

Trail Blazer

Vol. 90 No. 12 **For information, access www.trailsclub.org** **December 2017**

Upcoming Events		
Date	**Day**	**Event Description**
---------- December ----------		
6	Wed	Morning hike - Class A/B
9|10	Sat|Sun	X Country Ski-Class B
10	Sun	Board Meeting & Potluck
13	Wed	Morning hike - Class A/B
15	Fri	**Blazer Deadline**
22	Wed	Morning hike - Class A/B
27	Wed	Morning hike - Class A/B
---------- January ----------		
3	Wed	Morning hike - Class A/B
10	Wed	Morning hike - Class A/B
15	Mon	**Blazer Deadline**
17	Wed	Morning hike - Class A/B
24	Wed	Morning hike - Class A/B
31	Wed	Morning hike - Class A/B

Scheduling is updated on web site www.trailsclub.org

TRIP FEES: Members $1; Guests $2

Donations to the History Committee -

A special fund has been set up to help pay the cost of the History office. Those wishing to contribute to the History fund can do so by sending a check to the club at PO box 69061, Portland OR 97239-0061. Please mark the check "History Fund" to ensure it gets properly credited to the fund.

Donations in general will not be refused . They will be put to good use. Remember, this is **your** club. If, like your editor, you can't contribute physically as much as you used to, there are other ways … Ed.

Events

Dec 6 (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.

For the starting location of this week's hike, watch here or call or email the leader.

Leader:Glenda Chaite, 503-261-1355, glenda@inbalanceservices.com

Dec 9 or 10 (Sat or Sun) X Country Ski-Class B
Let's try for an early winter ski trip up on Mt Hood. Maybe White river, or if conditions windy Bennett Pass. I will wait till mid week to determine which day will be better to ski. 5-7 miles of sking. Bring lunch.

Meet: 8 AM at Gateway trainsit center, leaving by 8:15.

Leader: Brian Carlson 503-960-9451 owatta53@hotmail.com

Dec 10 (Sun) Board Meeting & Potluck
The December board meeting will be a potluck at the home of Cheryl Wagner. At this meeting we pass the torch to our newly elected board members.

Please bring a dish of your choice.

When: Potluck 5-7 PM, Meeting 7-9 PM.

Where: Sheryl Wagner's Home
1304 NE 63rd St, Vancouver WA 98665 home.

Dec 13 (Wed) Morning Hike – Class A
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.

For the starting location of this week's hike, watch here or call or email the leader.

Leader: Audrey Perino, 503-522-9911, audrey53@comcast.net

Dec 20 (Wed) Morning Hike – Class A/B
This hike will be through Mt. Talbert Nature Park in Clackamas.

Drive south on I-205 to Clackamas. Take exit 14 to SE Sunnyside Rd. Go east then right on SE 97th, which becomes Mather Rd. Park entrance is on the left. There are restrooms.

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

Dec 27 (Wed) Morning Hike – Class A/B
A stout hike to end the year! This 5.7-mile hike through southwest Portland covers parts of Tryon Creek State Park, Elk Rock Garden (a.k.a. Bishop's Close) and the Riverdale neighborhood in between. We'll cross over a ridge twice which makes the cumulative elevation gain about 550 feet.

TRAIL BLAZER
Published monthly by the
Trails Club of Oregon
P.O. Box 69061
Portland, OR 97239
Organized 1915 Incorporated 1923
Member of the Federation of Western Outdoors Clubs (FWOC)
Subscription is included with membership. Non-member subscription by request to PO Box is $25 per year.
POSTMASTER: Send address changes to
THE TRAILS CLUB OF OREGON
P.O. Box 69061, Portland, Oregon 97239

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 $50 in dues for first household member, $30 for each additional household member or those over 65 years of age and a $15 entrance fee.

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

President Pamela Moore
President@trailsclub.org
Vice President Joel Reitz
VicePres@trailsclub.org
Secretary Merrill Hugo
Secretary@trailsclub.org
Treasurer Cindy Lee
Treasurer@trailsclub.org
Trustee-Nesika Linda Conrad
NesikaChair@trailsclub.org
Trustee Tyee Charles Shaw
TyeeChair@trailsclub.org
Trustee-Membership Jeff Lawton
MembershipChair@trailsclub.org
Trustee-Publications Randy Dietrich
PublicationChair@trailsclub.org
Trustee-Social Susan Ashenfelter
SocialChair@trailsclub.org
Trustee- Trips Raya Budrevitch
TripsChair@trailsclub.org
Legal Counsel Art Stangell
Legal@trailsclub.org
Conservation Vacant
Conservation@trailsclub.org
History Sylvia Milne
Historian@trailsclub.org
Editor Philip S. Crosby
Blazer@trailsclub.org

Changes and other club correspondence should be sent to:
Membership@trailsclub.org or
Trails Club of Oregon
P.O. Box 69061
Portland, Oregon 97239

Note: There are NO restrooms at the starting point, so Go before you show! There will be a restroom stop about two miles into the hike at the Tryon Creek Visitors Center.

Meet Outside Riverdale Grade School,
11733 SE Breyman Road, Portland (at SW Military Road). Parking is on the street. Bus route 35 stops at SW Military Road and Hwy. 43 (Tri Met stop ID 4900), which leaves a 0.1 mile walk UP (west on) Military Road to the school.

This approximately three-hour hike steps off promptly at 9:30 AM.

Leader: Ken Kane, 503-522-9997, ken@woodbloom.com

Jan 3 (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.

Leader: TBD

Jan 10 (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.

Leader: TBD

Jan 17 (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.

Leader: TBD

Jan 24 (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.

Leader: TBD

Jan 31 (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.

Leader: TBD

Meeting Places

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

Gateway TCO 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 instructions

Mazamas Mountaineering Center (MMC) 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. Map of Rose Villa, follow route C or B to the Recreation Hall (Treasure House signs)

http://trailsclub.org/events/Images/2014RoseVillaMap.pdf

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 Blvd. 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 the right about one mile past the roundabout. Park near the Nature Center.

Meetup Website

The Trails Club Meetup site allows event planners to organize TCO events on-line. While we try to get every event in the Blazer and on the Trails Club web site (www.trailsclub.org) , some events, especially those that are planned on short notice, may appear only on the TCO Meetup site at: https://www.meetup.com/Trails-Club-of-Oregon/events/ Ed.

TCO on the Web

Some folks have experienced difficulties when going straight to Google, Bing or other search engines and entering "Trails Club of Oregon" into the search box. They get directed to some other website that isn't what they want.

Remember - typing www.trailsclub.org in the browser address (URL) box always works. Ed.

November Historian's Blog

Five years ago, the History Committee approached the Board and asked the club to fund space where members could store, centralize and preserve club records, as directed by our club Bylaws. George Milne found the perfect spot within a Business Center on the Trolley Trail in Oak Grove. This allowed us to establish a repository, reclaim records stored at various institutions and encourage members to release their own personal collections of club history.

A few years later, with the opening of the Orange Line, this chosen location has become even more desirable, as it connects to Portland's transit and trail systems. Though most people arrive by car or walk, early on a member visited an Open House by bicycle. And if memory serves me right, Brian Johnson, assistant archivist for the City of Portland, may also have traveled by bicycle to monitor our progress with setting up the Archive.

Most recently, Robert Scurlock, a Sr. Regional Trails Planner from Metro, traveled via transit and trail to receive an orientation of Trails Club of Oregon (TCO) history and more. The visit helped answer his organizational questions. In addition he learned of our part in the initial preservation of Forest Park, our work over the years to build and repair trails and our current usage of trails in Portland and the surrounding Metropolitan area.

As for a need to centralize TCO records in our own Archive, just recently I was surprised when a long time member admitted to not understanding the advantages. In a nut shell the pros, a direct connection to information needed to piece together and preserve our legacy. One huge benefit, history committee members are able to take a more active part in discovering and reliving our heritage, which is a perk for many. While an early subcommittee rallied to scan available club new bulletins, others have uncovered statistics and lists related to club accomplishments. Examples:

A. Nadine Morris researched collective number of club miles hiked on the Pacific Crest Trail (PCT)

B. Melva & Leonard Murphy transcribed signatures on Eva Arrington's room divider from her State Fire Warden post in the Multnomah Basin

C. Lisa Osburn mapped out 100 years of Outings

D. Vicki Wood created a membership list spanniing100 years

Unfortunately, our ability to digitize is currently at a standstill. We've purchased software to move us to the next level, yet we lack the expertise on our committee to make it happen. So until that void is filled we will continue to arrange (build a card catalog so to speak), promote and preserve our collection. Much work is still needed to just prepare for electronic accessibility and cloud storage, especially piecing together fragmented historical records. Though not yet a research library or fully digitized, we have strategically used opportunities to build a solid foundation for the Archive.

Key to learning more about our lineage, the fact our work space in Oak Grove provides a venue, which encourages outreach to professionals. A plus, being able to work alongside specialists to gain perspective, to strengthen our preservation efforts and promote collective knowledge of club history. Requests from club members to follow-up with experts include the following outcomes:

A. Robert Scurlock, a Sr. Regional Trails Planner from Metro (referral from Fendall Winston, attendee of a public open house in Troutdale discussing a future trail). Outcome: Validation of the fact our Archive is not just self-serving, it is a "treasure" for the entire trails community.

B. B. Michael Ober, KPTV multimedia Photo Journalist (referral from Vicki Wood, related to a club charter member). Outcome: an hour interview of George and me in the TCO Archives, aired in part during a KPTV news blurb

C. Ron Kemnow, Lookout Guru with a website (referral from Joel Reitz, current Vice President). Outcome: Ron uploaded historic research of Forest Service Lookouts relevant to the Trails Club along with photos he scanned during a 10 hour marathon visit to our Archives

D. Bill Carr, Retired USFS employee (referral from Gerry Reneau, retired USFS). Outcome: Bill donated copies of government reports of Larch Mountain, historic photos, and a copy of his book with a timeline of Larch Mountain logging

To date, committee efforts to promote TCO history is quite diverse and includes the following profiles and venues:

Exhibits in our display case at the Government Camp Museum

Portable exhibits showcased at regional fairs, conventions, club gatherings

Talks at a Museum, the Crown Point Country Historical Society, Women' Forum

Presence on websites, social media, blubs in books, community bulletins

Stories by a variety of members and adjunct writers featured in the Trail Blazer

Orienting our membership and the community at large to Trails Club lineage showcased in our Oak Grove Archive

Upcoming presence of our early history on an interpretive sign to be installed on Larch Mountain, which features a few photos from our Archive

Probably the highest profile orientation to our Archives so far, the KPTV multimedia journalist researching the story behind a stone lodge, which survived the devastating Eagle Creek Fire. A news blurb showcased Trails Club history and begs for a follow-up.

Five years later, the walls of our cozy Archive are adorned with historic exhibits and the Board has approved a strategic plan to preserve our club's rich heritage. In many ways 2018 feels like a new beginning. Hopefully behind us, the daunting task of setting up an Archive in adverse conditions (the regime of three presidents, the resignation of a part-time Board Assistant, the upsizing and downsizing of work space along with a recent Board request to self-fund the work space lease).

As a member, active in leadership for more than a quarter of the club's existence, I am excited to remain in service as the Trails Club's Historian, dedicated to preserving and promoting our portion of Oregon's trail history. Thank you for the honor of entrusting me with this task. It feels good to align history committee members and professionals to accomplish such a worthy goal, while keeping the operating budget at a minimum (no paid staff).

However, in order to sustain this operation, the History Committee needs a few simple guarantees. Most critical, the promise of access to professional work space until our collection is digitized. In addition, we'll need support from the Board to pursue what we and our professional advisor feels is best for long-term storage of club records. Our hope, the oncoming Board will recognize the extreme importance of our committee work and based on past successes will provide for our modest needs.

Happy Holidays,

Sylvia Milne, Historian, Trails Club of Oregon

Let's Talk About It

Special thanks to:

- Tim Kutscha for donating a new tractor (roll bar to be installed) for Nesika. (see photos)
- Milne Masonry for providing free storage space for the tractor and its trailer at their Clackamas yard.
- Phil & Irene Crosby, Tom Shanley and Cathy Graham for donating funds toward the 2018 TCO Archive lease
- Tom Shanley printing photos of the Archives on the new copier
- Michael Stupek, draftsman, lining Tom's photos up on a presentation board with a t-square
- Michael and Jean Stupek providing Flying Pie Pizza & salad for volunteers during a work session at the TCO Archives. Project, creating an exhibit showcasing the space & what happens there
- Jean Stupek for filing a stack of history committee meeting notes, reports and plans related to creating an Archive, by year, month and date





Wednesday AM Hikers at Marshall Park 1Nov 2017 Photo Ken Kane



2018 Dues Form!! - The 2018 Dues Form accompanies this issue.

Blast from the Past

MEMO



FROM SKETCH DONE ON STEEN'S MOUNTAIN AUGUST 16, 1983

TO: ALL MEMBERS PAST AND PRESENT OF THE TRAILS CLUB OF OREGON AND ANY OTHER PERSONS EVEN REMOTELY CONNECTED WITH THE CLUB POLICY OF PROVIDING MEALS ON WORK WEEK-ENDS.

FROM: RUTH NEWBURY MEMBER APPLICANT AND WORK PARTY PARTICIPANT ON SATURDAY JUNE 9, 1984.

IN RE: MY APPRECIATION OF THE NUTRITIOUS AND DELICIOUS MEAL SERVED AT NESIKA, PREPARED BY ARLEAN ELLIS AND ASSISTANTS, AND PROVIDED BY THE CLUB.

I HIKED FROM MULTNOMAH FALLS VISITOR'S CENTER WITH CLUB MEMBERS JUNE SMELTZER AND LINDA STAFFORD, AND LINDA'S GUEST NANCY. ABOUT A MILE UP THE TRAIL WE WERE JOINED BY MEMBER MIKE "FROM SPOKANE". WE HAD LIGHT RAIN MOST OF THE WAY. ARRIVING AT THE LODGE SHORTLY AFTER 10:30 A.M. WE DRIED OUT A BIT IN FRONT OF THE FIRE, ATE A LIGHT LUNCH AND WENT TO WORK. I WORKED AT TRAIL MAINTENANCE WITH MIKE; HE CLEARING ONE SIDE AND I THE OTHER. WHEN WE, AND LINDA AND NANCY HAD FINISHED THAT PROJECT MIKE AND I HELPED TRANSPORT (CARRIED IN HAND, ON SHOULDER, AND ON HIP) 2"X 6" LUMBER FOR WOMEN'S DORMITORY PORCH.

WHEN ARLEAN'S MEAL OF BEAN-RICE-MEAT CASSEROLE, SALAD, HOT SOURDOUGH BREAD, AND INDIVIDUAL CHOCOLATE PIES WAS SERVED BETWEEN 5:30 AND 6:00 P.M. I NOT ONLY APPRECIATED IT, I NEEDED IT.

THANK YOU.

Ruth F. Newbury

Draft

Trails Club Of Oregon

Annual Meeting Minutes

November 13, 2017

Pam called the meeting to order at the Winona Grange hall in Tualatin at 7:10 P. M.. She briefly reviewed some of our activities for the year and recognized Art Stangell for his Waespe award and Glen and Linda for their timely actions at Nesika as the Eagle Creek fire was starting labor day weekend. She then introduced Glen who showed post fire pictures of the lodge area. Glen then introduced members of the Nesika restoration committee.

Cindy Lee's treasurer's report showed our income for 2017 to be up form 2016 and our expenses were down so we didn't have to draw from our investment account at the end of the year.

Jeff Lawton reported stable membership at about 422 members. We enrolled 60 new members over the year. Five members have passed on.

Chaz Shaw reviewed the heating situation at Tyee. DEQ has closed the case on our missing oil. Our new storage capacity is probably inadequate and will have to be augmented. In the meantime we will need to be careful conserving heat as we use the lodge. A new fireplace insert will help. He reviewed improvements made during the year including a new kitchen floor, improved perimeter drainage and front porch improvements. He thanked Richard Gaunt for his work.

Linda Conrad reviewed the year's projects at Nesika and speculated that the new concrete front porch deck may have saved the lodge. She urged members to become active working on trail rehabilitation in the gorge. The PCTA , the WCTA, and the Trails Keepers all have programs we can join.

Raya Budrevich wants to revitalize the hikes program. There will be a planning meeting on December 10. She wants to recruit a weekend hike coordinator. Linda Conrad wants to lead a backpack committee.

Sylvia Milne presented a lengthy, detailed report on the activities of the history group.

The proposed bylaws amendments were voted on with the following results:

- Advisory vote to restore Nesika: 70 yea 2 nay
- Dues Change: 59 yea 14 nay
- Annual meeting date change: 72 yea 1 nay
- Lodges trustee position: 33 yes 40 nay

Joan Miller presented nominees:

- Sheryl Wagner for president
- Cindy Lee for treasurer
- Glen Conrad for Nesika trustee
- Lori Leach for membership trustee
- Aaron Bech, floor nominated for Tyee trustee.

The slate of nominees was elected by acclamation.

Respectfully submitted,
Merrill Hugo, Secretary

Draft

Trails Club Of Oregon

Board Of Trustees Meeting

November 6, 2017

Minutes

Pam called the meeting to order at 7 P.M. at the Mazamas office. Susan Ashenfelter did not attend. Joan Miller, Glen Conrad, Sheryl Wagner and George Milne attended.

The minutes for the October meeting were approved as distributed with the addition of Raya Budrevich to the Nesika restoration committee..

Treasurer's Report:

Cash balance at	9/30/2017		$22,897.20
Beginning Balance	9/1/2017		$17,996.59
Deposits		6,028.37	
Checks/withdrawals		1,127.76	
Ending balance	9/30/2107		$22,897.20

Cindy commented on our healthy balance at this time of

year which will cover upcoming tax and insurance payments.

Budget Committee Report;
The board reviewed the budget for next year and noted that the budget for Nesika was somewhat speculative and would have to be modified with experience. We also noted that we might have to expand the Publications budget to accommodate 12 page Blazers.

Nominating Committee Report:
Joan Miller reminded us that we were an outdoor activity club and had not been as active as we might be in the outdoors. "We should get moving summer and winter. … We need first aid training for leaders."

She then told us that Chaz did not want to serve as the Tyee trustee and we needed a new nominee. Bill Yandon and Jeff Crinklaw were suggested as possible nominees.

Nesika Restoration:
Glen reported Tim Kutscha's purchase of a Yanmar tractor for us. The tractor will be needed for restoring our road and lodge area. Glen thinks we are getting a good insurance settlement.

Nesika Trustee's Report:
Linda reported a successful backpack seminar, held at Tyee by necessity, which netted approximately $1100. She and Glen have met with the Forest Service. The Forest Service is extremely concerned about hazards and will be evaluating the situation before we can get into our lodge. It will be sometime in the spring the lodge will be available.

Tyee Trustees Report:
The lodge needs some routine cleanup and maintenance. Still working on the improvements to the fireplace. Chaz feels the lodge needs someone who can be on top of things consistently so he is stepping down.

Membership Trustee's Report:
Jonathon More and Laura Skehan were elected to membership.

James Spencer, Jo(Libby) Spencer, Leonora Ko, Amy Vallent, Georgio Chanette, and Laura Grant were read for the first time.

Publications Trustee's Report:
Randy and Raya will be working on the website the week of the annual meeting.

We will probably be printing about 50 paper Blazers in the near future. The board would like to limit the Blazer format to 8 pages.

Trips Trustee's Report:
We need a committee to develop leaders. Randy urged Raya to work with Jeff and Merrill to bulk up the trips program.

He also emphasized that when we have an event at a lodge we should include full lodge fees. We need to financially support our lodges.

Old Business:
Jeff will solicit cookies and will get beverages out.

Glen will take care of projectors etc.

Merrill will make last year's annual meeting minutes available and will provide 100 ballots on two sheets.

Randy will provide the signup sheets.

New Business:
Randy moved to schedule the December Board meeting on December 10. Motion carried

Cindy moved to discontinue trip fees. Motion failed.

Randy moved to renew the lease on the history office for 2018. Motion carried

The meeting adjourned at 9 P.M.

Respectfully submitted

Merrill Hugo, Secretary

Membership Notes - November 2017

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 (First Monday 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.

First Readings

Leonora Ko
13311 SE RiverCrest Drive
Vancouver, WA 98683

360-254-5211

l.ko@comcast.net
Sponsored by Paul Cutter and Jeff Lawton

James Spencer
660 Collins Crest

Gladstone, OR 97027

503-545-5047

the_spencers@comcast.net
Sponsored by Paul Cutter and Jeff Lawton

Jo (Libby) Spencer
660 Collins Crest
Gladstone, OR 97027

503-545-5047

the_spencers@comcast.net
Sponsored by Paul Cutter and Jeff Lawton

TRAILS CLUB OF OREGON
P.O. BOX 69061
Portland, OR 97239

www.trailsclub.org

December 2017

Gentle Reminders

For activities such as bicycle, snowshoe, 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
snowshoe 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.

Editor: Philip S. Crosby
12401 SW Terwilliger Blvd.
Portland, Or 97219

Send pictures, new events, corrections and anything else for the Trails Club of Oregon website to:
webmaster@trailsclub.org