

# The Everett Mountaineers

## Newsletter

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### UPCOMING PROGRAMS

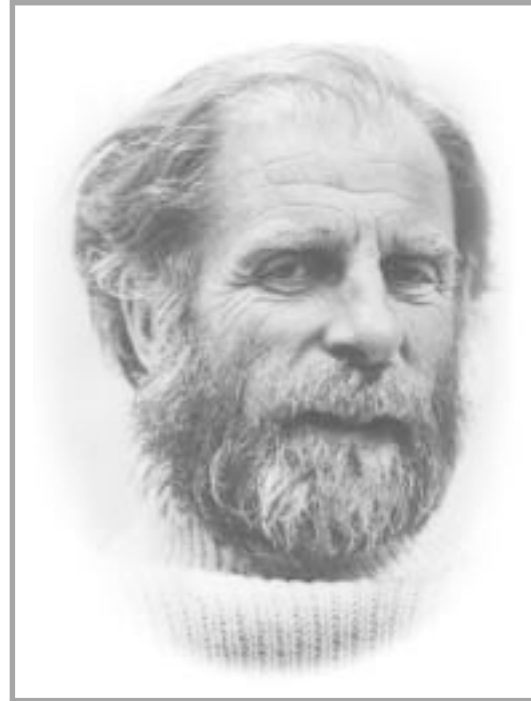
September 4 —The Annual Members' Slide Show. Astound and impress your fellow Everett Branch members with 5-10 minutes of slides.

October 2 —To be announced.

November 6 —To be announced.

December —No Meeting.

### THE MOUNTAINEERS, EVERETT BRANCH PROUDLY PRESENTS



#### WORLD-RENOWNED CLIMBER

## Fred Beckey

The Everett Mountaineers Annual Salmon Bake will be held Sunday, October 6, 1996, at Masonic Park, 4.5 miles from Granite Falls on the Mountain Loop highway. We will be serving salmon, baked potatoes and corn on the cob. Bring dinnerware and utensils, plus any other foods to complete your meal or contribute as a potluck addition. (salads, baked goods or veggies are great!)

Serving time will be at 2:00 P.M. There are usually hikes in the morning and folkdancing after we eat!

The event is free to Everett Mountaineers members and their immediate families. The charge for other members and guests is \$6, children under 12 are \$2.50. A \$1-per-person parking fee is charged at the gate by the Masonic Park.

To sign up or for additional information, call Sandi Barr, (206)788-2872, and leave a message on voice mail/answering machine, or call Greg Warner at (206) 488-9472. We need a head count for purchase of salmon and food.

Fred Beckey has made more than 600 first ascents and routes and has authored numerous books on climbing, including the *Cascade Alpine Guide* series. His most recent book is *Mt. McKinley: Icy Crown of North America*. He is widely acknowledged as an authority on Cascade mountain history.

**Date & Time:** Tuesday, September 24, 1996, 7:00 P.M.

**Location:** Everett Performing Arts Center 2710 Wetmore Ave., Everett, Washington

**Cost:** Tickets for non-members and for all at the door are \$10. Presale tickets for members are discounted to \$8. Send a

self-addressed, stamped envelope with a check made payable to EPAC to:

Fred Beckey Program  
c/o F.A. Clark  
PO Box 43  
Snohomish, WA 98291

**Topic:** "Mountains of North America" based on his travels throughout the continent.

**Sponsored by:** The Mountaineers, Everett Branch Singles and Lookouts & Trail Maintenance committees. Proceeds help support lookout and trail maintenance projects. Bring your Beckey guidebooks for signing and a canned food donation to support local area food banks.

## Old News from the Really Boring Business Meetings

This news was compiled from the June, July and August Branch meetings and the July Executive Committee meeting. Jerry Wade retired as Folkdancing Chair (not Greg Warner as stated in the Summer issue). The committee was on its deathbed, but on the eve of its expected demise, Patrick McMonagle, a **teacher and caller from Seattle who loves Floral Hall**, volunteered to chair and recruited sufficient committee members. Our donation to The Trust for Public Lands enabled them to buy the option on **Spider Meadows**. They would like us to write Senators Murray and Gorton and ask them to appropriate money so the Forest Service can buy the parcel, a mere \$730k. A complete set of *The Mountaineer Annual* has been bound together and is available for checkout at the Branch meetings. They go back to a **time when climbing Glacier peak involved hiking in** from Wenatchee. The Branch donated \$100 to a fund for **Scott Fischer's children**. Scott was the speaker at last year's Annual Banquet and died recently on Mt. Everest. A "mailing snafu" **deprived many members of** *The Mountaineer* magazine. If you didn't get yours, call the clubhouse and throw a fit. The First Aid Committee reminds us that trip leaders are to fill out **many, many forms**, available in advance from Joellyn, if an injury on a trip requires a physician's care. **The MOFA class for fall is cancelled** because only 14 signed up. Look in October's *The Mountaineer* for the '97 Branch courses. **The Canyon Creek Bridge** will be closed from September '96 to July '97 while it is being rebuilt, repaired or replaced. All of you holding or hiding **Branch property** are asked to send an inventory to the Chair. Bev Rossiter is the **new Singles co-chair**. The History Committee of the Mountaineers sent us its version of the

Everett Branch's history. Ask Roy Metzgar to find out if it matches **your version of reality**. Club lawyers are reviewing a draft agreement between the Mt. Baker Council of the Boy Scouts of America and the Everett Branch regarding a proposed donation of \$ and expertise by the Branch toward building a climbing wall at the **Fire Mountain** camp, in exchange for our use of it and other camp facilities. A standing committee will be formed of the activity committee chairs, the *ex-officio* Branch Chair, Andy Boos, and other interested members to take on the **Leadership Program**. Its purpose will be to develop people skills in our leaders as we are a kinder and gentler Branch and not a crazed pack of ill-tempered wolverines. An ice cream palliative culminated the budget meeting. The proposed budget was more than **\$9,000 in the red**. After a thorough tongue lashing, the chairs were spanked, sent home so late as to provoke phone calls from worried spouses, and told to present a new budget with no deficit. *Mountaineering: The Freedom of the Hills, version 6 will be out in '97*. The climbing student **injured on Mt. Daniel** is reportedly doing well. Marcia Hansen **may ask us to register all climbs through Seattle** using their signup procedure. Contact Don Heck about his response or send your written opinion directly to Marcia. Members suspect that **outfitters have an easier time getting use permits** than we do. Will this drive us underground or into a closet? Stay tuned. **The Heybrook Lookout contract** with the Forest Service has arrived and is being reviewed by The Mountaineers. Branch Chair Roy Metzgar congratulated the **Nominating Committee** for nominating someone for each of the open positions. There were no nominations from the floor.

## Annual Everett Branch Banquet

The Annual Banquet will be held on Saturday, November 23, 1996 at the Mill Creek Country Club. The evening starts with a social hour, continues with dinner, presentation of the Branch Awards, and ends with a special program.

Tickets will be available at the October and November Branch business meetings as well as by mail beginning in October.

*Mountaineers having fun at last year's banquet.*



## Baker Lodge Weekend

*September 13-15*

The Hiking Committee invites all Everett members to join us at the Mount Baker Lodge for our annual hiking, blueberry eating, and all 'round good time weekend. The lodge will be open Friday, September 13.

The Hiking Committee will host a pasta feed and potluck Saturday night. Attendees will be asked to bring prepared items to minimize on-site cooking. Contact Rita Gaddis, (206)258-6876, for more information on what you can bring.

Old and new friends, great hikes and good times will be available at this most intimate of Mountaineer lodges. Climbers, scramblers, lodge rats... all are welcome. Sign up through the Seattle Clubhouse (1-800-573-8484) as soon as *The Mountaineer* hits your mailbox in September. Lodges cannot be reserved, so we need to be "first come." Adult members pay \$7 per night for lodging. Pack your own lunches. Accommodations are scenic and rustic. Bring a sleeping bag, pillow, flashlight, earplugs, and personal articles. Warm clothes are a must. For more information, call Pam Kepford, (360)859-2967.

## National Trails Day

*June 1, 1996*

Wait a second! We did that already, didn't we? Boy did we ever! The Lookout & Trail Maintenance Committee, in conjunction with the U.S.F.S. Darrington Ranger District, sponsored the largest National Trails Day celebration to date. The day brought out a crew of 123 volunteers. More than three miles of trail were maintained. Brushing, treadwork and drainage were worked on for 2½ miles. The balance of the trail, almost ½ mile, involved routing several sections of brand new trail through untouched forest. The reroutes were needed where the river washed out parts of the trail during the floods of winter 1995. You, the Everett Branch, have really turned the heads of the outdoor community. Thanks to you for all for your support, the trail users greatly appreciate your efforts.

# THE CANDIDATES

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## BRANCH CHAIR

### Larry Ingalls

Joined 1992

Past and present activities: Everett Branch vice chair (1995-present), graduate of Hiking, Alpine Scrambling and Basic Climbing courses, scramble leader, hike leader for Seattle, assistant instructor for scramble course navigation field trip, trail maintenance volunteer.

Interests: scrambling and any outdoor activity.

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## BRANCH VICE CHAIR

### Greg Warner

Joined 1992

Past and present activities: Annual Banquet coordinator, Hiking Committee chair, hike leader, active in trail maintenance, Salmon BBQ Committee, map and compass class, ten essentials class, leadership seminar, MOFA class.

Main interests: hiking, biking, camping, trail maintenance, lookout maintenance.

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## SECRETARY

### Joyce Bucciarelli

Joined 1995

Past and present activities: Appalachian Trail Club member, former environmental sciences teacher, volunteer ranger.

Interests: canoeing and backpacking.

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## TREASURER

### Mike Ralph

Joined 1994

Past and present activities: Alpine Scrambling graduate, Cross Country Skiing graduate, scramble instructor, mechanical engineer.

Interests: contra dancing, scrambling, and cross country skiing. Enjoys being outdoors with a great group of people, The Mountaineers.

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## TRUSTEE

### Doug Donaldson

Joined 1987

Past and present activities: Explorer Post Committee chair/advisor (10 yrs), Basic Climbing graduate, climb leader.

Interests: climbing, backpacking, hiking, and cross country skiing.

### Roy Metzgar

Joined 1981

Past and present activities: Everett Branch chair (1993-present), Nominating Committee (1993), Facilities Committee, Basic Climbing graduate.

Main interests: climbing and hiking.

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## CLUB LIBRARY BOOK-BORROWING OPINION SURVEY

I am \_\_\_ am not \_\_\_ interested in borrowing books from our Club library via U.S. mail. \_\_\_ Maybe, but I need more information before deciding.

# 1995-1996 Everett Branch Ballot

### BRANCH CHAIR

Larry Ingalls

### SECRETARY

Joyce Bucciarelli

### TRUSTEE

Doug Donaldson

Roy Metzgar

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Write-in Candidate, Voter 1

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Write-in Candidate, Voter 2

### VICE BRANCH CHAIR

Greg Warner

### TREASURER

Mike Ralph

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Write-in Candidate, Voter 1

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Write-in Candidate, Voter 2

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Write-in Candidate, Voter 2

Mailed ballots must be received by 5:00 P.M. on September 4, 1996. Ballots may also be brought to the Annual Meeting on September 4, 1996.

The ballot was designed for two voters per ballot as only one newsletter may be sent to a household. If there are more than two voters per ballot, feel free to improvise.

## Special Thanks

Special thanks are in order to our outgoing Branch chair Roy Metzgar. Roy's accomplishments during his tenure include (but are not limited to!) completing revisions to the Branch *Operating Procedures Manual*, facilitating the inception of the Singles, Sea Kayaking and Bicycle committees, restoring the Explorer Post, and drafting an agreement with the Boy Scouts of America regarding our involvement with the scout camp at Fire Mountain. Roy is special to many of us for his support to us as volunteers, his concern for details, and for just plain showing up everywhere and showing

how much he cares for the variety of activities and experiences the Branch tries to offer. He has been willing to stimulate important debates which engage and educate those present, and he has promoted awareness of future issues that might otherwise be easy to ignore, such as the effects of population growth, club membership growth and decline, land use and the logical consequences of our actions both in the wilderness and within our organization. We wish Roy the best in his future activities and look forward to seeing him around. —LM

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## Extended Backpack

Sept. 7-14, Sat.-Sat. - Waptus Lake, Tuck and Robin Lake, Marmot Lake Loop (M-S) (GT Kachess Lake, Stevens Pass) 48 mi., 8,424' gain, 5,475' loss. Eight days in the Alpine Lakes Wilderness! Sign up with Everett leaders Carrie Strandell, (360) 629-9386 or Deanna Gill, (206) 787-0116. Limit 6. AL.



*Rollo Rodent says:  
Remember to vote  
and vote often*

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## Borrow by Mail

The Club's Library Committee is considering book borrowing by members through the U.S. mail. Before developing such a service, the Library Committee wants to measure Everett Branch member interest in such an opportunity. You can use the ballot in this issue of the Branch newsletter to express your interest in this potential member benefit. If you have any questions, please write them down and send them directly to Library Committee chair Paul Robisch, 11712 - 36th Avenue N.E., Seattle, WA 98125 —RGM

## Guard that Card!

Guard your MOFA card carefully! If you ever want to become recertified in MOFA, you'll need that card to register for the MOFA Refresher (MOFAR) course. A photocopy must be attached to your application. Suggested safe places for your MOFA card: stapled inside your MOFA book, filed in your filing cabinet, stowed in your safe deposit box, or tucked in your wallet.

Lost your card? Contact the issuing American Red Cross chapter (that's Snohomish for us). Let them know what year you took the course, pay them \$5.00, and they'll replace your card. Be sure they type in "Mountaineering Oriented First Aid" under course name. "Standard First Aid" won't do. —JJ

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## An Everett Climbing Gym

Cascade Crags, 2820 Rucker Ave., Everett, is a climbing gym being constructed by several Everett Mountaineers. A bouldering area, a 28' wall and a separate weight room are part of the plan. Mike Palmer, the manager, hopes to have it partially open by September. For more information, call (206) 258-3431.

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## Anise Swallowtail

*Papilio zelicaon*

Swallowtail butterflies are fairly large and usually brightly colored. They are named for the tail-like projection on the lower wing that can divert predators and save the main part of the wing as well as vital body parts. Anise Swallowtails occupy a large range in the western U.S. and southwestern Canada.

While some butterflies get their colors from the refraction of light, the colors of others, including the Swallowtail, are due to pigments. The colors of the Anise Swallowtail are bright yellow and black with a blue-and-red eye spot on its lower wings.

During the larva stage, the Swallowtail has retractable horns called "asmataria." The horns give off a disagreeable odor that repels predators.

The Anise Swallowtail is very difficult to approach. Like other butterflies it goes through metamorphosis, from egg to larva, then forming a chrysalis from which the butterfly emerges in its final

stage. In its larva stage it feeds on plants of the carrot or citrus family, its favorite being fennel (wild anise). The adult butterfly gets its nourishment by sipping nectar from flowers. Like all butterflies, it is cold-blooded and likes to bask in the sun.

The specimen shown above was caught near Winthrop for study by students enrolled in a course titled "Butterflies of the North Cascades" offered by the North Cascades Institute in conjunction with Western Washington University. Although not required to do so, the students generally follow a "catch and release" policy, similar to that practiced by fly fishermen. —HJK

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## Dancing News

The next folkdance course starts October 7 at Floral Hall and will be taught by Patrick McMonagle (206)367-5386. The course is comprised of equal parts Balkan line dances, Scandinavian turning couple dances, Northern European figure couple dances and the famous "Miscellaneous" category. Family fun, no partners needed. Course fee for dancers age 17 and under is \$20 for the 10 weeks, and \$27 for age 18+. You will dance and laugh a lot.

Who tends to enjoy folkdancing? Folks who like music. Folks who like company. Folks who like variety. Folks who don't mind sweating in public. Dances in September are Fridays 13, 20 and 27.

The Folkdance Committee seeks a treasurer. Call Pat at (206)367-5386.

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## Let's Ski

If you love to ski, the Skiing Committee needs your help. We are recruiting members to plan activities and courses for the upcoming season. You don't need to be a great skier, just enthusiastic! Call Dennis now! (206)335-5336

Requests for graduation from the Basic and Telemark Courses are due by October 15. Please submit your name and list of qualifying trips to Dennis Miller, 7623 Vernon Road S.E., Everett, WA 98205

## Committee Chair Turnover

*by Roy Metzgar, Branch Chair*

Concern has filtered to me about the possible cause(s) or implications of several recent changes and continuing vacancies in Branch committee chair positions. This experience is not uncommon in Branch history. My review of past Branch records and editions of *The Mountaineer Annual* revealed periodic instances of chair vacancies, and sometimes entire committees ceased functioning because of lack of member interest or other circumstances.

The recent series of chair resignations and vacancies were all prefaced by courteous and lengthy advance notice to the Branch Chair prior to public announcements. As noted in the last issue of this newsletter, every chairperson who resigned recently has served for years in their position. After awhile it is time to move on to other things and give others a chance to serve. Turnover is a reality from the day a person accepts an appointment to be a committee chair.

I don't want to create a false impression that committee chairpersons have a continual "walk in the park" or that it is a piece of cake to serve in those positions. We, the Branch members, expect a lot from them, and in most cases they deliver with the assistance of other committee members. Not all committees are amply staffed, but they should be. We are all indebted to every chairperson and elected officer for their service to the Branch.

One of the ways we can demonstrate support that is most appreciated by our committee chairs is to willingly step forward when they ask for our help. Better yet is to take the initiative to step forward before being asked individually or by a call for volunteers. Several committees need just a few people who can give a few hours now and then, which would lighten the load immensely for our chairpersons. Special training or skills aren't necessary in most instances (obvious exceptions are climbing and skiing). A sincere and simple "thank you" to our leaders, when deserved, is the easiest and best way to reward them for all the things they do for our benefit.



## Bicycle News



The Bicycle Committee is "Up and rolling..." We meet on the last Monday of each month at 7 P.M. at the PUD building in Everett. The August 26 meeting will be held at Legion Hall at Legion Park in Everett at 7 P.M. preceded by a ride at 6 P.M. In case of rain, just meet at the PUD at 7 P.M. All Mountaineers are welcome and all bicycle lovers are encouraged to attend the meetings!

At our July meeting we established specific goals for the coming year and appointed coordinators for various activities. One of our goals is to schedule a minimum of 25 rides during the year with a variety of difficulty, distance and terrain.

Two workshops are scheduled: **Fundamentals of Bicycle Maintenance #1** will be held September 10<sup>th</sup> at 7 P.M. at the PUD. Signup is limited to 15 members. There is no charge for this workshop. Sign up with Shelby Weible at (206)259-2363. **Leader Orientation** is scheduled for September 26 at 7 P.M. at the PUD for those interested

in leading rides or otherwise making this committee a success. Sign up with Forrest Clark (206)487-3461.

**Did you know?** "More bicycles are sold every year than automobiles."

**Co-Chairs:** Shelby Weible and Judy Ullock  
**Mentor/Guidance Counselor/Father Hen:** Forrest Clark

**Leadership Coordinator:** Brian Diver  
**Maintenance Coordinators:** Louie Coglas and Bob Fleetwood

**Ride Coordinators:** Shelby Weible, Dennis Harkins, Eric Herrmann

**Map Coordinator:** Donna Praetorius

## Climbing Committee Meetings

The Climbing Committee will meet on Sept. 23, Oct. 29 and Nov. 18. We have a very full agenda, so if you have issues, call Don Heck in advance, (206)337-5742.

## Publication Deadline

The deadline for our next issue is November 23 at the Banquet. Be there. Contact Loretta or Russell at (206)316-7973. You can E-mail your submissions to deadrat@u.washington.edu.

## Missing Person

If you are travelling in the Sultan Basin, be aware that a gentleman named Norman Griffiths, age 52, disappeared in that area while rock hunting May 6. Call 911 and ask for sheriff's Sgt. Don Wickstrom if you come across anything.

## Mountaineer Magazine Articles

Submit to Russell or Loretta at (206)316-7973 by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the preceding month.

### Officers

Chair ..... Roy Metzgar (206)258-6985  
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