

NW REGIONAL AVA NEWS AND INFORMATION

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Greetings NW Region Walking Clubs,

Hope many of you are enjoying your winter walking. Longer days soon ahead!

Due to a steep decline in Traditional Event participation many clubs now schedule TGW (Traveling Guided Walks) some new and some older walks.

A good way to find all walks in the category of Traditional Walk Events is to save this link. (automatically updates when you hit the update button) <https://my.ava.org/regional-te-list.php?time=year&rsel=NW>

If you are a webmaster, you may want to add to your website.

If you are a member of a club in WA or OR, you may want to participate in the ESVA or OTSVA Winter Walking contest. I have attached the link here: <https://www.otsva.org/challenges.html>
March has 31 days so you have lots of opportunity!

Our last AVA Board meeting was February 18th. I have attached the CEO Report, Preliminary year-end financials and IT Report (IT is all volunteer) to this newsletter.

Action for Clubs:

- Your club presidents should have all received your delegate for convention forms. If your club does not have someone from your club going to the convention, please let me know and I will find someone to carry your club proxy. I cannot carry a proxy as I am a Board Member. If your club did not receive a form also let me know.
- There are several multi-day events you may be interested in. You might consider getting reservations early for some of these destinations.
- **Please review the bylaw updates with your club so your delegate knows how to vote at convention.**

What's new: For new officers your clubs may have please have them review the AVA Policies and become familiar with where things are located as you need to get information for yourself or to share with your club. 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. Please note that walks that do not have the sanction number are in the planning stage only. 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.

Multi-day events are noted in the future event list.

See you on the trail!

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