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EVERETT NEWS

monthly e-news for Mountaineers

Hi Everett Mountaineers,

As we celebrate summer's adventures and ramp up for winter, autumn is always a busy time for our branch with lots of events and activities. Check out what piques your interest and we hope you'll join us! Also, make the most of the fall's crisp, sunny days by signing up for one of upcoming climbs, hikes, or scrambles.

As always, this e-newsletter highlights some our branch's activities, courses, events and amazing volunteers. Remember you can check out all our offerings at mountaineers.org/Everett.

Matt Vadnal,
Acting Editor



First Annual Membership Meeting Recap

Per our new Rules of Governance, the Everett Branch held its first annual membership meeting under on September 6. The following Branch officers were on hand: Elaina Jorgensen, Chair; Bruce Wolverton, Vice Chair; Matt Vadnal, Branch Director; Carolyn Henri, Secretary; and Jodi Stebbins, Treasurer.

Reports about the budget, volunteer incentives, open houses, e-newsletter, fall courses, salmon bake, awards banquet, fund raising, Vision 2022, Board of Directors' initiatives, and upcoming leadership conferences and courses were presented and discussed. The members who attended recommended that the Executive Committee study the feasibility

of building a Program Center in Everett.

The annual meeting minutes will be posted under the [Everett Branch page](#).



Annual Awards Banquet Featuring Karl Kruger's Race to Alaska | Sat, Nov 4

Join us to recognize and honor our 2017 course graduates, celebrate our amazing volunteers, and enjoy guest speaker Karl Kruger.

An Iditarod on a boat? That's how Karl Kruger, our featured speaker, described his race to Alaska. He was the first competitor to make it all the way to Alaska on a stand-up paddleboard. Hazards included drowning, being run down by a freighter, eaten by a grizzly bear, and overturning in a squall. Learn about this intrepid adventurer's epic voyage by attending the awards banquet.

[Get Tickets!](#)



Events

[The Mountaineers Annual Meeting 2017](#) | Sep 26

Come hear about the state of affairs from staff and board members. This meeting is open to all branches and members and will be held at the Seattle Program Center.

[Vision 2022 Feedback Meeting](#) | Thu, Sep 28

The Mountaineers' new five-year plan, Vision 2022, will be the blueprint for our future, prioritizing the use of our financial and human resources. Participation by all members, not just leaders and staff, is critical to the success of this plan. Attend the North Sound Feedback meeting to be a part of this vital process.

[Annual Salmon Bake](#) | Sun, Oct 1

All Mountaineers are invited to attend the annual Salmon Bake at the Masonic Park east of Granite Falls on the Mountain Loop Highway. This event is FREE for Mountaineers and their guests. This delicious tradition is a wonderful opportunity to catch up with your fellow Mountaineers. Please note, there is a park fee at the gate.

[Everett Open House](#) | Wed, Oct 4

All Mountaineers and the general public are invited to attend our first Open House of the fall to learn about our club. The presenter is TBA.

[Open House - Winter Course Night](#) | Wed, Nov 1

Take a Mountaineer course and don't let winter pass you by! All Mountaineers and the general public are invited to attend the Everett Branch's Winter Course Night to learn how to enjoy the mountains during the snowy season. Representatives from the Alpine Scrambling, Avalanche, Back Country Skiing, Climbing, Nordic Skiing and Snow Shoe Committees will be on hand to make presentations and field your questions about their courses.



Courses

Is it winter already? Not a single snowflake has fallen in our mountains, but some of our most popular winter courses are open or will soon be open for enrollment. They fill up very quickly so sign-up early!

[Self Rescue Climbing Course I](#) | Sept 21 - Oct 7

An advanced climbing course. Rescue of follower and leader. Class is full, but there is room on the waitlist.

[Self Rescue Climbing Course II](#) | Nov 9 – Mar 10

An advanced climbing course. Evacuating an injured person, rope soloing, and other advanced subjects. Enrollment is open.

[Avalanche AIARE Level 1](#) | Dec 18 - Jan 7

Open to skiers, split boarders and shoeshoers. Enrollment is now open. 25 are registered, only 20 spaces remain in the class.

[Nordic \(Cross-Country\) Ski Course](#) | Jan 4 - Mar 31

Start the New Year right by getting off the couch and out onto the ski trails. Learn the diagonal stride, the herring bone, the side step, the wedge and other means of moving safely and efficiently on tracked and untracked snow. Clothing, equipment and winter hazards will be covered in class. Enrollment opens on October 1.

[Basic Climbing Course](#) | Starts Jan 24

A challenging and comprehensive course which covers both glacier and rock climbing. Enrollment opens on September 18.



Activities

[Alpine Scramble - Camp Muir & Anvil](#)
[Rock](#)

[Day Hike - Spruce Railroad Trail](#)
Sat, Sep 23

Sat, Sep 16
For Beginners, Prerequisites

**Basic Alpine Climb - Sluiskin
Mountain/The Chief**

Sun, Sep 17 - Tue, Sep 19
Moderate, Prerequisites

Easy, No Prerequisites

Day Hike - Lookout Mountain

Sat, Sep 23
Moderate, No Prerequisites

Future Submissions

Do you have a story to share? Our branch is full of tales of adventure, personal triumph, lessons learned and unforgettable characters. Sharing these stories helps us celebrate what it means to be a Mountaineer. In particular, we'd love to feature a profile of an inspirational Everett Branch member.

If you have an item for an upcoming enewsletter, email it to newsletter@everettmountaineers.org by the 25th of the month. Please include the following:

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5. Photo if you'd like (this is not required)

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