



All Weather News
September 2012
<http://www.allweatherwalkers.org/>
Deadline for Sept news: Sep 24



Date: Thu, Aug 9, 2012
Subject: Trail Counters needed
To: Earl Bowen <earld@tds.net>

Calling all area trail users: Help count or make your trip count!

Vancouver, WA – Vancouver-Clark Parks and Recreation and the City of Vancouver Long Range Planning and Community Choices are seeking volunteers to help count local trail users this September as part of the National Bicycle and Pedestrian Documentation Project.

This fifth annual trail count project will take place rain or shine on:
Sept. 11, 12, 13 (Tue/Wed/Thur) from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. and
Sept. 15 and 16 (Sat/Sun) from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m.

Information gathered during the count will be used to track trends in usage, opportunities for infrastructure improvements, and effectiveness of outreach and education about trails. Volunteers are needed to count the number of people using select Clark County trails, bikeways and sidewalks. It is estimated that 100 cities around the country will participate in the counting effort in 2012. To learn more about the trail count effort and see results from 2011 visit <http://www.oregonmetro.gov/index.cfm/go/by.web/id=34074>

Counting and surveying will take place at the following locations:

Trails and Pathways

- Frenchman's Bar & Vancouver Lake Trail - Blue Rock trailhead
- Salmon Creek Greenway Trail – VGSA trailhead
- Columbia River Renaissance Trail – just east of 2nd parking lot
- Burnt Bridge Creek – at the Devine trailhead –across from R.R.
- Padden Parkway Trail –at 94th Ave
- Lacamas Trail – at Goodwin Rd. Trailhead

Sidewalks

- Columbia and 6th
- 45th and Main
- I-205 bridge crossing
- I-5 bridge crossing
- 157th & Mill Plain
- McGillivray & 160th
- McLoughlin & Ft. Vancouver Way
- NW Lakeshore Ave & 78th Street
- Fourth Plain & Grand Ave

What You Can Do to Help?

•Volunteer for one or more two-hour shifts at trails in your area. Please specify your preferred time and location. We will make every effort to match you with your requests.

•Training sessions for volunteers will occur on:

Tuesday August 28 and Thursday September 6 from 6-7:30pm at the Marshall Community Center. Pre-registration is required.

•Ride, run or walk your favorite trails and be counted in this year's project.

To volunteer, please pre-register with Vancouver-Clark Parks and Recreation Volunteer Coordinator, Hailey Heath, by phone: #360-487-8316 or at email: hailey.heath@cityofvancouver.us.

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From: WILLIS KORFF korffs@wildblue.net (our Regional Director):

1. From: **Allan Heritage** <agheritage@hotmail.com>

Date: Thu, Aug 9, 2012

Subject: YRE1260/Sanction 92156

Due to closure of our start point, Paul's Country Store, The Jim Buchholz memorial Walk in Hayden ID is closed for the remainder of the year.

2. From: Candace Purcell <candy@ava.org>

Date: Fri, Jul 13, 2012

Subject: FW: Approved Budget 2012/2013

*Here is the approved budget for fiscal year 7-1-2012 through 6-30-2013. The NEC had asked that I provide this so RDs and officers could provide

this to the clubs.*

American Volkssport Association

2012/2013

APPROVED

BUDGET ITEM	BUDGET
INCOME	
MEMBERSHIP INCOME	
Charter Memberships	100\$
Volkssports Associate Memberships	17,705\$
Annual Dues	14,050\$
Total Membership	31,855\$
EVENT INCOME	
Sanction Fees	65,760\$
Participation Fees	87,061\$
Participation Fees, YRE/Seasonal	107,785\$
YRE/Seasonal Processing Fees	29,200\$
Total Event	289,806\$
SALES INCOME	
Specialties & Other	33,201\$
Awards	813\$
IVV Books	27,805\$
New Walker Packets	12,250\$
Freight/Shipping Income	10,008\$
Sales Returns/Allowances	(100)\$
Member Discounts	(11,243)\$
Total Sales	72,734\$
PUBLICATION INCOME	
TAW Subscriptions/Library	35,970\$
TAW & Web Advertising	4,820\$
Total Publication	40,790\$
SPONSORSHIP INCOME	
Corporate Sponsorship	56,768\$
Total Sponsorship	56,768\$
MISCELLANEOUS INCOME	
Royalties	63\$
Interest	152\$
Interest, Restricted	13,232\$
Youth Program	1,590\$
Other/Conv0X/Insurance	201,702\$
Total Miscellaneous	216,739\$
FUND RAISING INCOME	
EC Events	50\$
Donations	7,890\$
Special Funds Development	500\$
Special Programs	8,585\$
Total Fund Raising	17,025\$
TOTAL REVENUE	725,717\$



Oregonian Story – Joe Titone

A reporter found the link to the Ospreys on our web site and contacted me about doing a story about the group:

Camas walking group offers more than just a workout

Published: Wednesday, August 22, 2012, 6:07 AM



By [Special to The Oregonian](#)



Anne Laufe/Special to The

Oregonian

Joe Titone pauses on the McEnry Bridge in Lacamas Park during an outing with the Osprey Walking Group.

Joe Titone belongs to five walking groups, but the [Osprey Walking Group of Camas](#) is probably his favorite.

"This is the nicest group of people I know," said Titone, who lives in Vancouver.

Titone started walking with the Ospreys 12 years ago, when he and his wife retired to Camas after living in Southern California for many years. The group meets at [Lacamas Park's Round Lake](#) at 8 a.m. sharp, Monday through Friday, rain or shine, for a walk of about three miles. Only icy conditions have caused the group to cancel its walks, and Titone said that's happened just a couple of times in a dozen years.

At age 71, Titone is one of the younger participants in the Ospreys. The walkers range from their late 50s to age 93, with most in their 80s. The group, which has no fees or dues, no officers and no website, formed in 1988, when Jim Golladay, personnel manager for what was then Crown Zellerbach, started walking every Monday with Dorothy Cormack, whose husband, Fred, also worked at the paper mill.

Golladay has since died, but Dorothy, 80, and Fred, 85, continue their weekly outings, along with 30 to 40 other retirees, some of whom walk every day.

"The group just grew and grew, and as the group grew so did the get-togethers and parties," said Dorothy Cormack, who has lived in Camas since 1953. "It fulfills everything -- friendship, fellowship, exercise. We have a great time together."

Osprey Walking Group

To learn more about the Osprey Walking Group, contact Joe Titone at 360-944-8190 or titone@usc.edu. Or stop by Lacamas Park at 8 a.m. any weekday and join the stroll.

Titone likes the group for the same reasons. A tennis player for many years, he had to give up the sport in his 40s when his eyesight began to fail. He switched to walking for exercise and hasn't looked back. In addition to the Osprey Walking Group, he belongs to three local [Volkswalking](#) clubs and is still president of a walking group in Los Angeles.

"It keeps me healthy, and it's a very social activity," Titone said, as he nimbly ambled along a forested path one morning in August, shiny red trekking poles clicking on the occasional rock. Other than having a knee replaced five years ago, he reported no physical ailments.

On the days he walks with the Ospreys, Titone also joins some of them for coffee afterward. So many walkers regularly show up that they now have to split into two groups for their morning social hour -- about half go to the Lakeside Chalet restaurant, while others rotate among New Seasons Market, Burgerville, Panera and QFC.

Longtime Camas resident Martha Wither, crowned Queen of the May at the group's Maypole Dance last spring, walks with the Ospreys five mornings a week. For her, the group has meant much more than just a good time.

"It's my salvation. I get my hour walk and I get my social time and I'm OK for the rest of the day," said Wither, 84. "I'm not alone on that. We have a lot of couples (in the group), but we have a lot of single people, too."

Rudi Metzner, 75, jokes, "I don't know if this is a group of partyers who like to walk, or a group of walkers who like to party." He said the group has been an invaluable resource for him and his wife since they moved to Camas five years ago. The Ospreys have helped the Metzners settle in and meet people and answer any questions they have.

Even those not affiliated with the group have taken note of its positive role in the community. Krista Bashaw, who has worked for Camas Parks and Recreation for 18 years, praises the group for providing seniors with the exercise and camaraderie they need so much.

"And they're so friendly," she added. "They will take anyone into their group. It's not like they're exclusive."

[Anne Laufe](#)

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President's Corner – Earl Bowen

With fall fast approaching it is a good time to get out and walk a YRE or two in the cool of the morning or evening. In the Portland, Vancouver, and Longview areas, there are lots of good YRE's to enjoy the fall leaves and get in a good walk before the rains return. Have you walked any of the AWW YRE's lately?

To help out volkssporting and walking in general in the Vancouver and Clark County area one can volunteer to help count walkers at various locations (see above).

We need someone with computer skills to do publicity for the club and its events. Preferably, it would be someone new to the position. The publicity should be uniform in style and timely. If interested, please contact Earl Bowen.

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Next Meeting: September 11 - ALL ARE WELCOME! Details and map are now [here](#)

Sections that rarely change are also at this link: AWW Challenge information, AWW Challenge results, list of officers/valued associates, and Weekend Walking description.

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Club Events/Weekend/Wednesday Walk Calendar:

October 27 - Cedar Creek Grist Mill

Group Walks: Wednesday Walks – 10:00 am

<http://home.comcast.net/~titone7604/Wed/wed.htm>

In September, Wednesday Walking will be doing some sanctioned events

9/5/12 Gabriel Park [Event](#)

9/12/12 Wilsonville [Event](#)

9/19/12 Red Lion Hotel - Jantzen Beach [YRE 754](#)

9/26/12 Providence Portland Medical Center [YRE 1708](#)

Weekend Walking – 9 a.m.

September 22, 2012 Tualatin [YRE 1431](#)

NORTHWEST REGION'S CALENDAR OF EVENTS –

Sep 1 Wk Olympic Peninsula Explorers Sequim 360-452-0593

Sep 1 Wk Rose City Roamers Lake Oswego 360-921-1909

Sep 8-9 Wk Valley Volkswalkers Canby-Dahlias 503-636-1025

Sep 9 GW VUSAV Portland – Gabriel Park 360-991-8806

Sep 7-8 Wk NW Tulip Trekkers Coupeville 360-679-3638 91532

Sep 7 Wk NW Tulip Trekkers Coupeville 91533

Sep 8 Wk NW Tulip Trekkers Coupeville 91534

Sep 9 Wk NW Tulip Trekkers Coupeville 91535

Sep 12 GW Sherwood Wilsonville-PB & J Walk 503-625-8986
 Sep 15 Wk Northwest Striders Bellevue 425-825-8756
 Sep 15 Wk Fitwalkers Albany-Talking Water Gardens 541-967-3001
 Sep 15 Wk Lilac City Volkssport Odessa 509-710-8641
 Sep 19 GW Daffodil Valley Edgewood-Edgewood Park 253-845-6592
 Sep 22 Wk Interlaken Trailblazers Explore Newcastle 425-861-8958
 Sep 22 GW Turnaround Trekkers Oswald W State Park 503-728-0400
 Sep 22 Wk Anchorage Volkssport Club Palmer 907-338-4025
 Sep 29 Wk East County Windwalkers Gresham 503-665-9894
 Sep 29 Wk Capitol Volks Olympia-Millersylvania State Park
 Sep 29 Wk Four Plus Foolhardy Folk Granite City 425-235-8076
 Sep 30 Wk OTSVA Astoria-Columbia Bridge Crossing 541-981-3794

Oct 6 Wk Eugene-Springfield Eugene – Bauman Tree Farm
 Oct 6 Wk Daffodil Valley Volks Orting 253-845-6592
 Oct 6 Wk Daffodil Valley Volks Orting 92895

Oct 6 Wk Lilac City Volks Loon Lake 509-624-7064 93064
 Oct 6 Wk Lilac City Volks Loon Lake 93065

Oct 7 Wk OTSVA Portland – Marathon & Walk 541-981-3794
 Oct 10 Wk Anchorage Volks Anchorage 907-522-0219
 Oct 13 Wk Yachats Coastal Gems Otter Rock - Devil's
 Punchbowl/ Beverly Beach 541-961-4279
 Oct 20 Wk Interlaken Trailblazers Monroe 425-788-2182
 Oct 21 Wk Sherwood Sherwood – Soup Walk 503-805-5912
 Oct 27 Wk Emerald City Wanderers Carnation - Remlinger
 Farms 206-789-1960
 Oct 27 Wk AWW Cedar Creek Grist Mill 360-798-6956
 Oct 27 Wk Treasure Valley Volkssports Boise 208-345-8259

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<p>September Birthdays: Titone, Joe 9/22 Oftedahl, Matthew 9/29</p>	<p>Achievements: please contact the editor with event and distance milestones none reported</p>
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Welcome to new member: Debbie Ruger



ALL WEATHER WALKERS MEETING MINUTES
August 14, 2012: 6:30pm
Terrace Cafe, Legacy Salmon Creek Medical Center

Earl Bowen called the meeting to order at 6:38 p.m.

Present: Earl Bowen (President), Pat Gorman (Secretary), Jan Breneman, Leah Townsend, Jean Moeller, Barbara Baker, Dick Baker, and Joe Titone.

The minutes of July 10, 2012 meeting were approved as corrected.

Treasurer's Report: No Treasurer's report.

Membership Report: Leah reported we have two new members, Alan and Debbie Ruger. She has also corrected an email address for Diane Nelson.

Weekend Walks: Joe Titone reported there were two Weekend Walks in July. Twelve people attended the walk on July 15 in Happy Valley and 13 attended the walk at Columbia Overlook on July 22. There is an upcoming walk on August 26 titled Belmont, Murals and More. This is in conjunction with Sunday Parkways.

Wednesday Walks: Dick Baker reported that Wednesday Walks continue to have very good turnout. Attendance has been in the 60's. We are doing Sanctioned Walks rather than YRE's so they are new walks. The numbers for these walks are being reported as either sanctioned walks or YRE's.

Old Business:

Planned 2012 Events Updates:

July 21, Camas. Jan said this was an unqualified success. She thanked people for all the help. There were new faces both as walkers and volunteers. There were 211 or 212 walkers.

Cedar Grist Mill. The Path Finder ad has been submitted. There may be a pre walk for volunteers. Jan and Liz are organizing this event.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Leah and Jean sanctioned all current AWW Walks except Ridgefield and Cape Horn. There was discussion on whether to do Ridgefield as a seasonal or an event in conjunction with Birdfest. There was a vote to not renew as a seasonal. We will do it as an event. We will keep Cape Horn as a seasonal.
- North Bonneville. We will keep the current route as an YRE for the coming year and do a new route as an Event to tie in with Gorge Days.
- We will have 9 YRE's next year.
- There is a possible conflict with an event in Renton and the date we had set for an event and to hold a state meeting. Milwaukie also has an event on the day we had it scheduled. We will work on this issue. Maybe Renton can to the state meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Washington State meeting held in Camas.
 - There are 39 County Challenge patches available but no books.
 - A committee will explore this issue.
 - The next state meeting will be in Dayton in October.
 - There was discussion at the state meeting on how to get more walkers.
 - Joe suggested more group walks.
- AVA information.
 - Fewer than 500 copies of the Starting Point were ordered.
 - There will be a new challenge of 100 walks in one year.
- On October 25, 2012 there will be a State Trails Coalition Meeting in Vancouver at the Hilton. It is open to the public.
- On August 25 there is a walk in Longview plus a Squirrel Crossing Party.
- Next year in the Centennial for Washington State Parks. Volkssporting events will be on their web site.
- In September Vancouver and Clark County Parks will do a survey of the use of their trails. Volunteers are needed and will be trained.
- Earl relayed information on the passing of Irene Hayden. The funeral will be 8/23/12.

- Earl announced that he, Jan Breneman, and Dick Baker were the first in the area to earn their Trail Master Certificates.

- Refreshment list:
 - September The Bakers
 - October Jan Breneman

The next meeting will be the September 11, 2012.
The meeting was adjourned at 7:45p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Pat Gorman, Secretary

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