

# Mount Hood Chapter, PCTA Caretaker Meeting Agenda

July 11, 2018, 6:45

Location: Clackamas REI

## Pre-Meeting (6:30 pm)

- David Roe demo of prototype rapid refueling systems designed for Stihl chainsaws to prevent fuel geysering.

## Welcome

- **Absent** – Tammy (Skyline Crew), Lamar, Little Brown (Timothy Lake), Chris K (Arizona), Carole (San Diego), Becky (Marion County fair)
- **Announcements** – PCT hiker and writer Chuck 'Steel-Eye' Chelin dies at 76  
[https://www.oregonlive.com/clackamascounty/index.ssf/2018/07/pct\\_hiker\\_writer\\_steeleye\\_dies.html](https://www.oregonlive.com/clackamascounty/index.ssf/2018/07/pct_hiker_writer_steeleye_dies.html)

## Past Events (from the meeting)

- *Roberta* – Been on a few crews. The one I was true leader on was yesterday, we power brushed about a mile of Carole's section and half of my section.
- *Heyman* – Cleared 17 logs from Timberline to Ramona Falls with Ruth and crew
- *Brooke* – Scouted northern part, 6 trees
- *Max* – Dozen work parties, focus on Eagle Creek, almost to Fern Creek Bridge. 6 crews there so far. Ran up Teakettle. PCT now logged out from Wahtum to Columbia. Surprise VIP visitor: met Gov, then Sonny Perdue. Steve Q: One of my co-workers will be on your crew tomorrow!
- *Pace* – 2 crews on Muddy Fork, 3 crews Upper Muddy fork, benching and drains. One Eagle Creek crew with Susan, crew leader training. Dead standing tree fell, no wind. It was loud. Broke, we moved it. Had had lunch where it fell.
- *Ron* – scouted his section. First time in 19 years the sandy section is not gullied out. Snow did trail work for us. 17 trees this year. Going tomorrow to work. 30 foot long section to be moved.
- *Thomas* – Logged out Indian Heaven from Crest Camp to bridge at outlet of Junction Lake. 49 logs. Great weekend, lots of fun. Bugs terrible to only bad in spots depending on who was chiming in.
- *Terry* – On crews, worked with FS, with Justin and Ryan. Likes working with the FS.
- *Tami* – All projects lined up for Sedum Ridge North are done. Called to Jury Duty.
- *Rick* – Scouted N side Indian Heaven Wilderness. 4800 feet snow. 8 logs, going in this weekend to knock 'em out. 14" biggest.
- *Steve P* – Finished logout. 30 logs total across 8 miles. Lowest bug year too!
- *Ruth* – Learning note: make sure people have hard hats on their heads at the parking lot.
- *Leif* – 6 logs, pushed out. Heyman got recert on chain saw
- *Bob and Jane* – Gateway to Mt Adams is great. Scouted to Stagman. Only about 8 logs. Burn area many logs. Matchsticks starting to come down. It's been 5 or 6 years since the fire, and this was predicted.
- *Diane and Peter* – 3 trips Busdriver/NSM tread; 19th scouted – 11 logs; July 5 crew of 3 removed the remaining 5. Fully cleared. 6th Aug another NSM crew brushing north end.
- *Hilary* – Led NSM 3 Corner Rock section - about ½ mile meticulous tread work
- *David* – No field work all shop work
- *Tim* – led 3 on June 23 help Becky on her section. S Pinhead. Used David's directions. 4 miles north. 95 logs (beetle kill)

## Past Events (from online reports)

Crews and events since last caretaker meeting:

1. **Jun 14: GTRT: Multnomah Falls Return Trail #442 Gabions: Terry**  
Return Trail #442 between Multnomah Falls and Wahkeenah Falls.  
The PCTA trail crew worked with the USFS (Justin Olen, lead) to construct four gabions at the west end of trail #442 (Return Trail). From east to west the length of each gabion was approximately 12', 7', 15' and 7'. PCTA trail crew members built the 12' and 15' gabions. These four gabions replaced a broken-down rock wall that previously secured the existing tread. The rock wall collapsed in at least four areas following the 2017 Eagle Creek wildfire. All four

gabions were completed, except for the final gravel cover, which will be brought in by a future trail crew. We left the trail in a condition that was safe to walk on.

**2. Jun 14: Lolo Pass South Maintenance (NSM): Busdriver John, Peter**

Lolo Pass to 1.5 miles south.

Half the crew worked on improving/rebuilding 5 switchbacks by digging inside gutters to direct water off the end of the turnaround and reshaped the upper tread for approximately 30 feet for an inslope to the gutter. Installed rock on the divider to prevent hikers "shortcutting". The balance of the crew removed berm and duff from approximately 500 feet above the last switchback. Brushing was done for about 300 feet on the lower (first) section leading to the switchbacks. This was a NEW SEASONS MARKET crew from Scholls Ferry store.

**3. Jun 15: Hwy 26 to Rd 58 logout: Steve P**

*Report: Pending.*

**4. Jun 15: Upper Muddy Fork tread and drainage: Pace**

Timberline Trail 600 0.6 miles south of Top Spur to 1.6 miles south of Top Spur.

Dug out roots, cut back limbs and re-benched a brushy area of trail, cleaned out several inside drains and water crossings.

**5. Jun 15: Three Corner Rock Scout: Hillary**

Scouted Road 2000 to Road 2090 for work done on 6/28.

**6. Jun 16-17: GTRT: PCT Benson Logout and Tread: Max and Roberta**

Wahtum Lake to Herman Bridge trail junction.

Two day logout. Day one was all logout from approximately Chinidere mountain trail down to Benson Plateau. The group camped at Benson Camp overnight. A total of approximately 100 logs were removed over the course of the weekend. On the second day, the group split where one group continued logging out down to two miles from Herman Bridge trail. The second group focused on treadwork upon returning to Wahtum Lake. Approximately 750' of tread on the PCT was rehabilitated. 3 logs remain on PCT about three miles from Herman Bridge Trail. A few hundred feet of treadwork remain near the switchback on the PCT a few miles beyond Chinidere mountain trail.

**7. Jun 16: Lolo Pass North logout: Leif**

*Report: Pending.*

**8. Jun 16: Lower Rushing Water scout: Heyman**

*Report: Pending.*

**9. Jun 17: Indian Spring to Buck Peak scout: Leif**

*Report: Pending.*

**10. Jun 18: Crew Leader Training: Pace**

Training session for new crew leaders to discuss paperwork and processes included in Crew Leader notebook given to each of them.

**11. Jun 18: Timberline to Barlow Pass scout: Ron**

Timberline Lodge to Barlow Pass (Hwy 35).

Only snow was 4' over Salmon River at 5,800'. Trail tread was in best condition in 19 years with no gullies in the sandy areas. Plan a Work Party for July 12th to do the following: Cross-cut 3 10-19" logs in Wilderness and Chain-saw 17 logs; 10 3"-9", 6 10"-19" and 1 25". 3 people to cut trail back off the edge of the Salmon River where it keeps sliding (6 feet back for 30' and 3' down in sandy volcanic ash. Clear 75 drain-dips/water bars. Brush back 1,000' of short huckle berry and 50' of Mountain Ash. Limb 100' of Mountain Hemlock, Silver Fir and Vine Maple. Tread removal of berms 75'. Clean up 3 new root wads next to trail. Clean out 75 waterbars/drain dips. Replace 2 PCT logos at Timberline and 1 at Hwy 35. Should put a no bike sign at Hwy 35 looking north. R. L. Kohnstamm Wilderness sign is missing near Timberline Lodge starting down the trail, US Forest Service sign is still there.

**12. Jun 19: Upper Muddy Fork tread and drainage: Pace**

0.8 miles south of Top Spur to 1.1 miles south of Top Spur.

Re-benched 700 ft. of trail, removed several logs from near the edge of the tread that were blocking drainage, cleared berm and rebuild seven drains. Also cleared one new log from the trail that fell onto the trail while we were working nearby.

**13. Jun 19: Scouting Lolo Pass South: Peter and Diane**

Top Spur Trail to 1.6 miles north of Top Spur.

Scouting south half of our section of PCT (Lolo Pass South). Scouted from southern end starting at Top Spur Trail intersection, for 1.6 miles north to point we left off with work on our June 14th work party. Found 11 logs in 1.6 mile section, but were able to remove the smaller 6 of them with small pruning saw and hand moving. Also did limbing and

swamping on all others, and other small swamping work. This leaves 5 logs to be removed in our next scheduled logout crew trip. They are as follows (distances are north from top spur trail intersection): Logs 6 & 7: at 0.48 miles - Two 12" diameter fallen fir trees with limbs. 4 cuts required. Log 8: at 0.53 miles - 24" diameter dead tree on 15 degree slope, 36 inches off ground. 2 cuts required. Log 10: at 1.31 miles - 10" diameter fir tree down with lots of limbs. 2 cuts required. Log 11: at 1.64 miles - 14" diameter dead log on ground. 1 cut required.

**14. Jun 19: GTRT: Logout Herman Creek: Little Brown**

Herman Creek Trailhead at Cascade Locks south for 4.8 miles.

Part of the Herman Creek Trail is a PCT access trail. All of the work on this project was non-PCT access trail. Twenty four logs removed from trail. Nine logs were left in a 0.5 mile section approximately 3.5 miles from the trailhead. I estimate a crew of six could remove the remaining logs in one day. Two of the remaining logs in this section are at least B level complexity, and one should be removed with rigging as cutting it will require multiple cuts.

**15. Jun 20: Logout Big Huck: Little Brown**

Crest Camp at Road 60 south to Road 68.

Logout of Big Huckleberry section is complete. Thirty two logs removed from trail with chainsaw.

**16. Jun 20: Steamboat scout: Lamar**

*Report:* Pending.

**17. Jun 22-24: Indian Heaven Logout: Thomas and Roberta**

Crest Camp at Road 60 north to East Crater Trail #48 junction.

The PCT is clear from Crest Camp to Junction Lake. We removed 49 logs over three days. There are still patches of snow at most three feet deep around Blue Lake and Junction Lake. Based on what was there when I scouted three weeks ago, I expect the snow in this area will be mostly gone in the next week.

**18. Jun 22: Upper Muddy Fork: Pace**

0.9 miles south of Top Spur to 1.9 miles south of Top Spur.

Cleaned debris and muck from three areas with inside drains and opened up the drain crossings. Cleared several logs from the edge of the trail along with debris and berm that had built up blocking sheet flow. Trimmed brush and re-benched a short section. Filled in two areas of tread with buckets of soil, where an earlier crew had dug out rotten wood buried in the trail. We had one late cancel and one no-show.

**19. Jun 22: Gateway to Adams Mile: Jane**

*Report:* Crews 1 & 2 logged 49+ logs Crews 3 & 4 did general trail maintenance, cleaned and reconfigured 40 drain dips, 250 ft benching, brushed and cleared trail to PCT standards Snow patches from spring area to Horseshoe Meadows. N to S through hikers getting through increased numbers falling Trees damaged in 2012 fire have fallen at a rapid rate since June 10 scouting.

**20. Jun 22-24: Olallie Lake: Jerry**

Jude Lake to Breitenbush Lake.

See Jun 22-25 Triangle Lake report.

**21. Jun 22-24: Triangle Lake: Becky**

*Report:* Pending website report.

Joe Graham to Jude Lake.

We finished the logout. PCT is now clear from Joe Graham to Breitenbush. Except for some drifts of snow 3 miles N. of Breitenbush. Had a good week-end. 3 sawyers and a few others. Small crews, but we were lucky and not a lot down. Jerry's section from Jude to Breitenbush had 79 logs. And Jude north to Pinhead saddle had 177 logs. Tim and the Jones brothers came in on David's cross country route at the S. Pinhead and worked toward the Triangle crew, so that got done on Sat. It was a great week-end. Great campfire, great food (thanks PCTA) and great volunteers. And the USFS came through with water for the horses on Friday. Triangle HC was in pretty good shape. The resort had done some work with tables and rings. We replaced 3 rails in 3 corrals while we were there. They are looking good too. We did not do any feeder trails this year as the OTT group is coming in next month to do Lodgepole and Red Lake trails. I met their organizer.

**22. Jun 23: Mt Adams North Scouting: Brooke**

Rd 5603 to Highline Trail Junction (6.5 miles).

6 trees ranging from 6 -18 inches. Rd 5603 - Lava Springs: Some gullied trail and erosion below log checksteps. Minor drain dip cleaning required. 6" tree. Lava Springs - Muddy Fork creek: Some gullied trail Muddy Fork creek - Muddy Meadows Tr Jct: Some gullied trail, 4 trees down, could use some drain dips, 50 ft brushing needed near turnpike. Turnpike in great shape. Muddy Meadows Tr Jct - Highline Tr Jct: Trail rehabilitated last year by forest service. Some horse damage on outside edge of trail due to sloughing on trail hinge. 10" tree down.

**23. Jun 23: Scout Timberline North: Ruth**

Timberline Lodge to about 5 miles up trail, past the junction of trail 778 and the PCT about a mile.  
Starting at Timberline lodge: Right before the trail goes down to little Zig Zag Canyon is narrow at the top. Large animal hole in the trail right before the spring In the Zig Zag Canyon: switchback #1 has a log in the trail that fell from above. 8" Log laying in the trail Past the doggie drop off: muddy, rocky area about 100' log in the trail (could be pushed) Mudslide 25 feet almost blocking trail but hikers can pass The famous rebar is still in the trail and marked with flagging tape Last switchback on the east side of the ZZ Canyon: needs brushing. Trail narrow and muddy There is a well defined campsite on the east side of the Zig Zag River. Zig Zag River was a rock hop. The trail leaving the creek is very steep. A scramble for people and not at all for horses Approaching the PCT and Paradise Park trail junction (the easterly one) there is a tree across the trail that is about 10' up. The tree is splintered but still attached at it's base. 100 feet later there is a root wad and it's 26" tree across the trail 50 feet later are the three large trees laying in the trail that the USFS is well aware of. Pieces have been cut out of some logs to make easy passage by going under and over. Still a rouge trail has been created to go around. The tree that has a nice "no fires beyond this point" is leaning on another tree. If you go 175 feet, you are at the junction with the PCT and Paradise Park Loop. Less than 1/4 mile later, there is a 26" log down across the trail Shortly there after, a 26" log laying in the trail with a large root wad. There is another very similar tree laying next to it, both about 50 feet long. One is kind of uphill on the trail. Then you hit trail 778 and the PCT Shortly there after there is a 20" rotten log across the trail I hiked about 5 miles from the lodge and turned around. There was snow on 10% of the trail and few hikers out.

**24. Jun 23: Scout Indian Heaven North: Rick**

*Report: Pending.*

**25. Jun 23: South Pinhead Butte Logout: Tim**

*Report: Pending.*

**26. Jun 24: Sedum Ridge North tread: Tami**

*Report: Pending.*

**27. Jun 26: GTRT: Lower Eagle Creek: Max and Roberta**

Lower Eagle Creek, 0.5 mile from trailhead to 1 mile from trailhead.

This was the first work party on Eagle Creek trail. We had with us 5 volunteers from the Friends of the Gorge who focused on pulling invasive weeds. The remaining 6 people focused on tread reconstruction and rockfall removal from the trail.

**28. Jun 27: GTRT: Eagle Creek crew #2: Pace and Susan**

Eagle Creek trailhead to 0.7 from trailhead (near start of first cable).

We cleared rock and debris from the trail, including digging out several slides that had buried the tread. Also trimmed brush and cleared berm.

**29. Jun 28: GTRT: Lower Eagle Creek: Max and Terry**

Lower Eagle Creek, 0.75 mile from trailhead to 1.5 miles from trailhead.

Continued clearing rockfall, some of which were quite large at this time. One such mound of dirt removed from the trail was at least chest-high. Other general tread reconstruction and maintenance associated with post-burn work.

**30. Jun 28: NSM: Hilary and Noelle**

Road 2000 to Road 2090.

Did meticulous tread, brushing and drainage work on 1/2 mile of trail extending north from road 2090. Disturbed bees nest, 80% of volunteers escaped angry bees unscathed. Cleared Drainage from 6 drain dips going south from Road 2000.

**31. Jun 29-30: Wahtum Lake: Busdriver**

Wahtum Lake to Chinidere cutoff, including scouting to Chinidere summit.

Removed 13 logs ranging from 10 to 20 inches. Did not enter the closed area of the Upper Eagle creek trail. There remain 3 good sized logs on the Chinidere Mountain section: expect 2 hour actual work; time to work location bout 1 hour from "stairs" (2 miles).

**32. Jun 30 – Jul 1: GTRT: Upper Herman Creek Logout – Roberta and Little Brown**

Herman Creek Trail at Anthill Trail Junction to Cedar Camp.

32 logs removed between Anthill Trail junction and Cedar Swamp Camp, cross cut logout. All the big logs were between Noble Camp and Cedar Swamp Camp. We camped overnight at Noble Camp. Lovely spot. Many first-time volunteers with cross cut saws. A 42" log on top of a turnpike – first rigging of the weekend A 30" log suspended on its stump – used the mini-underbucker! A 34" broken, solid log that was a big mess A 34" broken rotten log that we cleared with one cut, rigging, and brute force A 52" monster cedar, very rotten at one end, less at the other (Cedar Coffee Bar). The cut chunk was rigged off Plus 7 smaller logs in the area between Noble and Cedar Swamp Plus ~20 logs as we returned between Noble and Anthill Trail There are 6 logs remaining on Herman Creek Trail between the

"Chinidere Garage Road" and Anthill, all much closer to top, and 5 of them are medium size, one very small. All stepover. Anthill to Cedar Swamp is clear of logs. Sawyers: Bill, Omar, Roberta Rigger: Bill

**33. Jun 30: Scouting - Indian Springs-Buck Peak: Leif**

*Report: Pending*

**34. Jul 1: Lower Paradise Park Trail Logout: Chris K (Ruth, Heyman, Kim, Pam)**

Paradise Park Trail trailhead to 4.5 miles (edge of the blown down section).

Removed 15 8-15" logs from the lower 4.5 miles of the trail. Performed several thousand feet of brushing and got most of the trail corridor up to spec. Cleaned 6 heavily clogged drain dips. There is damage to the upper bridge that will need to be addressed in the next few years but it is usable for now. We also re-scouted the large blown down section from the 2016 storm. It appears that some logs have settled and broken under the winter snows but it is still a formidable project.

**35. Jul 3: GTRT: Lower Eagle Creek: Max and Roberta**

Lower Eagle Creek, 1.5 miles from trailhead to 2.5 miles from trailhead.

Continued working on rockfall, removing debris and improving fire-damaged trail cause by the Eagle Creek fire last year. The group made it up to Punchbowl.

**36. Jul 3: Upper Muddy Fork treadwork: Pace**

Top Spur to 3.6 miles south of Top Spur on Upper Muddy Fork section of Timberline Trail.

Cleaned five inside drains between Bald Mtn. and the Muddy Fork river crossing. Improved the route thru a dry river channel between the north and south branches of the Muddy Fork River, by moving several large boulders blocking the trail and opened up the path for hikers to follow. Cleared two logs, one blocking access to one of the campsites near the river crossing and one across the trail 0.7 miles south of the river. 0.8 miles south of the river crossing we cleared several large boulders that were blocking the trail. This area is below an eroding cliff, high above the trail, that each year dislodges rocks and boulders. This required moving boulders that have built along the trail over several years, blocking boulders in the tread from being moved. There are more boulders to be cleared, we plan on working there with another crew next week.

**37. Jul 4: Scout Indian Heaven North: Rick**

Pending website report.

Eight logs with nothing over 14 inches in diameter. Lots of beautiful avalanche lilies and not-so-beautiful hungry mosquitoes. Still some occasional snow drifts of three to four feet on the ridge around 4800 feet. I have a work party of four people this weekend (July 13-14) and will clean it up.

**38. Jul 5: Logout Lolo Pass - South: Peter and Diane**

Lolo Pass to Top Spur trail junction.

Total of 11 Logs were down on this 2.8 mile section of trail. 6 smaller ones were moved by hand during scouting a week earlier. The remaining 5 larger logs were removed with crosscut saw during this logout on July 5, 2018.

**39. Jul 5: GTRT: Eagle Creek: Max & Pace**

Lower Eagle Creek, 1.5 - 2 miles from trailhead to Fern Creek bridge.

Continued working on rockfall and debris removal. We also installed a stone retaining structure. There are two very large rock slides left that will take at least one full day a piece, if not two. Some continued widening of the tread could be accomplished in spots.

**40. Jul 6: Chainsaw Practicum: Underbucker**

Training off-trail in Clackamas River RD, Mt. Hood National Forest

Felling workshop to maintain proficiency of PCTA C Sawyer Evaluators. Felling green trees (fir, hemlock) between 25" and 32" DBH under tutelage of R6 Saw Program Manager, Aaron Pedersen. Emphasis on open face cuts and boring back cuts.

**41. Jul 6-12: Skyline Vol. Vacation – Mount Hood South**

*Report: N/A*

**42. Jul 7-14: Skyline Vol. Vacation – Minto Pass #2**

*Report: N/A*

**43. Jul 7-8: Timberline to Ramona Logout: Ruth**

Timberline Lodge to Ramona Falls Trailhead.

We took 17 logs off the trail, started to clean up a 10 foot mudslide on the east side of the Zig Zag canyon, Reestablished 500 feet of tread in the Rushing River Canyon, cleaned a dozen drains. We scouted Paradise Park loop starting at the western end and hiked to the Rushing River up there. There were no logs down. There are some

big logs still down near the intersection of the PCT and the eastern most Paradise Park loop trail. They require some rigging and more time than we had.

#### **44. Jul 10: GTRT Logout - Teakettle Switchbacks: Kelley**

*Report:* Teakettle switchbacks section of the PCT, approximately 2 miles south of the Herman Bridge trail junction. Three volunteers and Max M. logged out a hard-to-reach section of the PCT. Omar Sankari was our main sawyer for the day. 3 logs of between 18 and 24 inches in diameter were all cut twice and removed from the trail. Hikes in and out took nearly 2 hours each.

#### **45. Jul 10: GTRT: Power Brushing PCT Oregon Side: Roberta and Carole**

*Report:* Moody Street trailhead to 3 miles south on PCT.  
Power brushing. 3 brushers used. We left the start of the 400 trail untouched to discourage visitors.

#### **46. Jul 10: Upper Muddy Fork: Pace**

*Report:* 3.5 miles south of Top Spur trail to 3.6 miles south of Top Spur trail.  
Continued work started on the July 3 crew, clearing boulders from the trail and the side of the trail. Made great progress, there are still several large boulders remaining, but the path for hikers is much more open.

## **Future Events**

**Next meeting:** August 8, 6:45, Clackamas REI

## **Reports**

### **Columbia Cascades Regional Rep (Dana)**

- Lots of people contacting me – Film company wants a 15 minute segment for History or Discovery Channel. Wants us to stage a work party. Locations mentioned. Brightenbush, Lolo Pass North. Need close in, scenic, out of Wilderness (easier permitting). Models mentioned: Leif, Frank, Lamar, others
- Another request: Ryan O. WTA, and Justin USFS: Rock work at Portage Trail at BZ Corner. Aug 6-17, can commit to just a few days. Looking for 6 people. Contact Ryan.
- LNT and campsites – need evaluators with an app to collect data. Looking specifically at sites listed in Halfmile and GutHook.
- Skyline crew is on Steve Plant's section now. Then moving to Tim's section near Warm Springs River – still room; could do just part if needed
- Request from FYS: 14-17 y/o looking for work near Stevenson. Maybe Indian Heaven, Panther Creek section
- Volunteer working out of Bend is routing trail junction signs. Last chance to order signs.

### **North Cascades Regional Rep (Michael)**

#### **Chair (Roberta)**

- From Steve: It hit me today. We're getting really close to our 25-year anniversary. I dug into our [archives](#) and realized that 1994 was our chapter's first full trail season (amusing when compared to today 😊), but the chapter was actually established in November, 1993. The timing with the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary is remarkable; I apparently forgot that the we were celebrating the PCT's 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary when I started the chapter.
- PCT opened the day after our last caretaker meeting! Congrats everyone for the hard work on opening these trails.
- Please send photos to Vanessa for posting on Facebook!
- We seem to be losing gear after many crews. Straps, first aid kits, the underbucker, wedges, parking passes – small stuff mostly. Please try your best to get all the tools and gear back and out of people's backpacks before everyone leaves the trailhead.
- A reminder that you need to recruit your own sawyers BEFORE you send a note to Rosemary to recruit for the crew, and you need to send Rosemary the information at least 2 days before the 1<sup>st</sup> and the 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Gorge crews are recruited through Max, and so far, he's sending ad-hoc emails.
- 2 MHC incidents to discuss
  - Importance of the TCP/EAP
  - So many things could have gone wrong but did not.
  - We will update the EAP

### **Gorge Trails Recovery Team (Max)**

- Big focus on Eagle Creek Trail, up close to Fern Creek Bridge. Massive rock slides being worked. Will start from Wahtum. Getting media calls about Eagle Creek. Don't think it's been scouted below Indian Springs trail.
- Still looking for a lot of crew leaders July and August. Even one day this month or next please.

### Partnership Crews (Roberta)

- Still need an assistant for Pace on July 17
- 4 crews left this season, all with New Seasons Markets. Dates and crew leaders set.
- 2 new orgs contacted us for a partnership crew but they were both large crews, so no further interaction
- Forest Youth Success will be managed by Michael and/or Dana as has been done in past years.
- New Seasons Markets – Liz Potter
  - May: Tues May 15 – DONE with Frank Jahn and Susan and Roberta, Washington side of the Gorge (Bonnevill TH). Turnpike completion.
  - June: University Park, June 28 – DONE with Hilary and Noelle. 3 Corner Rock area
  - June: Progress Ridge, June 14 – DONE with Busdriver John and Peter Hoffman. Location at Lolo Pass working southbound.
  - July: Tues July 17 with Robert Caldwell with assistant, Top Spur or Bald Mountain area. Tread work. Moderate hike, probably up to 7 miles round trip, spectacular views but with steep drop-offs.
  - Aug: Mon Aug 6 with Peter Hoffman and Roberta Cobb, Lolo Pass South, tread work. Moderate hike, perhaps up to 4 miles round trip. May start at Top Spur or Lolo Pass depending on what work needs to be done.
  - Sep: Sat Sept 15 with Ruth Weston and assistant TBD near Timberline. Tread work, moderate hiking, probably up to 6 miles. Good views. More details once we can see the ground.
  - Oct: Mon Oct 1 with Roberta and assistant TBD, location to be the Gillette Lake area where we were going to work but did the turnpike instead.
- PDX Metro Pack Walks - George Purvis [george@georgenpurvis.com](mailto:george@georgenpurvis.com)
  - May 6 with Frank – they cancelled and want to reschedule for easier work day
- Danner Boots – Marina Baker <[mbaker@lacrossefootwear.com](mailto:mbaker@lacrossefootwear.com)>
  - Tues May 29 – DONE with Kelley Davis and Bill Canavan
  - Sat June 9 - CANCELLED with Robert Caldwell and Chris Keil. Only one person signed up. Redirected to the Wahtum Lake work party scheduled same day.
- Duluth Trading Company, Bill Coddingham
  - 4/17/18 – sent two people along with regular GTRT crew, Frank led
  - 4/25/18 – they cancelled. We converted it to a regular volunteer crew

### Volunteer Coordinator (Rosemary)

- Everything going OK. One crew out tomorrow, one out the 18<sup>th</sup>. Please send me information.
- Sent out a reminder last week for one crew and everyone dropped out.

### Trail Skills College (Tammy)

- No report.

### Outreach and Events (Tammy)

- John Vhay is doing the Leatherman event on Thursday, July 12.
- I will be sending out an e-mail about PCT Days when I'm back. Have a schedule from Sacramento staff that will be there. Also Saw Demo is going to happen so will need a few sawyers on that Saturday.
- Annual picnic questions? Send them to me!
  - Annual picnic will be at Eagle Creek Overlook on Oct 6

### Training and Safety (Dana)

- Don't take lunch under a dead snag; take your CA-1

### Saw Program (Leif)

- National Saw Card Database not running; won't get done this season.
- Conference planned for November.

- Saw training with Aaron.
- Training material is being slowed down due to retirements and fires.

### Tools (Leif)

- Flag tools that need repair, take them out of service.
- Radios: Dana to see if we can get some FS radios with the grant; we can move some radios and FAK from Southern Cache.
- In Reach in consideration. Terry: SAR very rarely use them. Fine motor skills in an emergency are difficult. HAM radios are one thing they use.
- Maybe small group to look at various options.
- In Reach is inconvenient for discussion within the crew like we use Work channel for.
- Steve: had experience with a message he sent via In Reach; took hours to be delivered.

### Budget (Little Brown)

#### Crew Leader Development (Pace and Little Brown)

- Training in June with paperwork.

### Stats (Pace)

Mount Hood Chapter Stats - June 2018						
	June 2018	June 2017	June 2016	YTD June 2018	YTD June 2017	YTD June 2016
Total Volunteer Hours	3,013	1,707	2,388	16,303	9,469	11,274
Specialized hours	451	240	487	186	1,219	1,806
Number of Trail Crews	24	17	25	89	49	74
Miles Logged out	48	31	52	99	72	142
Miles Maintained	20	5	12	70	32	34
Feet of Rehab/Recon	10,650	530	3,932	39,704	3,097	13,574
Volunteer hours by Category						
Trail Maint - crews & scouting	2,644	1,388	2,096	9,059	4,110	5,529
Trail Maint - support	291	260	246	1,940	1,822	2,209
Trail Skills Training	42	0	0	5,114	3,381	3,459
Outreach Events	36	59	46	191	156	77
	3,013	1,707	2,388	16,303	9,469	11,274
Preliminary Summary Report	1,635			14,925		
Additional June Reports	1,378			1,378		
Adjusted Totals	3,013			16,303		

#### Missing reports:

- 3/10 Intro to Trail Logout, David
- 4/14 Gorton Log out Rnd 3, David
- 4/20 Gorton Logout Rnd 4, David
- 5/12, Scouting Road 58 to Little Crater Lake, Steve P
- 5/26, Logout Road 58 to Little Crater Lake, Steve P
- 6/3, Scout Indian Heaven Wilderness South: Thomas
- 6/7, Panther Creek Logout: Luna and Little Brown
- 6/7, Eagle Creek Scout: Max, Dana, Kelley



- 6/10, Logout Frog Lake to Rd 58: Steve P
- 6/15, Hwy 26 to Rd 58 logout: Steve P
- 6/16, Lolo Pass North logout: Leif
- 6/16, Lower Rushing Water scout: Heyman
- 6/17, Indian Spring to Buck Peak scout: Leif
- 6/20, Steamboat scout: Lamar
- 6/22, Olallie Lake: Jerry
- 6/22, Triangle Lake Trail Work - Becky
- 6/23, Scout Indian Heaven North: Rick
- 6/23, South Pinhead Butte Logout: Tim
- 6/24, Tread Sedum Ridge North: Tami
- 6/30, Scouting - Indian Springs-Buck Peak: Leif

## Discussion Items

- New approach to reporting admin hours to PCTA.
  - They aren't going to chapter chair and Pace
  - Lots of confusion about reporting
- Jane's report isn't listed, need to find out where it is. Roberta
- Leadership meeting Q&A
  - Chain of Command
  - Any feedback from Leadership team to general caretakers?

## Announcements/Reminders

- If you are logging onto the PCTA website to enter a Project Report for your activities on GTRT projects, select the "[Report on or view existing Projects](#)" before you pick "Create a new project". Scroll down the listing by date to find if your project is already listed, then select [submit report](#) under [Choose Action](#).
- **7 Vacancies:** 1) Three Corner Rock North (fostered by Tami); 2) Table Mountain (will be vacant end of field season); 3) Pinhead Buttes; 4) Lower Eagle Creek; 5) Middle Eagle Creek; 6) Upper Eagle Creek; 7) Indian Springs Trail 435
- **2 Reservations:** 1) Steamboat Lake (reserved for Lamar Fontaine); 2) Indian Heaven South (reserved for Thomas Calvary)
- **Columbia Dispatch:** Dispatch 7 days a week, 7:30 am to 6:00 pm. Remember to submit a TCP to your agency partner, your dispatcher or alternate dispatcher, Dana, and Roberta.

## Round the Room

- *Michael* – Weekend work. Looking for it
- *Tim* – BCHO Hot Shot Team working on Paradise Park Trail now. I'm working on it this weekend.
- *Underbucker* – Worst year in last 10 for yellowjackets. Talk about it at safety talk. Consider bringing wasp spray. Safety glasses – We really need to get the side shields. Need the safety glasses on top.
- *Hilary* – Disturbed bees' nest at our crew.
- *Peter* – Aug 6 New Seasons crew.
- *Leif* – IPFL II soon. May go to III. Postpone lunch so you can get a little more work done then hike out checking your work.
- *Ruth* – Chris K and I have been talking about Paradise Pileup. Jerry providing pack support. Wilderness stewards want to participate as well. Will probably fill without Eventbrite
- *Rick* – Just back from Omaha. Oregon State won baseball championship.
- *Tami* – Yellowjackets: if stung on hands, remove any rings from their fingers ASAP.
- *Thomas* – Fixed broken Katanaboy
- *Ron* – Multnomah Falls Parking lot is full. People can't find the shuttle. Shuttle drivers from Rooster Rock don't tell them anything so they are surprised when they find they can't hike up beyond the bridge.
- *Pace* – Overeager volunteers – incident where volunteer bent a spring on the rigging gear. Be careful especially with technical gear. Rigging gear can be just as technical as the saws.
- *Dana* – Thanks for being nice to Max.
- *Max* – Thanks for all the work and everything.
- *Rosemary* – Summited St Helens and Indian Point. Backpacking with 12-year-old niece.
- *Heyman* – ODOT has a scholarship, daughter was awarded it.

- *Roberta* – Riding Cycle Oregon weekender with Ruth, who will always be ahead of me.
- *SteveQ* – Vanessa I will be going to National Institute of Health where Vanessa will be a research subject for a week. I got a new car!