



All Weather News
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1. nothing of importance new

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President's Corner: Joe Titone

1. I don't have much experience putting on walks as I usually help clubs in other ways. 90 percent of the credit for our recent joint Half-Marathon event with VUSAV (co-chaired by Romana and me) needs to go to Romana Paynter who is very efficient and admirably organized. Kudos to her for a splendid job well done. In addition, both of us need to thank all the others who came forward to man desks, mark and strip tails, and perform various other activities necessary for success.

2. We have a slate of officer candidates for our next fiscal year. Tom and I will be continuing in our positions as "interim" officers for one more year. This means that we are willing to step aside if someone else comes forward. Janet Traweek is running for Vice-President and Nira Lang for Secretary. These candidates will be proposed for election at our June meeting.

3. I received a phone call from Julie Anderson of the *Columbian* who interviewed me for an article in that newspaper. I also gave her access to some of our walking photos. I don't know when the article might appear. Sometimes they just don't.

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Next Meeting: May 10 - 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:

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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May Birthdays: McLean, Jill 5/3 Starr, Heidi 5/10 Ponder, Barbara 5/11 McKay, Alice 5/13 Salem, Barbara 5/20 Ruger, Debbie 5/22 Jensen, Carol 5/25 Baltes, Tom 5/27	Achievements: please contact the editor with event and distance milestones Janet Traweek 10 events
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Welcome to new members – none reported

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Jan Breneman’s Corner: **Next Event is Washougal East**

Delay of construction of the Washougal Waterfront Trail and park made an alternate route necessary for June 25. The date was set way back last spring in order to secure the open date. Admittedly, it was a guess, as these large community projects are often subject to many unexpected variables.

This “new” route is patterned after a 2004 history walk associated with the annual Two Rivers Museum’s Heritage Day. We are staging the

Registration area at the southwest corner of Pendleton Woolen Mill's parking lot; the route features Washougal's ever-evolving downtown core, Orchard Hills Golf and Country Club, the historic local cemetery, and school green spaces and city parks.

We may have a worker's walk a couple of weeks beforehand so AWW members/volunteers can get an exclusive preview of the route. All the details and an event brochure will be completed soon. Please schedule this on your calendar, and plan to help and join our fellow club members on June 25!

The Washougal Waterfront Trail is now due to be completed in December this year and hopefully a featured event will develop a little later on. Stay tuned for more regarding another new walk route celebrating this much-anticipated trail project.

JUST POPPING OUT TO POST A LETTER

In 1997, social psychologist Robert Levine published the results of his lengthy survey into the comparative paces of life of the inhabitants of 31 countries. One of the parameters he used to draw his conclusions was 'the number of minutes downtown pedestrians take to walk 60 feet' – (the others were 'minutes it takes a postal clerk to complete a stamp-purchase transaction,' and 'accuracy in minutes of public clocks').

The ranking of the 31 countries for the walking bit was as follows, with Ireland being the fastest:

1 Ireland	=14 Hong	27 Bulgaria
2 Netherlands	Kong/Greece	28 Jordan
3 Switzerland	16 Costa Rica	29 Syria
4 England	17 Mexico	30 Romania
5 Germany	18 Taiwan	31 Brazil
6 United States	19 Hungary	
7 Japan	20 South Korea	
8 France	21 Czech Republic	
9 Kenya	22 El Salvador	
10 Italy	23 Austria	
11 Canada	24 China	
12 Poland	25 Singapore	
13 Sweden	26 Indonesia	

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