



Cold and clear at Skokie

The Skokie Lodge trip was a trip I wanted to do but didn't sign up for since it ended just three days before

the Wallows trip I was leading. Fate intervened, and at the last minute, Scott Diamond the leader, could not participate. I jumped at the opportunity and volunteered to fill in for him. One other person had to drop out also so a small group of five ONC-PDX skiers,

intrepidly forged on with the trip. This trip was remarkable in many ways.

The first thing was that the weather was extremely cold! We faced a low of minus 31 degrees F and a high of minus 4 degrees F the day we skied in and the cold stayed for the three days we were at Skokie. The temps, with strong winds crossing a frozen lake basin at 8,000 feet, made it a bit challenging at times! The skies were clear and sunny making visibility great.

The ski into the lodge took us seven miles through incredible Canadian Rockies scenery with peaks surrounding us—with a cozy lodge beckoning. We reached the lodge by tea time, and were very happy to warm up with hot soup and tea that we found on the stove! The Lodge is a wonderful historic log building from the early 1900s and is primitive with outdoor plumbing and no electricity. The five of us had a separate one-room log cabin, which we shared. There were lots of day skiing opportunities in the area and three

of the group circumnavigated Skokie Mountain one of the days. The food was exceptional, and evenings were spent in the Lodge's communal dining and living area enjoying the company and conversation with many interesting Canadians.

On the fourth day we skied back to our cars at Lake Louise and then drove to Canmore, where we skied for another three days. One day was spent enjoying the Canmore Nordic area and another day we skied a backcountry trail. Some of us enjoyed warming up in the Banff Hot Springs pool and visiting a Museum in Banff on the last day, while others got in some more ski time. The skiers were, Rand Schenck, Mary Hepokowski, Larry Risch, John Maroney, and myself, Susan Watt.

Susan Watt, Trip Leader

Leadership Training

Join us Saturday May 12, from 10:00

a.m. to 1:00 p.m., to find out how to become a volunteer leader for ONC-PDX day tours and overnight trips. We'll be going over how to become a leader, the mechanics of the process, and share practical advice from years of leading trips. Bring your questions and ideas. We will be meeting at the meeting room in the Cedar Mill Community Library, 12505 NW Cornell Rd., Ste. 13 in the Milltown Shopping Center, just off of NW Saltzman Road just north of NW Cornell Rd., one and a half miles northwest of Highway 26. Enter thru the main Library then go upstairs to the Lewis Meeting Room.

Please RSVP to skiwenzel@hotmail.com.
Ken Wenzel, President

Board election

The 2018 Annual Membership Meet

ing was held Tuesday, April 3 at the Lucky Labrador in NW Portland. The winners of the ONC-PDX electronic ballot for open board positions were announced: Ken Wenzel (re-elected), Ted Scheinman (re-elected), and Bill Neuman (new board member). The electronic ballot was ratified by a unanimous voice vote from those present at the meeting.

Following the voice vote, Program Coordinator Ron Bekey presented a stunning slide show of Alaska's Inside Passage from his recent visit.

Thanks go to Ron for the presentation, and everyone who attended the meeting and participated in the elections process.

Robin Williams, Elections Committee

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Vancouver Island Bike Trip

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U P C O M I N G E V E N T S

May 1 ▶ TUESDAY

New hikes in Oregon by William L. Sullivan

ONC-PDX monthly program
6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Lucky Lab, 1945 NW Quimby St.



May 2 ▶ WEDNESDAY

Gorge Talks: Towns, Trails and Trees

6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. Lagunitas Community Room, 237 NE Broadway. A panel discussion facilitated by Trailkeepers of Oregon, with special guests from Washington Trails Association and Pacific Crest Trail Association. Discussing current trail conditions and how you can help.

May 3 ▶ THURSDAY

Lightweight Backpacking Basics

6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Portland REI
Free! Info/sign-up: rei.com/learn.html

May 9 ▶ WEDNESDAY

The Newbie's Dirtbag Guide to Bikepacking the Colorado Trail

7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Mountain Shop, 1510 NE 37th Ave.
Frosty beverages and local snacks provided!
Info: mountainshop.net/events/

May 10 ▶ THURSDAY

Get Ready to Bike Your Drive–Bicycle Commuting Basics

6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Clackamas REI
Free! Info/sign-up: rei.com/learn.html

May 14 ▶ MONDAY

Hoppy Adventure Hour: Bike Maintenance Basics

6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Lucky Lab, 1945 NW Quimby St.
Free! This class is an informative presentation that will teach you how to lube a chain, fix a flat tire in record time, and make other minor adjustments to your bicycle. No experience necessary, so get here early,

grab a beer, and get ready to learn how to keep our bike in good shape!

May 15 ▶ TUESDAY

Beyond Backpacking Basics: What's Inside Your Pack

6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Portland REI
Free! Info/sign-up: rei.com/learn.html

Bill Nye Live in Portland! An Evening of Seismic Importance

7:30 p.m. Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall, 1037 SW Broadway. On the 38th Anniversary of the Mount St. Helens eruption, Bill Nye brings his fun-loving science-based perspective on climate change, the effects of the eruption, and how we can all work together to, quite literally, save the world.

Reserved Seating: \$40, \$50, and \$60

Proceeds benefit the Mount St. Helens Institute

May 19 ▶ SATURDAY

It's a Blast

10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Johnston Ridge Observatory, Mt. St. Helens, WA

\$8/person 16+ Passes accepted, donations appreciated. 38th anniversary of the 1980 eruption, hands-on activities and prizes in addition to the great movies, ranger talks, exhibits.

Admissions will support the Mount St. Helens Institute's programs, including youth education.

May 26 ▶ SATURDAY

Social History Happy Hour: Hiking Mt. Hood NF Trails

6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. Mt Hood Cultural Center and Museum, Government Camp, OR
Cost: Donation/ Beer and Wine available for purchase
Info: mthoodmuseum.org/events

May 30 ▶ WEDNESDAY

Backpacking the Three Sisters Wilderness

6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Tualatin REI
Free! Info/sign-up: rei.com/learn.html

Oregon Nordic Club Portland Chapter

Formed as a nonprofit volunteer organization in 1968 by Nordic ski enthusiasts interested in using public lands for recreational cross-country skiing, the Portland Chapter of the Oregon Nordic Club grew to over 550 members. The Portland Chapter is one of twelve chapters in the state. With activities year round, the Portland Chapter is dedicated to promoting greater participation in and understanding of the value of outdoor recreation with an emphasis on Nordic and backcountry skiing. In addition we hike, climb, backpack and bicycle year round in the northwest forests, mountains, and in town.

Member Benefits

- ▶ Free day tours; overnight trips, exclusively for members
- ▶ Clinics and lessons
- ▶ **Discounts at selected merchants (see page 9)**
- ▶ Member rates on Mazama activities (excludes classes) and use of Mazama Lodge: day use, overnight and meals
- ▶ Free Tilly Jane A-Frame weekends during the ski season
- ▶ Meet new friends who ski, hike and bike
- ▶ Monthly newsletter with free classified ads
- ▶ Support of construction and maintenance of winter trails in the Mt. Hood and Gifford Pinchot National Forests
- ▶ Membership in Northwest Ski Club Council, Far West Ski Association and Federation of Western Outdoor Clubs. Discounts/benefits: nwski.org fwsa.org federationofwesternoutdoorclub.org

Memberships are renewed September 1 each year: \$29 for single, \$35 for family/household. Join on the website. Info: oncmembership@gmail.com

ONC-PDX BOARD SKI TRACKS

No board article this month.

Volunteer and help the club offer more

activities. Please take a look at the list to the left and give back to your club. Check out the schedule of Trail Tending Parties on page 5 and let Ken know what work party you can lead. Join us on Saturday, May 12 for leadership training for both day tours and overnight trips. Thanks.

Pam Rigor, Editor

Trail work in the Gorge

The Trailkeepers of Oregon have scouted a

number of trails that were damaged from last year's fire. They have scheduled the following work parties to repair some of the trails:

May 1, Tuesday, Angel's Rest Trail Work Party

May 4, Friday, Wygant Peak Trail Work Party

May 5, Saturday, Wygant Peak Trail Work Party

May 9, Wednesday, Wygant Peak Trail Work Party

May 18, Friday, Wygant Peak Trail Work Party

More info and to sign up: trailkeepersoforegon.org/get-involved/trailwork

Car-free travel in the Gorge

Hikers on both sides of the Columbia Gorge

have the option of leaving their cars at home and taking transit to go hiking.

On the Oregon side of the Gorge the Columbia Gorge Express offers service, which picks up transit riders at Gateway, kicks off Memorial Day Weekend 2018, and the service will be expanded this year: There will be new stops, beyond Multnomah Falls, in Cascade Locks, and Hood River. And starting in June there will be more service days. The schedule will be new and improved. Info and schedules: columbiagoregeexpress.com.

On the Washington side of Columbia Gorge hikers can take the West End Transit (WET), which connects the communities of Vancouver, Stevenson, and Carson and runs Monday through Friday. The Dog Mountain Shuttle runs on the weekends through July 1. Shuttle riders get a free hiking permit, which is required for the Dog Mountain Trail. The Shuttle starts in Stevenson at 7:00 a.m. at the Skamania County Fairgrounds parking lot located on Rock Creek Dr. The last return trip will be at 4:30 p.m. The fee is \$1 (cash only) shuttle riders will be given a free permit to hike the Dog Mountain Trail. Info and schedules: gorgetranslink.com/regional-carson-stevenson-vancouver.html

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

We would like to have more activities in

the club and we need volunteers to make this happen. We have identifying some short term projects, ongoing need, and regular positions. If you would like to assist with any of these please contact a board member. (see sidebar page 2).

Short term projects

Leadership Training We'd like to recruit new leaders and improve the skills of all our leaders. We could use your assistance developing this and helping with the logistics.

Publicity/Articles In the past local papers have had articles on cross-country skiing. Can someone contact the Oregonian, Willamette Week, Mercury or other with story ideas and see if we could get them to run with it.

New Members How do we get new members? What has been effective? We'd like a volunteer to analyze the membership data, maybe conduct surveys and maybe assist in projects for recruiting new members.

Mazama Ski School Liaison There is a natural tie in with our club and the Mazama Nordic school. Usually needed December/January.

On going projects

We can always use people for these volunteer activities

Day Tours Can you have too many day tours? If interested in leading a tour see Leader Information for Day Tours: onc-pdx.org/activities/day-tours

Trail Tending Volunteer to keep our trails in order. See summer trail tending schedule page 5.

Tilly Jane Again not a year round task but typically two to three times a year there is a need for volunteers.

Longer Term/Committee

Board Member Some seats open every year (in March). This is a great way to get involved in the club.

Facebook Help post to the ONC-PDX Facebook page. Got other ideas of how we can make the page more fun?

Volunteer Coordination We could work out what this would entail but probably keeping a list of volunteer opportunities and connecting to interested members.

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DAY TOUR POLICIES

Tours depart promptly; arrive at least 10 minutes before the scheduled departure time to allow for necessary arrangements. Arrive fully prepared for the day's activities!

Tours are not canceled unless the weather and road conditions are unsafe; contact the leader when conditions are dangerous. Tour leaders may change tour itinerary, due to weather conditions. Bring the Tour Essentials (see list on the side bar, page 6), food, water, map, clothing, and equipment appropriate for the tour.

Tour leaders can forbid you from joining a tour, if you are not prepared. Read and heed the Oregon Nordic Club's Tour Ratings listed below.

Day tour participants are encouraged to car pool and share costs. ONC-PDX policy is for a contribution by each passenger of 15 cents per mile. For three or more passengers, the maximum total contribution by all passengers is limited to 45 cents per mile.

Dogs are only allowed on "Dog Tours." These trips are designated with:  **See website for dog policy for ski tours.**

Dogs must be on a leash in sno-parks (Forest Service regulation). Please keep dogs off ski tracks and pack out dog waste.

TOUR RATINGS

These designations are a guide to the skill and commitment level required for each tour. A full trip rating always

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NORDIC ISSUES/NEWS

Deschutes/Willamette NFs

Open Houses for Central Cascades Wilderness Strategies Project

On Friday April 20 the Deschutes and Willamette National Forests released a Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) of a project considering new management strategies for five wilderness areas in the Central Cascades. Resource specialists have been analyzing a range of management approaches for the Mt. Jefferson, Mt. Washington, Three Sisters, Diamond Peak and Waldo Lake Wilderness areas. This project is in response to extreme growth in visitor use and the resulting impacts to part of these wilderness areas.

Five alternative strategies have been analyzed, which range from lesser to broader changes in management. The Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) on the Project will be open for a 30-day public comment period following its April 20 posting. The EA is posted on this site: <https://bit.ly/2HHav6V> or by going to either national forest's website.

Open houses where comments can be made also:
Monday, May 7, 6:30–8:00 p.m. at the Salem Convention Center, 200 Commercial St. SE, Salem
Thursday, May 10, 6:30–8:00 p.m. at the Campbell Community Center, 155 High St., Eugene
Info on how to give written or electronic comments: fs.usda.gov/nfs/11558/www/nepa/
105465_FSPLT3_42908990.pdf

Last Wednesday ski tour of the season

April 18 was the last Wednesday tour for

this year. A group of seven did the Teacup to upper Pocket Creek route. The weather cooperated and several layers were shed. The snow was fresh with a high-water content. This made the snow quite slow in the afternoon. There is no lack of snow, but as the weather warms (expect mid 60s this week) the small creeks are rising quickly

making some routes possibly difficult. Above is a photo of the bridge crossing of Hood River on the Pocket Creek route.



Terry Owen, *Wednesday Tours*

DAY TOURS

Note: if weather or road conditions are dangerous, please check with the leader.

More tours may be listed on these sites:
onc-pdx.org/activities/day-tours
onc-pdx.org/forums

meetup.com/Oregon-Nordic-Ski-Club-Portland-Chapter

Note: dogs are only allowed on tours designated as "dog tours"

Volunteer to lead a day tour, see info below.

See page 5 for May 16 and 23 Trail Tending Parties.

Lead a day tour

Join the ONC-PDX tour leader team...

Pick your favorite trail/route and take some of your ONC-PDX friends on a hike or bike. Submit tour descriptions with the Day Tour Input Form (on our website click on "Activities and Events" then click on "Day Tours") or send an email with the tour description (by May 14, 8 p.m. for the June newsletter) to oncdaytours@gmail.com. Tour descriptions sent after the deadline will be posted on the website and, if you wish on Meetup. Last minute tours can be added too.

New to leading? Contact us for more info? ♦

Laurel Dickie, Scott Diamond, Barbara Hayman, *Day Tours' Committee*

Summer overnight trips

Would you like to lead a club backpack-

ing, biking or any other overnight trip this summer? If you attended the winter trip planning meeting, you may be ready to take the lead. Make your summer plans now!

Leading an ONC-PDX overnight trip comes with privileges. The leader goes for free and you get an ONC-PDX T-shirt as well as the opportunity to spend time with great people!

Contact an Overnight Trips' Committee member (see sidebar page 3). More info and required forms can be download from the resources for trip leaders on the website. ♦

Columbia Gorge (open) hiking trails map

Due to the fire last summer a number of

trails in the Gorge are not open. A map showing what hiking trails in the Columbia Gorge that are open for hiking is posted on this website:

gorgefriends.org/hike-the-gorge/find-a-hike.html ♦

Lead a Trail Tending Party

Set aside a day to work on the ski trails.

Help improve our winter trails. Volunteer for one or lead one of these trail tending parties.

Summer trail tending schedule:

May 16, Wed, Trail Tending Party Mt. Adams South Side, WA

We'll be brushing and limbing on the east end of the loop on Road 190 and over to Pipeline Trail.

For more info and to volunteer contact: Ken Wenzel skiwenzel@hotmail.com.

May 23, Wed, Trail Tending Party Wind River, WA

In the Oldman Pass area we'll limbing and post diamonds on the Scenic Loop and brush Trail 159.

For more info and to volunteer contact: Ken Wenzel skiwenzel@hotmail.com.

June 9, Sat, Trail Tending Party Meadows Creek Trail, Mt. Hood, OR

We'll be brushing and install pallets on swampy sections of the Teacup Tie Trail.

For more info and to volunteer contact: Ken Wenzel skiwenzel@hotmail.com.

June 20, Wed, Trail Tending Party Barlow and Mineral Jane, Mt. Hood, OR

Join us on Barlow Rd. 3530 and Mineral Jane Trail as we brushing, limb, and post blue diamonds.

For more info and to volunteer contact: Ken Wenzel skiwenzel@hotmail.com.

July 1, Sun, Trail Tending Party Government Camp, OR

We'll be brushing, limbing and posting blue diamonds on the East Leg Trail and Kurt's Konnection.

For more info and to volunteer contact: Ken Wenzel skiwenzel@hotmail.com.

July 11, Wed, Trail Tending Party Trillium Basin, Mt. Hood, OR

Join us to brush and post blue diamonds on the Quarry Loop and Porcupine Trail.

For more info and to volunteer contact: Ken Wenzel skiwenzel@hotmail.com.

July 25, Wed, Trail Tending Party Pocket Creek and Bennett Pass, Mt. Hood, OR

We'll be brushing and limbing the Pocket Creek Upper Basin and Bennett Ridge Rd.

For more info and to volunteer contact: Ken Wenzel skiwenzel@hotmail.com.

August 4, Sat, Trail Tending Party Yellowjacket Trail, Mt. Hood, OR

Join us to brushing, limbing, and post blue diamonds on the Yellowjacket.

For more info and to volunteer contact: Ken Wenzel skiwenzel@hotmail.com.

Portland Sunday Parkways cycling events

Join other cyclist for family-friendly, car-free bicycling in Portland this summer! Portland's Department of Transportation is hosting Sunday Parkways: May 20, June 24, July 22, and August 19 and September 23.

Southeast Portland Sunday Parkways (7 miles) May 20, 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Free!

North Portland Sunday Parkways (8.8 miles) June 24, 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Free!

Green Loop (Downtown & Inner SE) Portland Sunday Parkways (7 miles) July 22, 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Free!

Outer Northeast Portland Sunday Parkways (7 miles) August 19, 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Free!

Northeast Portland Sunday Parkways (8 miles) August 19, 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Free!

Info and maps: portlandoregon.gov/transportation/58929

ONC-PDX MEMBER BENEFITS

Columbia Sportswear, 911 SW Broadway (flagship store) and 7000 NE Airport Drive, Suite T2572 (airport location)—15% discount on purchases. Special week (November 1–11) of 30% discounts. Current membership card required. columbia.com

Mountain Hardwear, 722 SW Taylor Street—15% discount on purchases. Special week (November 1–11) of 30% discounts. Current membership card required. mountainhardwear.com

The Mountain Shop, 1510 NE 37th Ave., 10% discount (15% discount for leaders) on purchases and 15% discount on rentals. mountainshop.net

Oregon Mountain Community, 2975 NE Sandy, ONC-PDX members—subscribe to OMC e-newsletter and received the following discounts: 15% discount on purchase price. omcgear.com

Otto's Ski & Bike Shop, 38716 Pioneer Blvd. in Sandy, offers a 10% discount on purchases of ski equipment and apparel. They also have cross-country ski package rentals for the entire season. ottoskishop.com

Wy'East Nordic offers ONC-PDX members a 10% discount on cross-country ski and telemark lessons. wyeastnordic.com

Jupiter Hotel, PDX and **Hood River Hotel** in Hood River give ONC-PDX members a 15% off when booking online.

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includes a terrain rating plus a mileage rating, to help you better select the right tour for your ability and inclination. Please consider your physical conditioning and your equipment when deciding to go on a tour. Match the tour level to your ability for your physical safety and comfort, and the safety and comfort of other participants on the tour. If you are in any doubt about the rating of a tour, please call the tour leader before the day of the tour.

Novice Ski Tour
These tours are for the inexperienced skiers. While this is not a lesson, the leader will help new skiers as much as possible. Tour length is 3–5 miles over nearly flat terrain.

Easy Tour
Ski: 4–6 miles over gentle terrain at a pace comfortable for all participants.
Bike: Mostly flat terrain, 8–10 m.p.h. pace, frequent regrouping.
Hike: < 8 miles; 200 ft. per mile elevation gain.
Backpack: < 5 miles/day; 200 ft. per mile elevation gain.

Intermediate Tour
Ski: 6–12 miles. Terrain flat to long hills that are no steeper than found on a road (maximum 10 degrees). Moderate pace. Trail turning skills required, if there are hills. Consult tour description for specifics.
Bike: Moderate terrain with rolling hill (some short steep hills); 10–14 m.p.h. pace, regrouping when appropriate.
Hike: 8–10 miles; 200 to 400 ft. per mile elev. gain.

Backpack: 5–7 miles per day; 200 to 400

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Advanced Tour

Ski: > 12 miles. Terrain flat to steep hills (> 10 degrees). Moderate to fast pace. Strong turning skills required on the tours with steeper slopes.

Bike: Difficult terrain with one or more major hills/series of longer, steeper hills; 15–18 m.p.h. pace, regrouping when necessary.

Hike: > 10 miles; 400 ft. per mile elevation gain. Steady pace and/or difficult terrain (a workout).

Backpack: > 7 miles/day; 400–600 ft./mile elevation gain.

TOUR ESSENTIALS

Pack these essentials on any ONC-PDX activity, “just in case.” Remember that cotton offers no insulation when wet. Choose wool or synthetics for warmth and comfort.

Skiing & Hiking Essentials

■ First aid kit ■ Matches (in waterproof case) and fire starter ■ Rain gear and extra clothes, including a warm sweater ■ Extra food and water ■ Plastic whistle ■ Map and compass (know how to use) ■ Flashlight, extra batteries and bulb ■ Space blanket or bivy bag ■ Pocket knife ■ Toilet paper and trowel (ziplock bag to carry out toilet paper) ■ Sunglasses, lip balm and sun screen ■ Foam sit pad

Biking Essentials

■ Helmet (required on all bike rides) ■ Spare tube ■ Patch kit ■ Tire pump ■ Water bottle (filled) ■ Tire irons

OVERNIGHT TRIP POLICIES

1. Only Oregon Nordic Club members may participate on ONC-PDX overnight trips, even if it is a trip for which no money is collected.

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OVERNIGHT TRIPS

SIGN-UP TIPS

- ◆ Overnight trips are exclusively for members; join or renew your membership before signing up.
- ◆ Contact the leader with any questions you have. Do my skills fit the trip? Any special requirements or gear? Travel time?
- ◆ Read the overnight trip policies (see side-bar p. 7)!
- ◆ Sign-up on the website (onc-pdx.org/acitivities/overnight-trips).
- ◆ Sign up early so we'll have enough people to cover trip costs.
- ◆ If the trip is full, join the wait list by calling the leader. Last minute openings do occur!
- ◆ Purchase trip insurance. You are responsible for finding someone to take your place, if you cancel. Check onc-pdx.org/resources/trip-insurance

June 30–July 4, Sat–Wed, All Level Bike
Vancouver Island Bike, Canada

Two countries, two independence days, and two sets of fireworks, along with great biking!

Listen up! We have made a change in the annual San Juan Bike Trip this year! Instead of fighting the crowds in the San Juan Islands for the July 4. After a couple year hiatus, the famous July 4th bike trip is going to Victoria, Canada! Plans are to drive to Port Angeles, take the 12:15 p.m. (or 5:20 p.m.) ferry to Victoria with only our bicycles. After we check in at our rooms at the University of Victoria in Victoria (twin bed rooms), we will ride to enjoy Canada Day with fireworks later that night. For the next three days, we will ride bicycles on Vancouver Island—The Galloping Goose Trail, the Lochside Trail, the Interurban Rail Trail, and more. Then we will take the 10:30 p.m. ferry back to Port Angeles and drive to back to Portland to watch the Waterfront Blues Festival and watch US fireworks at dark.

The deadline for signing up is June 15, but if space is available at the University after that time, you may be accommodated.

Trip limit: 12 participants (includes the leader)

Cost: \$170/member, per person Includes four nights' lodging.

Starting May 1, you can sign up on the ONC-PDX Website (onc-pdx.org) or send a check payable to ONC-PDX for \$170 and overnight trip application (on web under “Overnight Trip Policies” to Ted Scheinman, 36 SW Brugger St., Portland, OR 97219.

For more info contact the trip leader: Ted Scheinman, tedskier@gmail.com or by phone at 503.452.7432. ◆

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the safety of all trip participants. The trip leader may also limit participation based on accommodations.

WAIT LIST

5. If a trip is full, participants may choose to be placed on the wait list, if an application is submitted with the trip fee. If space becomes available, wait list participants may then choose to fill the space or decline. If participation is declined the full payment is refunded.

Trip Cancellation Policy

6. If canceling, contact the trip leader immediately. There may be a wait list. 7. Participants are responsible for finding a replacement, which may include contacting people on the wait list. 8. Trip fees and deposits are non-refundable, unless a replacement is found. Commercial travel insurance is highly recommended. 9. Once a replacement is found, the participant must send written/email refund request to the overnight trip committee. When the replacement has been confirmed and payment received, a refund will be issued within 30 days, less \$10 administration fee. 10. If the club cancels the trip, the full amount paid will be refunded. Trip cancellations are decided by the Overnight Trip Committee.

Travel Insurance

Commercial travel insurance is available from a variety of providers. Please see (<https://onc-pdx.org/resources/trip-insurance>) for a listing of some trip insurance companies. ONC-PDX does not endorse any of these agents or providers.

Welcome new members!

Ted and Wendy Carlson, Cathy Kwapinski, Daniel and Judy Meyer, and Cathie Pedersen

April membership report: 315 total memberships (219 single and 96 family), includes 4 new. Last year at this time there were 297 memberships.

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Minutes of ONC-PDX Board Meeting March 27, 2018 at MMC

Board Members Present: Ken Wenzel, André Fortin, Mary Bourret, and Laurel Dickie. **Board Members Absent:** Scott Diamond, Ted Scheinman, and Tim Kral

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Approved Minutes

General/Meeting Opening

Next board meeting: May 29 at 6:00 p.m. at MMC

Reports

Treasurer's Report: Review Mary's last Report. Reviewed. Approved.

President's Report: None

Website: Voting is working. One minor glitch in the write-in candidates that was fixed.

Day Tours Committee: No update at meeting. People are posting on forum more often than asking the day tour committee to create a tour.

Overnight Trips Committee: No attendee at meeting. Next month will hold joint meeting. At ONC annual meeting there was discussion about a state wide Crater Lake Trip. A ski bus rolling down I-5 with people jumping on. Central Chapter mentioned a Diamond Lake Senior weekend.

Tilly Jane: Contacted by cabin supporter – Andrew Stoner artist – he puts on events every year and the A-Frame was recipient of this year's fundraiser \$2,018. ■ Preparing to submit 20K grant request Preserving Oregon Grant. A few other grants are in the works. ■ Ken will bring up the Tilly Jane A Frame restoration in August to work with the construction group at the annual meeting. ■ Oregon Field Guide shooting was completed.

Membership: Update from the state meeting. Meetup was mentioned as a method. I mentioned REI and other Chapters were interested.

Publicity: Scott gave talk at REI.

Publications: Tim to write May board article.

Nordic Issue: Donation was sent in. \$1500 was donated.

Trail Tending: Meeting with FS on March 7. Will find out what they want us to do this year. Projects include Meadows Creek out of Pocket Creek (new bridge) Need to do something in the upper part near Teacup that doesn't fill in with snow. Need to find out what FS will allow us to do. Mt. Adams area limbing needs to be done. Probably 6 days of work. ■ Bill's email – trail tenders group – High Cascade Forest volunteers. They are Eugene and Salem based. Ken will contact them to see if Lindell knows about our other ONC chapters.

Old Business

Leader Training: Mary to find location for training end of April. Mary, Laurel, Ken, Sam will develop/organize training. Scott and Sam to work together to develop syllabus for leader training, sent out to everyone. Scott post forum that leader training is moving forward. ■ **Overnight Trips Committee:** Sam to update ONTC policy to clarify 5% budget for club overnight on trips which cost more than \$1000. Sam to develop processes for removing members from overnight trips. Ken – tell ONTC that PDX should run an overnight trip on the John Craig weekend – March 23, 2019. Mary to see if a decision has been reached on John Craig and post to forum once known. ■ **Ski for the Blind:** Andre to contact ski for the blind for next year for partial sponsorship. Richard only had to train two new volunteers and they had a wait list of volunteers. The statement that they had to downsize was due to funding, but this did not seem to be true. We may have to pick up the cost of the sack lunches if the Gorge Chapter no longer is able to do this. ♦

Scott Diamond, Secretary

CLASSIFIED ADS

FOR SALE: ► Ski Bindings Karhu Catamount 190 cm waxless / 3 pin Voile cable bindings good condition **\$50**, Epoke 900 200 cm waxless / 3 pin bindings good condition **\$10**, Fisher Europa 99s 210 cm metal edge 210c Rottefella NNNBC bindings good condition **\$30**. **FOR SALE: ► Ski Boots** Asolo Glissade, three pin boot men's 9.5 or 10. Pretty good shape **\$10**.

FOR SALE: ► Skins Pamoca Climbing skins older but barely used, like new. **\$50**. **FOR SALE: ► Skis/Bindings/Boots** Kastle RX 210 cm with Salomon bindings and boots men's 9.5 or 10. Sold as skate skis in the early 80s, skinny and fun in groomed tracks. **Free**. David dkb123@outlook.com 7/18

FOR SALE: ► Tele Bindings Rottefella Chili **\$25**. Free 198cm Rossignol Attaque Telemark skis included. **FOR SALE: ► Ski Boots** Alpina NNN BC Nordic ski boots, size 42 (womens size 10-11). Nearly new condition.

Mark 503 seven five six 7534 (call or text) 7/18

FOR SALE: ► Skis Atomic Telepathic telemark skis 170cm,

Voile Tele bindings, heel lifts. **\$75**. **FOR SALE: ► Bindings** Riva Super Loop ultralight telemark / backcountry touring bindings, new **\$60 OBO**. **FOR SALE: ► Boot liners** Scarpa Intuition ski boot thermo form liners. Used one season. Size 30.5 (used in a 30 Scarpa Boot) Can be reformed several times. **\$65 OBO**. **FOR SALE: ► Ski Boots** AirTex NNN-BC Ski Boots, Thinsulate insulated, very warm, excellent condition. Size 47 **\$40 OBO**. **FOR SALE: ► Ski Helmet** GIRO ski helmet size Small fits child **\$25 OBO**. Russ russ.bec@gmail.com 7/18

Deadline: 15th of the month (for the next month's publication). **Free ads for members only**, placed on a first come basis, and may be edited depending on space availability. Send to: oncnewsletter@gmail.com as **attachment (preferred)**—(with no formatting i.e., bold, italic, or tabs), compatible text file, or send text in an email. **Ads will be published for 3 months**. Please notify editor to run ads longer or be removed earlier.

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Non-members may join the club when signing up for an overnight trip. The membership fee can be paid at this time. The only exceptions are overnight trail tending work parties and Tilly Jane Club weekends, which are open to volunteers on those projects.

2. **Overnight trip sign-ups are done online at the club website** (onc-pdx.org/activities/overnight-trips). The website will begin accepting applications at noon on the day following the October general meeting. Once accepted, the participant will receive a confirmation email from the trip leader. To complete the sign-up process, the member must also email their completed Overnight Trip Application (<https://onc-pdx.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/10/ONT-Application-092617-fillable.pdf>) to the trip leader. The on-line booking system may show that trips are full before they actually are. If this is the case, members should contact the leader to confirm the trip status. Members are encouraged to apply to the wait list by sending the leader a copy of their completed application with a check for the amount of the trip. Their check will be held by the leader until a spot opens up and if not, the leader will destroy the check and notify the applicant.

3. **Restrictions on participation may apply to some trips based on the participant's ability and experience needed to safely execute the trip.** The trip leader has the authority to make this determination for

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