



All Weather News
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<http://www.allweatherwalkers.org/>
Deadline for May news: Apr 24



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1. nothing of importance new

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President's Corner: Joe Titone

1. Usually, AWW had to cajole members to become officers at the June election party. When I became president, I thought this was a bad idea since it detracted from the spirit of the party. So far, each year I've had the slate of prospective officers in place before the party so the election process took place very quickly.

This year is different because 3 of the 4 officers have reached their term limits and must be replaced with new members. Nira agreed to run for Secretary, but our other 3 positions are still vacant, and no one has come forward despite my writing about it in the newsletter and making personal contacts. You only need to agree to a 1-year term as that allows persons, like myself, to reenter the fray.

AVA (and I think ESVA) requires a club to have officers in order to exist. If no one comes forward, AWW cannot exist in the present form. Some consequences may include

- a) the club becomes inactive
- b) the club is merged with another club
- c) other consequences I really don't want to mention

A few years ago, when the president of the Sherwood MerryWalkers died, no one came forward to fill the vacancy. The club had to become inactive, and the following year it dissolved. All of its walks were taken over by other clubs. This was a very active club which tripled its membership in a short period of time.

None of us wants to see anything detrimental happen to our club. I'll repeat my offer from last month. If someone new agrees to run for president. I'll run for vice-president and back you up completely. You won't have to run our meetings or

even attend – I'll do it. You won't have to publish an agenda - I'll do it. We need members to come forward – please do so.

2. Kim and Dan Baker are doing an excellent job taking care of our membership. Here's their latest report:

- a) We have a new member - Cheryl Gibbens.
- b) Still waiting for annual dues from 12 members
- c) Our AWW membership is up to 54 people as of 3/28/16 (assuming those 12 members eventually renew)

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Next Meeting: Apr 14 - ALL ARE WELCOME! Details and map are now at <http://www.allweatherwalkers.org/static.htm>

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

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Club Events/Weekend/Wednesday Walk Calendar:

Half Marathon Walk Challenge with Vancouver USA Volkssporters, April 23
Washougal East, June 25
Vancouver Murals Walk, Sept. 10

Group Walks: Wednesday Walks – 10:00 am
<http://www.vancouverusavolkssporters.org/Wed/wed.htm>

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Apr Birthdays: Reed, Patricia 4/5	Achievements: please contact the editor with event and distance milestones Kim and Dan Baker, 450 events Mary McMonegal, 4000 kms
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Welcome to new members – Cheryl Gibbens

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Jan Breneman's Corner:

Seasonals Now Available!

Beginning on April 1, many Seasonal walks will open for many more walking opportunities... and believe it or not, the weather is going to dry up and sun will start shining one of these days! So consider wandering in Strawberry Island and Fort Cascades at North Bonneville; or the beautiful Three Lakes route in Camas, consisting of scenic and woodsy trails almost all along its full 5/10km. Or Tri-cities, Stevenson, the Klickitat Trail at Lyle, or Olympia. Haven't even gotten to the south of us yet... check a few out and keep on trucking ☐

Heads up for April 23

This month AWW is partnering with Vancouver USA Volkssporters to put on the "half-marathon" walk challenge at Clark College. Please be ready to volunteer some time – and walk also. It's fun getting to know your walking friends and get some exercise as well. Give Joe T. a holler to find out more.

LONG WAY TO GO

The first to walk to both poles was Robert Swan from the UK who led the three-man 'In the footsteps of Scott' South Pole expedition in 1986, and three years later headed the eight-man 'Icewalk' North Pole Trek.

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