

February ski tales of trails and tracks

Kenneth Wenzel 2.13.20 Yesterday in Cedar Mill we had small ice pellets all day into the night. This morning we had an additional half inch of good snow on top. It was about like a groomed skate ski surface. You could skate ski on it! Started out at 8:30 a.m. from my driveway skied till 11:30 a.m. and covered 7-8 miles doing two large loops thru the neighborhoods around my house. VERY FUN and FAST skiing thru parks, trails, roads, ditches, bridges and around sleds. Love those rock skis, only had to tip toe around two ice patches with skis on. Best ski I have had in my neighborhood in 22 years! But now its 34 F. and starting to melt. Time to save it in my memory!

Kate McPherson 2.15.20 It has been fun to read how people are enjoying the snow in town - skiing in parks, neighborhoods and to grocery stores. I decided to share two fun 'snowed in' memories from the past. In the late 70s I lived in Manhattan and we had a snowstorm that shut the city down. I had such fun skiing down Fifth Avenue and into Central Park. I still have vivid memories of the people cheerfully greeting me and of the quiet beauty of the park. When I lived in Seattle, the snow was so deep I could not drive up to my house and I was hosting my parents for Thanksgiving. I remember cross-country skiing to the meat market and carrying the turkey back to my kitchen in a large backpack. What fond memories! I hope more of you will share fond urban ski memories.

Christine Bierman 2.16.20 Hi, I have skied down West Leg Road two or three times from Timberline Lodge, but I haven't skied it up. But, would like to try! I feel a bit vague and unsure about where to find the bottom of the trailhead, looking south at the mountain from the Summit Ski Area. I kind of remember bumping along the bottom of the road down close to the Mazama Lodge, and then veering onto the lower section of the Summit bowl at an unmarked spot, as I recall. If you know this trail/road very well, I would be indebted to you for sharing clear directions on accessing it. Thank you!

Richard Crimi 2.16.20 With the abundance of snow in the lowlands, plan was to ski Old Maid Flats. But a report of ice in the area and rain at Zigzag called for plan 2. Off to do Twin Lakes we decided, Ken and David driving up ahead, Emily and I a few minutes behind, Ken noting that, "hopefully they plowed the Sno-Park." There were tracks there when I arrived, so we started in but I decided not to proceed. Too late. Out came the shovels and soon the owner of the tracks; a guy in a high Highlander with huge knobby tires. He offered assistance and boy did he ever. With traction planks and a continued on page 3

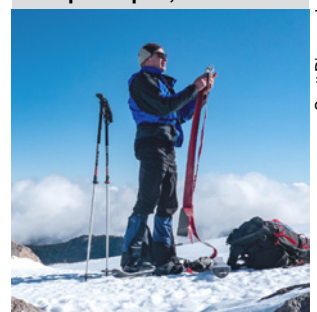
Membership meeting and board elections

The ONC-PDX 2021 Annual Membership Meeting and board elections will be on Tuesday, April 6 via Zoom. The meeting and ratification of the election results will occur at 7:30 p.m., followed by a program. There are seven positions open on the board; the board can be up to nine members as long as there is an uneven number of board members. Current nominees are Laurel Dickie, Tere Enburg, Michele Gunness, Phillip D. Vincent, Barbara Schulz, and Ted Scheinman. More nominees are welcome, it would be good to have one more volunteer so there would be nine board members, send nominations to the elections committee. Nominees' statements are on page 5. Board members serve a two-year term. Ken Wenzel and Don Erickson are returning board members serving another year. Voting will be by electronic ballot, starting mid-March, and ending 24 hours before the April 6 General Meeting. An email will be sent to members with a link to the voting site. Per the By-laws, family members have only one vote. We encourage voting electronically; however, if members are unable or unwilling to vote electronically, they must request, in writing, a paper ballot and voting instructions from Elections Committee 20 days prior to the annual meeting (by March 17). The filled-in ballot must be in the club post office box at least one day before the general meeting. Please allow sufficient time for delivery. If you would like to serve on the board, please contact Elections Committee: Linda wilsonln@msn.com and Steve mccabe.steve@gmail.com.

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Corrections: email corrections and/or additions to the editor.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

March 2 ▶ TUESDAY

Hiking Oregon's Deserts

7:00 p.m. Lets talk skiing—share ski adventures and where to ski!

7:30 p.m. Brief general meeting followed by the program, online, via Zoom.



March 9 ▶ TUESDAY

Q&A with Mt. Hood Ski Patrol

7:00 p.m.–8:30 p.m. Webinar with Mt. Hood Ski Patrol

Info and sign up: mountainshop.net/community/calendar/2021-03-09/qa-with-mt-hood-ski-patrol.html

March 11 ▶ THURSDAY

Mountain Shop Avalanche Awareness Class

7:00 p.m. 90 minute Zoom class by NWAC. Learn how to access avalanche and mountain weather forecasts and recognize basic signs of avalanche danger. Calendar: nwac.us/events

March 15 ▶ MONDAY

Stone Gardens Avalanche Awareness Class

7:00 p.m. 90 minute Zoom class by NWAC. Learn how to access avalanche and mountain weather

forecasts and recognize basic signs of avalanche danger. Calendar: nwac.us/events

March 17 ▶ WEDNESDAY

Going Big with Hana Beaman, Emily Harrington and Sachi Cunningham

5:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m.

Info/Signup: rei.com/events/p/us-or-portland?distance=25&previousLocation=Portland,OR

Northwest Ski Club Council (NWSCC)

Call in at 6:45 p.m., starts at 7:00 p.m.

Info: nwskiers.org

Clinics and Training

April 15–18 ▶ THUR–SUN
2021 Oregon Spring Camp
Mt. Bachelor/Bend, OR

Created for adult skiers and racers (Juniors welcome with adult chaperone)

Mornings: 8:45 a.m.–11:45 a.m. each day

Afternoons—(pending demand) 1-2 Dryland clinics looking at rollerski technique, specific foot drills, and/or XC strength routines. Afternoon events in Bend.

Info: xcoregon.org/oregon-spring-camp

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

ONC-PDX Historian This person would manage photo and video sharing from trips and activities, and manage and arrange storage of past and future ONC-PDX photo files. Contact Ken.

Leadership Training Help organize and put on a leader training clinic, so we can have more day tours. Contact Ken skiwenzel@hotmail.com

Day Tours Leaders

Day tour leaders contact ONC-PDX Day Tours Committee to volunteer to lead day tours:

oncdayoutours@gmail.com

Publications/Articles

Are you a writer, have other skills to help with the newsletter? Contact oncnnewsletter@gmail.com

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, for members only.
- ▶ Free travel programs at monthly member meetings
- ▶ **Discounts at selected merchants (see p. 11)**
- ▶ Member rates on Mazama activities (excludes classes) and reduced rates on use of Mazama Lodge: day use, overnight, and meals
- ▶ Free Tilly Jane weekends during the ski season
- ▶ Meet new friends who ski, hike and bike
- ▶ Monthly newsletter with free classified ads
- ▶ Support construction and maintenance of winter trails in 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: nwskiers.org fwsa.org federationofwesternoutdoorclub.org

Memberships are renewed September 1 each year: \$30 for single, \$40 for family/household. \$10 for paper newsletter. Info: oncmembership@gmail.com

BOARD SKI TRACKS

Have you been thinking about giving back to the club? Here is your opportunity. Run for a spot on the Board of Directors. We can have up to nine Board of Directors members—currently we are operating with five. There are six nominations currently, but we could use one more to have a nine member board. There is no fiscal responsibility to serving on the ONC-PDX board—just a few hours of your time spent in the company (virtual or actual) of like minded people.

A half day summer retreat sets up the focus for the club's ski year. There are monthly meetings that take about an hour. The meetings are fun and informative. We treat each other with respect and every voice is heard. And we want to hear your voice. We want new perspectives and ideas to better serve our members.

When you serve on the board, you have the honor, challenge, and responsibility of understanding how everything must work together to accomplish the club goals. It's invigorating. ♦

Mary Bourret, ONC-PDX Vice-President

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tow rope, my RAV4 was once again free.

Backtrack we did to Trillium Lake where the parking lot was much easier going. Down the hill and off through the Bike Trail, into the woods and around the lake counter-clockwise. They snow was gorgeous; feet and feet of it. Our lunch stop was in a pleasant picnic shelter, new to some of us, and keeping out of the continually falling snow. We skied out to the road, heading back toward the Sno-Park. At the junction to the hill, the group split; Emily and I heading back to the car and Ken and David off to enjoy more of the great conditions.

Larry Risch 2.17.20 Skinned up the Tilly Jane Trail. Surprised I caught a couple younger guys one a snowboarder on shoe shoes, and a skier. I almost caught another guy who put his skis on before me, chatted with him at the TJ cabin," and another skier to came up shortly after the two of us. I went on to Cloud Cap Road and skied down the open burned area. Some crust, most did not affect skiing but was noisy, some was more icy, but most of that you could just break the curst if you found yourself on it, and it was to hard to go back. Cloud Cap Road was nice too, no snowshoers or snowmobiles, but the tracks were icy in places, but that made it faster going back. Not sure how much of the road is tracked, pretty sure none is above Inspiration Point. ♦

NORDIC ISSUES/NEWS

Avalanche info Reports and observations of avalanches can be found here: nwac.us
Report avalanches here: nwac.us/2020/11/13/field-observations-sharing-information-helps-build-a-better-avalanche-forecast

Mt. Hood National Forest

Info about sno-parks and trail maps in Washington: parks.state.wa.us/452/Non-Motorized-Sno-Parks
Info about Sno-Parks can be found here: fs.usda.gov/activity/mthood/recreation/wintersports/?recid=52770&actid=91

Tripcheck.com shows webcams and dots (on map) road conditions, which also gives temperature, new snow, and roadside snow depth.

Wild and Scenic Rivers Plan The Mt. Hood Wild and Scenic Rivers Planning EA is open for comment. The purpose of this comprehensive river management plan is to establish management direction to protect and enhance the river values for nine rivers designated in 2009: Collawash River, Eagle Creek, East Fork Hood River, Fifteenmile Creek, Fish Creek, Middle Fork Hood River, South Fork Clackamas River, South Fork Roaring River, and Zigzag River. The plan establishes river corridor boundaries, user capacities and monitoring. The comment period started on February 19 and goes for 30 days. More info about this project can be found here: fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54674

Gifford Pinchot National Forest

Sno-Park info: fs.usda.gov/activity/giffordpinchot/recreation/wintersports/?recid=31178&actid=91

Mt. St. Helens Marble Mt. Sno-Park: As of the beginning of the month winter traction tires or chains recommended for the last 1/2 mile to the Sno-Park. Forty inches of snow on the ground.

Old Man Pass, Wind River For Hwy. status check: Skamaniacounty.org, public works link.
Old Man Pass is only plowed once a day, if conditions call for it and after all other County Roads have been plowed. The trails will be groomed every week depending on snow conditions and as funding permits: Old Man Pass/Koshko/McClellan Meadows will groom on Friday

Deschutes National Forest

Sno-Park info: fs.usda.gov/activity/deschutes/recreation/wintersports/?recid=38280&actid=91

Meisner area grooming ending The last day of grooming with be March 31.

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DAY TOURS OVERVIEW

RSVP: It's important that our organizer's time and effort in planning events is respected and appreciated. Respecting your RSVP also ensures that all of our members have access to our tours that may otherwise fill up. We document no shows for events and this will impact your acceptance for future events.

Tour Difficulty: It is always difficult to communicate the difficulty of a tour. (See page 5 sidebar for ratings.) These ratings are a starting point. If you are uncertain then we strongly encourage you to contact the tour lead (it is much easier to sort this out before the trip than on the trail).

What to Bring: Let's start with the 10 Essentials. This is list of items which we recommend every participant carry (not just the tour leader). For clothing please look at: onc-pdx.org/resources/wear For the vast majority of our tours you need to have skis beforehand (we don't have time to stop and rent skis on the way). If you need to rent equipment please see Rentals and Retailers.

Carpooling: ONC-PDX encourages carpooling as a means to reducing environmental impact, sharing costs, and socializing during travel. The cost share and liability is between you and the driver. Below are suggested donations, but it is your responsibility to set the donation amount and any other expectations for the trip with the driver before
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Mt. Bachelor trails Groomed trails and conditions in the area: mtbachelor.com Maps of the trails: fs.usda.gov/activity/deschutes/recreation/wintersports/?recid=38280&actid=91

Bridge area safety There were some unsafe conditions around a bridge on the Watertower Trail in the backcountry out of Mt. Bachelor. Some members of the Central Oregon Chapter placed some blue poles to make the crossing safer. You can read about it on their website: conordicclub.org/newconordicclub.org/new

Willamette National Forest

Sno-Park info: fs.usda.gov/activity/willamette/recreation/wintersports/?recid=4206&actid=91

Stovepipes at shelters at Ray Benson

Sno-Park worn out Willamette Chapter reported that there was a problem with the stovepipes at the day use shelters out of Ray Benson Sno-Park near Hoodoo. The stovepipes at Brandenburg and North Blowout shelters are not usable. The stove at the Island Junction was still burning and there were no problems with the pipe, but since it is the same age as the other ones it may need to be replaced soon. Replacing stovepipes at Santiam Pass will be a summer priority for Deschutes National Forest and Willamette Chapter volunteers. The story with photos was on the Central Oregon Chapter website: conordicclub.org/newconordicclub.org/new

Ochoco National Forest

Sno-Park info: fs.usda.gov/recarea/ochoco/recreation/wintersports/recarea/?recid=38770&actid=91

Umatilla National Forest

The Horseshoe Prairie Nordic Ski Area in Eastern Oregon has been refreshed and marked with diamonds by the Blues Crew (bmlt.org/horseshoe-prairie). The area is good for Nordic skiing and snow shoeing on a marked groomed and non-groomed trail system within the Umatilla National Forest of northeast Oregon. At an elevation between 5,100 ft. and 5,300 ft. the area regularly receives annual snow depths in excess of four feet. Currently there are approximately 10 miles (16 kilometers) of marked trails. The area is bordered on the north by the North Fork Umatilla Wilderness.

Info: onc.org/new-in-the-blues-horseshoe-prairie-nordic-ski-area

Pam Rigor, Editor

The Columbia store will allow ONC-PDX members access later in March 2021. A forum notice will be sent out about this when we learn the date.

DAY TOURS

Note: if weather or road conditions are dangerous, please contact the tour leader.

More tours may be listed here:

◆ 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"



Join the tour leader team

Pick your favorite trail/route and take

some of your ONC-PDX friends on a ski or snowshoe and enjoy the snow in the mountains. Leading a tour is not too difficult and it is always nice to meet new people to ski with and share a day out of the trails. We will not be carpooling, but will meet at the sno-parks, due to COVID.

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 March 14, 8 p.m. for the April newsletter**) to oncdaytours@gmail.com and oncnewsletter@gmail.com. Tour descriptions sent after the newsletter deadline will be posted on the website, can be sent out on the forum, and, if you wish on posted on MeetUp. Last minute tours can be added and leaders can cancel tours if the snow condition or roads are not safe.

New to leading, need more info on what you need to know? Check the website for Leader Information (onc-pdx.org/day-tour-info-leaders) Contact us for more info?

Laurel Dickie, Day Tours Committee

2021–2022 Board Nominees



Laurel Dickie I am seeking re-election to the ONC-PDX Board because I feel there is still much to do for the club. I have been a member, off and on, since 1989. In my retirement I realized I had time to do more for the club so I

became an overnight tour leader, day tour committee person and then stepped onto the board. I would like to set a goal of creating a “Community Relations” volunteer position to reach out for member recruitment and form more community partnerships. And maybe this is the year I will get involved at the State Chapter level. I want to be a good representative for your club and am asking for your vote.



Tere Enburg I have been a member of the Portland chapter of the ONC-PDX for many years. I have served as membership secretary and president in the past, and want to continue giving back to the club. I have met many great people,

enjoyed great day and overnight trips with the club. I believe our club helps people enjoy the outdoors by sharing safe practices (ten essentials everyone!) and information on trails appropriate for different skill levels. Trail tending in the summer ensures good places to ski in winter. I hope to continue on the board to help the ONC-PDX increase the number of cross-country skiers and outdoor enthusiasts.



Michele Gunness Michele has lived in Welches, OR for 31 years where she enjoys both downhill and cross-country skiing, hiking and golf with the Mt. Hood Golf Club. She is active in the Mountain High Snowsports Club where she sits on the board as

secretary. Michele recently retired from Oregon Health and Science University as an intellectual property licensing professional leaving more time now for skiing and grandsons.



Phillip D. Vincent

I joined ONC-PDX about three years ago because of my passion for winter sports and the desire to share it with other like-minded people. I've served on the Boards of Directors of four organiza-

tions: two non-profits, a liquidating trust, and a computer services company. I am also treasurer of my HOA. I'm an investment fund advisor with a degree in finance and a CPA. I've been on four of the Club's overnight trips, all of which I enjoyed immensely. I'm interested in serving on the board to contribute in any way I can to the success of the club and the continuation of the benefit it offers to members.



Barbara Schulz

I have been a member of the ONC-PDX for many years. I would like to make a contribution to the club, instead of just profiting from it. I am an enthusiastic outdoor person who enjoys cross-country skiing, hiking, and backpacking. I could see

my role as a board member as helping to re-awaken the mid-week outings after COVID, stimulate new summer outings (hiking), foment generational renewal by getting younger people interested in the club. It would be enjoyable to make a contribution.



Ted Scheinman

I have been deeply involved with the ONC-PDX for the past 45+ years, serving in roles of day tour and overnight trip leader, tour coordinator, local and state Board members, and ONC-PDX President. I wish to serve

on the Board, as I think that my experience can provide continuity of the club knowledge of the successes and challenges. As a Board member, I would like to continue my efforts to increasing ONC-PDX membership and leadership with younger, engaged members, through more day tours, overnight tours, and outreach. It is important that we develop new leaders for the future of the club. Please vote for me for Board Member of the ONC-PDX. ♦

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ONC-PDX suggests a donation amount on overnight trips of 10 to 15 cents per mile per person, depending on length of trip and anticipated road conditions. Again the rate set by the driver should reflect the number of passengers being transported.

For local day tours a recommended donation amount to the driver is as follows: for a large capacity vehicle, rate determined by driver. Otherwise for normal cars, our suggested donation per person round trip from Portland is: Westside of Mt. Hood (Government Camp area) \$8/ person, Barlow Pass or Timberline Lodge, White River \$10/ person, Teacup or Pocket Creek or Mt. Saint Helens \$12/ person, Mt. Adams \$15 per person. onc-pdx.org/carpooling

Dogs are only allowed on a few ONC-PDX trips. If you don't see dogs allowed on the trip write-up then please don't bring your dog (you will not be allowed to ski with the group).

FS Dog Policy: Dogs must be on a leash in all snowparks (Forest Service regulation). Please keep dogs off ski tracks and pack out dog waste.

TOUR/TRIP

RATINGS

All ONC-PDX tours/trips are rated as either Novice, Easy, Intermediate, or Advanced. These terms are an approximate guide to the skill and commitment required for the tour/trip. Use the rating guide to select the right tour/trip for your ability and inclination.

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Please do not attempt a tour/trip that is beyond your ability; you could endanger yourself or others in your party.

Novice Ski

2–5 miles slow-paced day tours over gentle terrain. These tours are for beginning cross-country skiers with a little prior skiing experience (the ability to do a reasonable shuffle on skis). Leaders will not teach skiers how to ski, but will help them as much as possible.

Easy

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

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/trip 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 ft. per mile elevation gain.

Advanced

Ski: > 12 miles; terrain flat to steep hills (> 10 degrees); moderate to fast pace.; strong turning skills required on the tours with steeper slopes.

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Trail Tending

We have been compiling a list of trail that need work and are working on a schedule of the off season.

If you have skied on any trails that need blue diamond markers and/or brush cleaned from them to make them easier to ski, let me know and we can add them to our list. We hope you will plan to come out and help with to improve our winter trails. If you would like to lead a trail tending party—it is fairly easy—let me know and we can work out a day and trail for you to take charge of. For more info contact: Ken Wenzel 503.297.2958 (h) 503.729.6571 (cell) skiwenzel@hotmail.com

Teacup Tie Trail, Mt. Hood, OR

We will be limbing, brushing, and putting up blue diamond trail markers on the trail.

Pocket Creek Tie Trail, Mt. Hood, OR

We will be limbing and brushing the trail.

Pipeline Trail, Mt. Adams, WA

We will be limbing, brushing, and putting up blue diamond trail markers on the trail.

Sasquatch Trail, Mt. St. Helens, WA

We will be removing small trees that are growing in the trail.

High Divide Trail, Ochoco Mt., OR

Diamonds and Limbing on High Divide Trail

Horseshoe Prairie, Oregon

We will be assisting Blues Crew with the trails in this area the they have been reviving.



Ken Wenzel

OVERNIGHT TRIPS

SIGN-UP TIPS

- ◆ Overnight trips are exclusively for members; join or renew your membership (online under “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 on sidebar page 7 or on website: onc-pdx.org/activities/trip-policies/overnight-trip-policies
- ◆ Sign up online; paper applications are available
- ◆ Sign up early so we'll have enough people to cover trip costs.
- ◆ If the trip is full online, join the wait list. Last minute openings do occur!
- ◆ Purchase trip insurance (some trips include it). Please note the cancellation policy should you need to cancel for any reason.
Info: oncpdx.org/resources/trip-insurance

Note: Members may sign up for overnight trips using the paper ONC-PDX overnight trip application and a check sent to the trip leader. However, signups by mail will not be accepted until online sign up opens and some trips may fill prior to receipt and processing.

March 5–8, Fri–Mon, All Abilities Ski (groomed trails and backcountry)

Women's Ski Weekend in Bend

Bend, OR

Trip full, wait list open*

Come and join an all women's ski weekend in beautiful Bend, Oregon. We'll have numerous skiing choices, both groomed and backcountry: Mt. Bachelor, Virginia Meissner, a number of area sno-parks. Depending on the weather and ski conditions, there will be opportuni-



Richard Crimi

ties for hiking, biking, walking the paths at the Deschutes River as well as shopping in Bend, Sisters, or Sunriver, Oregon. Trail fees apply at Mt. Bachelor and Virginia Meissner, Sno-Park permits for all others. We will be staying at The Best Western Plus Bend North. The rooms consist of two queen beds (two persons per room unless a request for their own room).

*Check the website or contact the leader

onc-pdx.org

Amenities are: breakfast included, microwave, refrigerator, coffee maker, free WI-FI and TV.
bestwestern.com/en_US/book/bend/hotel-rooms/best-western-plus-bend-north/propertyCode.38178.html

Each person will be responsible for their own meals. Eat in, take-out or restaurants close by.

Trip limit: 8 participants including trip leader.

Cost: \$10/member registration fee. Register on the ONC-PDX website (\$10) and then book your room and pay the hotel directly; contact the leader for info about booking the rooms. Lodging: \$145-\$165 depending if AARP or other discount applies, plus 11% approximate room tax. for three nights, based on shared room. Not include: trail fees at Mt. Bachelor and Meissner, travel costs and meals.

Trip leader: Nancy Neuman nanc0301@yahoo.com

March 5–7, Fri–Sun, Intermediate
 Backcountry Ski/Tele

Tilly Jane A-Frame—Club Weekend
 Mt. Hood, OR

Trip full, wait list open*

This trip is also available: April 2–4

We'll backcountry ski to the ONC-PDX managed shelter on the Northeast side of Mt. Hood, a three-mile ski with a 1,900-foot gain up the Tilly Jane Ski Trail to the cabin at 5,700 feet elevation. Participants carry their own gear, including sleeping bags, pad, and food for all meals. We have a wood stove for cooking meals or heating water. Participants can also bring their own stove and cooking



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pots. Experienced intermediate skiing skills with turning ability, good physical condition and navigation/route finding skills using map, compass, or GPS required. Climbing skins are required.

Trip limit: 6 (max.) participants. Open to all ONC-PDX members and Tilly Jane (TJ) cabin volunteers.

Cost: Free (another club benefit). You must be an ONC-PDX member or TJ volunteer before signing up for this trip.

For more info contact: reservations@tillyjanecabins.org We'll forward your request to the appropriate trip leader. Leaders TBD.

March 19–21, Fri–Sun, All Abilities Ski
John Craig Tour Weekend

Sisters, OR
Space available*

All abilities are welcome on this trip. On Saturday the strong skiers will ski Highway 242 from the Sno-Park to Dee Wright observatory and back. The views of the

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lava flows are spectacular a few miles out of the Sno-Park so people that want to take it easy and not go all the way up to the Dee Wright should have stunning views. We plan for a groomed trail but anything can change. On Sunday we will stop at another sno-park after checking out of the hotel and ski until returning to Portland. Which sno-park, will depend on conditions, but most likely Three Creeks or Ray Benson. These areas are ungroomed but the trails are marked and possibly broken in. This is one of the trips using the new hotel model. We won't potluck for dinners, but will eat at restaurants or participants may choose to microwave popcorn in their rooms.

Trip limit: 6 to 12 participants including trip leader, depending on COVID-19 room sharing restrictions.

Cost: \$10/member registration fee. Register on the ONC-PDX website (\$10) and then book your room and pay the hotel directly; contact the leader for info about booking the rooms. Lodging \$137/person, double occupancy rooms. Additional small donation requested to participate in the John Craig ski. Sno-Park permit required.

Travel miles: 300 miles round-trip from Portland plus excursions to trailheads.

Trip leader: Sam Digard, sam.digard@gmail.com

March 19–21, Fri–Sun, Intermediate
 Backcountry Ski

Tilly Jane Guard Station
 Mt. Hood, OR

Trip full, wait list open*

This trip is also available: April 16–18

We'll backcountry ski to the ONC-PDX managed cabin on the Northeast side of Mt. Hood, a three mile ski with a 1,900-foot gain up the Tilly Jane Ski Trail to the cabin at 5,700 feet elevation. Participants carry their

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own gear, including sleeping bags, pad, and food for all meals. We have a stove for cooking meals and heating water. Participants can carry their own cooking pots although there are some at the cabin. Experienced

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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/TRIP 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 and Hiking

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

OVERNIGHT TRIP POLICIES

Trip Participation
 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. Non-members may join the club when signing

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***Check the website or contact the leader**

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up for an overnight trip. The membership fee can be paid at that time. The only exceptions are overnight trail tending work parties and Tilly Jane Club project weekends, which are open to non-member volunteers.

2. Overnight trip sign-ups are done online at the club website (onc-pdx.org/activities/overnight-trips). The website will begin accepting applications on a day and at a time specified by the ONC-PDX Board of Directors, with registration usually occurring during the week following the October general meeting. Once accepted, the trip applicants will receive a confirmation email. To complete the sign-up process, the member must email a completed Overnight Trip Application to the trip leader, including their signed waiver and release of liability as required by the club.

3. If a trip appears to be full during the registration process, applicants should contact the trip leader directly to: (i) confirm that the trip is actually full; and (ii) if full, to be placed on the trip wait list as cancellations are relatively common.
4. Trip leaders have the authority to not accept a trip participant application if the applicant does not appear to have the appropriate level of skiing ability for the trip; or (ii) bed availability does not match the a participant's circumstances, e.g., the applicant will be traveling alone, does not want to share a bed, and

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intermediate skiing skills with turning ability, good physical condition and navigation/route finding skills using map, compass or GPS are required. Climbing skins are required, too.

Trip limit: 4 participants (max.), Open to ONC-PDX members with preference given to Tilly Jane (TJ) volunteers.

Cost: Free (another club benefit). You must be an ONC-PDX member, or TJ volunteer to sign up for this trip.

For more info contact:
reservations@tillyjanecabins.org
We'll forward your request to the appropriate trip leader. Leaders TBD.

March 25–28, Thur–Sun, Strong Intermediate/Advanced Backcountry Ski

Mt. Rainier Backcountry

Ashford, WA

Trip full, wait list open*

We will ski the North Mt. Tahoma trail network, which is mostly road ski tour, Thursday and about 12 miles. Friday we will plan on skiing in the Mazama Ridge area and Reflection Lakes. Which is a backcountry tour with some telemark options. Saturday, if conditions are good, we will backcountry tour in the Tatoosh range or higher on Rainier with telemark options. Sunday we will do a backcountry ski tour into the South Tahoma Huts area. More info is available on the website.

Trip Limit: 10 participants, including leader.

Cost: \$10/member registration fee. Register on the ONC-PDX website (\$10) and then book your room and pay the hotel directly; contact the leader for info about booking the rooms. Lodging: three nights in motel and food on your own.

Trip leader: Ken Wenzel skiwenzel@hotmail.com

April 2–4, Fri–Sun, Int. Backcountry Ski/Tele

Tilly Jane A-Frame—Club Weekend

Mt. Hood, OR

Spaces available*

We'll backcountry ski to the ONC-PDX managed shelter on the Northeast side of Mt. Hood, a three-mile ski with a 1,900-foot gain up the Tilly Jane Ski Trail to the cabin at 5,700 feet elevation. Participants carry their



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own gear, including sleeping bags, pad, and food for all meals. We have a wood stove for cooking meals or heating water. Participants can also bring their own stove and cooking pots. Experienced intermediate skiing skills with turning ability, good physical condition and

navigation/route finding skills using map, compass, or GPS required. Climbing skins are required.

Trip limit: 6 (max.) participants. Open to all ONC-PDX members and Tilly Jane (TJ) cabin volunteers.

Cost: Free (another club benefit). You must be an ONC-PDX member or TJ volunteer before signing up for this trip.

For more info contact:
reservations@tillyjanecabins.org
We'll forward your request to the appropriate trip leader. Leaders TBD.

April 16–18, Fri–Sun, Intermediate Backcountry Ski

Tilly Jane Guard Station

Mt. Hood, OR

Spaces available*

We'll backcountry ski to the ONC-PDX managed cabin on the Northeast side of Mt. Hood, a three mile ski with a 1,900-foot gain up the Tilly Jane Ski Trail to the cabin at 5,700 feet elevation. Participants carry their own gear, including sleeping bags, pad, and food for all meals. We have a stove for cooking meals and heating



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water. Participants can carry their own cooking pots although there are some at the cabin. Experienced intermediate skiing skills with turning ability, good physical condition and navigation/route finding skills using map, compass or GPS are required. Climbing skins are required, too.

Trip limit: 4 participants (max.), Open to ONC-PDX members with preference given to Tilly Jane (TJ) volunteers.

Cost: Free (another club benefit). You must be an ONC-PDX member, or TJ volunteer to sign up for this trip.

For more info contact:
reservations@tillyjanecabins.org
We'll forward your request to the appropriate trip leader. Leaders TBD.
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May 26–June 8, 2022 Thur–Wed, Inter. Bike Rhone Valley and Paris, France

Spaces available*

We'll be biking on moderate terrain, about 15 to 35 miles a day with an English-speaking guide in flat to moderate terrain. Every day you have the option to ride with the group or your own discretionary itinerary.

***Check the website or contact the leader**

Bikes, locks, helmets, panier, etc. are all included. E-bikes are available if you like.

We start by flying from Portland to Paris, with a short stop in Iceland. From Paris, we catch the train to Aigues-Mortes on the Mediterranean coast. We'll spend our first night here which allows a day to adjust and tour the ancient Roman infrastructure in this medieval city. This also allows a buffer day in case of travel mishaps. The bike leg begins as we board the Caprice to sail up the Rhone river, biking the countryside every day. The trip begins in the Camargue region which inspired Van Gough. Six days biking (yes, with an English-speaking guide) through red wine country where the last day is a bike ride through Chateauneuf-du-Pape. And of course, we'll have time there to stop and visit the shops. After breakfast on the eighty day, we disembark the bike/boat tour and will explore Avignon for a while. After this, we travel to the historical castle

region in central France for a couple of days. From there we make our way back to Paris and stay for two nights. Our hotel is just a couple blocks from the Louvre. Trip includes roundtrip airfare to Paris from Portland and all ground transportation, river transport, bike rental, all lodging, some partial laundry service, and a few other amenities. All meals while on the boat, and a sack lunch are also included. You might want to bring your own helmet but they are provided.

Cost is expected to be \$3850 and will include trip insurance. Details will be confirmed by October trip sign up.

Trip limit: 8-10 participants including trip leader.

Cost: \$3850/member, per person. Includes airfare, trip insurance, ground and river transport, double occupancy lodging and a lot of meals. Trip deposit of \$900 on sign up with the balance due later in April.

Trip Leader: Sam Digard sam.digard@gmail.com ♦

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only one double bed remains available, which is better suited for another couple that has applied for the trip.
5. Trip leaders, after consulting with the ONC-PDX Board and Overnight Trip Committee (OTC), may also deny a trip application based on an applicant's behavior on previous ONC trips.

Wait List Procedures

1. To be placed on a trip wait list, applicants must submit a completed trip application to the designated trip leader, along with a check for the full amount of the trip fee. If space becomes available, wait list participants may then choose to fill the space or decline.

2. Wait list checks will not be cashed until the wait list applicant has been moved from the wait list to the active trip roster. The check will be destroyed when the trip leader determines that a cancellation is unlikely or upon the request of the wait list applicant. Wait list applicants will be notified when the check is destroyed.

Trip Cancellation Policy

1. Trip fees and deposits are non-refundable, unless the trip leader is able to make a reasonable substitution for the canceling participants.

2. Participants needing to cancel a trip should contact the trip leader immediately so that wait-listed applicants can be considered for placement on the trip roster.

3. If a wait list exists, the trip leader will determine whether wait-listed appli-

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Welcome new members! Grace Lovell, Vivian Phan, Randy Zasloff and Fred Cohen, Laura Lazorski and Tom Torkelson, Hindi Iserhott, Kim Montagriff, and Tom Maxwell

February membership report: 284 total memberships (197 single and 87 family), includes 7 new. Last year at this time there were 329 memberships.

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Minutes of ONC-PDX February 9 Board Meeting

Present: Ken Wenzel, Laurel Dickie, Don Erickson, Tere Enburg, Mary Bourret

Guests: Patrice Fromweiler, Ted Scheinman, Richard C.

The Board minutes from January 2021 were approved.

Overnight Trips: So far there are 4 trips scheduled. The trip committee has sent "asks" to previous leaders and have gotten few replies so far. ■ The France Bike & Barge has been postponed another year.

COVID Policy: Is our policy still viable? Consensus is, it's still good.

Day Tours: Two day tours have happened so far. They were a success with attendance of 9 people on one tour and 4 people on the second tour. Ted will lead another one next week.

Tilly Jane: Operations—We made some enhancements to the rental user communications process due to several instances of folks having issues gaining access to the GS cabin in Dec. This has helped and we haven't had issues since. ■ We also purchased a lock box which now houses a security master access key in case renters have access issues. Of note, the issues revolved around user errors and not reading the access procedures. We added the access master key for ease of operation if we can't walk people through how to unlock the locks. ■ Rentals—The A-Frame is having a strong rental year. The cabin has been fully booked (with maybe 1 or 2 openings) the months of Jan and Feb. March is also looking strong with very few booking openings. The GS is booked through the end of June. This is leading to strong rental income. ■ Overall, people seem to be managing usage with COVID precautions in mind. We haven't had any complaints about the AF only accommodating one group at a time versus being a shared cabin (20 people from multiple parties). ■ Operating Permit—We received word from Allison Sweeney, our permits coordinator. The permit is set to expire effective June 30, 2021. She's beginning the renewal process and would like to extend the ONC-PDX operations permit. ■ There aren't any concerns with a multi-year permit renewal. I also don't see that anything needs to be added to the permit from our perspective, but will submit the permit to ONC-PDX Board review upon receiving it. I do expect that the Forest will have some updated insurance requirements (based on conversations with Scott Kaden, our old permits coordinator) but we'll wait and see what, if anything, is included. ■ Don studied the financial report which shows TJ appears to be making a "profit." As a non-profit organization, we cannot appear to be making a profit in our operations. ■ Action item 1) Determine how much is needed in a TJ reserve fund for future major maintenance items, and 2) Review TJ operating options.

Nordic Issues: Mt. Hood Northside Land Trade—Back in 2016 all our comments were funneled through

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cants can be reasonably substituted for the canceling participant(s). If a wait list does not exist, and sufficient time is available, the trip leader will advertise the trip availability through reasonable means available to the trip leader, typically through the web forum and club newsletter.

4. If the leader is able to make a reasonable substitution for the canceling participant, the canceling participant will receive a refund of amounts paid, minus \$10 for each participant associated with the cancellation plus any fees associated with the booking. All communications regarding trip cancellations and associated refund requests are to be directed to the trip leader, who will coordinate with other club members, as needed, to ensure the proper handling of the cancellation notice and refund request.

5. If the club cancels the trip, the full amount paid will be refunded. Trip cancellations are decided by the OTC. Travel Insurance. To avoid the loss of trip fees or deposits, the club strongly recommends that trip participants purchase travel insurance, which is available from a variety of providers. Please see onc-pdx.org/resources/trip-insurance for the current listing of some trip insurance companies.

Policy and Procedure Waivers. The Board reserves the right to waive any overnight trip policy or procedure when in the best interest of the club to do so.

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Thrive. Since feedback can only be done through those who commented earlier, we will have to funnel comments through Thrive Hood River since they have standing for comment. ■ Don questions to what end comments have at this point since all proper procedures were followed by all parties. Thrive Hood River is working on a legal plan going forward. ■ Ken feels we need to comment on changes to the ski trails listed by MaryEllen Fitzgerald as used by Nordic skiers passing through the land exchange. Without comment the quality of the trails could be affected going forward. Or result in walking on roads through the development. ■ Since this has passed through Congress the opportunity to comment is limited to 60 days from the date of the Forest Service issued their final plan.

Membership: 286 total, 199 single and 87 family, last year at this time there were 339,. All these numbers are close to years past. ■ As far as Ted knows we only have 3 folks who signed up after purchasing new skis at Next Adventure. ■ The age-old question is how do we get more members? Several ski shops aren't aware of our club.

Elections: Linda Wilson and Steve McCabe are actively recruiting. Ted S. is going to run again and has another person in mind who will be a good candidate. Our bylaws say 9 people can be on the Board.

Trail Tending: Ken has started a list of trails he feels will need work for summer of 2021.

ONC State Report: Blues Crews—interested people in the Blue Mountain area, have decided not to become a state chapter. It was suggested these folks join the Blue Mountain chapter. Ken feels this will be a good area to support in the future because of global warming. ■ John Craig won't run officially this year but folks are invited to ski the trail anyway. Sam Digard will put together a weekend trip. Ted will be John Craig director for 2022.

Financial Report: We're in good shape overall. All cancelled trip refunds have come in and Tilly Jane has plenty of cash.

Newsletter: Laurel will write April Ski Tracks article.

Minutes of ONC-PDX January 12 Board Meeting

Present: Ken Wenzel, Don Erickson, Mary Bourret, and Laurel Dickie

Guests: Richard Crimi, Ted Scheinman

December Board minutes approved unanimously. Starting this year minutes will be sent to all board members via Google Docs.

Overnight Trips: Refunds from cancelled trips are still being pursued by leaders. Some trips are already being scheduled for next year.

COVID-19 Policy: The policy doesn't mention protocols for folks who are vaccinated. But if we still follow CDC guidelines this won't make much difference. Mary reports many other statewide chapters have just copied our policy.

Day Tours: No one has volunteered to lead tour, understandably.

Tilly Jane Cabins Report: A-Frame—Cabin capacity update was instituted to mirror State of Oregon/OHA guidelines. Capacity was reduced from 10 people per night to 6 people per night. Cabin can still only be rented to one party per night ■ We're seeing high rental activity. As of today, it's booked 5-6 nights a week with some weeks seeing no reservation openings

Guard Station—We've experienced several issues with renters not being able to gain access to the cabin which resulted in the front door lock needing to be replaced and the front snow door slide lock also needing replacement. These were completed by Josh (one of my volunteers). ■ New lock out access measures are being taken. We're transitioning from a combination access lock to a combo and key lock system. In a nutshell, the padlock can be opened by a combination code (what we have today) and a key override. An emergency access key will be housed on site which will allow renters to get in if problems arise from a faulty combination code. The key will be housed in a separate lock box. The new procedure will be shared once everything is in place and tested.

The cabin is fully booked for the season

Membership: 297 The breakdown is: Family Memberships: 83, Family Memberships with Paper Newsletter: 9 Single Memberships: 190. Single Memberships with Paper Newsletter: 12 Last year on 1/15/20 we had 327 memberships, 104 family and 223 singles. ■ Our membership committee will need to come up with some great ideas to get more members and re-sign the ones we have. We still have the emails or addresses of those who did not renew this year. A reminder in late fall would be a good idea.

Elections: Linda Wilson and Steve McCabe are doing a good job of recruiting.

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So far 2 people have expressed interest in joining. It would be preferable to have a total of 7 board members. ■ Mary B. is dropping off the board at the end of the ONC-PDX year.

Trail Tending: This winter we have been trying to keep on top of issues on the ski trails and try to improve on issues as we see them. If I am out skiing on trails I either try to correct them at the time or at the next opportunity to come back and fix the issue. ■ So far we have worked on this winter, trails listed below. Meadow Trail, PCT North of Barlow Pass, a few logs and trees south of Barlow Pass on the PCT, Summit Trail, Redtop Meadow Trail, Trillium Bike trail, Porcupine trail, Kurt's Konnection, Sherar Burn Road. Ken is talking with the Forest Service on next summer projects at Mt. Saint Helens on the Sasquatch Loops and on Mt. Hood on the Porcupine Trail and Quarry Trail. ■ Ken will follow up with the Forest Service on the use of community service labor for trail tending

ONC State Report: The John Craig Race was the main topic of discussion. A director of the 2021 race needs to be put in place. Ted Scheinman has volunteered to be director for 2022.

Mary B. will contact ODOT to see if this group activity will still be allowed within COVID guidelines.

Treasurer's Report: Financially we're doing well. ■ Tilly Jane Committee needs to submit a reserve study so we can budget for both planned and unplanned major maintenance items.

Newsletter: Mary B. will write the Ski Tracks for March about the elections.

Next Board Meeting: Tuesday, March 9, 10:00 a.m., via Zoom

Laurel Dickie, Secretary

MEMBER BENEFITS

Columbia Sports-wear 911 SW Broadway—15% discount on purchases. Access to Columbia Sports-wear Employee store, 4100 NW Science Park Drive, several times a year, store has large discounts. Current membership card and Columbia flier required. columbia.com

The Mountain Shop 2975 NE Sandy Blvd, 10% discount for members and 15% discount for leaders on purchases and 15% discount on rentals. mountainshop.net

Next Adventure 426 SE Grand Ave., 15% discount, current club membership card required. nextadventure.net

Oregon Mountain Community Online store. Subscribe to OMC e-newsletter and receive: 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. Cross-country ski package rentals for the entire season. ottoskishop.com

Wy'East Nordic 10% discount on cross-country ski and telemark lessons. weeastnordic.com

CLASSIFIED ADS

FREE: ▶ **Skis** Fischer BC Crown skis 200 cm ,SNS bindings Salomon backcountry 6 boots, men's, size EU 42. **Free. Steve** steve.acker.pnw@gmail.com 6/21

FOR SALE: ▶ **Skate Skis** like-new Salomon RS7 skate skis, 191cm, Salomon ProLink procombi bindings. Skis were poorly fitted to me by a retailer in Kelowna, BC, used twice. Will need to be tuned for Oregon conditions. Retail \$247. **\$150** ▶ **Ski poles** like-new Rossignol XT-600 poles, 160cm. Retail for \$55. **\$30** **Mace** dmv4@cornell.edu 4/21

FOR SALE: ▶ **Telemark Skis** K2 Helestinx 169mm telemark skis. Good condition. Excellent on ice/hardpack. Cable bindings alone worth the asking price of **\$50**. **Steve** 503.244.4262 4/21

FOR SALE: ▶ **Cross-country Ski Boots** Nearly new, perfect condition, Alpina, fits NNN-BC bindings, size 43, **\$25** **OBO** ▶ **Cross-country Ski Boots** Good condition, Alpina, fits NNC-BC bindings, Model 50, size 43, **\$15 OBO** ▶ **Cross-country Ski Boots** Former rental, Rossignol, fits NNC-BC binding. **Ted** 503.914.9584 tedskier@gmail.com 3/21

FOR SALE: ▶ **2010 Audi A2.OT Quattro** Premium sport package, Alloy wheels, all leather interior, extra set of snow tires, Thule cross bars with ski rack. Low mileage, one owner, great condition. Best cornering and handling car in snow I've had. Only selling bc had to get a SUV. Contact me for photos. **Phil** pdvpx@gmail.com 3/21

FOR SALE: ▶ **Tire chains** Les Schwab chains 1540-S, used, good condition. **\$10** **WANTED:** ▶ **Snowshoes** Want a pair of snowshoes for 170 lb person. **Tim** 503.931.0273 3/21

FOR SALE: ▶ **Tire chains** Quality Cobra cable chains 1034, brand new, never taken out of the box. **\$30** **Ann** ann.truax@gmail.com 3/21

FOR SALE: ▶ **Ski Boots** Alpina NNN BC Size 48 cross-country ski boots, like new condition, very warm. **\$45** ▶ **Snowboard and Ski Helmet** GIRO, medium. **\$25**

▶ **Boot liners** New Scarpa therma fit liners (never used). Mondo size 30.5 fits shell 29.5 to 30.5 plastic boots any manufacturer **\$75 OBO** ▶ **Boots** Karhu XCD Traverse Boots 3 pin good backcountry performance, off trail or on. Women size 7 **\$20**

▶ **Binding** Rottefella ultralight backcountry, telemark, tele or XC 3-pin. **\$35** ▶ **Binding** Karhu 3-pin bindings **\$20 OBO** ▶ **Snow Tires** Hakkapeliita good condition, 7/32" tread depth left. On 16 rims with dual bolt patterns, fits many make/models. Smaller bolt circle is 5 x 100mm larger approx. 5 x 117-120mm (rims were \$75 each) **\$299/set** ▶ **Tire Chains** 2 pairs of Les Schwab Quick Fit Diamond Fit 530-S Like new . Second pair 1545-S (used on 215/60 R16"tires) **\$35 OBO** **Russ russ.bec@gmail.com** 2/21

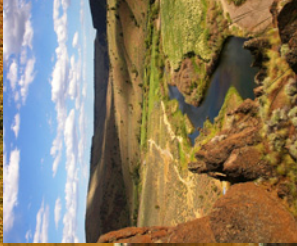
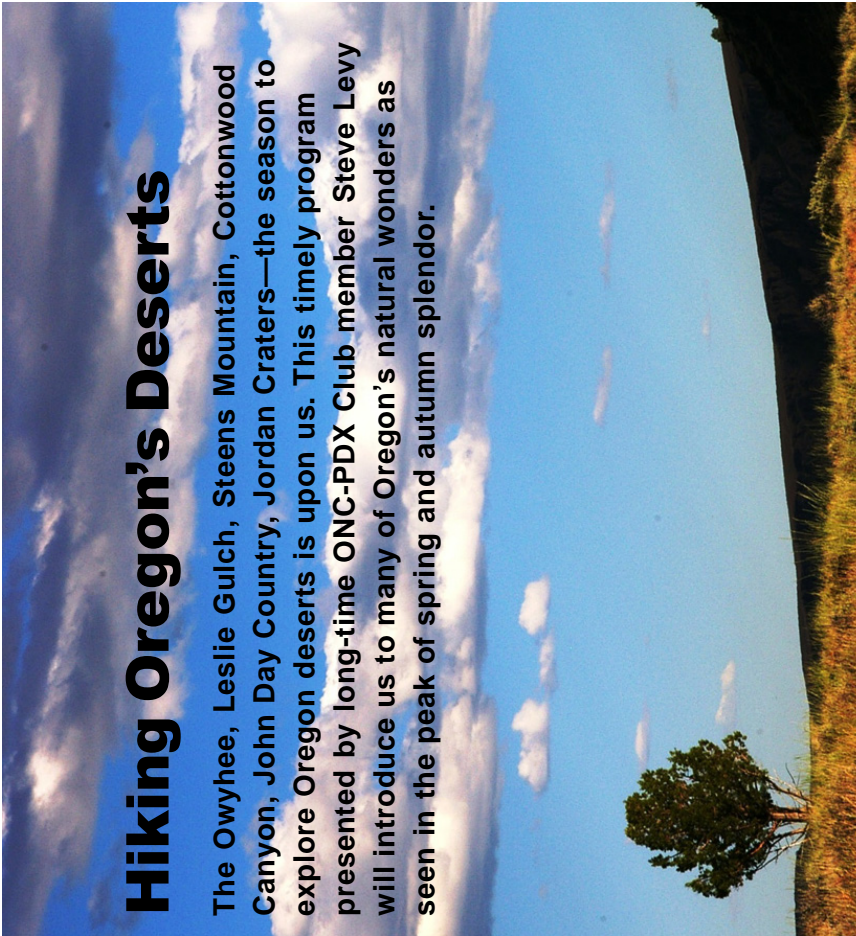
FOR SALE: ▶ **Backcountry ski boots** Rossignol BC H6 W boots, size 39, black with subtle purple trim, used 5 seasons, good condition original lacing system replaced with traditional, sturdy boot laces. **\$25 OBO** **Christine** 971.325.2874 (call or text) sisu1956@gmail.com 3/21

FOR SALE: ▶ **Cycling Rain Shell** This Bontrager Commuter Stormshell is a stylish, high performance women's specific rain shell in excellent, size medium, almost new condition with original tags. 100% waterproof with cycling-specific cut designed for commuting by bike in cold/wet weather. Multiple secure storage pockets; pit zips; reflectivity Fabulous color and graphic/pattern. Perfect for cycling in the Pacific NW! Photo: portland.craigslist.org/mlt/clo/d/portland-bontrager-commuter-stormshell/7172700452.html Retail \$115 **\$45** (\$50 on craigslist mention ONC-PDX for \$5 off) **Amy** 503.891.3689 2/21

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: onnewsletter@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.**

Hiking Oregon's Deserts

The Owyhee, Leslie Gulch, Steens Mountain, Cottonwood Canyon, John Day Country, Jordan Craters—the season to explore Oregon deserts is upon us. This timely program presented by long-time ONC-PDX Club member Steve Levy will introduce us to many of Oregon's natural wonders as seen in the peak of spring and autumn splendor.



Virtual space via Zoom
Tuesday, March 2
7:00 p.m. Lets talk skiing—share ski adventures and where to ski!
7:30 p.m. Brief general meeting followed by program

Upcoming programs

April 6—Oregon's "lost" ski areas
May 4—Oregon hiking by William Sullivan

