



Trail Blazer

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Upcoming Events		
Date	Day	Event Description
1	Sun	Mt. St. Helens at Sheep Canyon Hike---Class C
4	Wed	AM Hike-- No Hike This Week
4	Wed	PM Hike-- No Hike This Week
6	Fri	Lacamas Lake Bike Ride--Class B Rescheduled from July 2
7	Sat	McKenzie River/Clear Lake Loop Hike--Class B
8	Sun	Bridal Veil Hike--Class B
9	Mon	Sauvie Island Bike Ride--Class A
10	Tue	Board Meeting—7PM, Mazama MC
11	Wed	Morning Hike--Class A/B
11	Wed	Evening Hike--Class B
12	Thu	Puget Island Bike Ride--Class B
14	Sat	Mirror Lake Hike--Class A/B
14	Sat	Nesika Membership Hike--Class B
14-15	Sat-Sun	Nesika Work Weekend
15	Sun	Blazer Deadline
18	Wed	Morning Hike--Class A/B
18	Wed	Evening Hike--Class B
19	Thu	Eat 'N Hike Picnic--Mary S Young State Park
21	Sat	Smell the Roses Bike Ride--Class B
21	Sat	Gunsight Butte Hike--Class B
21-22	Sat-Sun	Tyee Hike & Dine
25	Wed	Morning Hike--Class A/B
25	Wed	Evening Hike--Class B
26	Thu	North Portland-Kelley Point Park Bike Ride - Class A
28	Sat	Hike Multnomah Falls to Larch Mountain – Class C
28	Sat	Hike near Mt Adams – Class B

Upcoming Events (cont.)		
Date	Day	Event Description
28-29	Sat-Sun	Tyee Work Weekend
29	Sun	Independence/Buena Vista Bike Ride--Class B
Aug 1	Wed	Morning Hike--Class A/B
1	Wed	Evening Hike--Class B
3-5	Fri-Sun	Tyee Quilting Weekend
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		

Announcements

Holiday Hikes Cancelled

There will be no Wednesday Morning or Evening Hike on July 4th because of the holiday

Wednesday Morning Hike Coordinators Found

Jane Storey will be the new Wednesday Morning Hike Coordinator and Glenda Chaite will be her assistant and back-up, as needed. This is very good news for the club. Having these two volunteers assure this continuing and popular hike will have leaders ready and waiting when we meet at 9:30 AM, usually at Wallace Park. Thank you both very much! And thanks also to Audrey Perino for keeping Wednesday leaders scheduled in the interim. Call Jane at 503-724-5467 if you would like to lead one of these hikes. She will certainly appreciate hearing from you.

Lodge Hosts and Cooks Needed

We need a host and a cook for the Hike & Dine at Tyee, Aug 18-19 (Sat-Sun). Please let me know if you are available and interested in helping. Questions? Please do ask! Thanks! Lisa Osburn:
socialchair@trailsclub.org or 503-476-5638

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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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Trails Club Hike Leaders Needed

What a great time to be outside in the land of hiking opportunity! Your chance to lead a hike in August, September and October is here! You may want to reserve a day now with me, and then send details in a week or so after you have a chance to ponder the perfect hike. We need week-end hikes. Other days of the week are fine too, except Wednesday when we have our usual morning and evening hikes starting from Wallace Park. Need help with your write-up? Let me know. Please send your write-up to blazer@trailsclub.org. Reserve a day with Carolyn Jenkins 503-422-6456 or tripschair@trailsclub.org.

Coordinator for Weekend Hikes Needed

If you are a club member please consider scheduling fellow club members to lead a hike on a weekend or any other day except Wednesday. Taking on hike scheduling can be as short as a 2-3 week commitment. You 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 list of possible hike leaders is available. A Coordinator finds leaders and oversees getting hike write-ups sent in before the deadline each month. For more information please contact Trips Chair Carolyn Jenkins at 503-422-6456 or TripsChair@trailsclub.org

Backpack This Summer

How about leading an easy backpack near Portland, one or two nights, shorter hiking distance, in August? Gasoline prices have been high so this could be a less expensive mini-vacation. All we need is a leader or two and this will happen. Enjoy our surrounding Portland area as a backpack leader. Your fellow members and new friends will appreciate it very much.

We don't have a current Backpack Coordinator to advocate for this. But we can encourage the possibility of some easy backpacks anyway. For you folks who like backpacking, there is still time to plan and announce a backpack in August or later (write-ups for August need to be in before the July 15 deadline). Club membership and some experience in back packing required. Please contact me with your plans. I am the one to approve any backpack write-ups for now.

And please someone, volunteer to be the Backpack Coordinator. A coordinator doesn't need to actually backpack, although backpacking knowledge is important. Club membership is needed. A Coordinator finds leaders for backpacks and approves event write-ups and sends them to the Trail Blazer and website before the deadline each month. If you would like to encourage club backpacks, this is your job. Please take a look now at the backpack already offered in September! Information about it is on our website. Call the leader for details. Carolyn Jenkins Trips Chair 503-422-6456 or tripschair@trailsclub.org

Events

Jul 1 (Sun) Mt. St. Helens/Sheep Canyon Hike—Class C

A 12 mile loop hike with intact old-growth forests, desolate canyons, wild flower timberline meadows, and great views of the mountain. This will be an exploratory hike, meaning I have not done this hike before, so we can discover this hike together. Trail head elevation is 3200 ft., with 1900 feet elevation gain. RT drive is 140 miles. Plan for a long day. Trailhead parking pass needed by drivers. Depart: 7:30 AM from Gateway Park and Ride. Leader: Brian Carlson 503-960-9451 or owatta53@hotmail.com

Jul 4 (Wed) No Morning or Evening Hike.

Enjoy the holiday!

Jul 6 (Fri) Lacamas Lake Bike Ride—Class B Rescheduled from Jul 2.

The ride is roughly 25 miles near Vancouver and Camas and features a one mile climb up Payne Rd and a loop around Lacamas Lake. Total elevation gain about 900 ft. Depart: 10 AM from Vancouver, corner of SE Chakalov Dr. and SE McGillvray Blvd. (near SE Mill Plain exit off I-205). Leader: Terry Lawson, 971-998-5810 or lawson.terry@gmail.com

Jul 7 (Sat) McKenzie River/Clear Lake Loop Hike—Class B

Join the group from the Trails Club Weekend on the McKenzie River for this gorgeous 9.2 mile hike with approximately 400 feet elevation gain. We'll hike on both sides of the McKenzie River, passing 100 and 70 foot Sahalie and Koosah waterfalls; then hike a 5 mile loop around Clear Lake, resting at Great Springs, the headwaters of the McKenzie River. Bring lunch, lots of water, sunscreen and a hat, as half of the hike around Clear Lake is in direct sun.

Depart: 10:30 AM near the restroom at Sahalie Falls parking lot between mileposts #5 and #6 on Hwy 126, which is east from Eugene about 65 miles, or from Salem go 80 miles SE on OR 22, then about 5 miles south on Hwy 126. Leader: Vicki Wood 503-515-7208 or vw48@comcast.net. Call with any questions before July 6th.

Jul 8 (Sun) Bridal Veil Hike—Class B

A quiet hike up a pretty creek in the Columbia River Gorge. Hike distance and elevation gain not measured. Drive about 45 miles round trip. Depart: 8:30 AM from Gateway Park and Ride. Leader: Jeff Andrew 503-804-9027

Jul 9 (Mon) Sauvie Island Bike Ride—Class A

Ride a loop around Sauvie Island. Country ride on two lane road with traffic. Approx 20 miles. Depart 5:30 PM at the Park & Ride paved lot just as you enter the island. Leader: Lisa Brice 503-682-2952

Jul 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: Mike Harrison 971-279-2707

Jul 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: Wallace Park on NW Raleigh St at 6:00 PM

Return about 8:00 PM.

Leader: Lotte Schmitz 503-722-2290

lotteschmitz@msn.com

Jul 12 (Thu) Puget Island Bike Ride—Class B

After taking the ferry from Westport we will ride 30 to 35 miles through gently rolling farmland on the island. There is very little traffic on those roads. We might ride up to Skamokawa for lunch through the Wild Life Refuge. The ferry cost is \$1.00 each way and it leaves 15 minutes past every hour from Westport. Driving time from Portland to Westport is about 1.5 hours.

Please register with leader by Wednesday night.

Leader: Gisela Piercy 503-648-5885 or

giselapiercy@gmail.com

Jul 14 (Sat) Mirror Lake Hike—Class A/B

A fun hike to, or around, Mirror Lake then on to the summit of Tom, Dick, & Harry Mt. Enjoy the excellent views there and have lunch. Hike about 7.2 miles with 1715 feet elevation gain. Drive 94 miles round trip. Drivers need trailhead parking permits.

Depart: 8:00 AM from Gateway Park and Ride

Leader: Art Harvey 503-684-5897

Jul 14 (Sat) Nesika Lodge Membership Hike—Class B

A beautiful trek up to the historic and tranquil grounds of Nesika Lodge, resplendent with a babbling creek, lush woods and moderate elevation along the way. If you would like to become a club member, this hike and lodge visit meet all membership requirements. Trails Club folks will be at the lodge working so it will be open for your visit. Bring water and lunch or snacks. Hike about 8 miles round trip with about 1800 feet elevation gain.

Depart: Gateway Park & Ride by 8:30 AM, or Multnomah Lodge gift shop by 9:15 AM

Leader: Jane Storey 503-724-5467

Jul 14-15 (Sat Sun) Nesika Work Weekend

We have had a very successful series of work weekends this year. Clearing brush along the road in April provided us with an abundant amount of firewood for a couple of years. The women's Dorm exterior is finished and new dual sink vanities were added on each floor. The interior of the lodge has all the upper windows and logs washed, and they do shine. The exterior sides of the windows have yet to be cleaned. The new Women's Outhouse is

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approximately 50% complete and we will continue to finish the framing and roof structure and hopefully paint it as well. There is the never ending requirement to clear brush along the road and trails and to clear brush below the men's dorm. There will be plenty for all to do. Come to Nesika and enjoy the fun and fellowship we experience as we continue to improve this special place. Please make your reservations by Wednesday, July 11th. Please advise me of any special diet needs you have and we will make an effort to accommodate your needs.

For reservations or information: Call George Milne, 503-572-8512 or email lodgechair@trailsclub.org. I will be at Belknap Hot Springs with the TCO through July 9th, so leave a message and I will pick it up when I return.

Jul 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: Wayne Schweinfest 503-253-3073

Jul 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: Wallace Park on NW Raleigh St at 6:00 PM

Return about 8:00 PM.

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

Jul 19 (Thu) Eat 'N Hike Picnic—Mary S Young St. Pk.

Come join us for a potluck picnic at Mary S. Young State Park in West Linn! A great area for an hour hike after dinner! I will bring lasagna and lemonade. Bring your favorite potluck dish, and eating utensils.

Meet: Mary S. Young State Park, on Hwy 43 (also called Pacific Hwy & Willamette Dr.) in West Linn. The park is south of Marylhurst University. Call if you have questions. Eat at 6 pm, hike (not an official TCO hike) at 6:45 pm.

More Information: Nancy Overpeck 360-573-6878

Jul 21 (Sat) "Smell the Roses" Bike Ride—Class B

Ride on country roads from near Champoege Park area to St Paul & back. We smell the roses at Heirloom Roses & view the display garden at Fragrant Nursery. This is a country road bike ride which can be 23 miles or more depending on group desire.

Call Leader for meeting place & time.

Leader: Lisa Brice 503-682-2952

Jul 21 (Sat) Gunsight Butte Hike—Class B

Enjoy this well-graded trail which passes Gumjuac Saddle as it ascends to spectacular views of Mt Hood's east side. Hike 8 miles with 2500 feet elevation gain. Make reservations with the Tyee Lodge host if you want to extend your day to include supper and/or lodging at Tyee Lodge near Government Camp. Drive 110 miles round trip.

Depart: 8:30 AM from Gresham Village Shopping Center (south side of Burnside)

Leader: Kelly Marlin 503-665-6778

July 21-22 (Sat-Sun) Tyee Hike 'N Dine

Come join Paul and Callista Snively at Tyee Lodge for an Irish festival including Irish music, dinner and a Tour of Ireland slideshow after dinner. Saturday dinner will include tossed green salad, Irish stew, colcannon, homemade bread and a delectable dessert. Spend the night and enjoy a hardy breakfast including homemade cinnamon rolls made by Mya White. Make reservations for dinner/ breakfast by 6:00 pm Wednesday, July 18.

Register with Callista at kissta9@gmail.com or call 503-330-7344. Slainte!

Jul 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: Glenda Chaite 503-261-1355

Jul 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: Wallace Park on NW Raleigh St at 6:00 PM

Return about 8:00 PM.

Leader: Bruce Seymour 503-722-2290

bruceseymour65@gmail.com

Jul 26 (Thu) North Portland-Kelley Point Park Bike Ride—Class A

Moderately-paced, flat ride with a number of stops through North Portland. We'll ride from the University of Portland out to Kelley Point Park and back. Bring a lunch for a picnic at Kelley Point Park. Total mileage around 20 miles. Please make sure your bike tires are pumped before you come. Call or email with questions.

Depart: 10 am University of Portland, 5000 N. Willamette Blvd, Come in the main entrance off of Willamette Blvd and make the first right. Parking lot is right next to the soccer center.

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

Jul 28 (Sat) Multnomah Falls to Larch Mtn Hike—Class C

For those who want some good exercise and good company come join us on a hike of 13.6 miles with an elevation gain of 4055 feet. Be assured that the amazing close-up views of 5 snow-capped mountains at the end of our climb will make our efforts more than worthwhile. Drive about 45 miles round trip.

Depart: 8:00 AM from Gateway Park & Ride

Leader: Larry Solomon 503-206-6580

Jul 28 (Sat) Hike near Mt Adams—Class B

Hike Killen Creek Trail #113 approximately 6 miles round trip with 1500 feet elevation gain. Enjoy great views, wild-flowers and marmots. A longer hike is possible if we continue along the Pacific Crest Trail at a junction. Camping is available by reservation at scenic Takhlakh Lake Campground where leader will be staying. Nearby Killen Creek Campground is not reservable. If you come only for the day

a trailhead parking pass is probably required. The round trip drive from Portland is about 230 miles. Allow three hours for the drive. Bridge toll is \$1.00 if crossing Bridge of the Gods at Cascade Locks.

Depart: 9:30 AM from the trailhead. **Must register early with leader since he will be up there camping before the hike.** Driving directions will be provided by email after you register.

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

Jul 28-29 (Sat-Sun) Tyee Work Weekend

Volunteers with carpentry skills needed to work on kitchen deck and handrail. Other work: firewood, trails, and cleaning. Saturday evening we'll take a short hike around the area. Lodging and meals free to volunteers. Wear appropriate apparel for outside work. Work gloves are recommended. **We NEED A COOK!**

Start at 10 AM Sat. for safety meeting and orientation, PLEASE BE ON TIME. Lodge will close Sun. at 3 PM. Lodge may be open Friday night, call to confirm. Register with: Stephen Brown, 360-687-6169, or ryanbrowns4@spiritone.com by Wed., July 23

Jul 29 (Sun) Independence/Buena Vista Bike Ride—Class B

Bike 28-30 miles through the fields, rolling hills and farmland of Polk County. The ride starts at the Independence Riverview Park, Independence, Oregon. We ride west through Monmouth, south to Helmick State Park, east to the Buena Vista Ferry. The lunch stop is at a park next to the Willamette River adjacent to the Buena Vista Ferry crossing. We then ride north to Independence to complete the loop. Driving Directions: From Portland drive I-5 South towards Salem. Take the Salem Parkway Exit. Then W on Hwy 22 over the Willamette River to Hwy 51. South to 200 S Main St in Independence. The park is on the left. Turn left toward the river. Parking is north of the boat ramp parking.

Depart: Independence River View Park at 10:00 am.
Leader: Ralph Rogers 503-434-6283 or rrogers500@gmail.com

Aug 1 (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

Aug 1 (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

Aug 3-5 (Fri-Sun) Tyee Quilting Weekend

Join Carla Haake, Jane Olsen and friends for a relaxing

weekend of quilting at Tyee Lodge. We will open the lodge at 12 Friday and close it at 2 PM Sunday. Friday dinner will be a salad potluck—bring your favorite salad. Saturday, we will provide a light breakfast. Chris Olsen will cook Saturday dinner and Sunday breakfast for us. You do not need to be a quilter to come—knitters and other crafters, book readers, spouses and children are all welcome to join us.

HOSTS: Carla Haake and Jane Olsen
REGISTER by 9 PM Tue Jul 31 with Jane 503-287-0670 or janeo@spiritone.netcom

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:

Before you arrive at the meeting place for hikes or trips, be sure to get small denomination bills for fees and car-pool charges. Be courteous to leaders and drivers. It's hard for them to make change for twenty dollar bills.

Trails Trodden

Peninsula Park to Pier Park Bike Ride June 14

It was a bloomin' nice day when Trails Club bikers met at Peninsula Park in North Portland for a ride to Pier Park on June 14. The park is home to Portland's third major rose garden, not Washington Park and not the basketball arena. The trek was ably led by Audrey Perino but the chronological leader was guest Joe Patton who, at 91, proves that age is only a number

See picture by Ken Kane on Page 9.

Bike Ride from San Diego to St Augustine, 3000 Miles

Allen Burrell (TCO Bike Chair) and Chaz Shaw (TCO member) rode their bicycles 3000 miles from San Diego to St. Augustine, supported by Gerda Eck, who transported gear and biked with them occasionally. Congratulations to both Allen and Chaz!



Arrival in St. Augustine, Florida

Trails Ahead

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 Sat. 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
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 13-14 (Mon-Tue)	Family Gathering	Audrey Perino
Aug 18-19 (Sat-Sun)	Tyee-Hike & Dine	Lisa Osburn
Aug 25-26 (Sat-Sun)	Tyee Wk Wkend	Stephen Brown
Sep 01-03 (Sat-Mon)	Fam/Church Grp	D Aase/Murphy
Sep 15-16 (Sat-Sun)	Tyee Hike & Dine	Lisa Osburn
Sep 22-23 (Sat-Sun)	Tyee Wk Wkend	Stephen Brown
Sep 28-30 (Fri-Sun)	Snively Family	Callista Snively
Oct 20-21 (Sat-Sun)	Tyee-Hike & Dine	Lisa Osburn
Oct 27-28 (Sat-Sun)	Tyee Wk Wkend	Stephen Brown
Nov 22-23 (Thu-Fri)	Tyee Thanksgiving	TBD

Volunteer Cooks Needed: Following Work Weekends

July 28-29, Aug. 25-26, Sept. 22-23, Oct. 27-28
RSVP w/ Stephen by Wed. Aug 22nd.
Contact: Stephen Brown, 360-687-6169,
ryanbrowns4@spiritone.com

Nesika Schedule—2012

Date	Event Description	Contact
Jul 14-15 (Sat-Sun)	Nesika Wk Wkend-	Glen Conrad
Aug 11-12 (Sat-Sun)	Nesika Wk Wkend-	Glen Conrad
Sep 08-09 (Sat-Sun)	Nesika Wk Wkend-	Glen Conrad
Oct 13-14 (Sat-Sun)	Nesika Wk Wkend-	Glen Conrad
Nov 03-04 (Sat-Sun)	Backpack Seminar-	Linda Conrad

Trails Club Bike Ride Schedule—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
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)	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 County	Rich Fuhs

Summary of Board Minutes

TRAILS CLUB OF OREGON BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING June 12, 2012

Call to Order—Bill called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. Attending: Richard Gaunt (excused), Carolyn Jenkins, Audrey Perino, Nancy Overpeck, Bill Yandon, Phillip Jackson, Callista Snively, Lisa Osburn, and George Milne. Others attending: Virginia Larson, Administrative Assistant, Art Stangell, Legal Counsel.

Approval of Minutes—May 2012 minutes were approved as corrected (msc) Lisa/George.

Administrative Assistant's Report—Virginia Larson's duties completed as assigned. Completed packets for Belknap Hot Springs and Alpine Outings. She requested a meeting with TCO officers to review duties, direction of position, etc.

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.
Cash balance at May 31, 2012 \$12,675.22

Beginning balance	05-01-12	\$9,504.99
May Deposits		7,898.16
May Checks		-4,727.93
Ending balance	05-31-12	\$12,675.22

(Complete documents on file)

The Board discussed the need for the Trail's Club's carrying D and O insurance for malfeasance, noting that there have never been any suits against club. The board agreed, per counsel advice, that D and O insurance was unnecessary.

Board agreed to have two officers, plus a third available, to approve transferring monies from investment account to checking and to approve checks.

Committees

Membership—Callista Snively reported first readings: Dienne (Diidi) G. Irwin and Betsy A Schaffer. Second Readings: Debbie S. Chung; and Graeme A. Jacob. Vote unanimous.

Trips—Carolyn Jenkins reported: 3 weekend hikes; 3 Wed. am hikes and 3 evening hikes for July; no hikes on the fourth; 7 bike rides and one outing to Belnap Hot Springs. Jane Storey has agreed to schedule Wed. am

hikes with Glenda Chaite as back-up. TCO will not do trail tending with Trail Keepers for July. Backpackers are scheduling themselves as are individual kayakers. (complete report on file)

Publications—Phillip Jackson reported June Blazer arrived in mail, May 28 or 29. Proof-readers for July Blazer will be Lisa and George.

Social—Lisa Osburn reported: The last Adventures. and Travel for Spring 2012 was on the Southwest and was well attended. Memorial Day weekend had 36 people just for the BBQ. Many thanks to Ken, Audrey, Richard, Terry, and Nancy for making it possible. First picnic is at Gabriel Park. Working on organizing Hike 'N Dines for summer.

Lodges and Properties—George Milne reported improvements on the women's dorm at Nesika with Vanities on both floors functioning. Richard Guant and Terry Dewhurst built the vanities and Gregg Carson installed the plumbing. Exterior of dorm completed. New women's outhouse near completion. Pam Moore and Matt Milne cleaned the windows and logs in the copula of the lodge. New water pipes from our spring are being installed. (complete report on file)

History—Deb Ralls has needed to resign as chair.

Legal Counsel Report—Art Stangell advised regarding no need to carry D&O insurance.

Unfinished Business—None

New Business—Motion made to donate \$50.00 to Portland Mountain Rescue for the service that they provide for the mountain climbing and hiking community. (msc) Audrey/Callista. Merv Murphy has developed a new Tyee Lodge spread sheet.

Action Item Review—Audrey will obtain additional signatures for transferring monies from Fidelity Account to checking as needed for special expenses. Richard will organize a meeting for a performance evaluation and review of administrative assistant's position

Adjourn: 8:50 p.m. (msc) Callista/Audrey.

Respectfully submitted, Nancy Overpeck, Secretary.



Above: Nesika Membership Hikers Below: Working on the new Nesika Women's Outhouse





Trails Club bikers met at Peninsula Park in North Portland for a ride to Pier Park on June 14

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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