



Trail Blazer

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Upcoming Events

Date	Day	Event Description
1	Sat	Nesika Supper Hike - Class B
1-2	Sat-Sun	Fall Festival Appreciation Week End at Nesika
5	Wed	Morning Hike - Class A/B
8-9	Sat-Sun	Nesika Lodge Work Week End
11	Tue	Board Meeting-7PM, Mazama MC
12	Wed	Morning Hike - Class A/B
15	Sat	Blazer Deadline
15	Sat	Lower Salmon River Hike - Class A
15-16	Sat-Sun	Tyee Hike and Dine
16	Sun	Mt. Hood Meadows Loop Hike - Class B
19	Wed	Morning Hike - Class A/B
22	Sat	Chinook Salmon Hike - Class A
22-23	Sat-Sun	Tyee Work Weekend
26	Wed	Morning Hike - Class A/B
29	Sat	Leaders Meeting

Scheduling is updated on web site www.trailsclub.org

Meeting places are detailed at the end of events section.

Announcements

**TRAILS CLUB OF OREGON
ANNUAL MEETING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14
7:30 PM
Rose Villa Fellowship Hall
13505 SE River Road, Milwaukie, OR**

Delicious desserts, compliments of the Social Committee served from 7:00-7:30 p.m. Learn what our club has accomplished this year, vote on by-law changes and new Board members!

TCO BOARD NOMINEES FOR 2012

The Nominating Committee endorses the following TCO members, who have agreed to serve on the Board of Trustees if approved by the membership at the annual meeting.

Officers: President - Richard Gaunt
Treasurer - Audrey Perino (returning)
Trustees: Membership - Callista Snively
Lodges - George Milne (returning)
Social - Lisa Osburn

NEW MEMBER'S SOCIAL!

If you are a new member since the last Annual Meeting, watch your mailbox for your invitation to the New Member's Social at 6:00 pm on Nov. 14th before this year's Annual Meeting. You can meet other new members and board members, talk to some of our committee chairs, have questions answered, and get a parking spot before they're all taken! Sandwiches, salads and beverages will be provided, followed by dessert at 7:00 and the Annual Meeting at 7:30.

Club Member Needed as Weekend Hike Coordinator

Your job will be contacting members and asking them to lead hikes. Most hikes are on weekends but mid-week hikes are fine too; the leader gets his/her choice. You will also be reminding those who have signed up to send their write-ups into the club website by the deadline every month. Also you will handle questions about hikes and the schedule. I promise to help you field questions and give you a list to contact. A non-hiking member could do this job, but needs to be comfortable with emailing. Sign up for a year or less, we're flexible. Please contact Carolyn Jenkins, Trips Chair, 503-422-6456 or carolynjnkns@gmail.com.

Calling All Snowshoe, Cross-Country Skiers and Weekend Hike Leaders

Next Leader Meeting is Saturday, October 29. Even if you have not lead before we encourage you to become a Trails Club leader now. All club members

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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.

Board Meetings: 2nd Tuesday of the month ,7:00 pm, at Mazama Mountaineering Center, 527 SE 43rd Ave. at SE Stark St. Portland, OR

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who enjoy snowshoeing, XC skiing, weekend hiking and would like to lead these activities, please come to this meeting. The club really needs your assistance. We depend on our members to fill our schedule. We will be signing up leaders for the whole cold weather season. Only the dates you choose are needed at this point. Destination and details can be chosen later. Children's hikes and dog hikes are welcome. You get to choose your favorite routes! Leading is a wonderful way to meet new people, visit old friends and enjoy the outdoors! Keep our activities going strong by volunteering. Fellow members will be there to assist you: Brian Carlson, Snowshoe Coordinator; Bill Yandon, XC Ski Coordinator; and Carolyn Jenkins, Trips Chair. We will field questions, talk about favorite places to go and give information about winter preparedness. The meeting begins at 12:45 PM. We have the room only for a little over an hour so please be prompt. A neighborhood hike will immediately follow the meeting and start from the library front doors. Plan to return to the library between 3:30 and 4:00.

Where: Hollywood Library, 4040 NE Tillamook St., Portland. Meeting room is inside the library toward the back of the building. Park in the surrounding neighborhood and walk a block or two. The small library parking lot always seems to be full. Please let us know you plan to attend. Our activity program needs you.

Contact Carolyn Jenkins 503-422-6456 or carolynjnkns@gmail.com

Events

Oct 1 (Sat) Nesika Supper Hike - Class B

Please make your supper reservations with Callista Snively (see below) Then plan on a beautiful, afternoon hike along Multnomah Creek to the Trails Club's remote lodge located high above Multnomah Falls. Be sure to bring a flashlight (or two) w/ fresh batteries for the hike out after supper. Hike: 8 miles with 1,800' elevation gain
Depart: 3:00 pm in front of Multnomah Falls Lodge
Leader: Kelly Marlin, 503-665-6778

Oct 1-2 (Sat-Sun) Fall Festival and Appreciation Weekend at Nesika

Come and enjoy the fall colors, crisp morning air and great food! Dinner prepared by Virginia Larson and Breakfast by Paul & Callista Snively. This event is open to all members, their families and friends. Also in appreciation of our Hosts and Cooks, who have volunteered within the last year, their overnight lodge fees will be waived!
Register with Callista Snively 503-330-7344 or kissa9@gmail.com

Oct 5 (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: Chuck Barrows 503-244-4967

Oct 8-9 (Sat-Sun) Nesika Work Weekend

This is the last scheduled work weekend this season. The road is open all the way to the turn around so access has become much easier than before. We will be finishing the new siding on the Women's Dorm, working on the stone seat wall, moving brush that was cut earlier this summer, sweeping off the roof, stocking the wood room for winter, cleaning the Women's dorm of the dust and debris from construction, brushing the few places along the road we have not yet cleared and hauling rock into the tractor trail in preparation for spring. If the weather allows we can use our chain saws, wood chipper and gas power trimmers. Contact: Please call in your reservations to our cook, Linda Conrad, 360-837-3875, no later than Wednesday, October 5th

Oct 12 (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

Oct 15 (Sat) Lower Salmon River Hike - Class A

Old growth hike along the river. 5.2 miles rd trip and 100 ft el. gain. This is an especially accessible hike a short way off Hwy 26 on Salmon River Rd. A nice stop on the way to Tyee for the Hike and Dine dinner that evening (see below). I will be returning to Sandy after dinner if anyone rides with me and has made dinner reservations.
Depart: 10 am from the Sandy Safeway parking lot close to the Hwy.
Leader: Joan Ragan 503-668-6622 cell 503-720-2194

Oct 15-16 (Sat-Sun) Tyee Hike and Dine

It is now a tradition to start the festivities with an organic vegetable salad bar, directly from Schiedler's Gardenripe Organic Farm in Silverton. This is followed with a scump-delicious main course and a delectable dessert. Bring a big appetite by participating in Saturday's and/or Sunday's hike and make a true to the title weekend out of this. Please register no later then Wednesday Oct 12, 9 pm for dinner/breakfast
Register With: Gerda Eck: 503-654-1353 or gerdaeck@comcast.net

Oct 16 (Sun) Mt. Hood Meadows Loop Hike—Class B

Hike cross-country loop above Mount Hood Meadows to view skeletal stumps of white bark pines killed in a 1790s Mount Hood eruption. See fall colors, too. Destination is subject to change if weather bad. Hike 5 miles, 1,200 feet elevation gain. Leader will be staying at Tyee Lodge the night before for Hike and Dine. Meet at the restrooms at the Summit Rest Area, Government Camp.
Depart: 9:30 am . Leader: Susan Saul 360-892-5643 or susan103saul@gmail.com

Oct 19 (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: Lila Grossman 503-227-0684

Oct 22 (Sat) Chinook Salmon Hike - Class A

This lazy, riverside, 4-mile hike includes stops along the Sandy for views of the fall Chinook salmon run and their spawning beds. The drive to Oxbow Park from our Troutdale meeting spot allows a split of the park's \$5/car entrance fee. For an afternoon stay, bring lunch & carpool out later. Otherwise, we should be back by around 12:30. Depart: 9:00 AM Lewis & Clark Pk, Crown Pt Hwy, Troutdale Contact: John Benson 503-334-8026

Oct 22-23 (Sat-Sun) Tyee Work Weekend

Last work weekend before winter snows fall! Enjoy Mt. Hood fall colors and crisp cool mountain air. Projects include: preparing the lodge for winter, burning the slash pile, finishing the back porch deck and building a woodshed. Bring warm work clothes, and gloves for the outdoors. For those interested, after dinner hike. Lodging and meals free to volunteers who pre-register! Work starts 10 AM Sat. Be timely. Lodge closes Sun. at 3 PM
Cook: Rebecca Knudsen
Sign-up Deadline: October 19th
Contact: Stephen Brown 360-687-6169 or ryanbrowns4@spiritone.com

Oct 26 (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

Oct 29 (Sat) Leaders Meeting

See announcement; Page One.

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.

Let's Talk About

Quick Note

All people on all our activities should carry the ten essentials including: whistle, navigation (map and compass), sun protection (sunscreen, lip balm and sunglasses), headlamp/flashlight with extra batteries, and extra food (Clif bar). To see the rest, check "Quick Note" next month.

Federation of Western Outdoor Clubs Summer Conference August 26-28, 2011

This year's conference was held at the Mazama Lodge on Mt. Hood near Government Camp. The theme was "Defending Our Environmental Legacy in the West".

The Friday evening program was presented by Erik Fernandez from Oregon Wild. He talked about recent environmental victories, including Wilderness additions to the Mt. Hood Wilderness and the addition of Soda Mountain to the wilderness system, and also the need to protect wildlife habitat.

There were numerous sessions on Saturday. Each session explored the theme yet was quite varied in subject matter. Topics included such issues as Timberlines proposal for a Downhill Lift, Assisted Mountain Bike Park, and Rolling Back Protection for Wolves and Grizzly Bears under the Endangered Species Act.

A highlight for many attendees was the Saturday afternoon field trip led by Professor Richard Waring, OSU Forestry Dept. His topic was Clues to Future Forests on Mt. Hood. There were two other field trips/hikes led by Lisa Osburn and Stephen Brown of our Trails Club.

Although the attendance was small in number, with several Clubs not sending representatives, all of us that did participate were pleased with the session presentations which included opportunities for question-answers with the guest speakers and social activities with excellent food provided by the Mazama kitchen staff. Next year's convention site will be determined later.

Submitted by conservation committee chairperson.

Summary of Board Minutes

TRAILS CLUB OF OREGON BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING September 13, 2011

Call to Order—Randy called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. Attending: Randy Dietrich, Bill Yandon, Nancy Overpeck, Carolyn Jenkins, Vicki Wood, Phillip Jackson, Callista Snively, and George Milne. Others attending: Virginia Larson, Administrative Assistant, Art Stangell, Legal Counsel, and Leonard Murphy, Conservation Committee. Audrey Perino was absent.

Approval of Minutes—Approved as corrected. (msc) George/Callista.

Administrative Assistant's Report—Virginia Larson reported general duties completed. Audit Committee, Carla Haake, Joyce Rasmussen and Virginia Larson met. It was suggested that the Treasurer and Lodges Chairs work together on next year's budget to better categorize expenses. Complete report is on file.

Treasurer's Report—Virginia gave Audrey's report. Bank statements and bank reconciliations are on file. Cash balance at August 31, 2011 \$ 7,090.52

Beginning balance	08-01-11	\$ 8,073.50
August Deposits		1,463.00
August Checks		<u>-2,445.98</u>
Ending balance	08-31-11	\$7,090.52

Money will be transferred from investments to meet end-of-the year expenses.

Committees

Membership—Vicki Wood reported first readings: Brian R. Haveman, Kelly Korte, Tina M. Scholnick, Marian Tryhall, and Marie Vander Weele.

Second readings: Mariva Brodigan, Glenda Chaite, and Joseph Lebzelter. Unanimously approved.

Reinstatement: Lesia Carlock

A new member dinner will be held at 6:00 p.m. November 14th before the Annual Meeting. Dessert for members at 7:00 pm and meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Trips—Carolyn Jenkins presented a revision of instruction sheet "TRAILS CLUB OF OREGON-BEFORE GOING WITH THE GROUP." These will be available from trip leaders. A leaders meeting for Winter sports will be held October 29 at the Hollywood Library at 12:45 p.m. Carolyn Jenkins, Bill Yandon and Brian Carlson will coordinate the meeting. A winter preparedness flyer is in the works.

Publications—Phillip Jackson. Proof reading of Trail Blazer for October will be Carolyn and George.

Social—Callista Snively reported the Labor Day weekend at Nesika, had 22 attendees. October 1st and 2nd will be a Fall Festival at Nesika.

Lodges and Properties—George Milne reported repairs on Tye Lodge: Winter entrance and deck off kitchen repaired. Flashing on chimney repaired and additional snow bars on roof are installed. Roof repairs were still under warranty. Nesika work included the temporary bridge completion and completion of propane shelter for storage of tank. Expect completion of siding of women's dorm in the next two work weekends. New wall extension from rear of Nesika building to front of north side is in process. A plan

for “key safes” for Tyee and Nesika for emergency is planned. Nesika key request for Andrew Tipton approved. (msc) George/ Vicki.

History—Board appointed. Debbie Ralls Historian. (msc) Nancy/Bill

Investments—Chris Monti has contacted president regarding plans for converting fund in late October.

Conservation—Leonard Murphy reported the FWOC convention activities (Report on file). On Thursday 20 extra people showed up at Tyee as a result of the Mazama overflow. This was an unexpected number.

Legal Counsel Report—Art Stangell reported estates of Bernice Stearns and Peggy Stone have been probated. Money will be sent to the Club soon.

Unfinished Business—Board appointed Nominating Committee: Susan Saul, past-pres., Virginia Larson, Arleta Miller, Paul Snively, and Merrill Hugo. (msc) George/ Vicki

Budget Committee including Randy Dietrich, Audrey Perino, George Milne, Virginia Larson, and and Joyce Rasmussen will meet soon.

New Business

Suggestion was made for compiling hike mileage tracking on the computer.
Mya White will be Winter Coordinator for Tyee.

Good of the order

N.W. Forest Passes are apparently not good at all trail heads in the national forests. Some concessionaires are charging independent fees at some trail heads. The trail head reported was the Fish Creek trail head on the Clackamas river, MHNH.

Adjourn 9:00 p.m.—(msc) George/Bill
Next Board meeting October 11th.

Respectfully submitted—Nancy Overpeck, Secretary

Trails Trodden

Five Backpack The Elkhorn Crest Trail August 31 – September 3, 2011

The Elkhorn Crest Trail is the highest trail in the Blue Mountains of Northeastern Oregon, traversing a ridgeline across subalpine forests and meadows. The trail, designated a National Recreation Trail in 1979, offers panoramic views of the Baker Valley, the distant Wallowa and Strawberry Mountains, and the Blue Mountains. Along the way, the trail offers views of six high mountain lakes, access to five other lakes by spur trails, craggy

peaks, wildflowers, and maybe a glimpse of elk, mountain goats and birds of prey. Much of the trail is at 8,000 feet elevation and a segment passes through the North Fork John Day Wilderness.

Four TCO members and one guest backpacked the Elkhorn Crest Trail from Anthony Lake to the Twin Lakes trailhead between August 31 – September 3, 2011. The Elkhorn Crest is dry, so we had to descend off the Crest on spur trails into lake basins to find campsites. We camped at Dutch Flat Lake, Summit Lake, and Twin Lakes.

The total distance of our hike was 31 miles, with 3,700 feet of total ascent. The third day was the toughest: we had to backpack 13 miles between water sources at Summit Lake and Twin Lakes.

The Elkhorn Crest receives light use: we encountered only seven other people during the four days. Highlights of the backpack included more than 50 species of wildflowers, scenic lakeside campsites, several groups of mountain goats at Twin Lakes, a golden eagle swooping in front of us as it rode the wind over the ridge crest, and a trailside phone for “local calls to God” that provided a humorous break during the 13-mile day.

This is one of Oregon’s backpacking secrets, offering the same granite peaks and glacial lakes that make the Wallowas so popular, but without the crowds.

By Susan Saul

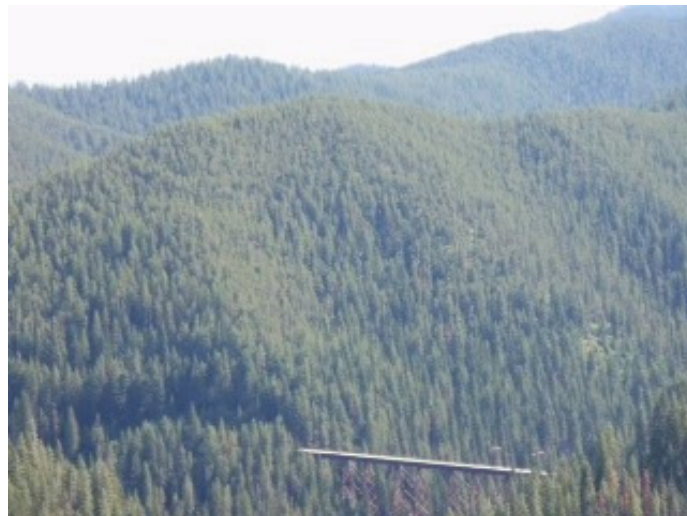


Above; Backpackers Below; Susan calling God

Rails to Trails Bike Trip August 2011

Bicycling in the panhandle of Idaho was a lesson in history. Not only did we learn about silver mining in the Coeur d'Alene Valley, we also learned about logging in the St. Joe Valley. Of course all the while we were pedaling on the rails to trails section of four different railroads built in the late 1800's, reader boards with interesting facts dotted the landscape all the way. This 180 mile (300 km) loop from Plummer through Cataldo, Wallace, Mullan and Avery to St. Maries was scheduled by our bike chairman Allen Burrell for August 2011. The pavement of the Coeur d'Alene trail ended after 70 miles in the town of Mullan; the railroads used to climb all the way up to Lookout Pass, this is now on a multi-use path, a nicely designed railroad grade (11 mile) climb to the summit. From Lookout Pass to the East Portal of the Hiawatha trail was the toughest part. Not many people use this 14 mile hard packed dirt road; it is railroad grade, first downhill and then on the same forest road as the traffic uphill to the St. Paul Tunnel, also called the East Portal of the Hiawatha in Montana. Five of the seven participants accomplished this feat with flying colors. Now the fun part of the day starts, through tunnels and over trestles of the Chicago to Seattle 'Old Milwaukee' railroad. Most people talking about the Hiawatha trail ride only this portion, which is supported by the Ski area of Lookout Pass, with a \$9. permit which includes a bus ride back after reaching Paisley. Our trip went 9 miles further downriver along the North Fork of the St. Joe River to Avery, Idaho. It was simply fantastic! We learned that the Olympian Hiawatha was a special railroad car designed for the wealthy. The area flourished with people migrating to the promised land in the Pacific Northwest. The scenery is awesome, the history is amazing, it is an exciting preservation of this area, and for our week, the weather cooperated with blue sky and warm sunshine. We stayed at Sheffy's Hotel, a structure that dates back to the construction of the railroad. There is no restaurant in this town, but the proprietors also run the small convenient store and have steak in their freezer. We arranged for 8 delicious Idaho beef fillets, BBQ'd to perfection by our leader. The best part of the trip was our assistant and sag driver, Ann Marie Dudley. She drove along meeting us at various points during the day, she purchased all the food for the week; fresh produce and fruit along the way, she is a real gem and her infectious smile made all aches go away, especially when we saw what meal she concocted for us. We had beautiful camp breakfasts, a variety of good choices to make our own lunch, and really nice dinners. The entire trip culminated with a lovely pedal downriver through the St. Joe Valley to a private beautiful garden estate at the home of Gerda's friends for our last camp-out. It

was a very good plan to have a car and trailer porting our camp gear and to 'sag' the tired riders. Just three people need kudos for a trip completed totally under their own pedal power: Emma Knot, Al Knot and Allen Burrell.
Gerda Eck



Trestles



The Hiawatha Road



Along The St. Joe River



Pedaling Across Chactolet Lake

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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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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