



Trail Blazer

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Upcoming Events			Scheduling is updated on web site www.trailsclub.org
Date	Day	Event Description	TRIP FEES: Members \$1; Guests \$2
----- July -----			Events July 1 (Wed) Morning Hike – Class A/B We begin our hike at 9:30 am and hike 4 to 6 miles, for 2 to 4 hours, somewhere in the Portland metropolitan area, often in Forest Park. We then have lunch at a nearby cafe. For the starting location of this week’s hike, watch here or call or email the leader. This week’s hike will begin at Friendly House at NW Thurman and 28th. Leader: Kathy Pollock, 503-341-9441, pollockkathy@ymail.com July 1 (Wed) Evening Hike – Class A/B We will hike until 8 PM-ish in Forest Park and the West Hills in two groups: Class A: Approximately 4-5 miles with less than 500 foot elevation gain. Class B: Approximately 6 miles with 500 - 700 foot elevation gain (not cumulative). Meet: 6 PM at Wallace Park between NW 25th and 26th on Raleigh Class A Leader: Gerda Eck 503-804-4214, gerdaeck@comcast.net Class B Leader: Bob Link fanmanr@aol.com July 3-5 (Fri-Sun) Fourth of July at Nesika Nancy Overpeck will be your cook for the weekend. She needs volunteers to host, open, close, run tractor and generator, kitchen help, to make this a successful event. Friday dinner will be potluck. Bring your own lunches. Enjoy hiking by day and fireworks from Waespe Pt Sat night. Please advise Nancy what dish you will be bringing to make this an organized potluck. Sat dinner will be hotdogs, sausages, hamburgers with trimmings, salads, pie, and s’mores. Sat dinner fee \$7, Breakfast fee \$3. Overnight and day use fees apply for members and guests. All food must be kept on ICE in your own chest. Meet at the upper gate 10:00 AM Friday or 10:00 AM Saturday. Make reservations with Nancy Overpeck at 360-836-5464 or email overpeck@wa-net.com by Tuesday, June 30. Please advise Nancy which day you will wanting to come through the gate if you have no key.
1	Wed	Morning hike - Class A/B	
1	Wed	Evening hike - Class A/B	
3-5	Fri-Sun	July 4th at Nesika	
3	Fri	Bike ride from Roy, pt 1 – Class B	
6	Mon	Bike ride from Roy, pt 2 – Class B	
7	Tue	TCO Board Meeting - Mazama MC	
8	Wed	Morning hike - Class A/B	
8	Wed	Evening hike - Class A/B	
9	Thu	North Portland-Kelley Point Park Bike Ride - Class A	
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14	Tue	TCO Board Meeting - Mazama MC	
15	Wed	Blazer Deadline	
15	Wed	Morning hike - Class A/B	
15	Wed	Evening hike - Class A/B	
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18-19	Sat-Sun	Tyee Work Party	
20	Mon	Bike ride from North Plains - Class C	
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22	Wed	Morning hike - Class A/B	
22	Wed	Evening hike - Class A/B	
23	Thu	Mosier Tunnel Bike ride (class A, B, C)	
26	Sun	Kansas City Bike Ride - Class B	
29	Wed	Morning hike - Class A/B	
29	Wed	Evening hike - Class A/B	
30	Thu	Independence/Buena Vista Bike Ride - Class B	
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5	Wed	Evening hike - Class A/B	
8-9	Sat-Sun	Tyee Hike-N-Dine - Caribbean Medley	
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12	Wed	Evening hike - Class A/B	
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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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July 3 (Fri) Bike ride from Roy, pt 1 – Class B

We will use Roy, OR as a hub to explore rides in three directions. Total distance will be a little over 30 miles (the reason for the B rating). Each of the short rides is relatively flat (I would say VERY flat but those addicted to Springwater Corridor might whine). Lightly traveled rural roads, no bike lanes.

Contact leader for meeting time and place.

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

July 6 (Mon) Bike ride from Roy, pt 2 – Class B

On July 3, we did the FLATs around Roy. Today we'll ride in a 4th direction from Roy. The beginning and end of the ride are relatively flat, but we'll encounter a semi-sustained climb and some rolling hills (not FLAT) in between those flats. Total distance will be about 35 miles. Lightly traveled rural roads, no bike lanes.

Contact leader for meeting time and place.

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

July 8 (Wed) Morning Hike – Class A/B

We begin our hike at 9:30 AM and hike 4 to 6 miles, for 2 to 4 hours, somewhere in the Portland metropolitan area, often in Forest Park. We then have lunch at a nearby cafe. For the starting location of this week's hike, watch here or contact Kathy Pollock, 503-341-9441, pollockkathy@gmail.com

Leader: TBD

July 8 (Wed) Evening Hike – Class A/B

We will hike until 8 PM-ish in Forest Park and the West Hills in two groups:

Class A: Approximately 4-5 miles with less than 500 foot elevation gain.

Class B: Approximately 6 miles with 500 - 700 foot elevation gain (not cumulative).

Meet: 6 PM at Wallace Park between NW 25th and 26th on Raleigh

Class A Leader: Gerda Eck 503-804-4214, gerdaeck@comcast.net

Class B Leader: Gini Batemen, 503-475-8712 ginibateman@Comcast.

July 9 (Thu) North Portland-Kelley Point Park Bike Ride - Class A

Moderately-paced, flat ride with a number of stops through North Portland. 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. I don't ride in the rain or the excessive heat, so if weather is iffy, call my cell to check if ride is a go.

Meet: University of Portland, 5000 N. Willamette Blvd, 9:45 AM for a 10 AM departure. 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

July 11-12 (Sat-Sun) Tyee Hike and Dine

Nancy Overpeck will prepare some Italian farm cookery with a little pizza. The full price for those spending the night will be \$22. For those just having dinner, \$9 for dinner plus \$2 for the day use fee. The deadline for sign up is July 8. Register with Nancy Overpeck, 360-836-2900, overpeck@wa-net.com

July 15 (Wed) Morning Hike – Class A/B

We begin our hike at 9:30 AM and hike 4 to 6 miles, for 2 to 4 hours, somewhere in the Portland metropolitan area, often in Forest Park. We then have lunch at a nearby cafe. For the starting location of this week's hike, watch here or contact Kathy Pollock, 503-341-9441, pollockkathy@ymail.com

July 15 (Wed) Evening Hike – Class A/B

We will hike until 8 PM-ish in Forest Park and the West Hills in two groups:
Class A: Approximately 4-5 miles with less than 500 foot elevation gain.
Class B: Approximately 6 miles with 500 - 700 foot elevation gain (not cumulative).
Meet: 6 PM at Wallace Park between NW 25th and 26th on Raleigh
Class A Leader: Chaz Shaw 503-702-3094, chaznw@gmail.com
Class B Leader: Catherine Schiedler catherineschied@gmail.com

July 18 (Sat) Tour de Westside Ride - Class B

We will ride a 22 mile loop with about 1200ft CEG. through the westside burbs of Beaverton, Tigard, Tualatin and Sherwood. Some of the ride will be on multi-use paths and some on roads. Driving distance from Pioneer Square to the starting point is about 12 miles / 25 mins. Bring plenty of water and snacks. We could stop for lunch or sweets in Sherwood.
Ride with GPS route: <http://ridewithgps.com/routes/7500513>
Depart: 10:00 AM - Big Al's, 14950 SW Barrows Rd, Beaverton, OR
Leader: Chaz Shaw 503-729-7560, chaznw@gmail.com
Confirm participation on TCO meetup or email leader.

July 18-19 (Sat-Sun) Nesika Work weekend

Come join us at "our home" in the Columbia river national scenic area. This is our monthly work trip for July. We will continue to work on improving the road and other projects around the buildings. Kids are welcome and encouraged. To register call 360-8373787 or e-mail 1cgrconrad@aol.com by Wednesday evening July 15.

July 18-19 (Sat-Sun) Tyee Work Party Weekend

Come join us at the July Tyee Work Party Weekend. Projects include replacing the front porch, replacing the kitchen floor, spring cleaning, moving wood and several

odd jobs that need to be accomplished this summer. Let Paul Snively, Work Party Chair, know what projects you would like to work on. Kathy Pollock will be cooking delicious meals. Sign up for the weekend or for the day. Register with: Callista Snively by Sunday, July 12th. Email tyee1odge1@gmail.com or cell 503-330-7344.

July 20 (Mon) Bike ride from North Plains – Class C

This is an out-and-back ride. The route includes Pumpkin Ridge, Mason Hill, and lots of rolling hills. Total distance will be 30 miles. Lightly traveled rural roads, no bike lanes. Contact leader for meeting time and place.
Leader: Rich Fuhs, 503-690-5077, Rich.Fuhs@gmail.com

July 20-25 (Mon-Sat) Mckenzie Pass to Charlton Lake Backpack - Class C

We will access the Three Sisters Wilderness backpacking south from McKenzie Pass on the Pacific Crest Trail. Beautiful high elevation backpacking with everything from lava fields, creeks, pristine mountains, and lakes. We reach our lowest and highest elevations the first day - 5325 feet to 7100 feet in 11 miles. After that, we stay at about 5500-6000' for the remainder of the trip. A myriad of alpine lakes and meadows to see along with some of the most beautiful Central Oregon Cascade Peaks. We will complete approximately 58-60 miles. Application form and Emergency Contact information form need to be received by leaders on July 15, 2015. Forms available on TCO website under Backpack Page under Backpack Participant Information.
To register, please Roger or Karen Yanhs Anderson, 360-450-9199, or p74852@gmail.com

July 22 (Wed) Morning Hike – Class A/B

We begin our hike at 9:30 AM and hike 4 to 6 miles, for 2 to 4 hours, somewhere in the Portland metropolitan area, often in Forest Park. We then have lunch at a nearby cafe. For the starting location of this week's hike, watch here or contact Kathy Pollock, 503-341-9441, pollockkathy@ymail.com

July 22 (Wed) Evening Hike – Class A/B

We will hike until 8 PM-ish in Forest Park and the West Hills in two groups:
Class A: Approximately 4-5 miles with less than 500 foot elevation gain.
Class B: Approximately 6 miles with 500 - 700 foot elevation gain (not cumulative).
Meet: 6 PM at Wallace Park between NW 25th and 26th on Raleigh
Class A Leader: Chaz Shaw 503-702-3094, chaznw@gmail.com
Class B Leader: Catherine Schiedler catherineschied@gmail.com

July 23 (Thurs) Mosier Tunnel Bike ride (class A, B, C)

The dedicated bike path starting just East of Hood River has become a tradition on our bicycle schedule. The first 8

miles are an easy and deemed good for all beginners. After the town of Mosier we go on Hwy 30 and experience some nice hills to test our muscles riding about 25 miles to Rowena Crest. The experienced riders who want a little more challenge can go on to The Dalles and continue up 7-mile hill, this is your class C bike ride. Bring lunch and water, spare tube, and 10 essentials. Helmet is required on TC bike rides, please register with leader
 Depart: 10 AM Mark Hatfield West trailhead (\$5 parking fee or State pass)
 Leaders: Class A (8 miles) will ride with class B through the tunnels and return to the car on their own.
 Class B (25 miles) Gerda Eck 503-804-4214.
 Class C (42 miles) Allen Burrell 503-288-3859
 Please register with leader.

July 26 (Sun) Kansas City Bike Ride - Class B

This is a lovely ride through western Washington County by way of Kansas City Rd, Clapshaw Rd, Verboort. Kansas City as a city does not exist anymore. This ride has some ups and downs and is about 38 miles long. Bring lots of water, lunch and snacks.
 Depart: 10 AM from McKinney Park in Hillsboro, 375 NW Dennis Ave.
 Please register with leader by 9 PM, Sat, July 25th.
 Leader: Gisela Piercy, 503-648-5885
 giselapiercy@gmail.com

July 29 (Wed) Morning Hike – Class A/B

Join Ken Kane on the morning of Wednesday, July 29 for an interpretive hike along the entire length of southeast Portland's Crystal Springs. The hike begins at 9:30 AM at Johnson Creek Park, at the intersection of SE 21st Av. & Marion St. Park on the street nearby ... but not at the yellow curbs! Tri-Met bus #33 stops about a half-mile away at SE McLoughlin Blvd. & Ochoco St. Note: our starting point does not have restrooms. The first opportunity comes about a half-hour into the hike at Westmoreland Park ... plan accordingly!!

For more info, see:
http://woodbloom.com/kenaud/Crystal_Springs_hike.pdf
 Leader: Ken Kane, 503-522-9997, ken@woodbloom.com
 ken@woodbloom.com

July 29 (Wed) Evening Hike – Class A/B

We will hike until 8 PM-ish in Forest Park and the West Hills in two groups:
 Class A: Approximately 4-5 miles with less than 500 foot elevation gain.
 Class B: Approximately 6 miles with 500 - 700 foot elevation gain (not cumulative).
 Meet: 6 PM at Wallace Park between NW 25th and 26th on Raleigh
 Class A Leader: Chaz Shaw 503-702-3094, chaznw@gmail.com
 Class B Leader: Eric Berg, ericwb@aol.com

July 30 (Thu) 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 and east to the Buena Vista Ferry landing for a lunch stop along the Willamette River. 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. Go 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: 10:00 AM Independence Riverview Park.
 Leader: Allen Burrell, burrell@teleport.com, 503-288-3859

Aug 5 (Wed) Morning Hike – Class A/B

We begin our hike at 9:30 am and hike 4 to 6 miles, for 2 to 4 hours, somewhere in the Portland metropolitan area, often in Forest Park. We then have lunch at a nearby cafe. For the starting location of this week's hike, watch here or call or email the leader. Leader: TBD

Aug 8-9 (Sat-Sun) Tyee Hike-N-Dine - Caribbean Medley

Kathy Pollock and Kate Leonard will be our cooks with a culinary tour of the Caribbean islands of Jamaica, Cuba, Puerto Rico, and the Bahamas. Appetizers, blackened trout with fried plantains, jerk sweet potatoes and black bean curry, mildly-spiced yellow rice with vegetables, mango-tomato-avocado salad, dhal puri (Indian flatbread), virgin cuba libres, and coconut ice cream with Caribbean fruits for dessert. It's an almost gluten-free menu. Cost \$10 dinner, \$3 breakfast. Nancy Overpeck will be the host. Overnight and day use fees apply for members and guests. Limited to 28 people.
 Register With: Kathy Pollock - pollockkathy@gmail.com or 503-341-9441.
 Register by Tuesday, Aug 4.

Aug 8-9 (Sat-Sun) Elk Cove Exploratory Backpack Class B

We'll access Elk Cove on the north side of Mount Hood via the Vista Ridge Trail and the Timberline Trail. Hike up will be thru the Dollar Lake Burn of 2011, the views are scenic once we reach the Timberline Trail. Scenery should include the north face of Mount Hood, north to Mount Adams, Saint Helens, and Mount Rainier. Elk Cove itself is said to be quite scenic. Mileage will be approximately 4 ½ each way with about 1700 feet of elevation gain going in and about a 400 foot loss into Elk Cove.
 To register, contact leader prior to Wednesday August 5th at 8:00 PM. Application form and Emergency Contact Information form need to be received by leader prior to start

of trip. These forms are available on the Backpack page under Backpack Participant Information.
Leader: Bill Yandon, phone 503-538-3643 or cell 503-887-2932. E-mail wkyandon@earthlink.net

Aug 12 (Wed) Morning Hike – Class A/B

We begin our hike at 9:30 AM and hike 4 to 6 miles, for 2 to 4 hours, somewhere in the Portland metropolitan area, often in Forest Park. We then have lunch at a nearby cafe. For the starting location of this week's hike, watch here or call or email the leader.
Leader: TBD

Meeting Places

Friendly House NW Thurman and 26th. Tri Met bus service on routes 15, 17 and 77 is nearby.

Gateway TC From I-205: take the Glisan Street exit, proceed east to 99th Ave, turn north, proceed a couple 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.

Mazamas Mountaineering Center is a common meeting place for Board meetings and other administrative functions. It is located at 527 SE 43rd Avenue, one block south of Stark St.

Rose Villa, 13505 SE River Rd, Milwaukie, OR 97222, is a common place for club meetings.
Adventures and Travels meets in the Rec Hall, Fireside Room. Parking on Shroeder Lane, off of Courtney Rd by River Rd. Park before end of road, walk to multiple garage buildings on right, turn right, walk down ramp to your right. It is a yellow building, with a central arch on top, visible from River Rd. Follow Treasure House signs.

Target is a common westside 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 nearby.

Tryon Creek State Park is sometimes used for Wed. AM (and other) hikes. From I-5 South: Take Terwilliger exit, bear right, heading south past Taylor's Ferry Rd. and bear left at split to Boone's Ferry Rd, right at second roundabout exit, staying on Terwilliger. Park entrance is on right about one mile past roundabout.
Parking is near the Nature Center.

Trails Club Bike Ride Schedule-2015

July

July 6 (Mon) Washington Co-Rich Fuhs
Jul 10 (Fri) Clackamas R Road-Terry Lawson
Jul 16 (Thu) Kelly Pt Park-Audrey Perino
Jul 18 (Sat) Westside Tour-Chaz Shaw
Jul 20 (Mon) Washington Co-Rich Fuhs
Jul 23 (Thu) Mosier Tunnel-Gerda Eck
Jul 26 (Sun) Kansas City-Gisela Piercy
Jul 30 (Thu) Buena Vista Ferry-Allen Burrell

August

Aug 3 (Mon) Sauvie Island-Chaz Shaw
Aug 10 (Mon) Blue Lake Park-Terry Lawson
Aug 13 (Thu) Springwater East-Audrey Perino
Aug 16 (Sun) Puget Island-Chaz Shaw
Aug 20 (Thu) Willamette Valley/Gervais-Lou Sowa
Aug 27 (Thu) Trolley Trail-JoAnn Klassen

September

Sept 8 (Tue) Col River Hwy to Casc Locks-Allen Burrell
Sept 10 (Thu) Willamette Pk to Zoo-Audrey Perino
Sept 17 (Thu) Oktoberfest-Lou Sowa

Trails Ahead

Note - The Trails Ahead events have been posted in prior Blazer issues and details are available on the website, www.trailsclub.org

Upcoming

FWOC Annual Convention
Fri 8/28/2015 to Sun 8/30/2015
Menucha Retreat & Conference Center,
Corbett Oregon
2015 Convention Theme - "Innovative Conservation"

The FWOC Ex Comm meeting and opening reception will be held in the Green House room, located directly across the driveway from Wright Hall. Thanks to the Winchell Hayward Fund, the \$85 registration fee covers food (special needs extra) and a variety of lodging with bedding and towels provided. Delicious home-cooked meals, served family style, start at 7 PM Friday, Aug 28.

The Trails Club invites those attending the 2015 convention to visit Nesika Thurs 8/27 - Fri 8/28 and view stones/plaques donated by FWOC clubs and embedded in the lodge's stone fireplace.

Interested? Please email historian@trailsclub.org by **July 15** to request a registration packet with details on both events. For more information, go to www.federationofwesternoutdoorclubs.org

From Social Trustee Barbara Jones

Mark your calendar for the second annual TCO picnic to be held August 22 at Hopkins Demonstration Forest outside of Oregon City.

We are looking for volunteers to help with Labor Day weekend at Nesika. If you can help cook, drive the tractor, run the generator, we need your help! Please contact Barb Jones at socialchair@trailsclub.org before July 15.

We are looking for people to lead hikes for Hike and Dine Weekend in the Mt Hood area.

We need volunteers for Aug 8/9 and Sept 12/13. Please send writeup to Blazer editor by July 15 if you can help make these weekends a success!

Let's Talk About

Memorial Day at Nesika- Thirty plus people had a rocking good time dining on Corky's BBQ ribs and chopped pork flown in from Memphis. Dinner was prepared by Audrey Perino and Ken Kane. There were two hikes on Sunday, and dinner on Sunday was prepared by Barb, Jessie and Nina. There was homemade potato leek soup, salad, and Reuben Casserole. Plenty of visitors dropped by. Jeff and Severt brought up 15 hikers to visit the Lodge, who were greatly impressed by it. Another hiking group dropped by on Monday. Thanks to those who volunteered to help make this holiday weekend a great success!

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The Mt. Hood Cultural Center and Museum, located at Government Camp, now has two display cases in which our club can depict our activities utilizing photos, equipment and bits of our history in written form. The display cases are well illuminated and strategically located for all to observe and enjoy. There is still room for additional items of interest. Historian Sylvia Milne will entertain consideration for any such items you may contribute. Contact her at historian@trailsclub.org.

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June 9th was a special day, birthday number 97, for a special club member, Lee Squier, who spearheaded construction of Tyee Lodge. It began on June 19, 1949 and was completed on December 3rd. Lee was there every weekend utilizing his numerous skills. His humor, along with that of Ray Ellis, provided an infectious work attitude over twenty five consecutive work weekends. Thank you, Lee.

Mt. Hood Cultural Center and Museum

A recent visit to the Mt. Hood Cultural Center and Museum was a reminder that this is a very fine place to visit. It is located in Government Camp just a short distance from our Tyee Lodge and is a treasure of Mt. Hood history. The reason for the visit was to prepare displays of Trails Club memorabilia so that visitors will be made aware of our activities, our vision and will become aware of our centennial year.

Lloyd Musser, museum curator, made their main show-case available for our use as well as a space to locate our club's recent purchase of a smaller case. We will then be able to change the displays as club members provide photos or items of outing, social events, historic events or perhaps achievement awards. The museum can also be utilized for small group gatherings as well as individual visits which are highly recommended.

With our 100th anniversary but a few months away, everyone is encouraged to visit the museum and enjoy the surroundings. The volunteers and staff are courteous and most receptive. Museum hours are from 9-5 every day. The phone number is 503 272-3301.

There, you will see early ski equipment tastefully displayed, history of our mountain guides, maps and more, all in a comfortable setting. For a first time visitor please note that a few years ago our Trails Club donated \$5,000 to help install the elevator to the 2nd floor of the museum. A list of the donors has our club being recognized as first and foremost.

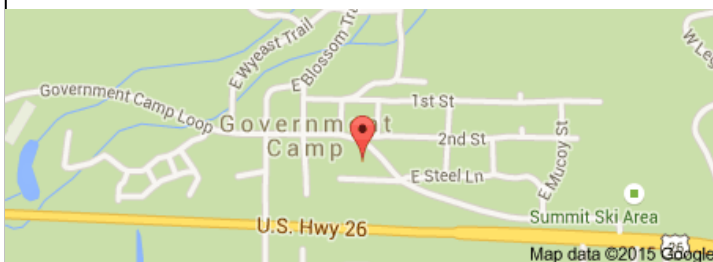
Saturday October 3, 2015, the museum will host a celebration of the club's hundredth birthday. More details to follow.

Submitted by Leonard W Murphy

Editor's note: Mt. Hood Cultural Center and Museum is located at:

88900 Government Camp Loop, Government Camp, OR 97028
(503) 272-3301

Map:



Some may be interested in the Eugene Register-Guard posting "What, Indeed Is in a Name?"-

<https://news.google.com/newspapers?id=KdszAAAAIBAJ&sjid=GuEDAAAAIBAJ&pg=3625%2C6810275>

"Larch Mountain on the Columbia River has no larch. Its principal tree is the noble fir, once called larch by canny timbermen because noble fir had poor sales value" - Eugene Register-Guard, Dec 25, 1971

By the way - The Canary Islands were named after native dogs that lived there. The birds were named after the islands. On Grand Canaria there are statues of seven dogs, one for each of the major islands. - Ed.



Consider, if you will, the young lad, Quincy, taking in the verdant, peaceful surroundings on a lovely Memorial Day weekend, blissfully unaware of the horror approaching from behind. Yes, people, now it can be said. Sasquatch lives!



Memorial Day hikers at Nesika - Photo: Severt Lawyer



June 16 Historical Lake Oswego Historical Bike Tour - Ann Dudley is giving a lunchtime lecture about the history of Lake Oswego. Photo: Ken Kane



Memorial Day hikers near Nesika Lodge

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CLUB LAUNCHED AT DEDICATION OF LARCH TRAIL TO BOOST SCENIC POINTS

Celebration by Business Men of Opening Way to Summit of Mountain Held Despite Stormy Weather—Mr. Lancaster Elected President of New Organization in Recognition of Aid Given Project.



Progressive Business Men At Top of Larch Mountain

A copy of the October 10, 1915 Oregonian article announcing the formation of Trails Club of Oregon.





Lee Squier's hiking boots, a photo of Lee and Ray Ellis, and other TCO memorabilia on display at the museum at Government Camp





Wednesday AM Hikers overseen by a friendly totem pole at the Chart House on Terwilliger Boulevard on the May 27 AM hike. Photo by Ken Kane

**Trails Club Of Oregon
Board Of Trustees Meeting
June 9, 2015**

Minutes

George Milne called the meeting to order at 7:10 P.M. All trustees were present, except Callista Sniveley and Joan Miller who were excused. Jeff Lawton. Phil Crosby and Kelly Marlin were also in attendance. Merrill Hugo was very tardy,

The minutes of the May 12, 2015 meeting were read and approved.

President's Report

George Milne, Glen Conrad, Merrill Hugo, Randy Dietrich and Susan Saul met with the US Forest Service, Columbia Gorge Scenic Area staff on May 18th, 2015 to discuss options for establishing continued access to Nesika Lodge over USFS land. The Trails Club Committee is to draft a document on what our use needs will require. Potential responsibilities for maintenance of the roads and bridges were also discussed. The USFS stated that they do not have a budget for maintaining the 1520 and 1520-129 roads so any cost for work done will be TCO responsibility. However, any work done on USFS property will need their approval. The Trails Club will hire Miller Consulting Engineers to inspect and set load limits on the bridges. When approved by USFS engineers the TCO will post weight limit signs on the road and at each bridge.

George stated we need to gain access to the Safe Deposit Box and transfer it to the Macadam branch. Art Stangell will confirm our ownership and authorize new signatures for access.

Since Callista Snively is unable to continue picking up the mail, George Milne will do so on a weekly basis and will distribute it where it needs to go. He keeps a log of what was picked up, copies checks and gives them to Cindy Lee for processing. George also proposed moving our PO Box to another branch of the USPS that has better access and parking. He will check with the Post Office Branch at SE 17th and Powell.

Treasurer's Report

Cindy distributed the financial report. A discussion was held regarding returning to the old policy of trip and event leaders receiving reservations and checks directly. The condition would be that checks must be turned in for deposit on a weekly basis.

Cash balance	5/31/2015	\$18,795.66
Beginning Balance	5/1/2015	\$16,714.35
Deposits		5,829.28
Checks/withdrawals		3,747.97
Ending Balance	5/31/2015	\$18795.66

Vice President's Report

Joel Reitz stated there are no changes in the schedule from the April posting.

Nesika Trustee Report

Glen Conrad reported twenty five people for the May work party at Nesika. The wood shed is about 2/3 full. The Franklin Ridge and Cougar Rock trails were cleared.

Tyee Trustee Report

New furnace controllers are being installed, the tree near the access trail is being removed, the deadbolt lock is being fixed and there may be a general rekeying of the locks. There will be 35 Mazamas using the lodge 6/16-6/17. Pete and Elaine Nelson will be in charge of the June work trip with Arleta Miller as the cook.

Social Committee Report

Barbara Jones reported that 25 people were at the May A&T. The Memorial Day event was well attended and 17 people came up with Ron Silvis and Jeff Lawton on the membership hike. Barbara has scheduled a summer barbeque at the Hopkins Demonstration Forest on Saturday, August 22. Walt Garvin is one of the tour leaders at Hopkins.

Publications Trustee

Randy Dietrich said there seemed to be an abnormal delay in getting the Blazer distributed by the printer. Phil Crosby sent the copy to Impress on May 21st, but it was not received in the mail until June 3rd or 4th. (Maybe the May elections had something to do with it.)

Blazer editor will look to see if there is a "sweet spot" for sending it to Impress each month.

Membership Trustee Report

Elizabeth(Betty) E. Loo, Daniel J. Mick, Eric Lichtenthaler, Dixie Stevens, and Sean Pickens were elected to membership.

Matthew E. Laas was read for the first time.

Trips Trustee Report:

Ron Silvis, the Trips Trustee submitted his resignation to

the Board. The Board will look for an interim Trips Trustee to fill the position until the November Annual Meeting.

Legal Counsel Report

Art Stangell and George Milne raised the issue concerning liability release forms. They attended a meeting in Wilsonville to review a case involving an injury at Mt Bachelor and the case that resulted from that. The Oregon Supreme court overturned lower court decisions and it found the waiver signed by the injured party to be non-binding. The individuals at the meeting will be recommending State legislation that will establish that signed waivers will be binding, possibly with the exception of extreme negligence.

Centennial Committee Report

Linda Conrad proposed the Lackamas Lake Lodge be the venue for the Centennial celebration to be held on November 21, 2015. The event will be held from 11:00 AM until 4:00 PM. She is suggesting a casual get-together involving up to ~150 people. It will be an informal gathering so that people can come and go at any time. Finger food, sandwiches and drinks will be available. Publicity, possibly Oregon Live, etc., will be solicited.

She suggested having a historical booklet to go with the celebration, divided by decade, in 10 year increments and perhaps involving someone writing one of the ten chapters. The Board approved a preliminary budget of \$2000.00 and authorized the payment of the deposit to hold the building. There will be much more information to come.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM The next Board meeting will be July 13th, 2015, 7:00 PM at the Mazama Center.

Respectfully Submitted

Phil Crosby

Merrill Hugo

Membership Notes - June 2015

If you have any feedback, positive or negative, about the following individuals who have received their first readings, 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 show-shoe 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 involving 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 prior to publication.

Please use the following format:

Month Day (Day of week) Event Title - Class A, B, C

Description Text - Please include distance, elevation change, and round trip driving distance.

Do not capitalize full words, lines or sentences for emphasis
Day trip descriptions should be under 100 words.

Depart: Meeting place, with address if possible, and departure time

Leader: Name Phone and/or email.

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