



Trail Blazer

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Upcoming Events

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June 6	Wed	Portland Evening Hike
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20	Wed	Portland Evening Hike
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24	Sun	Clackamas River Trail
24	Sun	Sauvie Island Kayak
24	Sun	Watermelon Ride

Upcoming Events

23-26	Sat-Tues	Kelso Valley to Tehachipi Pass
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27	Wed	Portland Morning Hike
30	Sat	Frog lake Butt Loop
30-July4	Sat-Wed	PCT
30	Sat	Trapper Creek Trail
July 1	Sun	Neahkahnie Mountain
July 4	Wed	Nesika Party
TRIP FEES: Members. \$1; Guests \$2; Carpool 10 cents/mile		

Gentle Reminders

- Class A –Shorter, less strenuous activity, Class B –Longer miles, more elevation gain, Class C –Long and difficult – strong experienced participants only. Harsh or unusual conditions may greatly increase the exertion and skill required. Please be prepared for level of the hike you are planning to take with the Trails Club.
- Good walking shoes or boots are required on the trail. Boots are recommended for B/C hikes.
- Bring plenty of water and a sack lunch. Please, no alcohol.
- Pets allowed on designated trips only.
- Everybody should stay with the group and follow the hike leader. The hike leader is responsible for the group's safety. The hike leader is responsible for determining trails to be taken. Last, but not least, the leader has authority to determine if a hiker is prepared for the hike. Group safety must come first.
- If you have reserved for an activity at a lodge that involves 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
- The Trips Trustee will approve all hikes.

Rendezvous is often the MAX Gateway Transit Park & Ride lot. Take Glisan exit off I-205. Head east to 99th Ave. then turn north. The old meeting place at Gateway - in the SE corner of the surface parking lot is now fenced off and there is only paid parking so don't park there. Continue north a little further along 99th Ave and use the new parking garage that has just been completed. There are 690 spaces available and they are free with a 24-hour limit

A cell Phone was found in the snow outside Tyee Lodge. It has a dead battery so there is no clue to the owner. If Arleta (360-607-2864) hears nothing in June she will turn it into Verizon.

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Events

May 26 (Sat.) Salmonberry River Hike - Class B

We will hike down the railroad from Cochran for five or six miles and then return to Cochran. This should be a pleasant late spring hike in an interesting Tillamook Forest canyon. The hike will be about 12 miles with about 800 feet of elevation loss and gain.

Meet: 8:00 AM at Cedar Hill Albertsons Parking lot. We will meet at the north end between Wells Fargo and Bascom Robins. From hwy. 26 take either exit 68 Cedar Hills or the Barnes road exit. From hwy 217 only the Barnes road exit works. Leader: Merrill Hugo 503-293-5102

May 30 (Wed) Morning hike - Class A

We hike 4 to 5 miles, usually in Forest Park, then lunch nearby.

Meet: Wallace Park between NW 25th & 26th on Raleigh at 9:30 AM
Leader: Randy Dietrich 503-245-5762

May 30 (Wed) Evening Hike - Class B

We will hike approximately 6 miles with 500 (or more cumulative) feet elevation gain in the West Hills and Forest Park.

MEET: Wallace Park (Raleigh side), NW 25th and Raleigh, 6 PM-8PM ish

Leader: Lisa Brice - 503-682-2952

June 2 (Sat) PIONEER CENTURY BIKE Class B+

This is a ride with the Portland Wheelman Bicycle Club. See http://www.pwtc.com/index.php/schedule/more/spring_century/ for registration and more details. We will choose the route the day of the ride, probably the 45-mile loop.

Fees: pre-registration \$15. /member \$20. /non-member, after May 19...\$25. Please confirm participation with the leader by 9PM on Friday.

MEET: Registration Desk, Clackamas (Canby) Fairgrounds; 8:00 AM.

LEADER: Lou Sowa 503-320-0440 lsowa@earthlink.net

June 2 (Sat) Surveyor's Ridge – Class A

Highlights include magnificent glimpses of Mt. Hood and the Hood River Valley, weather permitting, and possible wildflowers. Try this hiking route from a non-traditional trailhead. Walk about 7 miles with rolling up and down elevation gain. We will be at about 4000 feet elevation overall. Drive 150 miles round trip.

MEET: 8:30 a.m. at Gateway Transit Center parking garage.

LEADER: Carolyn Jenkins 503-422-6456

June 2 (Sat) and 3 (Sun) Tyee work weekend

This is the first Tyee work weekend of the year. After the long winter the lodge needs some spring cleaning. We will clean, take inventory, clear branches and fallen trees and start to prepare the lodge to be resealed later in the year. Tyee will be open by 10:00 am on June 2nd and will close by 2 pm on June 3rd.

Call Charlie Adams 503-239-6950 (redrasp@aol.com) no later than Wednesday May 30th. I am still looking for a cook, give a call if your interested.

June 3 (Sun) Yamhill River Kayak or Canoe, Class 2B

From Lafayette to Newberg it's 12 river miles, half of it on the lazy Yamhill, the last portion is on the Willamette which offers a little more challenge, therefore this trip is rated moderately strenuous 4 to 5 hours on the water. Looking for turtles and beavers or red tail hawks and blue herons, as well as ski boats and jet skis once we get to the Willamette. Please check the website www.trailsclub.org

Events/Kayak for requirements to join this trip. Registration required.

Meet 8:30AM Rodgers Landing Newberg.

Leader: Gerda Eck, 503-654-1353 gerdaeck@msn.com

June 3rd (Sun) Clackamas River Trail -Class B

Hike along the Clackamas River 7.2 miles round-trip to Pup Creek Falls, approx.

750 feet elevation gain.

Meet: 9:00am in Clackamas. Take Exit 12A off I-205 (going S), right on 82nd Dr, left into Greenhouse Square (strip mall) parking lot and park near Taco Bell.

Round trip driving distance 66 mi. NW Forest Pass required at trail-head.

Leader: Vicki Wood, 503-659-1423, vw48@comcast.net

June 4 (Mon) Tanner Creek to Cascade Locks Bike Ride-Class A

We will ride 1.5 miles from Tanner Creek Parking Lot to Eagle Creek and then

2.5 miles to Cascade Locks for ice cream. The paved and level trail follows the abandoned Historic Columbia River Hwy with great views on the overlook above tooth rock tunnel and then on through another tunnel under I-84. A delightful and fun trip for a weekday evening. Return is along the same path.

Meet: 6 pm at Gateway for a short car trip to Tanner Creek.

Leader: Allen Burrell, 503-654-1353 or burrell@teleport.com

June 6 (Wed) Morning hike - Class A

We hike 4 to 5 miles, usually in Forest Park, then lunch nearby.

Meet: Wallace Park between NW 25th & 26th on Raleigh at 9:30 AM

Leader: Alan Kotz 503-636-7530

June 6 (Wed) Evening Hike - Class B

We will hike approximately 6 miles with 500 (or more cumulative) feet elevation gain in the West Hills and Forest Park.

MEET: Wallace Park (Raleigh side), NW 25th and Raleigh, 6 PM-8PM ish

Leader: Donna Covi 503-286-7243 Wallace Park (Raleigh side),

NW 25th and Raleigh, 6 PM-8PM ish

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Oregon Outback Ramble June 8-11

Yes, there is an Oregon East of the Cascades!!

And there are a couple of spaces still available.

Visit Pine Mt. Observatory, hike to top of Paiute Butte, Fort Rock and Yamsay Mt., explore Christmas Valley and Crack-in-the-Ground and dine at the Cowboy Dinner Tree (\$20.75 per person, cash only accepted). We will camp at three different locations and drive about 600 miles. It will be a busy four days. Limited to 10 and must have reservations to me no later than April 30.

Merrill Newman 503-646-3829

merrilln@ix.netcom.com

Saturday, June 9th - Strawberry Bike Ride

We'll join the Santiam Spokes Bicycle Club for their 15th Annual Strawberry Century. We'll do the half Century, namely 53 miles, over rolling Mid Willamette Valley country side and farmland. Low traffic count roads, fantastic support and rest stops, topped off by Fresh Strawberry Shortcake and Ice Cream for all riders at the finish line. Ride leaves from Lebanon High School in Lebanon, Oregon. Pre-registration is \$20.00, day of the ride \$25. Pre-registration closes May 20th. Contact Gerda Eck for more information: 503-654-1353, gerdaeck@msn.com

CALL GERDA IF YOU'RE PLANNING TO COME, IN ORDER FOR US TO CARPOOL TO LEBANON, or meet up at the High School.

June 9/10 (Sat-Sun) "Expotition" at Tyee

Come explore around our mountain home with a young child. If you are brave, you may sleep out in the "hundred acre wood" next to the lodge. The lodge will open at 11 am Saturday and close at 2 pm Sunday. Saturday dinner and Sunday breakfast will be provided with children who are under 10 years of age at a reduced price.

Although the trip is designed for 5-10 year olds with a responsible adult, everyone is welcome.

Register for meals and lodging by 9 pm, Wednesday, June 6 by phoning June Smelser, 503-668-4060 or e-mail, junesmelsers@yahoo.com.

June 9th (Sat.) Nesika Membership Hike - Class B

A beautiful trek up from Multnomah Lodge to the historic and tranquil grounds of Nesika Lodge, offering a babbling creek, wildflowers, lush woods and gradual elevation along the way. Trails club folks will be at the lodge working so it will be open for your visit. Bring water and lunch or snacks.

Approx. 7-8 miles rt, 1800-1900' elev. gain. moderate pace.

Meet: Multnomah Lodge by 9:00 a.m.

Leader: Jane Garbisch (503) 314-2233.

June 9 and 10 Nesika Work Weekend

This is the month to wash and seal the logs over the lodge. We will need at least one helper who is skillful with an airless sprayer.

The process will involve scrubbing the logs with a cleaner, treating them with a bleach, and then spraying on the sealer. If we have enough people we will continue with our other maintenance chores around the lodge. Our cook will be Nina Rohrs. For those without keys meet at the intersection of Brauer Rd. and Palmer Mill Rd. at 9:00 AM Saturday.

Register with Merrill Hugo 503-293-5102 by 9 PM Wed. June 6

June 10 (Sun.), Silver Star Mountain, Class B

The highest point between Mount St. Helens and the Columbia River, Silver Star dominates Vancouver's eastern skyline. It is famous for its wildflower displays; we saw more than 30 species two years ago. If skies are clear, we will view five Cascade peaks from the summit.

Hike 6.5 miles with 1,500 ft, elevation gain.

MEET: Clark Public Utilities Orchards Service Center, 8600 NE 117th Ave., Vancouver. Take I-205 to Padden Parkway exit; turn east on Padden Parkway to NE 117th Ave. (2nd traffic light) and turn left. Take the first left turn into the Clark Public Utilities parking lot. 8:30 a.m.

LEADER: Susan Saul, (360) 892-5643; sunrisecreek@yahoo.com

June 10 (Sun) Barlow Pass to Frog Lake

PCTA Trail Maintenance Mt. Hood National Forest

We will log out and do tread work and brushing. We will focus our attention starting a mile from the Barlow Pass trailhead (at the junction to Palmetteer Viewpoint) to the southern junction of the Twin Lakes Loop. It will be a 5 mile hike with car shuttle between the two trailheads. Crew Leader: Roberta Cobb and tel #503-579-2841

June 13 (Wed) Morning hike - Class A

We hike 4 to 5 miles, usually in Forest Park, then lunch nearby.

Meet: Wallace Park between NW 25th & 26th on Raleigh at 9:30 AM

Leader: Phil Crosby 503-636-1853

June 13 (Wed) Evening Hike - Class B SPECIAL COUNCIL CREST 9 MILE 3 HOURS!!!!

We will hike approximately 9 miles with 1000 (or more cumulative) feet elevation gain in the West Hills and Forest Park over to Council Crest.

MEET: Wallace Park (Raleigh side), NW 25th and Raleigh, 6 PM-9PM ish

Leader: Gerda Eck - 503-654-1353

June 14th, Thursday, Puget Island Bike Ride

Enjoy low traffic roads on this island with a possible visit to Skamokawa and the Wildlife Refuge. Mileage is around 30 to 40 miles. Please register with leader by Wednesday to determine meeting place and time.

Leader: Gisela Piercy, 503 648-5885

June 16 (Sat) Nehalem River Kayak - Rating 2C

Please check the Trip Rating System document TCO Kayak web page to understand the trip rating to be sure you have the skills and endurance for this trip. Check out the Trip Rating System document on the kayak page of the Trails Club of Oregon website to determine if you have the skills & endurance to handle the trip.

The Lower Nehalem River is one of many scenic Oregon coastal rivers. It meanders through quiet farmland for about six miles then enters a more material environment. The plan is to ride the rising tide up the river and return on the falling tide. The total distance can range from 10 to 14 miles depending upon the conditions and consensus of the group. The drive is about 2 - 2 1/2 hours from Portland. There are several Oregon State campgrounds close to the point of departure if you would like to camp at the coast the night before.

Contact the leader for details and the possibility of a camp-out the night before.

REGISTER: Reserve a spot by June 13. The group is limited to 10 kayaks.

MEET: Contact Trip Leader

LEADER: Rex Silvernail humshwa@pacifier.com 360-263-7225.

June 16 (Sat) Mirror Lake & Tom-Dick Mtn Hike - Class A/B

Join us on a beautiful hike for the June Tyee Hike and Dine. Easy climb to a sub alpine lake mirroring Mt. Hood. We will continue with a more difficult hike to the viewpoint, taking in the wildflowers and beautiful rhododendrons. Fantastic view provided we all do our "sundance." Have luncheon & enjoy the overwhelming view of it all from the top. Hoping to take in Mt. Hood, Mt. Jefferson, Govt Camp, etc. Five dollar pass required per car. Be sure to register with the Tyee host for dinner and/or overnight. We will be about five miles away from Tyee Lodge.

Hike: 6.4 miles round trip w/ 1,500 feet elevation gain

Starting at 3,400 elev. hike to 4,920.

Meet: 9:30 a.m. at Troutdale Outlet Mall Exit 17 off I-84

Or at 10:30 a.m. at Mt. Hood Information Center Milepost 39 on 26

Leaders: Callista Dunn 503 330-7344 and

Ron & Lloyd Pettichord 503 223-303

June 16/17 Sat. and Sun. Tyee Hike and Dine Dinner at 6pm Sat.

You are invited to stay overnight, enjoy the lodge, and have breakfast on Sun. The lodge will open at 9am on Sat. and close at 2pm on Sun. This will be hearty middle America fare.

Contact Gary or Joan Ragan by Wed. the 13th.

503-668-6622

June 20 (Wed) Morning hike - Class A

We hike 4 to 5 miles, usually in Forest Park, then lunch nearby.

Meet: Wallace Park between NW 25th & 26th on Raleigh at 9:30 AM

Leader: Nancy Overpeck 360-573-6878

June 20 (Wed) Evening Hike - Class B

We will hike approximately 6 miles with 500 (or more cumulative) feet elevation gain in the West Hills and Forest Park.

MEET: Wallace Park (Raleigh side), NW 25th and Raleigh, 6 PM-8PM ish

Leader: Gini Bateman 503-475-8712

June 21, (Thurs) 6 p.m Picnic at Grabriel Park.

45th Ave and Vermont

St. We'll be eating at the North end of park nearer to Vermont Street.

New hiking trails on the South end of the park. Pool is on 45th Ave.

Bring your favorite dish to share tableware. I will bring lemonade and door prizes. For information call Nancy Overpeck 360-573-6878.

June 23 (Sat) Hamilton Mountain Hike - Class B

Come hike an old favorite. Enjoy varied terrain including waterfalls and stunning Gorge views. 8 miles, 2260 ft elevation gain. Meet:

Gateway Transit Center, 9:00 a.m. departure

Leader: Bonnie Berneck, blberneck@msn.com

June 23-26 Kelso Valley Rd to Tehachapi Pass Backpack: Class

C 49.4 miles. To register call or email Linda Conrad @ 360 837-

3875 or lcgrconrad@aol.com. Own transportation will need to be

arranged. Two prequalifying hikes necessary, or preapproval of hike leader.

June 24 (Sun.) Clackamas River Trail Class B

We will hike 7.2 miles round trip along the river from the Fish Creek Trail Head to Pup Creek Falls. 1200 elevation gain. This is a fantastic

high falls in a lush narrow canyon. 30 miles round trip from Estacada

Meet: Estacada Ranger Station at 8:30 am

Leader: Joan Ragan 503-668-6622

June 24 (Sun) Sauvie Island Kayak - Rating: 2C

Sauvie Island, just minutes north of Portland off Hwy 30, is bounded by the Columbia River on the east and Multnomah Channel on the

west. The island is large enough to contain numerous lakes and sloughs. The level of most of the internal bodies or arms of water is

affected by tides. This paddle trip will include flowing waters and

lakes. The exact put-in spot and destination will be determined by

the water level, but expect a course that winds through several of the

bodies of water on the island, perhaps even a loop. Check the kayak

page on the web as the date nears for the probable put-in site and

route. Max # of boats: 15. Contact the leader to reserve a spot and

for the meeting time and place.

Leader: Rich Fuhs, (503) 690-5077, Rich.Fuhs@Verizon.Net

June 24 (Sun) WATERMELON RIDE

The annual Watermelon Ride sponsored by the Salem Bike Club.

The rides are 50 miles, 100 miles, 125 miles and 200 miles. Rides

start and end at the Polk County Fair Grounds in Rickreall – 0.7 miles

south of the intersection of Hwy 99W and Hwy 22. Get registration

forms from local bike shops or the Internet

www.salembicycleclub.org

Our plan is to ride the 50 mile. The ride is supported with stops

every 25 miles with food and energy drinks. Also register with trip

leader by Saturday June 23.

MEET: Near the main car entrance to the Polk County fair grounds.

LEADER: Ralph Rogers 503-434-6283 rogers8@verizon.net

June 27 (Wed) Morning hike - Class A

We hike 4 to 5 miles, usually in Forest Park, then lunch nearby.

Meet: Wallace Park between NW 25th & 26th on Raleigh at 9:30 AM

Leader: Phillip Jackson 503-634-6250

June 27 (Wed) Evening Hike - Class B

We will hike approximately 6 miles with 500 (or more cumulative) feet elevation gain in the West Hills and Forest Park.

MEET: Wallace Park (Raleigh side), NW 25th and Raleigh, 6 PM-8PM ish

Leader: Lisa Brice 503-682-2952

June 30 (Sat) Frog Lake Butte Loop Hike - Class A/B

This Mt Hood area hike begins at Frog Lake SnoPark. We'll start by following the PCT to the Lower Twin Lake. Then up, up, up to the summit of Frog lake Butte. Return to cars by a different route. TH Pass needed.

Hike: 7 miles w/ 1,600' elevation gain

Drive: 100 R/T miles

Meet: 8:30 @ Gresham Village Shopping Center on Burnside

Leader: Kelly Marlin, 503 665 6778

June 30-July 4: PCT Backpack

Hwy 99 by Ashland to Hwy 140 by Fish Lake. A 2- day backpack & 3 day hikes = 54 PCT So. OR miles. Part in Cascade- Siskiyou Natl Mon & part in Sky King Cole Ranch that Congress may buy. Register by June 25 with Ken Becker 360-993-5372 or BeckerKen @ juno.com.

June 30 (Sat) Trapper Creek Trail - Class C

Huge 7 –foot –thick Douglas firs, views of Trapper Creek, waterfalls, Observation Peak, blue gentians and bluebells highlight this 15 mile and 3200 feet elevation gain hike.

Meet: MAX Gateway Transit Park at 7:15; Depart at 7:30 AM

Driving miles: 120 RT

Leader: Mervin Murphy 360-696-1084

July 1st (Sunday); Neahkahnie Mountain; Class B Hike to one of the premiere photo locations on the Oregon coast with expansive views.

We'll climb 1200 feet and hike a total of 5.5 miles. We'll ascend on the southwest trail and come down the northwest trail ending up at Short Sands beach in Oswald West State Park for a picnic lunch with an ocean view.

A short car shuttle is involved.

Meet at the NE corner of the Fred Meyer parking lot at the Cornelius Pass exit off of US 26 west of Portland at 8:30 AM.

(Cornelius Pass is the next exit west of the 185th exit; Fred Meyer is a block south of US 26)

Leader: Richard Gaunt 971-404-1153 or rgaunt@comcast.net

July 4th. (Wed). Time to plan for the Fourth!

Celebrate at Nesika for the day or spend the night and have breakfast. Grill will be ready. Bring your own meat or veggie burgers. Buns, Condiments, Salads, desserts and Coffee, Tea, and Lemonade will be furnished. Cost: \$4:00. Please call by July 1st if you are coming. Gate opens at 9:30 am if you don't have a key.

We may have folks coming at other times and can arrange to let you know.

For information and reservations (so we know how much food to buy). Call Nancy Overpeck 360-573-6878 NO FIREWORKS. Bring your own lunch.

NO wed evening HIKE ON JULY 4TH. ENJOY THE FIREWORKS!!!!

Trails Ahead

July 28-29 Bell creek Trail Work trip

Call Merrill Hugo @ 503 293 5102 or Linda Conrad @ 360 837 3875 to register.

2007 Alpine Outing

Registration for the 2007 Alpine Outing in the White Cloud Mountains is closed. All twelve places in both weeks have been filled.

Aug 4-7 Russian Peak Wilderness between Trinity Alps & Marble Mountain contact Merrill Hugo 503-293-5102

Aug 18-20: PCT

Hwy 138 Diamond Lk Hwy to Rd 60 Windigo Pass via Mt Thielsen = 30 miles. Register by Aug 13 with Ken Becker 360-993-5372 or BeckerKen @ juno.com.

Mazamas Invite TC to hike the Olympic Peninsula August 25 - 31, 2007

The Mazamas would like it invite Trails Club member to hike or climb in the Olympic Peninsula and Sequim, WA area (or enjoy sightseeing at your leisure!) Each day numerous hikes and a climb will be offered. We will be staying in Ramblewood which has a main building with a fully equipped kitchen and a bathhouse. There are various sleeping arrangements available and cost (\$112 to \$148) will be based on what you choose. Call Carolyn Jenkins at 503-422-6456, or carolynjnkns1@netzero.net for information or to register.

2007 Senior Outing

Please note the changed dates for this year's Senior Outing. Our date is from September 30 - October 5th inclusive. The reservations for lodging have been confirmed and are as follows: First night Quinalt Lodge, Monday at Kalaloch, Tuesday at Neah Bay, Wednesday at Crescent Lake Lodge, and the final evening at Port Townsend. As you can see there will be a move and travel each day with birding, hikes, visiting Museums and Information Centers. Your contact for more information as it develops is Leonard Murphy at lenmurphy@juno.com or 503-665-6449. We are working with the Audubon Society of Portland for this outing and therefore I can only pass on info. as it develops from them.

Trails Club Kayaking

The on-the-water season is fast approaching. We have a few trips scheduled (see below), and more will be coming. Keep checking the Trips section of the Kayak web page for the latest information.

This year all kayak trips will be rated, so you will know what skills may be needed, the conditions that may be encountered, and the endurance will be required. Check out the Trip Rating System document on the web for more information.

All participants on kayak trips should be proficient with paddle strokes, directional control, wet exit, and wet re-entry. Courses which provide these skills and will prepare you for any of the trips we will offer this year are offered on April 29 and May 6. Check out the Safety & Training section on the kayak web page for more information on these classes. The Trails Club will reimburse half the cost of these safety courses when you complete them. The Guidelines for Participants document, found on the kayak web page, should give you all the information you need to prepare for a kayak trip.

All leaders of kayak trips must take the kayak leadership class which is offered on Saturday, June 2 from 10-1. The Trails Club will reimburse 1/2 of the cost once you complete the course. Sign up with Portland Kayak Co. The Leader documents, available on the kayak web page, can help you plan, publicize, lead, and review a kayak trip.

Now pick a destination and start planning your trip!

We are partnering with Portland Kayak Co. again this year. Portland Kayak offers the safety & skills courses for participants including the required leadership course for leaders. It offers a 10% discount on new kayaks (custom order or in-stock) if at least 5 members place an order or make a deposit by May 1. See the web page for dates when you can try out boats. Members get 10% discount on accessories

KAYAK TRIPS

Aug 20-24	Paddle Oregon
Aug 24-26	Skamokawa - Lower Columbia Kayak Roundup

Contact Rich Fuhs, (503) 690-5077 or Rich.Fuhs@Verizon.Net, if you have any questions

Hike and Dine schedule

June 16/17	Tyee
July 21/22	Tyee
Aug 18/19	Tyee
Sept 15/16	Tyee
Oct 20/21	Tyee

Board meetings

At the board meeting we decided to meet on the SECOND TUESDAY of each month for the rest of the year at least. Therefore, the next board meetings will be:

May 8	June 12
July 10	Aug 14
Sept 11	Oct 9
Nov 13	Dec 11

2007 Bike Schedule

June 2, Sat.	Pioneer Century	Louis Sowa
June 4, Mon Eve	Eagle Creek/Cascade Locks	Allen Burrell
June 9, Sat	Strawberry Century	Gerda Eck
June 14, Thur.	Puget Island	Gisela Piercy
June 18, Mon Eve.	Sauvie Island	Lisa Brice
June 24, Sun	Watermelon Ride	Ralph Rogers
July 16, Mon Eve	Springwater Corridor	Audrey Perino
July 28, Sat.	Buena Vista	Louis Sowa

2007 Lodge Work Weekends

Nesika	Tyee
July 14 & 15	
August 11 & 12	August 11 & 12
September 8 & 9	September 8 & 9
October TBD	

2007 Backpack Schedule

Jun 8-11	Outback Ramble Car Camp Merrill Newman
Jul 4-7	Strawberry Mt Diana Forester
Jul 20-22	Senoj Lk – Mirror Lk 24 mi Merrill Newman
Aug 25-Sep 1	Mt Adams and Goat Rocks 62 mi PCT Diana Forester
Sep 3-9	Hwy 140 – Hwy 138 76 mi PCT Merrill Newman
TBA	Hwy 58 – Charlton Lk 17 mi Merrill Newman

Let's Talk About

Our thoughts for Callista Dunn's family with the death of her father.

Lila Grossman received an award for her volunteer work at the Main Library in Portland Oregon

Maintaining Hiking Trails: Imagine your Teenager's Summer Vacation... Outside

Do you know a high school student who loves to be outdoors? Is your teenager anxious to experience new challenges, learn new skills and meet new people?

Sign them up for a Washington Trails Association Volunteer Vacation this year, exclusively for high school students. Participants learn all about the world of building and maintaining hiking trails, experienced in a safe, teamwork-oriented environment in the scenic Cascade Mountains, in Wallace Falls State Park, or in Beacon Rock State Park, near Stevenson, Washington, in the Columbia River Gorge. The Beacon Rock State Park dates are August 5-10. WTA provides experienced crew leaders, a great project, some camping gear (tents and sleeping pads) and delicious meals for the week. Learn more about Volunteer Vacations for Youth by e-mailing or calling Krista at Krista@wta.org or 206-625-1367.

From The Trail Blazer, May 1938

JUNE 25, 26 -- SALMON BUTTE: Here is one of your favorite climbs. It offers a good workout and a magnificent view which includes Mt. Hood. Saturday night we will hike one and one half miles to a beautiful camping ground on an island in the Salmon River. Bring your swimming suits. (Hi, Kiddies remember the Ollalie Lake trip last fall? Sam promises -- well, come join the fun.) Register with Sam Jacobson, BE6083, Friday night, June 24. Transportation, 80¢; trip charge, 25¢.



Board of Trustees Meeting – February 22, 2007

Trails Club of Oregon

Minutes Trustees Meeting May 7, 2007

Craig called the meeting to order at 7:45 PM. Charles Adams and Diana Forester were absent.

The April 5 minutes were approved as submitted.

Treasurer's Report- Balance 3/31/07 \$14,828.72

April deposits 873.50

April Checks - 4,376.72

Balance 4/30/07 \$11,325.50

We discussed preparing the annual financial report and agreed that it should be prepared just before the annual meeting in November.

Membership- Joyce gave first readings for Shirley E. Hoehne , Pat K. Maklin, and Corrin Struempf.

Stephen C. Benson, Elaine H. Nelson, Peter M. Nelson, Maria K Oirkha, Sherry A. Tuell, A. Ronald (Ron) Ture and Yoshiko Ture were elected members.

Trips- The board affirmed that we would not collect trip fees for trail maintenance trips.

Publications- Fendall said there was a 10 day lag from the time he submitted the copy to the finished printing for the last Blazer.

Social- Nancy reported a successful hike and dine at Nesika with 35 people attending. There will be a picnic at Sellwood Park May 17, and a hike and dine at Tyee on May 19. She urged us to make more use of Nesika.

Lodges- George Milne will host a church men's group retreat at Nesika June 2 & 3.

June Smelser will use Tyee for a Kid's trip June 9 & 10

Brian Wagstaff and Lee Squiers will have a family reunion at Tyee Aug. 12 & 13

Merrill Hugo will host the Friends of the Gorge Board at Nesika on a weeknight in July (tentative) Fees will be waived for this group.

Old Business- A road maintenance account for Nesika will be set up. A review of the Board minutes for 2000 to 2007 didn't find any board action requiring first aid training.

New Business - Virginia Larsen was approved as our new Administrative Assistant.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 PM

Respectfully submitted Merrill Hugo

Membership Notes (March '07 Trail Blazer)

Do you know a prospective new member? Send their name and address to membership@trailsclub.org for them to receive a couple of Blazers for free. This is the best way to report guest information from hikes, lodge visits, and other trips.

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Elaine H. Nelson

Peter M. Nelson

Maria K. Oirkha (Junior)

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June 2007

Lodge Scheduling Guidelines and Procedures:

The following guidelines are used for scheduling and reserving our beautiful lodges for club sponsored and general membership usage. These guidelines help assure that training has been provided for all members wishing to host an event at a lodge and that lodge availability is fair to club members.

1. Only Members in good standing can schedule and open our lodges.
2. To host a lodge event you need to have been checked out for opening and closing the lodge, request a lodge key and request current instructions from the Lodge and Properties chairperson.
3. If more than five **non-members per member** will be at a lodge, board approval is required to use a lodge.
4. Private groups using the lodge will allow other Trails Club members to also use the lodge when space is available.

The following procedure is used to schedule a lodge event. This procedure avoids conflicting schedules.

1. Check for available date(s) by contacting the Vice President or the website at <http://www.trailsclub.org/events/lodge-open.htm>.
2. Events chairpersons (Winter Sports, Social, etc.) also need to clear the dates with the Vice President.
3. Contact the Vice President to schedule the lodge date. If board approval is required, the VP will make the request at the next board meeting and notify you when you are approved. The VP will notify the webmaster to put your event on the Lodges calendar.
4. Once the lodge event date has been approved, it is your responsibility to submit a Blazer article to get your event on the monthly calendar.

5. A Lodge Host packet will be sent to you with all necessary forms.
After hosting at a lodge the hosting forms must be completed returned, with the lodge fees, to the Lodge & Properties chair.
6. When one or more persons uses one of the lodges without a host, then one person must collect the fees, fill out the forms and send both to the Lodge & Properties chair.

Webmaster: Karen Yanhs
Vice President: Randy Dietrich
Lodge & Properties Trustee: Charlie Adams

2007 Newsletters

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