

Meet The Mountaineers



History



Enrich the community by helping people explore, conserve, learn about, and enjoy the lands and waters of the Pacific Northwest and beyond.

About Us:

Passionate community of outdoor
adventurers led by a coalition of
volunteer instructors







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ACTIVITIES *get outside*

Find your next adventure. Hike in a rain forest, climb an iconic peak, paddle the Puget Sound, enjoy a quiet winter trail, or travel the globe.

ACTIVITIES *get outside with us*

Choose an activity ...



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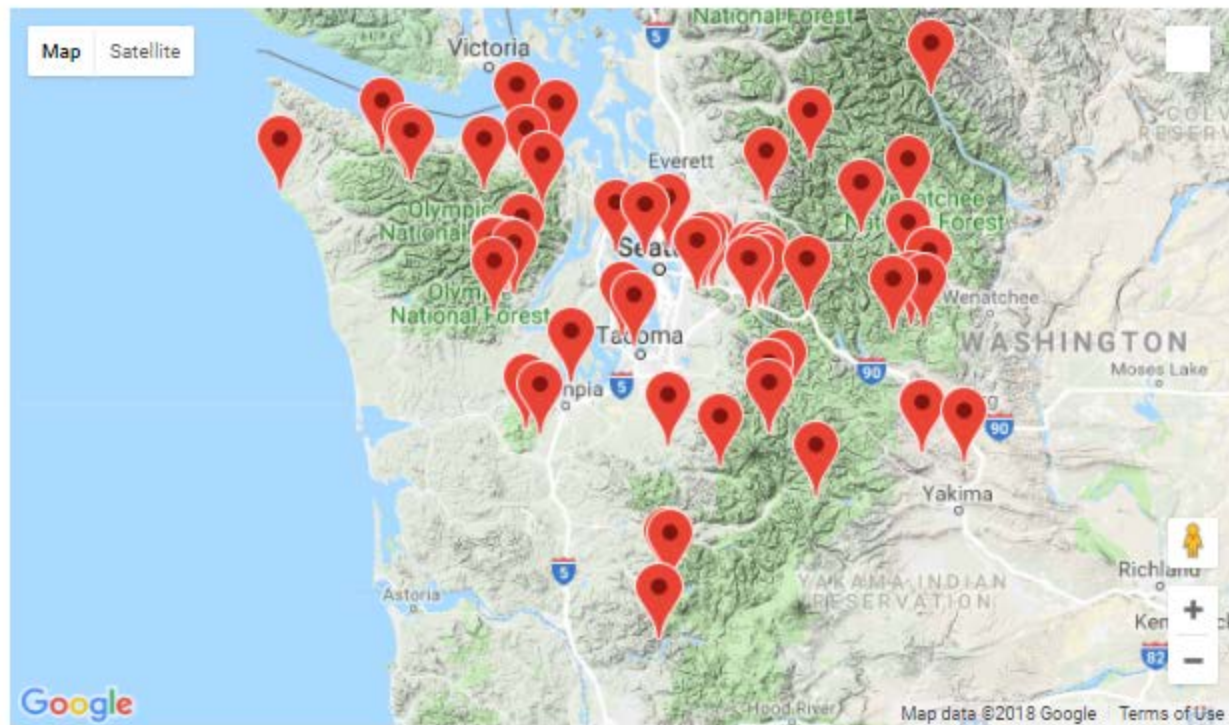
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learn new ways to explore the outdoors

Find courses, activities, and resources to learn about outdoor adventure and how to get outside safely and responsibly.

COURSES *learn outdoor skills*

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Trail Running

November December January February March April May June July August September October

First Aid

Intro to Map & Compass

Avalanche AIRE Level 1

Conditioning Hiking Series

Basic Navigation

Backpacking and Wilderness Skills

Basic Navigation

Basic Alpine Climbing

Intermediate Alpine Climbing

Alpine Scrambling

Crag Climbing

Coastal Navigation

Rock Climbing: Learn to Belay, Intro to Rock, Leading on Bolts, Sport Climbing

Basic Snowshoeing

Sailing

Backcountry Snowshoeing

Basic Sea Kayaking

Cross Country and Skate Skiing

Advanced Sea Kayak Clinics

Ski & Snowboard Mountaineering

Basic Photography

Winter Camping

Introduction to the Natural World

Intermediate Sea Kayaking

Outdoor Leadership Seminars

Please visit www.mountaineers.org to see current course listings and to sign up.

Course selection varies by branch. Registration usually opens 1-3 months prior to the start of the course.

ACTION CENTER

LEARN ABOUT CURRENT ISSUES & TAKE ACTION

- ▶ **Legislative Trail Map:** Learn about current legislation impacting public lands, and how you can use your voice to advocate for these places.
- ▶ **Defend the Roadless Rule and Tongass National Forest:** Speak up to help defend the Roadless Rule and protect the Tongass National Forest from new efforts to exempt it from roadless protections.
- ▶ **SOAR Act:** Ask your legislators to sponsor this bill that will make it easier for organized groups to take people outdoors on national public lands.
- ▶ **Permanent Funding for the Land and Water Conservation Fund:** This past March, LWCF was permanently reauthorized, meaning this important conservation and recreation program will be around for the long haul. However, this does not actually guarantee it will receive funding every year.
- ▶ **Stop the Public Lands Heist:** A far reaching campaign is underway to weaken and eventually privatize our public lands. Hundreds of millions of acres across the Western U.S hang in the balance. Take a stand for our public lands.

WHAT WE PRIORITIZE

- ▶ Our work focuses on **protecting the landscapes and ecosystems** where we recreate and the outdoor experience these places provide.
- ▶ The majority of our focus is on **national public lands** including National Forests and Parks, as almost 60% of Mountaineers outdoor activities take place on federal lands.
- ▶ From there, we engage strategically on issues effecting **Washington State lands**, primarily State Parks and WA Department of Natural Resources.
- ▶ We occasionally engage in county and municipal issues where multiple Mountaineers programs and priorities intersect.



GET INVOLVED AS A VOLUNTEER

Mountaineers Volunteers have a meaningful impact on our community. Whether your interests are in teaching, leading trips, helping at events, cleaning up a crag, or serving on a committee that orchestrates such activities, we have opportunities for you to make a difference.

YOUTH

Kids Programs

Teen Programs

Get Your Youth Group
Outside with Us

Volunteer with Youth

Scholarships



YOUTH *outdoor adventures*

Explore opportunities for young people to find outdoor adventure and learn new skills with our youth, teen, and family programs.

We're committed to bringing outdoor experiences to today's youth through our outdoor youth and family programs. We introduce young people to the benefits of outdoor experience: a healthy lifestyle, outdoor recreation skills, perseverance, self-confidence, self-reliance, an appreciation for the natural world, and a commitment to protecting the outdoor experience.

Our high instructor-to-youth ratio allows young people to learn from highly skilled volunteer educators who themselves love the outdoors (that's why they volunteer!). Our participating youth members attain the deepest and most personalized experience available.

YEAR ROUND OUTDOOR CLUBS



Mountaineers Adventure Club - In the Seattle and Tacoma branches, Youth ages 14-18 meet monthly and go on a wide variety

Benefits



Our members enjoy benefits including access to all of our classes and workshops and sweet deals on travel and gear, but more importantly you are joining a community of future lifelong friends eager to join you on your next great adventure.

GEAR DEALS

We have amazing partners who give our members a wide array of deals on gear, and for security reasons we cannot list all of the redemption instructions below. Visit our [members-only benefits page](#) for specific instructions on how to redeem certain gear deals.

UP TO 70% OFF

[Experticity.com](#) (formerly ProMotive.com)

An online marketplace offering member varying levels of discounts on almost 100 different outdoor brands including Big Agnes, Gregory, Helly Hansen, and many more. [Login to redeem.](#)

40% OFF

[Rock and Ice Magazine](#)

Save 40% off on an annual subscription to *Rock and Ice*. [Login to redeem.](#)

[Trail Runner Magazine](#)

Save 40% on an annual subscription to *Trail Runner*. [Login to redeem.](#)

30% OFF

[Heli Canada Adventures](#)

Up to 31% off Heli-Hiking/Heli Mountaineering packages for 4-6 people. [Login to redeem.](#)

25% OFF

[rakkup Climbing Guidebooks](#)

Score 25% off on *rakkup* climbing guidebooks. [Login to redeem.](#)

[Zeal Optics](#)

Earn 25% off on Zeal Optics. [Login to redeem.](#)

FIND YOUR WAY

Gaia GPS is offering a **free GaiaPro subscription** to all Mountaineers. This adds features and maps to the Gaia app. Value: \$39.99/year. [Login to redeem.](#)

LOOKING TO ZIP OUT FOR THE WEEKEND?

Mountaineers members also receive exclusive discounts on car rentals. The Mountaineers and Zipcar will waive the rental fee on adventure-ready 4WD SUV's, bike-racked SUV's, and minivans (\$70 per year).

SUBARU FOR YOU

Members of the Mountaineers are invited to purchase vehicles at Eastside Subaru. Save thousands of dollars and enjoy a great car buying experience simply by referencing your Mountaineers membership. Plus, for each Subaru purchased by a Mountaineers member, Eastside Subaru will donate \$100 to the Mountaineers. [Login to redeem.](#)

UNPARALLED ACCESS

- ▶ **Outdoor education and learning opportunities** through our huge portfolio of classes, seminars, and activities
- ▶ **Special member prices for events and festivals** including BeWild, the Banff Mountain Film Festival, and Radical Reels
- ▶ **Access to our mountain homes** including Baker Lodge, Meany Lodge, and Stevens Lodge
- ▶ **Adventure travel opportunities** both domestically and internationally
- ▶ **Access to our climbing walls and discounted event space rentals** at The Mountaineers' Program Centers

AWARD-WINNING PUBLICATIONS

- ▶ **Subscription to our bi-monthly *Mountaineer* magazine**
- ▶ **Subscription to our monthly e-newsletters** including *Conservation Currents* for conservation and stewardship news and *Mountaineers Monthly* to view our news and activity highlights
- ▶ **Discounts on popular *Mountaineers Books* publications, including the internationally translated guide to mountain travel *Mountaineering: Freedom of the Hills***

STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

- ▶ **Lectures and seminars** with leaders in conservation
- ▶ **Trail and fire lookout maintenance opportunities**
- ▶ ***Leave No Trace* trainer courses and clinics**
- ▶ **Environmental education programs** for individuals and families

Get Involved



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ADULT

\$75.00 *yearly*

Most people aged 18-64.

JOIN

FAMILY

\$130 *yearly*

Up to 2 adults and ALL CHILDREN under 18 living in a single household. Use this membership to sign your kids up for our youth programs.

JOIN

STUDENT & MILITARY

\$48 *yearly*

Full-time adult students 18 or older and Active Military members. Proof of full-time student status/military service required at sign up and each year with renewal.

JOIN

SENIOR

\$36 *yearly*

Most people aged 65+.

JOIN

GUEST ADULT

FREE

Adults (ages 18+) are invited to sign up as a guest to get to know our outdoor community. Guests can participate in two activities prior to joining (leader permission required as appropriate).

JOIN

GUEST FAMILY

FREE

Up to 2 adults and all youth in a household can sign up to try a course or activity OR for our youth programs. Each member can try two activities (leader permission required as appropriate).

JOIN

PEAK SOCIETY

\$1,000 *yearly*

Peak Society members support The Mountaineers at the highest level with an unrestricted gift to The Mountaineers Fund.

JOIN

MARTY MOUNTAINEER

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Marty Mountaineer

PROFILE

EDIT PROFILE

ADD FAMILY MEMBERS



VIEWABLE



Your membership will expire on Nov 30, 2016.

RENEW NOW

Marty Mountaineer

Member since: Oct 12, 2004

Branch: [Bellingham](#)

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PRIMARY ACTIVITIES

- Backpacking
- Climbing
- Exploring Nature
- Photography
- Sea Kayaking
- Snowshoeing
- Stewardship

CARPOOL PREFERENCE

Drive or Ride

CARPOOL NOTES

I like to meet at the Tacoma Program Center.



MEMBER BIO

Proud graduate of Everett's basic sea kayaking and alpine scramble course. Being a member of The Mountaineers has inspired me to summit Everest three times, participate in Race to Alaska in my canoe and become a volunteer park ranger at Mount St Helens National Monument.

Always up to volunteer for events like Gear Grab and Mountain Film Festival. Currently coordinator for Seattle's photography happy hours. Hit me up if you have a favorite bar or restaurant that we should try next!

COURSE BADGES



Alpine Scrambling Course



Avalanche Level 1 Course



Basic Navigation Course



Wilderness First Aid Course

LEADER BADGES



Fire Lookout Crew Leader



Hike Leader



Qualified Youth Leader



Skipper



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BIRTH DATE

Jul 1, 1906

EDIT PROFILE

Road to membership:

Easiest ways to get involved:

- **Sign up for a non-technical outing or seminar**
 - One day commitment, sometimes just an afternoon
 - Photography Seminar
 - Hike | Snowshoe| Naturalist Walk
- **Take a basic level course**
 - Very technical and involved, or just a weekend
 - Intro to Rock Climbing, Intro to Photography
- **Attend an event**
 - MountainFilm World Tour
 - Banff Film Festival
 - BeWild Speaker & Film Series
- **Take a trip**
 - Skiing in the Alps
 - Trekking in Turkey
 - Backpacking Iceland
 - Hiking and Photography in Costa Rica





Pretty Strong Film Screening

Pretty Strong follows eight of the world's strongest female climbers as they explore new climbing areas, send hard projects, and push the boundaries of the sport and themselves.

- ▶ **When:** Tue, Mar 3, 2020 from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM
- ▶ **Where:** Seattle Program Center
7700 Sand Point Way NE, Seattle, WA 98115
Goodman A, Goodman B, Goodman C





Adventure Speaker Series: Ras and Kathy Vaughan - UP North Loop: 2600 Miles, the Inland N.W.

Ras and Kathy Vaughan found the Pacific Crest Trail a little too crowded. So they came up with a new long distance hike that would take them on smaller trails in a giant loop through Oregon, Washington, Montana, and Idaho. The couple recently completed the loop and, for Kathy, it was the first time doing a long distance hike since she was diagnosed with Type 1 Diabetes. Join Ras & Kathy for an evening of laughter, information and inspiration.



- ▶ **When:** Wed, Mar 4, 2020 from 5:30 PM to 8:30 PM
- ▶ **Where:** Friends Meeting H0use
3201 Boston Harbor Rd Olympia



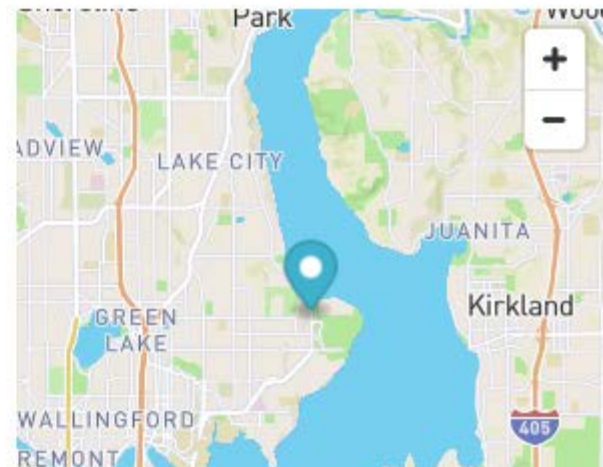
BeWild with Brendan Leonard

Brendan Leonard bought the url semi-rad.com for \$29 in 2011, intending to write a weekly post about adventure for a year and see what happened. Almost nine years later, his writings on Semi-Rad.com are read by half a million people each year. Come listen to Brendan's stories of outdoor adventure and hilarious musings on the outdoor community.



- ▶ **When:** Thu, Mar 12, 2020 from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM
- ▶ **Where:** Seattle Program Center
7700 Sand Point Way NE, Seattle, WA 98115
Goodman A, Goodman B, Goodman C, Cascade A, Cascade B
- ▶ **Contact:** [Garrett Arnold](#)
- ▶ **Email:** garretta@mountaineers.org
- ▶ **Committee:** [Seattle Program Center](#)
- ▶ **Branch:** The Mountaineers
- ▶ **Add to Calendar:**  [vCal](#) /  [iCal](#)

BRENDAN LEONARD | BEARS DON'T CARE ABOUT YOUR PROBLEMS





Stewardship - Mount Rainier Gateway

STEWARDSHIP TRIP

Join us to plant native trees from 10-1 at Mount Rainier Gate...

Difficulty: Easy

Wed, Feb 26, 2020

No Prerequisites

AVAILABILITY:

9
participants

Registration closes Feb 26

The Mountaineers Branch



Conservation Leadership Development Meeting - Lacey Community Center

ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS, STEWARDSHIP & OUTDOOR LEADERSHIP SEMINAR

The Annual Conservation and Stewardship Meeting will featur...

Thu, Feb 27, 2020

No Prerequisites

AVAILABILITY:

8
participants **1**
leader

Registration closes Feb 25

Olympia Branch



Stewardship - Capitol Land Trust

STEWARDSHIP TRIP

Join the staff of the Capitol Land Trust and members of the O...

Difficulty: *Varies*

Sat, Feb 29, 2020

No Prerequisites

AVAILABILITY:

7
participants

Registration closes Feb 25

Olympia Branch



Stewardship - Harper Park

STEWARDSHIP TRIP

Bring the whole family to a planting party and connect with o...

Difficulty: Easy

Sat, Feb 29, 2020

No Prerequisites

AVAILABILITY:

9
participants

Registration closes Feb 29

Kitsap Branch

LEADER: Debbie Lynn
Qualified Youth Leader



Stewardship - Gold Creek Basin

SNOWSHOEING & STEWARDSHIP TRIP

NWAC Trailhead Outreach

Difficulty: Easy

Sun, Mar 1, 2020

No Prerequisites

AVAILABILITY:

0
participants

Registration closed Jan 8

Seattle Branch

HIKING



While traveling in backcountry areas - whether it be hiking, skiing, climbing, paddling, or running - following simple low-impact skills keep our trails from growing wider and reduce our impact on vegetation. Trail etiquette is also an important part of the shared outdoor experience.

EATING



We all need fuel for our active time in nature. Watch and learn techniques to help you stay fed outdoors while not impacting others.

CAMPING



When camping - whether at an established site or in the backcountry - implementing these tips helps preserve existing sites and protects pristine areas.

USING THE BATHROOM



When you spend multiple days in the backcountry, nature will answer for you and you should be prepared to answer. Learn more!



INTRODUCING KICK STEP IPA: A BEER PARTNERSHIP WITH GHOSTFISH BREWING

We're excited to introduce Kick Step IPA, a bold and distinctly Northwest India Pale Ale by Ghostfish Brewing, benefiting The Mountaineers! Try it at our launch party July 12, 2017.



THE MOUNTAINEERS
June 22, 2017

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So you want to climb Rainier....



Basic Alpine Climbing Course

- Sign up starts in October, class starts in January
 - One large class for the lectures with SIG groups for field trips
- 5 lectures and 5 or 6 corresponding field trips
- Once you have gone through field trips and lectures you must complete 3 summits
 - 1 glacier (a mountain that requires roping up and traveling for over an hour)
 - 1 rock summit (multiple rock pitches)
 - 1 basic alpine climb (requires a rappel down)
- Navigation and Wilderness First Aid requirement

What about a scramble instead?

Alpine Scrambling Course

- Teaches essential techniques of off-trail wilderness travel for snow and rock summit
- Involve un-roped movement on low or moderately exposed snow and rock terrain
- 3 workshops, 1 day field trip, 2 day field trip
- Navigation and WFA requirement



Just want to play on a glacier?

Glacier Travel Course

- Teaches essential techniques for glacier travel including ice axe use, roped glacier travel, crevasse rescue techniques, and gear selection.
- Involve unroped movement on snow
- 2 lectures, 2 field trips
- Navigation, Stewardship, and WFA



Basic Courses

TO GRADUATE FROM MOST BASIC COURSES YOU NEED TO COMPLETE:

COURSE	WILDERNESS FIRST AID	NAVIGATION	STEWARDSHIP
Climbing	X	X	X
Alpine Scrambling	X	X	X
Kayaking	X	Water navigation included in course	
Glacier Travel	X	X	

- Separate courses with separate course fees; sign up separately
- Order doesn't matter
- Can vary by branch

Explore the water

Basic Sea Kayaking

- Learn basic paddling strokes, how to get back in your boat from the water, trip planning, proper and necessary equipment, and important safety guidelines and procedures.
- 4 lectures, 1 pool session, 2 field trips



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THE MOUNTAINEER ANNALS

The Mountaineer Annual is a yearly snapshot into our explorations and achievements. Published from 1907 until 1994, we've compiled all of the issues to create a rich digital history. Choose an issue you'd like to read -OR- use the search box to find specific information like a relative, friend, event, activity, and more.



1900 1910 1920 1930

1907-1908	1910 (map)	1920 (map)	1930
1909 (map)	1911 (map)	1921	1931 (map)
	1912	1922	1932
	1913	1923	1933
	1914	1924	1934
	1915 (map)	1925	1935
	1916	1926	1936
	1917	1927	1937
	1918	1928	1938



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BLOG POSTS

Olympia Mountaineers Honor

Bottom Line: We'll get you outside to experience the world

