



Trail Blazer

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Upcoming Events			Upcoming Events (cont.)		
Date	Day	Event Description	Date	Day	Event Description
2	Wed	Morning Hike--Class A/B	26-28	Sat-Mon	Memorial Day Weekend at Nesika
2	Wed	Evening Hike--Class B	30	Wed	Morning Hike--Class A/B
3	Thu	Bike and Dine - Sellwood Riverfront Park to Mississippi--Class A	30	Wed	Evening Hike--Class B
5-6	Sat-Sun	Three Corner Rock to Sedum Point Backpack--Class B	Jun 2	Sat	Terwilliger-Willamette River Loop Hike--Class A
6	Sun	Mt. Hamilton Loop Hike--Class B	2	Sat	Ridgefield Bike Ride--Class B
8	Tue	Board Meeting—7 PM, Mazama MC	5	Tue	Tualatin Loop Bike Ride--Class B
9	Wed	Morning Hike--Class A/B	Scheduling is updated on web site www.trailsclub.org		
9	Wed	Evening Hike--Class B	Meeting places are detailed at the end of events section.		
10	Thu	Washington County Bike Ride--Class B	TRIP FEES: Members \$1; Guests \$2		
12	Sat	Triple Crown Hike, Dogs OK--Class B/C	The Mystery of the Missing Member We are still looking for the TCO member (or guest) who left behind his black Coleman bag, which contains his Slumber jack sleeping bag (dark gray w/light blue lining), a small fitted flannel sheet, a pillow with pillow case and a pair of men's medium black gloves, at Tyee Lodge sometime between Thanksgiving and New Years. This is the last call for these items before they are donated to Goodwill. Please leave a message at 503-223-2740 to claim your property before May15.		
12	Sat	Table Mt. Hike--Class C			
15	Tue	Blazer Deadline	Trailkeepers of Oregon Looking for Tool Steward The Trailkeepers of Oregon, a non-profit organization, is looking for a "volunteer tool steward" in the Portland area who has dry storage space for their tools. Ideally the tool storage area, which doesn't have to be a large space, would be easily accessible from one of the major highways. Another alternative would be as a benefactor to contribute to the cost of a small storage space for the tools on an ongoing basis. TKO values partnerships with local outdoors-related groups such as TCO. For more info about TKO, check out www.trailkeepersoforegon.org , and contact TKO Board Member Jane Garbisch 503-314-2233 or jegarbisch@yahoo.com if you can help.		
15	Tue	Dog Mountain Hike--Class B			
16	Wed	Morning Hike--Class A/B			
16	Wed	Evening Hike--Class B			
17	Thu	Adventures & Travel--Highlights of the Great Southwest			
19	Sat	Nesika Lodge Hike--Class B			
19	Sat	Eagle Creek Hike--Class A			
19	Sat	East Gorge Hike--Class A/B			
19-20	Sat-Sun	Eagle Creek Backpack--Class A			
20	Sun	Portland Loop Bike Ride--Class B			
20	Sun	Solar Eclipse Hike--Class A			
23	Wed	Morning Hike--Class A/B			
23	Wed	Evening Hike--Class B			
24	Thu	Forest Grove Bike Ride--Class B			
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Wednesday Evening Hike Leaders Needed

Please let me know if you are able and interested to help lead our Wednesday Evening Hikes. Check your Trail Blazer and the Trails' Club Web Page to confirm a hike is scheduled for that evening
Dona Covi, 503-286-7243 or dcibike2@aol.com

Events

May 2 (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: Brook Gutman 503-209-7179

May 2 (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:Wallace Park on NW Raleigh St at 6:00 PM.

Return about 8:00 PM.

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

May 3 (Thu) Bike and Dine: Sellwood Riverfront Park to Mississippi—Class A

Please join me for an easy ride and lunch! We'll start at Sellwood Riverfront Park and ride to the shopping district on N. Mississippi Ave. We'll have lunch at Por Que No (or elsewhere) and then ride back. About 15 miles round trip, part on the Esplanade, part on streets with a bike lane.

Depart: 10 AM Sellwood Riverfront Park (The Sellwood park down on the river by Oaks Park).

Leader: Audrey Perino, audrey53@comcast.net.
503-246-6462 or 503-522-9911 (cell)

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 of Stevenson WA, hike up passed Panther Creek to Sedum Point. Find a place to 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. 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.

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.

May 6 (Sun) Mt. Hamilton Loop Hike—Class B

Hike 7.6 miles with 2000 foot elevation gain, including a fascinating close-up look into Rodney Falls. Drive 88 miles roundtrip. Requires drivers to have a Washington State Discover Pass at the trailhead. Rain or shine.
Depart: 8:30 AM from Gateway Park & Ride.
Leader: Larry Solomon 503-206-6580

May 9 (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: Mike Harrison 971-279-2707

May 9 (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: Wallace Park on NW Raleigh St at 6:00 PM
Return about 8:00 PM.
Leader: Donna Covi 503-286-7243 or dcibike2@aol.com

May 10 (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 12 (Sat) Triple Crown Hike, Dogs-OK—Class B/C

Hike to the three highest peaks in Portland which are Council Crest, Hoyt Arboretum and Pittock Mansion. Those will be the peaks we hike to and in that particular order. Flowers can be fantastic at Hoyt Arboretum during that time. We may stop there for lunch. Prepare for muddy conditions on the trails. Dress appropriately for the weather. Bring lunch, water and maybe rain gear. Hike 9 miles with 1700-1800 feet elevation gain.
Depart from Marquam Shelter. Call leaders for more complete driving directions if necessary and for departure time. Inform leaders if you are bringing a dog.
Leaders: Roger and Karen Yanhs Anderson 360-450-9199 or p74852@gmail.com

May 12 (Sat) Table Mountain. Hike—Class C

Exploratory hike (meaning I have not hiked this trail) to Table Mt. in the Columbia Gorge. Get a good work out on this 10 mile hike with 3400 feet elevation gain, 1500 of it in the last 1.3 miles. Will change hikes if weather looks bad. Drive 88 miles round trip. Share bridge tolls and carpool fees. Return by 5:00 PM.
Depart: 8:00 AM from Gateway Park & Ride.
Leader: Brian Carlson 503-703-8598 or owatta53@hotmail.com

May 15 (Tue) Dog Mountain Hike—Class B

Take this classic Columbia Gorge springtime hike. Climb

the "easy" way up the Augspurger Trail, and then merge into the magic of wildflower-filled meadows as we cross over to Dog Mountain. Lunch at the top, and then take the steep descent to the trailhead. Drivers need trailhead parking permits. Drive 98 miles round trip. Share bridge tolls and carpool fees.

Depart: 8:30 AM Gateway Park and Ride
Leader: Bill Kingsbury wfcrowntown@gmail.com

May 16 (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: Nancy Panitch 503-645-2843

May 16 (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: Wallace Park on NW Raleigh St at 6:00 PM.
Return about 8:00 PM.
Leader: Lotte Schmitz 503-722-2290 or lotteschmitz@msn.com

May 17 (Thu) Adventures & Travel—Highlights of the Great Southwest—See Pictures on Page 8.

From New Mexico to Old Mexico, petroglyphs to Petco Park, and Vegas to valleys (Death and Simi), join Audrey Perino and Ken Kane as they share some of what the desert Southwest has to offer. This wide-ranging, quick-hitting travelogue will head west from Albuquerque and end up in Baja California, taking in visual treats from several national parks and monuments, both natural (the Grand Canyon) and man-made (Scotty's Castle). There will be some less scenic but no less memorable happenings, too: find out what it's like to be in a Disneyland parade ...and an Elvis wedding chapel on The Strip. Experience the weird and the wonderful in this final Adventures & Travel slideshow of the season.
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

May 19 (Sat) Nesika Lodge Hike —Class B

Those interested in becoming members can meet requirements with this hike. Hike from Multnomah Falls to our historic and tranquil Nesika Lodge. It will be open for a spring work-party so you will be able to meet some of the members. Hike 8 miles round trip at a moderate pace with stops to take pictures. Bring water, lunch, walking sticks (if you have them), camera, and dollars for gas-share. Please dress in layers as we will be gaining nearly 2000 feet in elevation. Drive 48 miles round trip.
Depart: 8:30 AM from Gateway Park and Ride or 9:15 from Multnomah Falls Lodge restroom shelter.
RSVP to leader: Janet 503-655-2357

May 19 (Sat) Eagle Creek Hike—Class A

Hike 6.6 miles round trip with 700 feet elevation gain to the high bridge area. Bring water, snack and a smile.
Depart: 8:30 AM from Gateway Park and Ride.
Leader: Art Harvey 503-684-5897

May 19 (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 weather, group size, and interest of the group. Possible hike examples are the Deschutes River Trail or Catherine Creek area, Seven Mile Hill.
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.
Call to register by 9:00 PM Friday.
Leader: Gary Holman 503-261-3571.

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

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 gain of 1200 to 1300 feet. We'll return to trailhead on Sunday. Contact leader for more information.
To register, Application form needs to be received by leader before Wednesday May 2nd. This form, the Emergency Contact form and helpful backpack information is available at www.trailsclub.org/events/backpack.html under Backpack Participant Information.
Leader: Bill Yandon 503-538-3643, cell 503-887-2932, or wkyandon@earthlink.net

May 20 (Sun) Portland Loop Bike Ride—Class B

We will do a 32 mile loop on Portland's dedicated bike paths and on roads with bike lanes or little traffic. Mostly flat with views of the Willamette and Columbia Rivers and Johnson Creek. Contact leader for start location and time.
Leader: Maureen Covell, 503-954-4501, or charleycvl@aol.com

May 20 (Sun) Solar Eclipse Hike—Class A

Hike to this great viewing site on the backside of Kings Mountain for this rare event. Plan to be out until sunset and bring your optics. Hike 6 miles with 1000 feet elevation gain. Depart: 12 noon from Target at 185th. Ave. See Meeting Places.
Leader: Jeff Andrew 503-804-9027

May 23 (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: Audrey Perino 503-246-6462

May 23 (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: Wallace Park on NW Raleigh St at 6:00 PM.
Return about 8:00 PM.
Leader: Bruce Seymour 503-722-2290 or bruceseymour65@gmail.com

May 24 (Thu) Forest Grove Bike Ride—Class B

We'll start in Lincoln Park in Forest Grove and pedal along the nearby back roads, completing a loop to the south. About 30 miles. Relatively flat, but some low rolling hills. Probably around 800' of elevation gain. The roads should have relatively light traffic.
Depart: Contact leader for meeting details.
Leader: Rich Fuhs, 503-690-5077 or rich.fuhs@gmail.com

May 26 (Sat) Nesika Supper Hike—Class B

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

May 26 (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. Leader will consider weather, group size, and interest of the group. Possible hike examples are the Deschutes River Trail or Catherine Creek area, Seven Mile Hill.
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.
Call to register by 9:00 PM Friday.
Leader: Gary Holman 503-261-3571.

May 26-28 (Sat-Mon) Memorial Day Weekend At Nesika

Join us at Nesika Lodge for a family-friendly Memorial Day weekend. Saturday night's feast will include southern style pork ribs flown in from Corky's Barbecue in Memphis, TN along with southern side dishes. Dinner will be \$12 (\$5 extra for the ribs, assuming enough people sign up-- if not enough folks sign up, menu might be different). Nancy Overpeck will serve dinner Saturday night and breakfast Sunday morning. Terry Dewhurst and Richard Gaunt will serve dinner on Sunday and breakfast on Monday. Come for the weekend or just for the rib dinner Sat. night. There will likely be a 5-6 mile hike on Sunday.
Reserve NO LATER THAN Tuesday, May 22, so we can order the ribs in time. Richard will meet folks at the gate on Larch Mountain Rd. at 9 am Saturday morning. Call host for other arrangements. Reservations: Audrey Perino - audrey53@comcast.net or 503-246-6462.

May 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. For the distance or difficulty of the hike call the leader.
Depart: Wallace Park on NW Raleigh St at 9:30 AM.
Leader: Carolyn Coleman 503-635-5991

May 30 (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: Wallace Park on NW Raleigh St at 6:00 PM. Return about 8:00 PM.
Leader: Cathy Schiedler 503-234-1839 or catherineschied@juno.com

Jun 2 (Sat) Terwilliger-Willamette Loop Hike—Class A

Hike along wooded Terwilliger Parkway, up the Marquam Trail to the tram for a free ride down to the Willamette, then south along its greenway to a steep climb back up to Fulton. Hike 6.5 miles with 750 feet elevation gain. Directions: From I-5 going south, take Terwilliger exit; turn right on Barbur, angle right at 1st light onto SW Miles. Lot is on right across from a church. Depart: 9:00 AM from Fulton Park's lot (68 SW Miles). Leader: John Benson 503-334-8026

Jun 2 (Sat) Ridgefield Bike Ride—Class B

This 25 mile ride starts with 3 miles of paved bike path. Then we go to county roads with and without shoulder, some with moderate traffic, some little traffic. We have hills, some sustained, most short. Estimated 1000 foot elev. gain. Also a stop for coffee in Ridgefield. This ride has a little of everything. There is a \$3 fee for parking at Salmon Cr. Park. Call me for directions to the Park. Depart: 9:00 AM from Salmon Creek. Park Leader: Kent Meyer 360-574-0784

Jun 5 (Tue) Tualatin Loop Bike Ride—Class B

We'll start at Ibach Park in Tualatin. We'll make a loop that will include Hebb Park along the Willamette River, Wilsonville, and Sherwood. About 35 miles. Rolling hills, probably around 1000' of elevation gain. The roads should have relatively light traffic. Depart: Contact leader for meeting details. Leader: Rich Fuhs, 503-690-5077 or rich.fuhs@gmail.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 in the southwest corner of Target's parking lot. Tri-Met buses 47, 52 and 89 service is near.

Let's Talk About

Coordinators

Bill Yandon, Cross-Country Ski Coordinator, and Brian Carlson, Snowshoe Coordinator, have finished another very successful season scheduling our Winter Sports program. The club thanks you!

Quick Note:

Leaders, we realize occasionally your scheduled trip (hike, etc.) doesn't happen, the weather may be bad or no one shows up to go. Not sure what to do with the hike papers when this happens? Please fill in the information at the top of the Trip Log and write "trip canceled because of ice on roads (or other reason)." Send all papers back in the envelope provided.

First Aid and CPR class

Our class this year was attended by 25 club members on March 17. Instructor John Stubbs from Northwest Responder once again led the class through all requirements. Everyone received his or her two year certifications. Several people said they enjoyed the class very much and gained much useful knowledge. Especially appreciated was information about what to do when help is delayed in an emergency.

See First Aid/CPR Class Picture Page 9

Trails Trodden

Champoeg Bike Ride Aprtil 15

On April 15, a sunny spring day, Terry Lawson led a group of 8 members and 2 guests to start the year's ride schedule with a scenic ride in the Willamette Valley south of Champoeg State Park.. The group utilized the Willamette Valley Scenic Bikeway (WVSB) for roughly half of the miles on the ride together with local rural roads in the area. As we rode in the valley through an agricultural area displaying early spring growth, we enjoyed distant views of the foothills of the Cascades still partially covered with snow. The group split into two subgroups after a little over 13 miles on the WVSB, with one subgroup completing a ride of 27 miles and the other adding an additional 16 miles and a visit to the Wheatland ferry landing on the Willamette for a ride of 43 miles. Submitted by Terry Lawson

Trails Ahead

Silver Star Mt. Hike—Class B June 23 (Sat)

Climb Clark County's highest mountain on 7 mile loop from Grouse Vista trailhead. Possible side trips to Sturgeon Rock and/or Indian Pits. Silver Star is known for its 360 degree vistas and wildflowers. Round trip driving distance is 80 miles. Depart: 8:00 AM from Fred Meyer in Vancouver, Washington. Take Mill Plain exit off I-205 and park in south parking lot near Chevron station. Leader: Paul Cutter 360-260-1673

Weekend on the McKenzie River July 6-8, 2012 (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.

Two breakfasts and a Saturday campfire dinner will be provided. Saturday there will be a 9+ mile easy loop hike along both sides of the McKenzie River past 3 water falls and around Clear Lake.

A few tent sites, cabins and lodge rooms are still available. Contact the outing leader Vicki Wood at 503-515-7208 or vw48@comcast.net for prices and further information/instructions

A \$25 nonrefundable deposit is required and final lodging payment is due June 1st. Other fees are a \$2 per person trip fee (members) and \$13 for three meals.

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.

Cairn Basin/Wy'east Basin Exploratory Backpack—Class B Sept 8-9 (Sat-Sun)

Hike 4 to 7 miles with 2000 to 2400 feet of elevation gain into the Mount Hood Wilderness on the north side of Mt. Hood, accessing the Timberline Trail from Top Spur Trail. There should be great views into Washington to the north, and of the north face of Mt. Hood. The objective will be to explore Cairn Basin, Wy'east Basin, and Elk Cove and find the best place to camp for the night. Weather should be good, but prepare for rain or cool temperatures. To register, Application form and Emergency Contact Information forms need to be received by leader before Wed. Sept. 5th. These forms are available at www.trailsclub.org under Backpack Participant Info.. Leader: Bill Yandon 503-538-3643, 503-887-2932 or wkyandon@earthlink.net

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 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 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 16-17 (Sat-Sun)	Tyee-Hike & Dine	Lisa Osburn
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
May 19-20 (Sat-Sun)	Nesika Wk Wkend-	Glen Conrad
May 26-28 (Sat-Mon)	Mem Day Wkend-	Audrey Perino
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

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
 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
 Jul 26 (Thu) UP to Kelly Pt-Audrey Perino
 Jul 29 (Sun) Independence/Buena Vista-Ralph Rogers

Jul 31 (Tue) "Last Tues Bike Ramble"
 Aug 3 (Fri) SE Loop/Gresham-Terry Lawson
 Aug 9 (Thu) Hagg Lake-Gisela Piercy
 Aug 11 (Sat) Vernonia/Banks (overnight, also)-
 Maureen Covell
 Aug 16 (Thu) Bike and Dine/City Tour-Audrey Perino
 Aug 20 (Mon) Trolley Trail/Gladstone-Gerda Eck
 Aug 25 (Sat) Willamette Valley-Louis Sowa
 Aug 28 (Tue) "Last Tues Bike Ramble"-Allen Burrell
 Aug 30 (Thu) Multnomah Falls-Ralph Rogers
 Sep 7 (Fri) Gateway/Gladstone-Terry Lawson
 Sep 13 (Thu) Vernonia/Banks-Kent Meyer
 Sep 20 (Thu) Willamette Pk/Zoo-Audrey Perino
 Sep 23 (Sun) Mosier Tunnels-Gerda Eck
 Sep 25 (Tue) "Last Tues Bike Ramble"-Gerda Eck
 Sep 27 (Thu) TBA-Rich Fuhs
 Oct 2 (Tue) Washington Co-Rich Fuhs

Summary of Board Minutes

TRAILS CLUB OF OREGON BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING April 10, 2012

Call to Order—Richard called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Attending: Richard Gaunt, Carolyn Jenkins, Audrey Perino, Nancy Overpeck, Phillip Jackson, Callista Snively, Lisa Osburn, and George Milne. (Bill Yandon excused) Others attending: Virginia Larson, Administrative Assistant, and Chris Monti, Investment Committee Chair.

Approval of Minutes—Of March 2012 meeting were approved. (MSC) George/Callista.

Administrative Assistant's Report—Virginia Larson. Routine duties completed plus Banquet paperwork. Merv Murphy is working on a new spread sheet for Cook/Host to document events.

Treasurer's Report—Audrey Perino provided reconciled bank statements and financial reports to the secretary for our records. YTD and monthly financial reports were reviewed and discussed by the board. Actuals vs. Budget Report will first be presented next month.

Cash balance at March 31, 2012 \$14,868.41

Beginning balance	03-01-12	\$14,895.57
March Deposits		3,574.00
March Checks		-3,601.16
Ending balance	03-31-12	\$14,868.41

Audit Committee appointed: Joyce Rasmussen, Carla Haake, and Virginia Larson, (MSC) Audrey/George.

Committees

Investment Committee—Chris Monti reported that final transfer of funds from Morgan Stanley to Fidelity Funds will soon take place. We have made 5.53% on our funds during

the last six months.

Motion to set aside \$50,000 in CD with US Bank for our Multnomah Creek Bridge repair. (MSC) George/Lisa

Membership—Callista Snively reported first reading: Katharine Diack. Second readings: Heather C. Armstrong, Marcum P. Bell, Namhea Brabant, and Charlotte Donabedian. Vote Unanimous. Both Metro Trails and Clackamas County employees have fairs on April 25th. We may do one.

Trips—Carolyn Jenkins reported trips scheduled for May: 4 wk-end hikes, 10 Wed morning and evening hikes, 2 backpacks and 5 bike rides. Both Wed hike coordinators need more leaders.

She presented the revised document for "Determining the cost of the outing." Final approval next month. Virginia, Carolyn and Susan Saul have worked on this document to agree with the "Outing Policy and Procedures." CPR class, March 17, had twenty four members receive certificates in both First Aid and CPR. One member took First Aid only. Cost to Club \$668.00. We appreciate the instructor John Stubb of Northwest Responder who gave us a \$475 discount.

Publications—Phillip Jackson. Proofers for May Blazer Audrey and George.

Social—Lisa Osburn reported that Adventures and Travel are booked for 2012 and starting to schedule for 2013. Nancy O. is Eat N Hike (picnic) coordinator for summer. First Hike 'N Dine at Tyee on June 16-17. Banquet is ready for 85 members at the Monarch Hotel. E-mail sent for lodge hosts and cook for Memorial Day Weekend.

Lodges and Properties—George Milne reported work parties organized for April and May (some work may depend on road to Nesika and remaining snow at Tyee.) Our application for bridge repair is completed, signed, and submitted with the USFS (called Columbia Gorge National Scenic Area USDA Office) ready to go to the next level. The Forest Service was most helpful.

More trees are down on the road to Nesika. Members will cut their way through in order to carry out work-parties.

Adjourn 8:50 (MSC) Audrey/Lisa
Respectfully submitted, Nancy Overpeck, Secretary



La Brea Tar Pits by Ken Kane



**Cliff Springs Trail in The Grand Canyon
by Ken Kane**



Reagan Library by Ken Kane



Death Valley Self Portrait by Ken Kane



First Aid/CPR Class March 17

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.

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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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