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# EVERETT NEWS

monthly e-news for Mountaineers

## Hi Everett Mountaineers,

Jump into summer with one of the Everett Branch's outstanding outdoor activities. Climbs, hikes, scrambles, and paddles have all been scheduled throughout the coming months. Our volunteer leaders make these outings fun and memorable experiences for everyone.

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

Matt Vadnal,  
Acting Editor

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## Events

**Cancellation:** The Branch's Open House scheduled for **Wednesday, June 6** has been cancelled.

### **[Annual Summer Potluck Picnic](#) | Wed, Aug 1**

Members and the general public are invited to attend the Branch's Annual Picnic at Legion Memorial Par. Bring your family, friends, neighbors, and a dish to share. Enjoy the sunset over the Olympics and a panoramic view of Port Gardner Bay while relaxing – and eating! The picnic will begin at 6:30 pm.

Also, there's something new this year: The Mountaineers will supply burgers and hot dogs so just bring a side dish or dessert. Please register [online](#).

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## Courses

### **Sport Climbing Course | Aug 25 – Sep 23**

This course introduces the fundamental skills necessary to lead climb single pitch routes protected by bolts.

### **Self Rescue I | Sep 20 - Mar 10**

This is a seminar-based course, with the goal of facilitating practice and learning of self-rescue skills by providing scenarios for the participants to work through.

### **Self Rescue II | Nov 8 - Mar 10**

This is the second component of our self-rescue curriculum. We'll build on the concepts we introduced in Self Rescue I.

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## Activities

### **Alpine Scramble - Kendall Peak**

Sun, Jun 10  
Moderate, Prerequisites

### **Sea Kayak - Circumnavigation of Marrowstone and Indian Islands**

Sun, Jun 17  
Challenging, Prerequisites

### **Basic Alpine Climb - The Tooth/South Face**

Tue, Jun 12  
Easy, Prerequisites

### **Alpine Scramble - Mount Ruth (Mount Rainier)**

Sat, Jul 14  
Challenging, Prerequisites

As always, you can check out all Everett Mountaineers activities [online](#) and also sign up for activities across [all branches](#).



## Mountaineer Gala Exceeds Fundraising Goals

Amber Carrigan, The Mountaineers' Development Director, was happy to report that at the end of the night over \$345,000 had been raised. This exceeded the \$330,000 goal. Once the employer matching funds are counted, the estimated total will be close to \$375,000. **This year's gala was the most successful in Mountaineer history.**

Check out [The Mountaineers' gala recap](#) to learn more and see photos from the event.

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## Interested in Serving on the Everett Program Center Committee?

The Everett Branch Executive Committee approved a motion creating a Program Center Committee to evaluate the feasibility of establishing a Mountaineers Program Center in Snohomish County. The impetus for the committee is [Vision 2022](#), The Mountaineers' new five year strategic plan. One of the plan's priorities is enhancing our organization's leadership role in outdoor education by creating program centers in Bellevue, Everett, and/or Olympia. The committee will develop the requirements for a center, formulate building proposals, evaluate construction approaches, review and revise timelines, and recommend a final proposal to the Branch Executive Committee and the Board of Directors.

If you are interested in serving on this committee, contact Matt Vadnal, the Branch Representative on the Board of Directors, at [matthewvadnal@aol.com](mailto:matthewvadnal@aol.com).

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## 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 newsletter, email it to [newsletter@everettmountaineers.org](mailto:newsletter@everettmountaineers.org) by the 25th of the month. Please include the following:

1. Title
2. Date
3. Web link to corresponding mountaineers.org listing
4. Short Description
5. Photo if you'd like (this is not required)

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