



Trail Blazer

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Upcoming Events

Date	Day	Event Description
04	Wed	Morning Hike—Class A/B
04	Wed	Evening Hike—Class B
7	Sat	4T's Hike; Trail, Tram, Trolley, and Train—Class A
10	Tue	Board Meeting—7 PM, Mazama MC
10	Tue	Old Town Historical Hike—Class A
11	Wed	Morning Hike—Class A/B
11	Wed	Evening Hike—Class B
15	Sun	Blazer Deadline
15	Sun	Champoeg State Prk Bike Ride—Class B
15	Sun	Hopkins Demonstration Forest Hike—Class A
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18	Wed	Evening Hike—Class B
19	Thu	Adventures and Travel - India
21	Sat	East Gorge Hike—Class A/B
21-22	Sat-Sun	Eagle Creek Backpack—Class B
22	Sun	Mclver State Park Hike—Class A
24	Tue	Last Tuesday Bike Ramble—Class A
25	Wed	Morning Hike—Class A/B
25	Wed	Evening Hike—Class B
26	Thu	Frenchman's Bar Bike Ride—Class A
28	Sat	Forest Park Hike—Class B
28-29	Sat-Sun	Nesika Work Weekend
29	Sun	Monster Cookie Bike Ride—Class B
May 3	Thu	Washington County Bike Ride—Class B
5-6	Sat-Sun	Rd 2000 near 3 Corner Rock to Sedum Point Backpack—Class B

Announcements

89th Annual Banquet
Sunday, April 15, 2012 at 6 p.m.
Monarch Hotel
12566 S.E. 93rd Ave,
(South of Clackamas Town Center)
Guest Speaker: Mel Huie, Regional
Trails Coordinator, Metro
For More Info Contact: Lisa Osburn
503-476-5638 or
socialchair@trailsclub.org
Reservation Deadline: Fri, March 30
Registration form on our website

Weekend Hikes, Backpacks and Kayak Trips

Jessie Tucker generously agreed to be the April Weekend Hike Coordinator. Thank you for doing this Jessie! We need more volunteers. Taking on hike scheduling is only a 2-3 week commitment and you get to pick your month. If you could spare the time to organize just one month of hikes we would surely appreciate it. With the help of many club members there will always be an enjoyable weekend hike for you and our other members and guests to join.

A Backpack Coordinator and a Kayak Coordinator are also needed. Because of the relatively short season for these activities, we ask you to commit for a whole season of scheduling these trips.

All these Coordinators schedule leaders for the coming season, answer questions the leaders may have, and keep the schedule current. I will oversee getting event write-ups sent in to the website and Trail Blazer before the deadline each month. For more information please contact Trips Trustee Carolyn Jenkins at 503-422-6456 or TripsChair@trailsclub.org

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

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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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TCO Club Brochures

Trails Club of Oregon is growing and membership is increasing. We appreciate club members' reaching out to acquaintances, family and friends and telling them about our wonderful club. Brochures are available at the lodges and at club events for handing out to our guests. But I would also be happy to mail some to you to give to your friends and neighbors. Other than by word of mouth, we have found that people find us via the internet or from our brochures located at such places as REI, public libraries and other similar places. Your help would be appreciated in distribution of these brochures. Please let me know if you are willing to drop off brochures at some locations near your work or home. I will even mail you the brochures. Callista Snively, Membership Trustee, 503-330-7344 or membershipchair@trailsclub.org
Thank you for your help.

Events

Apr 4 (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. For the distance or difficulty of the hike call the leader.

Depart: Wallace Park on NW Raleigh St. at 9:30 AM

Leader: Phil Crosby 503-636-1853

Apr 4 (Wed) Evening Hike—Class B

We hike approximately 6 miles in Forest Park and the West Hills with 500 feet of noncumulative elevation gain.

Depart: 6:00 PM from Wallace Park on NW Raleigh St.

Return about 8:00 PM.

Leader: Gini Bateman 503-475-8712 or
ginibateman@comcast.net

Apr 7 (Sat) 4T's Hike; Trail, Tram, Trolley, and Train—Class A

Four + miles, two hills. Take the MAX to the Zoo stop. Meet at Zoo station (upstairs) across from Zoo at 9:30 a.m. Cars park at Vietnam Memorial parking lot. We can stop for lunch on the way back on the street car or some may want to continue on to the MAX back to the Zoo.

For information call Nancy Overpeck 360-573-6878

Apr 10 (Tue) Portland Old Town Historical Hike-Class A

Weged between the Willamette River and a wall of steep forested parks, Portland's downtown is compact enough to explore on a 2 ½ hour tour. Amble through parks and historic streets. Easy 2 to 3 mile round trip walk with 100 feet elevation gain. Dress for the weather, an umbrella might be nice. Bring a coin or two for hot beverage after.

Depart: 10:00 AM from Pioneer Courthouse Square next to Starbucks

Leader: Arleta Miller leadadann@hotmail.com or
360-607-2864

Apr 11 (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. For the distance or difficulty of the hike call the leader.

Depart: Wallace Park on NW Raleigh St. at 9:30 AM

Leader: Callista Snively 503-330-7344

Apr 11 (Wed) Evening Hike—Class B

We hike approximately 6 miles in Forest Park and the West Hills with 500 feet of noncumulative elevation gain.

Depart: 6:00 PM from Wallace Park on NW Raleigh St.

Return about 8:00 PM.

Leader: Lotte Schmitz 503-722-2290 or

lotteschmitz@msn.com

Apr 15 (Sun) Champoeg State Prk 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 of 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. Note that there is a \$5 fee for parking in the state park.

Depart: 10 a.m. from Champoeg State Park Visitor Center

Leader: Terry Lawson 971-998-5810 or

lawson.terry@gmail.com

Apr 15 (Sun) Hopkins Demonstration Forest Hike—Class A

Easy, 2-3 hrs, moderate elevation gain. Hopkins Demonstration Forest located at 16750 S Brockway Road, Oregon City, is a 140-acre woodland open to the public for self-guided exploration seven days a week. Free parking at the trail head. Please bring dollars for hike fee and gas.

Driving distance: Carnegie Ctr to trail head: 22 miles RT

Driving time: 25 minutes. Meet outside of the Carnegie

Center on 7th and Jefferson in Oregon City

Depart: 9 am Please RSVP to hike leader: Janet Mallon-

home 503-655-2357 or cell 503-724-6029

Apr 18 (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. For the distance or difficulty of the hike call the leader.

Depart: Wallace Park on NW Raleigh St. at 9:30 AM

Leader: Richard Gaunt 971-404-1153

Apr 18 (Wed) Evening Hike—Class B

We hike approximately 6 miles in Forest Park and the West Hills with 500 feet of noncumulative elevation gain.

Depart: 6:00 PM from Wallace Park on NW Raleigh St.

Return about 8:00 PM.

Leader: Donna Covi 503-286-7243 or dcibike2@aol.com

Apr 19 (Thu) Adventures and Travel - India

This January, Steve Wilson traveled to India, to experience its wonderful historical sites and the wildlife at its sanctuaries. Cities visited include: Delhi, Agra, Jaipur, Jodhpur, Ranakpur, Udiapur, Goa, and Mumbai. Along the way were palaces and forts built by the Mughal kings

(including the Taj Mahal, the Red Fort, and Fatehpur Sikri), a temple built by the Jains, and villages where the local folks live. The wildlife sanctuaries provided good looks at India's wealth of birds, as well as a large number of animals. Further south, Goa offered a visit to a spice plantation and its Portuguese past. And at Mumbai, the Elephanta Caves offered testament to what four generations of men could do to a solid basalt cliff.

Refreshments at 7:00pm, Slideshow at 7:30pm

Location: Rose Villa Fellowship Hall, 13505 SE River Road, Milwaukie

For more information, contact Lisa Osburn:

socialchair@trailsclub.org or 503-476-5638

Apr 21 (Sat) East Gorge Hike—Class A/B

Hike 5 to 7 miles somewhere east of Hood River in either Washington or Oregon. Explore the dry side of the Gorge. The leader will consider the weather, group size and the interest of the group. Possible hike examples are the Deschutes River Trail or Catherine Creek area.

Depart: 8:30 AM from Main Street in Troutdale on the east side of town. Meet under the parking lot sign

"Troutdale House." This is across (north) from City Hall.

Please call to register by that Friday evening.

Leader: Gary Holman 503-261-3571

April 21-22 (Sat-Sun) Eagle Creek Backpack—Class B

We will start at the trail head of Eagle creek and camp at the 7.5 mile camp. Limit is 12. We can spread out in a few camps up there. This is just past Tunnel Falls. We will spend Saturday night and have a nice campfire. You will need a water pump for purifying water. You will need rain gear, tent, warm sleeping bag, (two lunches) dinner and breakfast which can be cooked on your stove or over a campfire. We will day hike on Saturday up a little farther on the Eagle Creek trail if desired after we set up camp.

Meet at TA Travel Parking area in Troutdale 7:30 Saturday AM (this is just to the east of McDonalds). An Application form and Emergency Contact form need to be received by leader before the backpack. These forms and helpful backpack information are available at www.trailsclub.org under Backpack Participant Info.

Register: Linda Conrad 360-837- 3787 or

lcgrconrad@aol.com.

Apr 22 (Sun) McIver State Park Hike—Class A

We will hike 4-5 miles at McIver State Park off Springwater Road. Mix of fields, forest. Views of Clackamas River. Meet at 1:00 p.m. by coffee shack in parking lot at End of the Oregon Trail Museum, across from

Amtrak station on Washington St. in Oregon City. (Exit 10) We will carpool to State Park as entry fee is \$5 per car. Wear hiking boots as it will be muddy. Call leader if you would like to preregister, or for any other questions.

Leader: Barbara Jones, 503-829-6424,

cell 503-819-8983, or e-mail, Barbjones50@hotmail.com

Apr 24 (Tue) Last Tuesday Bike Ramble—Class A

Join us for our "last Tuesday " Bike Ramble. It's an entertaining evening of peddling, socializing and fun stops on a lazy last Tuesday of the month. We meet at the Oaks Pioneer Church by the Sellwood Bridge. See where the SE ramble will take us this month.

Depart: 6 p.m. Oaks Pioneer Church, 455 SE Spokane.

Leader: Nancy Overpeck 360-573-6878

Apr 25 (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. For the distance or difficulty of the hike call the leader.

Depart: Wallace Park on NW Raleigh St. at 9:30 AM

Leader: Phillip Jackson 971-404-7137

Apr 25 (Wed) Evening Hike—Class B

We hike approximately 6 miles in Forest Park and the West Hills with 500 feet of noncumulative elevation gain.

Depart: 6:00 PM from Wallace Park on NW Raleigh St. Return about 8:00 PM.

Leader: Cathy Schiedler 503-234-1839 or catherineschied@juno.com

Apr 26 (Thu) Frenchman's Bar Bike Ride—Class A

This 18 mile ride goes from Fort Vancouver through Vancouver to the Columbia River by way of city streets, the Fort land bridge, Ester Short Park, rural roads with bike lanes, and a walking and bike path. Mostly level. Estimated 300 foot elevation gain.

Depart: 9:00 AM at the Fort Vancouver Visitor Center on Evergreen Blvd. (might want to visit this fort) Please call the leader for directions if needed. .

Leader: Kent Meyer 360-574-0784

Apr 28 (Sat) Forest Park Hike—Class B

Hike 6.3 miles with 1050 foot elevation gain thru the tall fir, pine, and cedar, rain or shine. Lunch in beautiful Kielhorn Meadow.

Depart 9:30 AM from Firelane 15 just off to the right on NW Skyline Blvd (1.6 miles north of Germantown Road). Park on Skyline right near the entrance gate. Please call leader if more complete driving directions are needed.

Leader: Larry Solomon 503-206-6580

Apr 28-29 (Sat-Sun) Nesika Work Weekend

Come join us on our first work weekend of the season. Help us finish old projects and start new ones. Jeff Lawton and Cindy Lee will be our cooks. Meet at the upper gate just above 10 mile marker at 9:00 AM Saturday. If you would like to go up on Friday night notify Glen when registering.

Register with: Glen Conrad by Wed April 25th.

360-837-3787 or lcgrconrad@aol.com.

Apr 29 (Sun) Monster Cookie Bike Ride—Class B

This annual ride is a metric century (62 miles) with the Salem Bike Club from the State Capital to Champoege for lunch, then back to Salem. Get forms from local bike shops or the Internet, Salem Bicycle Club. Please register

with coordinator by Saturday April 27.

Meet: 7:30 AM across the street from the front of the State Capital

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

May 03 (Thu) Washington County Bike Ride—Class B

We'll start in North Plains and pedal along the nearby back roads. About 30 miles. Relatively flat, but with an occasional short stretch that requires some effort, probably around 500' of overall elevation gain. No stoplights, perhaps a blinking traffic control or two, no malls.

Depart: Contact leader for meeting time and place.

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

May 5-6 (Sat-Sun) Rd 2000 near 3 Corner Rock to Sedum Point Backpack-Class B

Approximately 12 mile loop. We will begin on the PCT on Road 2000 outside Stevenson WA, hike past Panther Creek to Sedum Pt. Camp around Sedum Point on Saturday night and hike back down the old Sedum Point Trail to road 2000 on Sunday. We will have a nice campfire. Bring a water pump to purify water. Also bring rain gear, tent, warm sleeping bag, (2 lunches) dinner & breakfast which can be cooked on your stove or by campfire.

Meet at TA Travel Parking area in Troutdale 7:30 Saturday AM (this is just to the east of McDonalds). An Application form and Emergency Contact form need to be received by leader before the backpack. These forms and helpful backpack information are available at www.trailsclub.org under Backpack Participant Information.

Register: Linda Conrad 360-837- 3787 or lcgrconrad@aol.com.

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 and meet on the west side of Target's parking lot across from Starbucks Coffee. Tri Met bus service on routes 47, 52 and 89 is near by.

Let's Talk About

Quick Note::

The annual Trip Leader Award will be presented at the April Banquet. This award is given to the leader of the most

events in 2011 which may include hiking, snowshoeing, cross-country skiing, bicycling, backpacking, kayaking, and outings. Come to the banquet and learn who the latest winner is!

Bike Leader Meeting

In February Allen Burrell, Bicycle Coordinator, began pedaling into the summer bicycle season with a bike leader meeting. Encouraged by a promise of Gerda Eck's soup, leaders soon had 39 bike rides scheduled. The "Rambles" on the last Tuesday of the month are "casual, fun, and flatter" than some rides and good for casual riders. As the season continues watch for other rides to be added and possible schedule changes. Check our bicycle website section and The Trail Blazer for updates. Thank you Allen and Gerda! Thank you all bike leaders!

Trails Ahead

Eagle Creek Backpack—Class A May 19-20 (Sat-Sun)

We'll take the Eagle Creek Trail in the Columbia Gorge past scenic Punchbowl Falls and Tunnel Falls, hiking high above the creek in some sections. Trail has many scenic sections blasted directly out of rock with cables strung for handholds. Camping will be at campsites along the creek after hiking about 7 miles total and an elevation of 1200 to 1300 feet. We'll return to the trailhead on Sunday. To register, Application form and Emergency Contact Information form need to be received by leader before Wednesday May 16th. These forms are available at www.trailsclub.org under Backpack Participant Information. Contact leader for more information, register before Wednesday May 16th.

Leader: Bill Yandon, Home phone 503-538-3643, cell 503-887-2932, or wkyandon@earthlink.net

Nesika Supper Hike—Class B May 26 (Sat)

Please make your supper reservations with the host for Nesika. 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) with fresh batteries for the hike out after supper. Hike: 8 miles with 1,800 feet elevation gain. Depart: 3:00 PM from front of Multnomah Falls Lodge. Leader: Kelly Marlin 503-665-6778

Weekend on the McKenzie River July 6-8, (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 resort.

Two breakfasts and a Saturday campfire dinner will be provided. Saturday there will be a 9 plus mile easy loop hike along both sides of the McKenzie River past 3 waterfalls and around Clear Lake. Outing Leader Vicki Wood has reserved 6 cabins, 5 tent sites, 8 RV sites and 7 lodge rooms for our group.

Lodging prices for the 2-night stay:

Tent sites: \$65.40 total for 1 or 2 people (\$16 each additional person)

RV sites: \$76.30 total for 1 or 2 people (\$16 each additional person)

Cabins: Prices are divided by the number of people and range from \$294.30 for up to 4 people to \$555.90 for up to 6 people (\$20 each additional person);

Lodge rooms vary from \$218 for 2 people to \$294.30 for up to 4 people.

Other fees include a \$2 per person (members) or \$4 (nonmembers) TCO activity fee, and shared meal costs of \$13 per person for 3 meals.

NOTE: Member applications accepted beginning Mar 1. Nonmembers applications will be accepted beginning April 1. Any application postmarked earlier than March 1 will not be accepted.

To apply for a place on the outing:

1. Download the 2012 McKenzie Outing Participant Forms from the web page www.trailsclub.org/events/Outings.html#McKenzie
2. Before you mail an application, please contact Vicki Wood to inquire about lodging availability (or for more information): 503-515-7208 or vw48@comcast.net
3. Complete the forms and mail them with a **nonrefundable deposit** of \$25 payable to the Trails Club of Oregon to: **Trails Club of Oregon PO Box 1243 Portland, OR 97207**

You will be notified by email or mail when you have been accepted on the outing and the \$25 deposit will be credited to your balance. The final outing payment will be due by June 1. It should be made payable to TRAILS CLUB OF OREGON and sent to the address above.

Check out the resort website at www.belknaphotsprings.com for photos/info. The drive is about 300 miles round trip from downtown Portland.

2012 ALPINE OUTING TO BIGHORN CRAGS IN IDAHO

August 5-12 and August 12-19, 2012 Trips Full, Alternates Only

For information, call Diana Forester at 503-288-7782 or email at diana_forester@msn.com.

Coos Bay Area Hike—Class B Sep 14 (Fri)

Hike the coastal headlands south 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 browse through, and then continue on to Cape

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Arago State Park where we will have lunch on the beach and then return. Hike 8 miles round trip with 700 feet elevation gain. Make a weekend of it and stay for the Bay Area Fun Festival. There's a parade on Saturday morning, a car cruise-in in the afternoon, and then a contra dance at a nearby town grange hall.
Depart: 9:30 AM Sunset Bay Camp site D-21.
Leader: Brian Carlson 503-703-8598 or owatta53@hotmail.com

Tyee Schedule —2012

Date	Event Description	Contact
Jun 09-10 (Sat-Sun)	Mazama Overflow	George Milne
Jun 19-22 (Tue-Fri)	Mazamas	George Milne
Jun 23-24 (Sat-Sun)	Tyee Wk Wkend	Stephen Brown
Jun 30-01 (Sat-Sun)	Mazamas	George Milne
Jul 21-22 (Sat-Sun)	Tyee-Hike & Dine	Lisa Osburn
Jul 28-29 (Sat-Sun)	Tyee Wk Wkend	Stephen Brown
Aug 03-05 (Fri-Sun)	Quilt Retreat-	Carla Haake
Aug 18-19 (Sat-Sun)	Tyee-Hike & Dine	Lisa Osburn
Aug 25-26 (Sat-Sun)	Tyee Wk Wkend	Stephen Brown

Nesika Schedule—2012

Date	Event Description	Contact
Apr 28-29 (Sat-Sun)	Nesika Wk Wkend-	Glen Conrad
May 19-20(Sat-Sun)	Nesika Wk Wkend-	Glen Conrad
May 26-28(Sat-Mon)	Mem Day Wkend-at Nesika	
Jun 09-10(Sat-Sun)	Nesika Wk Wkend-	Glen Conrad
Jul 14-15 (Sat-Sun)	Nesika Wk Wkend-	Glen Conrad
Aug 11-12 (Sat-Sun)	Nesika Wk Wkend-	Glen Conrad

Trails Club Bike Ride Schedule—2012

Apr 15 (Sun) Champoe Loop-Terry Lawson
Apr 24 (Tue) "Last Tues Bike Ramble"-Nancy Overpeck
Apr 26 (Thu) Frenchman's Bar-Kent Meyer
Apr 29 (Sun) Monster Cookie Ride-Louis Sowa
May 03 (Thu) Bike & Dine/Mississippi-Audrey Perino
May 10 (Thu) Washington County-Rich Fuhs
May 20 (Sun) Portland Loop-Maureen Covell
May 24 (Thu) Washington County-Rich Fuhs
May 29 (Tue) "Last Tues Bike Ramble"
Jun 2 (Sat) Ridgefield-Kent Meyer
Jun 5 (Tue) TBA-Rich Fuhs
Jun 8 (Fri) Clackamas River-Terry Lawson
Jun 14 (Thu) Peninsula Pk to Pier Pk-Audrey Perino
Jun 19 (Tue) Portland Buttes-Maureen Covell
Jun 23 (Sat) Burnt Bridge, Vancouver-Nancy Overpeck
Jun 26 (Tues) "Last Tues Bike Ramble" "Cartlandia"-Audrey Perino
Jun 30 (Sat) Grand Island-Louis Sowa March 13, 2012
July 2 (Mon) Lacamas Lake-Terry Lawson
July 9 (Mon) Sauvie Island-Lisa Brice
Jul 12 (Thu) Puget Island-Gisela Piercy
July 21 (Sat) "Smell-the-Roses"-Lisa Brice

Summary of Board Minutes

Complete Report on Members' Web Page

Attending :Richard Gaunt, Callista Snively, Lisa Osburn, Bill Yandon, Phil Jackson, George Milne, Carolyn Jenkins. Excused: Nancy Overpeck. Also: Admin. Assist. Virginia Larson & Legal Advisor Art Stangell

Minutes Approved

Administrative Assistant's Report—Virginia Larson reported that all routine duties had been completed.

Treasurer's Report— Audrey Perino provided a Profit and Loss/previous year comparison for year to date thru February. Carla Haake, Joyce Rasmussen, and Virginia Larson appointed to Audit Committee. Motion for Investment Committee to meet and report status of the Club's investments. approved.

Committees

Membership—Callista Snively reported 1st & 2nd Readings,& 2 applications for Life Membership. Non-Payment of Dues terminations list was presented.

Trips—The Outings Procedures and Policy were discussed. The policy works well for the wilderness outings but some leeway for other outings is needed. The Determining the Cost of Outing form was revised to include a 15% non-member surcharge.

Publications – Proof readers this month are Richard Gaunt and George Milne.

Social— Adventures and Travel is going well. Annual Banquet planning is on schedule. Speaker is Mel Huie, Portland Parks and Recr. Ken Kane will be MC.

Lodges and Properties— The process for repairing the Multnomah Creek Bridge is moving forward with the Forest Service. Permit and other issues remain to be worked out. Funding for additional parking doesn't look promising.

Legal Advisor Report- There is one estate that provides for a bequest to the Trail's Club, still in Probate

Unfinished Business-In Executive Session current Disciplinary Policy and current events that are or could be covered under this Policy were discussed.

New Business-.TCO donates or pays membership dues to FWOC, Friends of the Columbia River Gorge and the Forest Park Conservancy each year.

Action Items

Virginia will contact Randy Dietrich about web link-for the Annual Banquet. Richard will contact the Investment Committee. Audrey will contact our Insurance Agent about errors and omission coverage.

Adjourn-9:00 pm

Respectfully Submitted, Bill Yandon for Nancy Overpeck

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

1st Readings

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Sponsors: Barbara Jones and Elaine Nelson

2nd Readings

Pamela I. Moore

Paul Cutter

Simon Ray-Cutter (Junior)

Life Members

Mya White

Terry White

Resignations

Randy Smith

Ken Becker

Bozena Hollaway

Carla Koford

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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

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