



REGIONAL AVA NEWS AND INFORMATION

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Greetings NW Region Walking Club

Hope everyone is enjoying fall walking!

Action for Clubs: Be sure to get your AVA and IRS Reports completed and sent to AVA before November 15. If your club is not on the list, you are complete on all items. Everything in yellow needs completion. For some clubs this may be just updating your member number or your club officers. Completed reports may be e-mailed to marian@ava.org. Closing clubs will need to compete now and submit another report after the end of 2024.

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Current year... not late until Nov 15th, 2024

Date is latest recorded submission date.

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	Officers verified	Form 990 seen	Financial report		Officers verified	Form 990 seen	Financial report
<input type="button" value="SEL"/> AAA-OR - Oregon Trail State Volkssport Assn.	Jul 16th, 2023	Nov 13th, 2023	Nov 14th, 2023	<input type="button" value="SEL"/> AVA-0499 - Corvallis Cruisers	Nov 14th, 2023	Oct 28th, 2024	Oct 28th, 2024
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<input type="button" value="SEL"/> AVA-0474 - Albany Fitwalkers	Nov 14th, 2023	Mar 18th, 2024	Mar 18th, 2024	<input type="button" value="SEL"/> AVA-0754 - Over-The-Hill-Gang Volkssport Club	Nov 14th, 2023	Nov 14th, 2023	Nov 9th, 2023
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We have 2 clubs closing, Rouge Valley Walkers in Oregon and Over-the-Hill Gang of Washington. All walks have been transferred to other clubs and a few have been given a rest but will probably return sometime in the future. Some clubs have given a rest to some YR's or have combined them with other walks. There will be about 20 new YRE's or walks coming back after a rest time. Watch the NW Pathfinder and AVA Sanctions for 2025 to see what is available next year. Many PSB's will be closed next year but remain in the OSB. Plan ahead for your walks and contact the POC's of the walks if you would like to walk them and are not in the OSB to see if they can accommodate you and your group. Watch meetup groups and club websites to see when they may be available for a group walk.

In our NW Region, Ed Hainline (NW-D-RD) and myself (NW RD) have served our 2 terms. The nominating committee to secure volunteers for this position is: Mike Nagan (Chair), Joe Blazek and Ed Hainline. Please contact one of them to express your interest. Volunteers keep things going! Contact Ed or myself to learn more about what we do. The new term will start on May 2, 2025, when the new board is in place.

I have attached the latest walker numbers from our region for the year including the 3rd quarter. The trend is down even though we had several well attended multi-day events.

Thank you to the clubs who volunteered for the pilot program for stickers vs. stamps for 2025. I will be finding out soon when we can begin to print stamps. I suspect it would be around the 1st of December.

The next AVA Board Meeting is November 12th. Information will be available in the next checkpoint and the AVA website for you to view the on-line meeting if you wish.

The AVA 2025 Convention will be April 29, 2025-May 2, 2025. <https://ava.org/2025-convention/>
Hotel selection is now available at the above web link.

The pre-convention and post-convention walks will be Saturday April 26-28 and post walks on May 3-4. The pre and post walks will be available in the OSB.

Hope all clubs are planning to have a representative there for the meetings. I don't know if voting can take place remotely if we have representatives who cannot travel at that time.

Please bookmark the link to AVA Policies and forms as things have moved around on the web since the legacy system was removed. There is a nice index here for detail searching. Please take some time to familiarize yourself with what is available.

Policy: https://cb.ava.org/operations_policies.php

All AVA Documents are available here: <https://ava.org/club-policies/>

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.

See you on the trail!

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