



Trail Blazer

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May 1	Sun	Monster Cookie Metric Century Bike Ride — Class B/C

Scheduling is updated on web site www.trailsclub.org

Meeting places are detailed at the end of events section.

TRIP FEES: Members, \$1; Guests \$2; Carpool 15 cents/mile

Announcements

88th Annual Banquet
Sunday, April 10, 2011 at 6 p.m.
Monarch Hotel
12566 S.E. 93rd Avenue
(South of Clackamas Town Center)
Speaker: Photographer author Alan Bauer
Contact: Callista Snively
503-330-7344 or Kissta9@gmail.com
Reservation Deadline: Wed. March 30, 2011
Registration form is on the web

Annual Banquet Speaker

This year's banquet features Alan Bauer, professional freelance photographer and author, specializing in the natural history of the Pacific Northwest and coverage of local history. He will share his most enjoyed adventures and stories from the years he spent hiking Washington's South Cascades while working on the new Day Hiking series published by The Mountaineers Books.

First Aid Class Offered

We are holding a "When Help Is Delayed First Aid" plus CPR Day. The training will be by Northwest Responder as in the past. A two year certification will be given. This will be free for Trails Club event leaders and it is recommended that all event leaders have these certifications. To make this class happen we need minimum attendance of ten people. Meet Saturday, May 14 at Rose Villa Fellowship Hall, 13505 SE River Road, Milwaukie OR. Start at 9:00 AM (participants must be on time) and go to 4:00 PM. Lunch (bring your own or purchase) is from 11:00 to 12:00 noon. Register with Carolyn Jenkins by April 30 at 503-422-6456.

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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 \$45 in dues for first household member, \$25 for each additional household member or those over 65 years of age and a \$15 entrance fee.

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Weekend Hike Coordinators Needed August, October , November, and January 2012

We need your help. If you are a club member please consider gathering weekend hike leaders and meeting the Trail Blazer deadlines. You could sign up hike leaders by phone. You could do it by e-mail. You could put on a big pot of soup and have a "Soup and Signup Night". You could meet at a library. You could come up with your own unique plan for gathering hike leaders. A list of members who are possible hike leaders is available. I will be glad to help you with this important tradition. Let's keep weekend hikes going strong!
Trips Trustee Carolyn Jenkins at 503-422-6456 or carolynjnkns1@netzero.net

Backpack Coordinator and Kayak Coordinator Needed

These Coordinators find leaders for either kayak events or backpack events and oversee getting event notices sent in before the Trail Blazer deadline each month. For more information and help please contact Trips Trustee Carolyn Jenkins at 503-422-6456 or carolynjnkns1@netzero.net

Trails Club T-Shirts

Please arrange to pick up your t-shirt if you have not already done so. There are 4 extra t-shirts if anyone would like to purchase one: (all in forest green)

Size M Short Sleeved Cotton w/ logo only, \$8
Size XL Short Sleeved Cotton with logo & graphic, \$8
Size XL Short Sleeved Dry Mesh (wicking) with logo & graphic, \$19
Size 2XL Short Sleeved Dry Mesh (wicking) with logo & graphic, \$21

Contact Vicki Wood, 503-659-1423/ vw48@comcast.net

Lodge Usage Clarification by the Board of Trustees

There is a minimum Lodge fee charge of \$50.00 for opening Tyee Lodge. This minimum is waived for a Hosted or Host Only event published in the Blazer or posted a minimum of 7-days prior on the Trails Club web-site. Please refer to the definitions below.

Hosted Event: The Host and/or Cook will provide meals.
Host Only Event: The lodge will be open without meals provided.

Incidental Use: An event that has not been published per the requirements above.

If \$50.00 has been collected for overnight fees, the minimum has been met.

Mileage Awards

The time has passed for submitting your application for 2010 mileage awards. March 1st was the deadline and

awards will be presented at the Annual Banquet in April. So why bring it up? Now you can get ready for next year's banquet and maybe you will get an award. The Mary Lou Greene High Miller Award goes to the person who logs the most total miles on club hikes, backpacks, snowshoes, X-C skis, kayaks and a percentage of bike rides. The Una Davies High Traveler Award goes to the member who has logged the most new miles on the Pacific Crest Trail in Oregon, Washington and California. Each of us is responsible for keeping track of our own miles. Forms are available on our website. Print a form and write down your miles as the year of 2011 goes by. That way none of your precious miles will be forgotten.

Hike Leaders Meeting

In March hike leaders met at the Hollywood Library. Out of that meeting came many commitments to lead hikes in April, May, June and July. The summer hiking schedule is well on its way thanks to all these people stepping forward. Information about leading hikes was shared. Favorite hikes were described with much enthusiasm! I got the feeling leaders, experienced or new, came away excited about their upcoming hikes. Join them!
Carolyn Jenkins

Bicycle Committee at Work

One recent evening, thanks to Bicycle Coordinator Allen Burrell's planning, and fueled by Gerda Eck's tasty soup and cornbread, plus yummy contributions by other committee members, the bicycle group sat together and organized their schedule for this summer. A lot of thought, plotting and good natured kidding happened along the way. What a fun group! Watch for their schedule.
Carolyn Jenkins

Events

Mar 30 (Wed) Morning Hike—Class A/B

We hike 4 to 6 miles, for 2 to 4 hours, usually in Forest Park, then lunch at a nearby cafe. If you would like to know the distance or difficulty of the hike call the leader. Depart: Wallace Park on NW Raleigh St at 9:30 AM
Leader: Mike Harrison 503-239-3497

Apr 2-3 (Sat-Sun) Nesika Weekend with William Sullivan. and Hike—Class B

Come enjoy a great weekend with William Sullivan, an avid hiker and backpacker who will be spending the weekend with us at Nesika, giving us a picture show and promoting his newest books. Someone will meet people on Sat. 9:00 AM at upper Larch Mountain Road gate. If you want to come in Fri. to help set up, let Linda know. Dogs welcome in doggie camp, NOT in lodges, and must be on leashes and controlled. Owners must poop scoop. Register early, (maximum 60), with Linda Conrad at lcgrconrad@aol.com or 360-837-3875.

Gregg Carson will lead a hike up from Multnomah Falls Sat. AM. 9 miles RT, elevation gain of 1500 feet. Meet at Gateway 7:30 AM or at Multnomah Falls 8:00 AM

Apr 3 (Sun) Eagle Creek Hike—Class A

Walk to High Bridge and enjoy the forest and waterfalls along the way. Hike 6.6 miles round trip with 700 feet of elevation gain. Drivers need a trailhead pass parking permit. Drive 75 miles round trip.

Depart: 9:00 AM from Gateway Park and Ride
Leader: Carolyn Jenkins 503-422-6456

Apr 5 (Tue) Forest Park Hike—Class B

We will hike somewhere in Forest Park between Pittock Mansion and Newberry Rd. No streets or sidewalks, just the trails, roads, & fire lanes in the park. There will be ups and downs, with at least 800' of elevation gain. We will hike for at least 2 hours & cover at least 4 miles. This time of year expect some mud & slippery footing. Appropriate footwear & hiking poles suggested.

Meet: Contact the leader for meeting place, meeting time, and hike details.

Leader: Rich Fuhs rich.fuhs@gmail.com 503-690-5077

Apr 6 (Wed) Morning Hike—Class A/B

We hike 4 to 6 miles, for 2 to 4 hours, usually in Forest Park, then lunch at a nearby cafe. If you would like to know the distance or difficulty of the hike call the leader.

Depart: Wallace Park on NW Raleigh St at 9:30 AM
Leader: Caroline Coleman 503-635-5991

Apr 6 (Wed) Evening Hike—Class B

We will hike approximately 6 miles in Forest Park and the West Hills with 500 foot elevation gain (not cumulative).

Meet: Wallace Park on NW Raleigh St.
Leader: Lisa Brice Time: 6 PM-8 PMish
lbhikes@msn.com 503-682-2952

Apr 9 (Sat) Presidents Hike, Suburban Ramble—Class A

We will start at the Tualatin Hills Nature Park and head south to explore the parks and paths that follow the power line right of way through suburban Washington county. We plan to go to about Hart Rd about 2 miles to the south. We may go farther if the weather is nice and the group agreeable. This is a close in hike to celebrate the record gas prices. The Merlo road Max stop is at the edge of the park. Allow time for a 0.75 mi walk through the park. Hiking distance, 5 miles.

Depart: 9:00 am Tualatin Hills Nature Park (nature center) 15655 SW Millikan Way, Beaverton
Leader: Randy Dietrich randyd@spiritone.com
503-245-5762 or Cell: 503-290-9826

Apr 12 (Tue) Dog Mountain Hike—Class B

Check out the early spring wildflowers on this classic springtime Gorge hike. We will take the less strenuous route up the Augsperger Trail, then head across wild-

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flower meadows to the top of Dog Mt. and descend on the steep Dog Mt. Trail. 7 mile loop, 2900 feet elevation gain. Drivers need a trailhead pass parking permit. Drive 98 miles RT. Register in advance with leader, pref. by email. Depart: 8:30 AM from Gateway Park and Ride
Leader: Bill Kingsbury crowntown@earthlink.net
503-281-4528

Apr 13 (Wed) Morning Hike—Class A/B

We hike 4 to 6 miles, for 2 to 4 hours, usually in Forest Park, then lunch at a nearby cafe. If you would like to know the distance or difficulty of the hike call the leader. Depart: Wallace Park on NW Raleigh St at 9:30 AM
Leader: Nancy Overpeck 360-573-6878

Apr 13 (Wed) Evening Hike—Class B

We will hike approximately 6 miles in Forest Park and the West Hills with 500 foot elevation gain (not cumulative). Meet: Wallace Park on NW Raleigh St
Leader: Andy Tipton Time: 6 PM - 8 PMish
tiptonal@gmail.com 503-269-5460

Apr 14 (Thu) Rice Museum Bike Ride

Ride from the Hillsboro Main Library through NE Hillsboro to North Plains for a loop of about 25 miles. We will have lunch at the Rice Museum of Rocks and Minerals with a chance to see the world's largest opal filled thunder egg, an extensive meteorite collection, fossils among many other attractions. The museum opens at 1 pm. Entrance fee is \$7.00 per adult, \$6.00 per senior, 62 and older. Please register by Wednesday evening
Meet at 11 am at the Hillsboro Main Library, 2850 NE Brookwood Pkwy, exit 61 off Hwy 26.
Leader: Gisela Piercy giselapiercy@gmail.com
503-648-5885

Apr 16 (Sat) Champoeg State Park Bike Ride—Class B

The basic ride is a 25 mile loop from Champoeg State Park using level rural country roads in the Willamette Valley, with a longer option for 10-20 additional miles available for interested riders. Please e-mail leader indicating which option you are interested in, as well as carpool offers or requests.
Depart: 10 AM from Champoeg State Park Visitor Center
Leader: Terry Lawson lawson.terry@gmail.com
971-998-5810

Apr 16 (Sat) Catherine Creek Hike—Class A

Open Meadows, wild flowers, creeks and river views. Hike 5 miles, 900 ft. elevation gain
Depart: Gateway 8 AM
Leader: Mel Taylor 503-639-9160, Cell 503-888-7203

Apr 17 (Sun) Hamilton Mt. Dog Friendly Hike—Class B

The classic Gorge hike with flowers, views, waterfalls. Never tire of this one. Any dogs must be extremely well behaved. Plan to have them on lead and to pick up any messes. Our pace will be moderate. This is a semi loop with 2000 feet elevation gain and 8 total miles. Bring cloth-

ing for possible wind and whatever else spring may send us. Call me if you are bringing a furry friend. Driving distance is 88 miles. Driver donation is \$13
Depart: 8:30 AM Gateway Park and Ride
Leader: Diana Forester 503-288-7782/503-422-8896 cell

Apr 20 (Wed) Morning Hike—Class A/B

We hike 4 to 6 miles, for 2 to 4 hours, usually in Forest Park, then lunch at a nearby cafe. If you would like to know the distance or difficulty of the hike call the leader. Depart: Wallace Park on NW Raleigh St at 9:30 AM
Leader: Jane Storey 503-724-5467

Apr 20 (Wed) Evening Hike—Class B

We will hike approximately 6 miles in Forest Park and the West Hills with 500 foot elevation gain (not cumulative). Meet: Wallace Park on NW Raleigh St
Leader: Donna Covi Time: 6 PM - 8 PMish
dcibike2@aol.com

Apr 21 (Thu) Adventure and Travel: Chicago

Visit the Windy City without losing your hat! Audrey Perino and Ken Kane take you on a tour of this fascinating city -- a place often unjustly overlooked as a vacation destination. From the top of the Sears Tower to the last building standing from the 1893 World's Fair, and from the Chicago Cubs to the Chicago Symphony, you'll get a sense of what makes America's third-largest city tick. Refreshments at 7 PM Slideshow at 7:30 PM
Location: Rose Villa Fellowship Hall 13505 SE River Road, Portland
Contact: Callista Snively kista9@gmail.com

Apr 23 (Sat) Lacamas Creek/Round Lake Hike—Class A

Hike 5+ miles. Relaxed pace. We'll pass waterfalls including the photogenic Potholes, circle Douglas-fir forested Round Lake, and visit a Camas lily field. Wear boots.
Depart: 9:30 AM from Lacamas Creek Trail lot
Directions: In Washington, drive east on Rte 14 from I-205 to Camas exit 12, east on 6th Ave to bottom of hill, right for 3 blocks, left onto 3rd Ave thru town to top of hill, slow and turn left into easy-to-miss driveway opposite 1st Ave junctn.
Leader: John Benson 203-334-8026

Apr 26 (Tue) Forest Park Hike—Class B

We will hike somewhere in Forest Park between Pittock Mansion and Newberry Rd. No streets or sidewalks, just the trails, roads, & fire lanes in the park. There will be ups and downs, with at least 800' of elevation gain. We will hike for at least 2 hours & cover at least 4 miles. This time of year expect some mud & slippery footing. Appropriate footwear & hiking poles suggested.
Meet: Contact the leader for meeting place, meeting time, and hike details.
Leader: Rich Fuhs rich.fuhs@gmail.com 503-690-5077

Apr 27 (Wed) Morning Hike—Class A/B

We hike 4 to 6 miles, for 2 to 4 hours, usually in Forest Park, then lunch at a nearby cafe. If you would like to know the distance or difficulty of the hike call the leader.

Depart: Wallace Park on NW Raleigh St at 9:30 AM
Leader: Wayne Schweinfest 503-253-3073

Apr 27 (Wed) Evening Hike—Class B

We will hike approximately 6 miles in Forest Park and the West Hills with 500 foot elevation gain (not cumulative).

Meet: Wallace Park on NW Raleigh St

Leader: Bruce Seymour Time: 6 PM - 8 PMish
vargas5714@hotmail.com or 503-722-2290

Apr 28 (Thu) Washington County Bike Ride—Class A

Exact route to be determined when it warms up enough for the cold-blooded leader to scout the possibilities.

Check website for details as get closer to date.

Meet: NW corner of parking lot for Regal Cinemas, 2625 NW 188th Ave, Hillsboro 97124.

Depart: Promptly at 10:47

Leader: Rich Fuhs rich.fuhs@gmail.com 503-690-5077

Apr 30 (Sat) Membership Day Hike to Nesika--Class B

Trek to our Gorge home above Multnomah Falls. Prepare for any weather. The trail will most likely be wet and may be icy so bring poles and boot traction devices. Bring a lunch to enjoy in front of the fireplace. Hike 8 miles with 1800 ft elevation gain. Drive 50 miles roundtrip. There will be a work party going on so you will have a chance to meet some of our members. Please remember to bring dollar bills for gas. RSVP by Friday April 29, 8 PM

Depart: 8:00 AM from Gateway Park and Ride

Leader: Janet Mallon jemeight8@yahoo.com
503-655-2357 or 503-724-6029

May 1 (Sun) Monster Cookie Metric Century Bike Ride—Class B/C

I will be riding the full 62 mi route organized and fully supported by the Salem Bicycle Club. Others in our club will be doing shorter distances. Registration is required through the SBC at www.salembicycleclub.org. This relatively flat ride goes from Salem to Champoeg Park and back. It is a nice opener to the season. Contact me if interested and I can advise of alternate starting points.

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

Meeting Places

Gateway Park & Ride From I-205 take the Glisan Street exit, proceed east to 99th Ave, turn north, proceed a couple of 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 instruction.

Wallace Park is the usual meeting place for Forest Park and city hikes. Meet at Wallace Park on NW Raleigh St between NW 25th Ave and NW 26th Ave. Parking is usually not a problem on Raleigh. Tri Met buses 15, 17 and 77 service is near.

Target is a common west side 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 in the southwest corner of Target's parking lot. Tri-Met buses 47, 52 and 89 service is near.

Trails Ahead

Sauvie Island Bike Ride—Class A

May 9, (Mon)

Lets get out this evening and pedal through this lovely farmland, Ccascades can be seen on the far horizon, Ospreys should be nesting on the pilings, we will ride about 15 miles on flat terrain.

Meet: 5:30pm at park and ride on the island

Leader: Gerda Eck, 503-654-1353

North Fork of Umatilla River. Class A Hike

Memorial Day Weekend

May 28-30 (Sat-Mon)

Total miles 9.1 round trip. Elevation gain: 1050. Drive: 493 miles. RT. We will carpool Friday night or early Sat morning. Hike is up North Fork of Umatilla River 4.3 miles to two night camp. We will day hike on Sunday exploring Coyote Ridge and then return to camp. We will hike out Monday the 4.3 miles and drive home. This hike is known for heavy forest along river, cottonwoods, red alders, parsnip, honey suckle in spring, columbine, coral root orchids, fairy slippers. Easy spring hike to get in shape. Make hike as hard as you like on Sunday or just sit in camp. To register call Linda Conrad: 360-837-3875 or lcgrconrad@aol.com.

Rocky Point Kayak/Canoe Weekend

Jun 17-20, (Fri-Mon)

(Trip full, Alternates Only)

The 9.5 mile Canoe trail through the Marsh of the Upper Klamath Wildlife Refuge is fantastic. It is a bird watcher's paradise, and water lilies are spectacular in this quiet water. Powerboats are prohibited on this section of the lake, so we'll have the area to ourselves for a spectacular paddle. One morning we will get up before sunrise to view the Pelicans at their feeding ritual - it is a site to behold, return to camp for breakfast, then set out to explore a hiking trail in the Sky Lakes Wilderness. All campsites are lakefront, they are small...but lovely. Rocky Point Resort also offers hook-up sites or cabins. If you desire that, please make your own reservation and let me know you are participating. Leader: Gerda Eck, 503-654-1353

Trails Club Weekend on the McKenzie River

June 24-26, (Fri-Sun)

Hike, fish, kayak, trail bike, whitewater raft, golf, soak in the mineral springs pools and enjoy the gardens and landscaped grounds at Belknap Hot Springs Resort on the gorgeous McKenzie River. Friday and Saturday night stay is required by the lodge. Two breakfasts and a Saturday campfire dinner will be provided for those interested. Saturday there will be an 8 ½ mile loop hike along

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the McKenzie River past 3 waterfalls and around Clear Lake. There are 6 cabins, 4 tent sites, and 10 RV sites reserved for our group. Lodging prices for the 2 nights vary from: \$65.40 total for 1-2 people (\$16 each additional person) in **tent** sites; \$76.30 total for 1-2 people (\$16 each additional person) in **RV** sites; **cabin** prices are divided by the number of people and range from \$141.70/for up to 2 people to \$457.80/for up to 6 people (\$20 each additional person.) Other fees include a \$2 pp (members) or \$4 (nonmembers) TCO activity fee and shared meal costs of \$13 for 3 meals. A \$25 deposit is required to hold your lodging reservation. The balance of your lodging fee is due May 23rd. Both checks should be made out to TCO but mailed to Vicki Wood, 2004 SE Waldron Rd, Milwaukie, OR 97222. Check out the resort website at www.belknaphotssprings.com for photos/info. The resort is about 300 miles roundtrip from downtown Portland.* Reservations will be taken beginning March 1st. Members have priority until April 15th, then nonmembers may inquire.

Before you send a check please contact Vicki Wood to inquire about availability (or for more information): 503-659-1423 or vw48@comcast.net

Three Sisters Loop Trail Hike—Class C July 23-30 (Sat-Sat)

Total Miles 75. We will drive to Wickiup Plain TH and hike up to Mirror Lake night one. We will then hike counter clockwise around the three sisters. Goal is to hit some isolated lakes for fishing and camping to get away from the crowd. We will drive down Saturday AM and Drive Home Saturday PM, attempting two short mile days. Elevation gain: 10,600 over the 8 days. To register: Linda Conrad at 360-837-3875 or lcgrconrad@aol.com.

Goat Rocks Backpack—Class B Aug 21-27 (Sun-Sat)

This will be a dog-friendly event. Notify leaders in advance if you plan to bring your dog with you. Class B. Write up will be coming soon.

Wonderland Trail Hike—Class C Aug 27-Sep 5 (Sat–Mon, Labor Day)

Total miles approx. 100. Elevation gain: 25,000 feet. We will start at Mowich Lake and hike to Cataract Valley night one traveling counter clockwise around mountain. Total days on trail 10. Average mileage per day: 10. We will attempt to resupply twice depending on number of participants. Limit 6. Pre-hike with leader mandatory. To register: Linda Conrad 360-837-3875 or lcgrconrad@aol.com.

Elkhorn Mountains Outing Aug 29-Sep5 (Mon-Mon)

The jagged spine of the Elkhorn Mountains near Baker City, Oregon, hides many of the same treasures that make the nearby Wallowa Mountains so popular: granite peaks, glacial cirque lakes, clear streams and wildflower meadows. We will car camp at the Anthony Lake Group Camp, elevation 7,130 feet, in the Elkhorns. The camp has tables, firepits, water, and vault toilets. Carolyn

Jenkins will lead A-level day hikes ranging from 3 to 6.6 miles long. There will be B-level day hikes if someone volunteers to lead them. Susan Saul will lead a B+-level, 4-day, 31-mile backpack along the view-packed Elkhorn Crest Trail. In addition to hiking, there are many other activities in the area: ride the Sumpter Valley Railroad Steam Train, tour the Sumpter Valley Dredge, visit the Oregon Trail Interpretive Center, drive the Elkhorn Mountains Scenic Byway to the ghost town of Granite, swim or canoe in Anthony Lake, or ride the Baker City Trolley through the turn-of-the-19th-century downtown. The cost will be \$50 for members and \$65 for non-members. Participants are responsible for providing their own camping gear and food. For more details, see the complete outing description on the Trails Club website (Events/Outings). To reserve a spot, send the Elkhorn Mountains Outing application (available on the website) with your trip fee, payable to Trails Club of Oregon, to Susan Saul, 10102 N.E. 10th Street, Vancouver, WA 98664-3874. Please indicate whether you want to day hike or backpack. The trip fee is non-refundable. For more information, contact Susan Saul; 360-892-5643/ susan103saul@gmail.com.

Coos Bay Area Hike Sep 16 (Fri)—Class B

Hike the coastal headlands from Sunset Bay campground down past Shore Acres State Park, home of the old Simpson estate where there is a public garden which we can walk through, and then continue down to Cape Arago State park. Lunch on beach then return. Hike eight miles, five hundred feet elevation gain. Meet 9:30 Sunset Bay state campground site D-21. Leader Brian Carlson

Tyee Work Weekends and Projects for 2011 (save the dates!)

Volunteers are needed to repair and re-supply the lodge for winter. If you enjoyed staying at Tyee in the winter, please volunteer for one of these weekends. Once a month work weekends begin in June. Volunteers receive free lodging and meals for the weekend. Work starts Sat. at 10 am and ends at 3 pm on Sun. Reservations are required. After dinner hikes are also a part of the weekend activities.

A Tyee Project Planning Meeting will be held on Sat. May 14 at 10 AM to discuss projects and lodge needs (lunch provided). Share your ideas for improvements to the lodge. Look for more information in May Blazer.

Cooks needed for all weekends. Contact Stephen to volunteer 360-687-6169 or email: ryanbrowns4@spiritone.com

Tyee Work Weekends: (Sat-Sun)

Jun 25-26 Sep 24-25
Jul 23-24 Oct 22-23
Aug 27-28

Cooks needed for all weekends Contact Stephen to volunteer:360-687-6169 or ryanbrowns4@spiritone.com.

Nesika Work Weekends:(Sat-Sun)

Apr 30 - May 01 Aug 13-14
May 21-22 Sep 10-11
Jun 11-12 Oct 08-09
Jul 09-10

Tyee Hike and Dines

All on third weekend of the month.

Jun 18-19 Sep 17-18
Jul 16-17 Oct 15-16
Aug 20-21

Trails Club Bike Schedule-2011

May 1 Sun	Monster Cookie Ride	Allen Burrell
May 9 Mon	Sauvie Island	Gerda Eck
May 12 Thu	Peninsula Park	Audrey Perino
May 15 Sun	Portland Loop	Maureen Covell
May 22 Sun	Lacamas Lake	Terry Lawson
May 26 Thu	Vancouver Loop	Kent Meyer
May 29 Sun	Mosier Tunnels	Gerda Eck
May-30 Mon	"Last Fri SE Bike Ramble" Oaks Pioneer Church	
Jun 2 Thu	Washington Co	Rich Fuhs
Jun 5 Sun	Covered Bridges	Lou Sowa
Jun 12 Sun	Grand Island	Lou Sowa
Jun 16 Thu	Clackamas River Rd	Terry Lawson
Jun 20 Mon	Sauvie Island	Ursula Edlund
Jun 23 Thu	Hagg Lake	Gisela Piercy
Jun 27 Mon	"Last Fri SE Bike Ramble" Oaks Pioneer Church	
Jun 30 Thu	Burnt Bridge Creek	Terry Lawson

Let's Talk About

Quick Note

Jane Storey will be the Weekend Hike Coordinator for May, June and July. For these months contact Jane about your hike at 503-724-5467 or andrewstorey@comcast.net

Darrel Tarter

Who is in his 80th year as a member of the Trails Club.

Summary of Board Minutes

**TRAILS CLUB OF OREGON
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

March 8, 2011

Summary of Minutes

Call to Order—Randy called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM Attending: Randy Dietrich, Bill Yandon, Audrey Perino, Nancy Overpeck, Vicki Wood, Carolyn Jenkins, Phillip Jackson, Callista Snively, excused, and George Milne. Others attending: Art Stangell, Legal Counsel and Virginia Larson, Administrative Assistant.

Approval of Minutes—February 8th were approved as corrected (msc) Vickie/George

Administrative Assistant's Report—Virginia Larson reported usual activities completed.

Treasurer's Report—Audrey Perino provided the reconciled bank statements and the financial reports to the secretary for our records. The YTD and monthly financial reports were reviewed and discussed by the board. Taxes have been paid (documents on file).

Cash balance at February 28, 2011	\$14,156.00
Beginning balance 02-01-11	\$14,912.19
February Deposits	2,713.50
February Checks	<u>-3,469.69</u>
Ending balance 02-28-11	\$14,156.00

Committees

Membership—Vicki Wood reported first readings: Mike A. Haasken, Gretchen Holden.

Second readings: Michael G. Earp, Megan E. Glor, and TJ Hester. Vote unanimous.

Reinstatement of Diane M. Brooke was approved. (complete membership report on file). The names of 12 people resigning their memberships were read.

Trips—Carolyn Jenkins discussed group training for first aid for hike leaders. MOTION:-First Aid Policy: All event leaders are encouraged to be currently certified "When Help is Delayed First Aid and CPR." Group training to be organized by the club and offered yearly. Group training will be paid for by the club. (msc) Carolyn/Bill.

First Aid class set for May 14, 2011.

Discussion regarding event leaders' being able to convey to participants the distance and difficulty of the hike, snowshoe, ski, etc. at the beginning of the event. See trail policy.

Donna Covi requested Wednesday evening hikers do the All Trails Forest Park Challenge this summer with donation to the Forest Park Conservancy.

MOTION: TCO will donate \$10.00 to the Forest Park Conservancy for each individual who completes all the Forest Park Trails in the specified time set by the Wed. evening group.

Bicycle committee met March 1st to plan summer rides. Hike leaders met March 5th.. Jane Storey will be the

quarterly hiking chair (other than Wed) for May, June & July.

Publications—Phillip Jackson. Club e-mail addresses for board members (ending --@trailsclub.org) complete.

Reviewers for April Trail Blazer will be George and Nancy.

Social—Callista Snively excused.

Lodges and Properties—George Milne reported hiking only way to get to Nesika. Bridge is out and part of road buried in snow. Nesika roof is leaking by fireplace. George is meeting with the Forest Service regarding bridge repair.

Mazamas will use Tyee April 16-17 as overflow. Approved by Board through e-mail.

History—Needs chair

Investments—Met February 15th. New chair will be appointed as Julie needed to resign. The committee has developed a mission statement and plans to self manage the portfolio.

Conservation.—Leonard Murphy out of town. George attended the FWOC meeting regarding the annual meeting here in the Fall.

Legal Counsel Report.—Art Stangell no report.

Unfinished Business—None.

New Business

By Law Amendments - Tabled for next month.

Good of the order—None

Action Item Review

Adjourn 9 PM. (msc) George/Vickie

Respectfully submitted, Nancy Overpeck, secretary

Trails Trodden

The Tyee Lodge at President's Day weekend was a place to go. We had great food and the best snow of the year. The grandkids Annika and Logan really enjoyed playing in the white.
Ursula Edlund



Layers of Basalt Created by Ice Age Flooding
Photo By Leonard Murphy



Desert Landscape



Paco



Oregon Coast

Membership Notes

If you have any feedback, positive or negative, about the following individuals who have received their first reading PLEASE contact one of the board members before the next board meeting (2nd 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.

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.

1st Readings

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Sponsors: Audrey Perino & Carol Morris

2nd Readings

Michael G Earp
Megan E Glor
TJ Hester

Reinstatement

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Resignations

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Mary Ann DiGiulio
Devereaux Dion
Jonathan Fuller
LaVaun Lowles
Larry McQueen
Sandy McQueen
Jonathan McQueen
Nancy Ormandy
Joe Patton
Scott Silvi
Kayleen Warner-Arens

**Terminations (Non Payment of Dues)
This is your last Trail Blazer.**

**If you have questions, or wish to
continue membership, contact the
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Gentle Reminders

For activities such as bicycle, kayak, 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 showshoe 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 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.

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 of 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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