

#30 Jan 10, 2024 Greetings NW Region Walking Clubs,

A new year of walking has begun. Have you planned some walking trips to enjoy our region and other parts of the country? Volkssport can take you a lot of great places.

While you are walking around WA and OR be sure to join the ESVA Winter Walking Challenge Program. You need to be a member of a Washington Club to participate. Link here: <u>http://www.esva.online/wp-content/uploads/2023/10/2024-Winter-Walk-Contest-pdf.pdf</u>

Club Officers: Please familiarize yourselves with the my.ava.org website. Create your my.ava.org account and select your club and review some of the training and tutorials to help you with your responsibilities.

Tentatively the next AVA Board Meetings are Feb 13, May 14, September 17 and Nov 19th. These are teams video meetings and invites will be posted on the AVA Website prior to the meetings. Please join in to learn about what AVA is doing.

Club officers: Some clubs start their new officer terms commencing Jan 1. Secretaries need to update the officer listing as some communications are sent to all officers. Be sure that your incoming officers are familiar with the AVA Policies and know where to find information and also your club bylaws and Articles of Incorporation with your state. Trailmasters, also, need to familiarize themselves with the refreshed Trailmaster guide. <u>https://cb.ava.org/operations_policies.php</u>

The NW Regional Conference is coming up in September 19-22,2024 in Silverdale, WA. Please let me know what training your clubs may need so we can plan to have training available at that time.

The Future Event Calendar is filling up with many new areas to walk in. Be sure to get your club's future walks on the calendar even if you only have preliminary information available so you can reserve the date you need.

Upcoming Multi-Day Events that you will want to make lodging reservations for soon!

April 25-28, 2024,	Wild and Woodsy, Olympia, WA Hosted by Capitol Volkssport
May 11-13, 2024,	Winthrop Spring Walks, On-site walk registration May 11-13, 2024 (OSB May 5-20)
	Interlakentrailblazers.org (more info coming soon)
May 24-26, 2024,	Canadian Festival in Kingston, Ontario http://walks.ca/cvf-fcv-2022-festival/
Aug 2-4, 2024,	NW Hiking Weekend – Mt Baker, Glacier WA
	https://fourplushikers.weebly.com/nwhw-mt-baker-2024.html
Aug 23-25, 2024,	Wallace, ID Info coming soon https://lilaccityvolks.com/
Sept 19-22, 2024,	NW Regional Conference – Kitsap Peninsula, WA (8 Walks, Socials) Headquartered in
	Silverdale, WA Info coming soon
Oct 17-20, 2024,	CRVC/Rogue Valley Walkers Shady Cove Info coming soon

See you on the trail!

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