails Club website (www.trailsclub.org), some events, especially those planned on short notice, may not appear in The Blazer.

Use the Calendar menu item for a listing of events. Registration on the website is not required to view the events.

Also: All may use the Payment menu item on our website to pay your membership dues. You can pay for all members in a household in one transaction.

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Board Meeting

Board Meeting Minutes June 7, 2022 7:00-9:00, Zoom

Attendees:

President: Bev Drottar
Vice President: Jennifer Samuels
Treasurer: Rachel Eggers
Secretary: Rebecca Knudeson

Membership: Lori Leach
Publications: Joel Reitz
Nesika Trustee: Glen Conrad
Trips Trustee: Crisse Milner
Social Trustee: Julia Mace

Absent:

Tyee Trustee: Paul Cutter

Regular Business:

Minutes were approved by email prior to Blazer printing

1. Treasurer's Report, Rachel

Beginning Balance	. \$16,488
Checks and Payments	\$12,269
Deposits and Credits	\$403
Ending Balance	\$4,624
Sent a \$20,000 request to Chris Mor	ite for
withdrawal from the investment fund	for Nesika
rebuild and Tyee improvements.	
We owed no taxes.	

Discussed the Garmin and the need to raise the amount of messages. Trips Trustee should have access to information on use. It is meant to be shared among trip leaders.

Each of us needs to make sure we're not exceeding the budget. If we need to raise spending in an area, the board needs to be asked.

Voted to approve moving \$20,000 from Fidelity account into the general account.

2. Membership Report, Lori

No first readings.

Approved Second Readings:

Dawn Ray (Vancouver) Sponsored by Olivia Bakke and Julia Mace Nicole Beatty (Vancouver) Sponsored by Linda Conrad and Cynthia Lee

Reinstated:

Judy Immesoete Gail Georgenson

3. Publications Report, Joel

Hike and Dine is set up for prepayment. Joel will investigate setting up payments for lodge fees and meals for specific events on the website improving accountability. Stripe, our new payment method that replaces PayPal, is working out well.

4. Nesika Report, Glen

Thanks to Paul Cutter for help in hauling siding to the parking lot. Paul caught a shortage in order from Parr Lumber. He hauled in a load of firewood. There is a soft spot in the tractor trail that needs repair. We need to buy the paint for the siding. He's working on a low cost solution for the wood stove's hearth. We may need to wait until next year for the dorm's flooring. We will need to rent scaffolding planks for at least part of the summer in order to install the siding. July's work trip was extended by a few days for more time to work on the siding.

5. Tyee Report, Paul via email

The dorm updates are nearly complete, and drapes are at Adonica Marshall's for cutting and hemming. We're slowly buying material from the list created by Richard Gaunt for the south fire escape. Material will be moved up to Tyee when West Leg Road opens. Window painting will begin as soon as the snow clears. Paul will sponsor and pay for a loveseat, coffee table and two reading lights to be located where the audio equipment is at present. Mt Hood Meadows ski school canceled since they only had four participants. If this problem becomes regular, we may have to consider non-refundable deposits. Time will tell.

Board Meeting (continued)

Craig Gwydir will create a small photo show on this year's activities for the annual meeting. Following on from that, there is a bigger show/party titled "Before the snow flies" at Tyee on Sat. 11/19.

After one email and phone call to the Forest Service, (of which neither received a reply) regarding the Land Use form, he filled out the form and mailed it to the FS, on the advice of Cindy Lee, the previous treasurer. He stated, "Tyee not in use from March 2020 thru December 2021." We shall wait for the annual bill, maybe. Going forward it is his responsibility to record demographics and collect revenue numbers from the treasurer to complete the 2022 form.

6. Trips Report, Crisse

It was a slow month: 1 trip, 8 hikes. We are hosting a planning meeting this month to prepare for summer trips. Interested members are welcome to attend. There is a need for additional trip leaders and we would welcome all members who are interested to contact the trips chair to help host events. We will be posting in the Blazer and on FB to invite new leaders.

7. Social Report, Julia

The Annual Banquet was May 15, 2022. More than 60 people made the drive down to Champoeg State Park on a chilly, soggy spring day to attend the annual TCO Banquet. The afternoon event included a fun get to know you game organized by Paul Cutter, followed by special guest speaker Chandra LeGue, author of Oregon's Ancient Forests: A Hiking Guide who shared a slide presentation highlighting great hikes through ancient forests all over Oregon. Authentic old-timey string band music was provided by Possum Six Pack, who kept attendees entertained during the dining portion of the event. More than a few folks left with a smile on their face having won some of the great raffle prizes. A special thank you to all the volunteers that made this year's banquet a success: Olivia Bakke, Shirley Hoehne,

Jennifer Samuels, Paul Cutter, Dawn Ray, Kim Barnett, Nina Rohr, Joel Reitz, Bryan Carroll, Glen Conrad, Rebecca Knudeson and Julia Mace.

Plan to join us for the next Social Event which is a Hike and Dine hosted by Paul Cutter and Julia Mace at Tyee Lodge July 16th, Saturday. Watch for sign up details in June. Future Social Events: Hike and Dine at Nesika Lodge, 9/10/22, and the Annual Meeting, 11/13/22.

There is room for volunteers interested in helping organize and support the upcoming Social Events for 2022. All are welcome! This position will be open for a new chair in November. Join us now to get your feet wet! Just email me to express your interest. SocialChair@trailsclub.org

8. History Report, Linda Conrad

She inventoried history material is at Nesika. Joel has a flash drive of slides and it is in the Dropbox. We need a cupboard or display case to store things. A donation that meets our requirements would be great. We need help putting archival sleeves on material. She will try to have a history display at the Nesika Hike and Dine on September 10.

She's still looking for conservation leadership. Candice continues to send information to post on Facebook.

9. New Business:

We moved, seconded and unanimously approved to have a July meeting.

Next month we will discuss a motion to reduce fees for special groups that meet Forest Service goals for the property on which Tyee is located.

We moved, seconded and unanimously approved to require a \$100 deposit to hold reservations at the lodges for special outside groups. The total will be applied to the final lodge fees. \$50 is refundable if cancellation occurs more than 14 days before use."

Adjourned at 8:59 Next meeting, July 5, zoom

Submitted by Rebecca Knudeson, Secretary





Nesika Membership Hike. Photo: Chizuru



Gales Creek Story-Burn Hike. Photo: Dave Noyes



Save the Date! **Group Campout Milo McIver State** Friday, Sept 30 - Sun, Oct 2

This event is for up to 50 campers. There will be a group hike on Saturday, canoes available at Estacada Lake, and a potluck and campfire on Saturday evening. Signup opens on July 7 on Meetup – you'll be added to the waitlist, then contacted to register and make your non-refundable payment on the TCO website. Host: Paul Cutter







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Reminders

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

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.

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 trip leader if you have any questions 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.

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.

Fees

There is no charge to Trails Club members for day activities; nonmembers pay \$2. 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. Other fees may apply. If you have RSVP'd 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.

Blazer Editor: Jennifer Samuels

Send pictures, new events, corrections and anything else for the Trails Club of Oregon website to: webmaster@trailsclub.org