

All Weather News July 2014 http://www.allweatherwalkers.org/ Deadline for Aug news: July 24



From: Nancy Wittenberg nwittenberg@q.com (our Regional Director):

- 1. **Non-Walking Event Search:** The Event search on the AVA website has a new category of event in the drop down box. It is "**Non-Walking Events**". So far I can see it is working for YRE/Seasonal Bikes. I don't know if there are current events other than Bikes. **These still show up under YRE/Seasonals**, but this is another way to find non-walking events by themselves without having to wade through all the walks. Dave Schull, Atlantic Regional Director, requested this. He is in charge of a Biking special committee to look for ways to encourage our biking events, especially for families. He has requested that traditional non-walking events be included in this category. When some snowshoe and X country ski events are entered, hopefully they will be found this way.
- 2. Tumwater YRE 1743 is alive and well. The start point is still at the Tumwater Safeway, but registration has moved within the store. The two drawer file cabinet has morphed into a small box, located in the customer service area. It's on the floor, between cabinets. You may have to tell the staff, as it is hard to find or reach. Payment will now have to be mailed in, but, fortunately, there is a post office in the store. This change is in effect until further notice.

If you haven't walked this trail, give it a try. It's a beautiful walk through three lovely parks, a great summer activity. For a full description check out the club website at www.capitolvolkssportclub.org

3. YRE Changes: Mt. Rainier Ohanapecosh Seasonal: Yakima Valley Sun Striders reports the following opening for Ohanapecosh Visitor Information Center. Although the seasonal is stated as open from July 1 through September 30, the walk is really only available when the Visitor Information Center is open. This is a beautiful walk up Silver Creek on a dirt trail to and through the Grove of the Patriarchs. Starting Wed. July 2 through Sunday Aug. 3, the VIC will be open from noon to 4:00 pm Wednesdays through Sundays. Starting Thurs. Aug. 7 through Sunday Sept. 7, the VIC will be open from noon to 4 p.m. Thursdays through Sundays. The last day for the VIC to be open will be Sept. 7. The walk box will be at the Visitors Desk inside the Center.

Bellevue (WA) Botanical Gardens Walks YRE638/YRE639 reopen July 1. The start location is now Shorts House (formerly Visitor Information Center), 12001 Main St, Bellevue, WA. Driving Directions: I-405 NB: Exit #13B (NE 8th St E). RIGHT on 124th Ave NE. RIGHT on Main St. Bellevue Botanical Gardens entrance on LEFT. Follow signs to Shorts House. Kitchen on RIGHT behind Schogi screen. Start materials in kitchen drawer immediately on RIGHT after entering kitchen.

4. CALL OR EMAIL ME, NOT AVA HQ if you have a problem with AVA. Please – I am your first line of defense when you have an issue with AVA. Of course you still email them to order supplies, but if you think there is an error or a problem, please email or call me first. That's my job. I may know the answer or I can get through to those who can.

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From: Chris Aanderud <u>caanderud@hotmail.com</u>
My name is Chris Aanderud, and I am the chair for a wonderful event:

2nd Annual Vancouver/Camas St. Vincent de Paul 5K Walk/Run for the Poor on September 20, 2014. We would like to invite your group to register on-line at http://www.svdpusa.net/for then select Washington, Vancouver. All proceeds go to direct services to the largest food pantry in Clark County, St. Vincent de Paul, which served over 87,000 residents of Clark County in 2013 providing food, clothing, emergency shelter, rent assistance, utility assistance, transportation and more to those in need. Sign up as a team! We hope to see you there.

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President's Corner – Joe Titone

1. In lieu of minutes, I'll report on the election party. We ate barbecued ribs and chicken, and a diverse selection of potluck dishes. The proposed officer slate was elected. Dick Baker solicited volunteers for the June 28 joint event with VUSAV. About 2/3's of the attendees won door prizes which consisted of shirts, magnetic picture frames, and barbecue.

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Next Meeting: July 8 - ALL ARE WELCOME! Details and map are now at http://www.allweatherwalkers.org/static.htm

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:

Saturday, June 28: Regional Conference – joint AWW/VUV walk at Mt St Helens. Start thinking about volunteering for this joint event.

Oct. 4: Ridgefield BirdFest walk

Group Walks: Wednesday Walks – 1000 am http://home.comcast.net/~titone7604/Wed/wed.htm

Weekend Walking - http://home.comcast.net/~titone7604/weekend/weekend.htm

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July Birthdays:	Achievements: please contact the editor with
Starr, Sharon Jul 12	event and distance milestones
Ellsberg, Patrick Jul 13	none reported

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Welcome to new members - Sharon Starr & Heidi Kann

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Jan Breneman's corner: returns next month

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