

The Everett Mountaineers

Newsletter

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UPCOMING PROGRAMS

September 3 —The Annual Members' Slide Show. Astound and impress your fellow Everett Branch members with 5–10 minutes of slides. Also, the ballots are counted, last minute nominees presented, and officers elected.

October 1 —A slide show on the historical ecology of local orca whales by Richard Osborne, resident scientist at the Whale Museum in Friday Harbor.

November 5 —Most probably a ski program.

December —No Meeting.



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

Risk Management

Some folks like to blame others for their misfortunes and not accept a modicum of personal responsibility. Examples of lawsuits abound such as the owner of an unleashed dog, who while attempting to rescue it from a Yellowstone hot springs was badly burned and then sued the park for not having enough barriers. Mountaineers can do some things to reduce our organization's exposure to lawsuits. Leaders must require that everyone who signs up for activities are members or have a signed waiver before going on the trip. Waivers can be obtained from the clubhouse and must be sent there after being filled out. During the sign up interview, leaders should confirm that the person actually has the skills required for the activity. Those planning activities involving third party contracts, such as guided river rafting, should consult the clubhouse about liability. The third party must have insurance. If you see unsafe conditions or operations at Mountaineers' properties, please report them to the person in charge or the clubhouse.

Fold, Tape, and Mail

¿Habla Español?

Do you speak Spanish, French, German, Dutch, Russian, Chinese, Japanese, Korean, or other foreign language? The First Aid Committee needs to develop a database of volunteer patients, formerly known as "victims," who have taken MOFA and speak another language well enough to be convincing in an injury scenario. If you fit the bill, please contact Theresa Borst, (425)335-0324, before 9 P.M. or tborst@juno.com. Getting your name in the database does **not** commit you to participating in any particular MOFA or MOFA Refresher class. It means we'll give you a call to find out if you're available a few weeks before we need you. *Merci beaucoup!*

Mountaineer Magazine Articles

Yes, Russell is still coordinating submissions to the Mountaineer Magazine. E-mail your submissions to shebear@dogday.net or send me a disk. Submit by (425)316-7973 by the 20th of the preceding month.

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THE CANDIDATES

BRANCH CHAIR

Larry Ingalls

Joined 1992

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

Interests: Alpine scrambling, rock and glacier climbing.

BRANCH VICE CHAIR

James Abbie

Joined 1993

Past and present activities: Climbing Committee position (2 years), leader and instructor for basic and intermediate climbing, alpine scrambling, skiing.

Interests: skiing, scrambling, climbing, architectural design.

SECRETARY

No nomination

TREASURER

No nomination

TRUSTEE

Doug Donaldson

Joined 1987

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

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

1998 Everett Branch Ballot

BRANCH CHAIR

Larry Ingalls

Write-in Candidate, Voter 1

Write-in Candidate, Voter 2

SECRETARY

Write-in Candidate, Voter 1

Write-in Candidate, Voter 2

TRUSTEE

Doug Donaldson

Write-in Candidate, Voter 1

Write-in Candidate, Voter 2

VICE BRANCH CHAIR

James Abbie

Write-in Candidate, Voter 1

Write-in Candidate, Voter 2

TREASURER

Write-in Candidate, Voter 1

Write-in Candidate, Voter 2

Mailed ballots must be received by 5:00 P.M. on September 2, 1998. Ballots may also be brought to the Annual Meeting on September 2, 1998.

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.

Old News from the Really Boring Business Meetings

Thanks

Larry became confused and use the **wrong end** of his gavel to start the business meeting. *Robert's Rules of Order* suggests restraints. The Mountaineers has some sort of **lodge exchange program** with the Mazamas in Oregon. The Clubhouse should have information. The motion to grant committee chairs flexibility on expenditures within their assigned budget was passed. Samples of new official Everett Branch **hats** were modeled by Dana Miller's sons. The baseball caps are a light pine, "Everett Mountaineers established 1910" and red, "Everett Branch". You can pick up one of these fine hats for \$14 at the Branch meetings. The Scramble and Social committees **need members**. No cooking is necessary. Conservation seems to be a committee of one headed by Louis Coglas. A current issue which needs attention is the **proposed paving** of the Mountain Loop Highway. The Mountaineers have opposed this in the past. Louis needs help with this local issue. Climbing reported a **broken leg** on Andy Boos' trip to the Bugaboos. The helicopter ride out was a bonus. Mats, climbing chair, encourages folks to sign up for the Intermediate Climbing class and for his trips. The scramble student injured on Tinkham by falling rock has healed. Scramble leaders are needed to substitute for the injured Neil Johnson. The **Scramble reunion** will be held on Sept. 19-20 at Stevens Pass Lodge. Call any committee member for more details. Bring your slides, tall tales, and casts to sign. Former students and scramblers should give the Scramble committee input on incorporation of flexibility into the course's inflexible makeup policy. LOTM has been busy. The Mt. Pilchuck lookout has been looking like an alley way in the University District but it is better now. The **graffiti was cleaned off** and the walls painted. Phil then put preservative on the kiosk woodwork. Windows were replaced, shingles and siding repaired, the ladder reattached and walls painted at the Three Fingers look out. Later work will replace missing anchor cable. Heybrook work has been put off until fall to allow the wicked to rest. Eight polaskies and a bag of donuts were bought by LOTM; they now have enough **tools and donuts** for a work party of 6-8. **Crew leader training** will be Saturday October, 24. Call Forrest

Clark for to sign up. Singles would like to put together a Everett Mountaineers team for the October 4 diabetes **walk-a-thon**; Call Bev Rossiter for more information. Pager monitors are needed. A **pager monitor** is loaned a pager and cell phone and then answers the calls on the activities trouble number. Don Heck says he has been doing this 5-7 years and only was called once. Call Amy at the Clubhouse to sign up for this vital service. The biggest threat to Club solvency is from lawsuits related to accidents, and this will hopefully be minimized by **risk management**. Sue Weckerly left office soon after attending our potluck: **coincidence?** The Board passed a resolution banning members from attending Book Board meetings soon after some Everett Branch members attended a meeting; coincidence? The day Roy Metzgar was named in *The Stranger* as an authority on the semantics of sewage was the same day that biosolid odors escaped their containment at this writer's workplace; coincidence?

Banquet News

The Everett Mountaineers' Annual Banquet is coming sooner than you think. The banquet this year will feature member's photographs, pasted to poster paper, and hung on the walls around the banquet room, for viewing and comments during the social hour before dinner. This will give people a chance to see what fellow club members have been up to throughout the year.

I will be handing out poster paper at the October Branch meeting and collecting them with pictures posted at the November Branch meeting or whenever you can get them to me. Posters can be decorated any way you like, but please label photographs, with location, date, and names, if applicable—and not too incriminating. Pictures and posters will be returned if their owners can be identified.

The 1998 banquet will be on Saturday, November 14, 1998, at the Best Western Tulalip Inn in Marysville, just north of Everett. Program to be announced at a later date. Thanks for your participation, and happy trails. —Kris Stebbins, 1998 Banquet Coordinator

The Branch would like to thank the following retiring officers and members for their service. Phyllis Nelson (94) stepped in and became our Secretary this year after the position was unexpectedly vacated. Conny Anderton (93) has been our Treasurer and was the person who had to deal with all of that financial paper work. Way cool trustee, Roy Metzgar (83), was our seat on the Club's Board. He did a great job in reporting to us on Club issues and representing us on the Board. He was able to smooth out some of the rough spots in resource allocation to the Branch. We hope the next Trustee will be as diligent in voicing our views with the Board. After three years, Susan Williams (89) turned over the Hiking Chair responsibilities to Carrie Strandell (90). Joellyn Jackson (94) may have retired as First Aid Chair but she still seems to write all of their press. Her energy and enthusiasm were appreciated in CPR, MOFA and MOFAR planning sessions. Duane Sandrin (89) is now the First Aid Chair. Brad Mitchell (90), Bill Hensen (94), Ruth Gustafson (97), and Mime Davies (?) had the task of convincing reluctant Mountaineers to volunteer for office; in other words, they were the Nomination Committee. Don Heck (79) has the important job of Risk Management Chair for the Club. Chris Stebbins (91), former climb coordinator, is our Banquet Chair. As you can see, both recent and not so recent members can play significant roles in our Branch.

Volunteers Needed

The First Aid Committee could sure use more volunteers. We will offer an American Red Cross First Aid Instructor training class if we can find at least six interested people. The cost is \$50 and will be reimbursed after you help teach your first MOFA course. We also need volunteers to help with moulage, logistics, computer support, and the other jobs required for a MOFA course. You don't have to be an official instructor to help in these capacities, but it helps to have taken MOFA or a similar first aid course. For more information, call Duane Sandrin, (425)486-7644, before 9 P.M.

Adult CPR Challenge

The First Aid Committee is offering an adult CPR challenge at 6:00 P.M. Wednesday, Sept. 3, 1998 at the First Congregational Church in Everett, Washington. You must have completed an adult CPR class in the past. The challenge will include a quick review, written test and skills demonstration.

Make your check (\$10) out to the Everett Mountaineers and mail to Joellyn Jackson at 514 106th PL SW, Everett, WA 98204; include your name, address, phone number and that you are signing up for the Sept. 3, Adult CPR Challenge. For more information call (425)347-0763 before 9:00 P.M.

Salmon Bake in Peril

The Everett Mountaineers Annual Salmon Bake will be not be held unless one of you Everett Mountaineers volunteers immediately to coordinate it. The coordinator takes phones calls for sign up. Call Ron Smitm, (425)347-0763.

Name That Tune!

Joellyn is creating an anthology of songs for National Trails Day 1999 and needs help with titles. Current suggestions include *Chain Gang* by Sam Cooke, *16 Tons* by Tennessee Ernie Ford, and *Whip It* by Devo. The first two should tell you about how old she is! Give her a call with other songs and the names of the artists. If you have recordings of the songs listed above, let her know. Once she gets a list, she'll will record them onto a tape. Call before 9 P.M., (425)347-0763.

Brainstorms Brewing?

Next time you go shopping, keep your eyes open for goodie bag and trail prize ideas. Ron rebels after visiting too many stores , so I need your help. Jot down the name of the item, manufacturer, address, phone number, or whatever information you can find and pass it on to me. You can mail the information to me, 514 106th Place SW; Everett, WA 98204, call me, (425)347-0763, or hand it to me at a business meeting. —Joellyn Jackson

Moulage Props

Our MOFA props often walk away, forgotten, with the victims. We need: Medic Alert tags (any kind), nitroglycerin (NitroStat[®]) bottles, and very small over-the-counter pain medication bottles such as ibuprofen (Motrin[®]). Please leave the labels on the bottle. If you find any a Medic Alert tags at garage sales or thrift stores, we can reimburse you up to 50¢. Call Joellyn Jackson, (425)347-0763, before 9 P.M. for arrangements.

The Last Newsletter

This will be the last Newsletter. No one has stepped up and volunteered to be the Newsletter editor and this issue is the last we committed to do. We can probably shift many of the announcements to the Magazine with the attendant inflexibility and long time line.

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