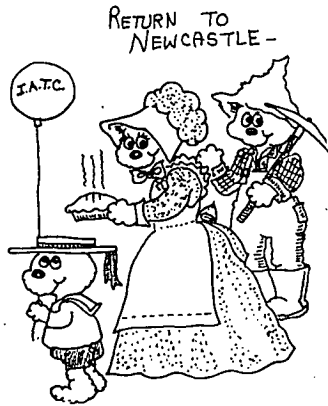


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at Cougar Mt. Regional wildland park - coal creek townsitc.

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ISSAQUAH ALPS TRAILS CLUB  
Organized 1979

## *The President's (31st) Report*

March 1, 1987

With all due modesty, we've got to admit our bunch stumbled on a pretty darn good idea in the spring of 1979: Build a trails constituency by popularizing existing trails and constructing new ones; cut brush, hang ribbons, install signs, invite the public on hikes, and publish guidebooks. The theory was that when the constituency grew large enough it would be noticed by government and given status. The theory has worked beyond our craziest dreams. Who ever would have thought, in 1979, that the Tiger Mountain Trail would be used by an estimated 10,000 people a year? That on a Labor Day weekend more boots would trample West Tiger than Big Si?

Success must not cause us to relax. The kickoff-returner who starts at his own goal line is pretty elated by the time he's done 95 yards. Pretty pooped, too. But unless he does those last 5 yards, he gets no banana.



1987 IS THE YEAR OF THE TRAILS!!!!



We thought we'd have more time to stake out our greenbelts and wildlife travel corridors, but sooner than we ever thought possible the Issaquah Alps are going to be "built out." The trails we get in the next couple years are going to be all the trails we'll ever have. All the dipper creeks. All the hawks' nests. All the bear orchards.

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*EVERYONE COME !!*

# Return · To · newcastle V

JUNE 7, 1987

After four smashing successes, need we do more than remind you of the date?

Sunday, June 7, 1987    10 am - 5 pm

Rendezvous with Newcastle's history and celebrate King County's largest park, the Cougar Mountain Regional Wildland Park.

**FOOD** · Assemble at the History Tent at 1:30 for Special Historical Announcements by Public Figures who will be invited to address us and share their wisdom, and our enthusiasm.

**HIKES** · Enjoy guided tours, both history walks and nature walks.


**WALKS** · Visit the Big Top tent, featuring Pioneers of the Underground, ole time fiddlers, artifacts and broken-down mountaineers -- and, or course, the great display of historical photos and maps.

**TALKS** · Dip into the good eats.

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Co-sponsored by  
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 Special notes for Old (and New) Faithfuls:

We'd appreciate a dozen Stalwarts to join us Saturday morning to help erect the Big Top. Call or just show up at the Site on Saturday morning. (We'd also appreciate a dozen Stalwarts to hang around Sunday afternoon and help take down the Big Top.)

We of course want a gang of you-all Experienced Native Guides to attend and lead short walks or long hikes, or simply loiter around to act as hosts and help out as needed.

 PS - Don't forget to bring goodies to the BAKE SALE BOOTH!

THE GOOD OLD DAYS · THE DAYS TO COME ·

GRAND TOURS · VISITING AROUND ·

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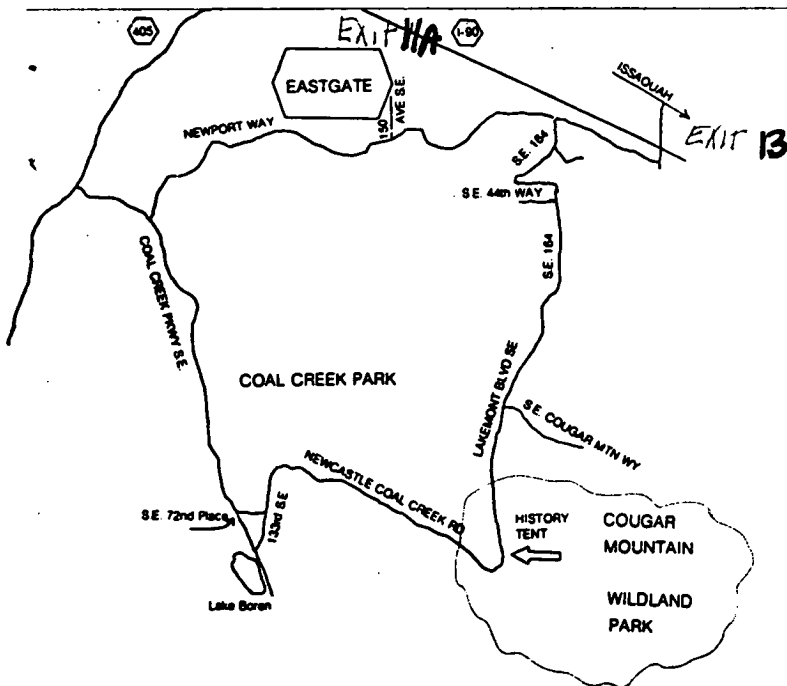
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### I WILL HELP:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Help make and put up signs    | <input type="checkbox"/> Coordinate as needed    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lead hikes                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Contribute to Bake Sale |

Mail to: Betty Manning  
P.O. Box 684  
Issaquah, WA 98027





### THEREFORE:

Each month of 1987 (except perhaps in summer) we're going to have an Army Day. Our Chief Ranger, Bill Longwell, will bring out the impressive array of tools now in his arsenal. Our Dan'l Boones will flag/stake routes for the assault parties. Our club Red Cross chapter will serve doughnuts and coffee.

Already in 1987 we've had three Trail-Making Days. The ancient game trails have been brushed out on Protector Ridge, Bear Ridge, West Tibbetts Creek, and in the Newcastle Queen vicinity. They have made the east slope of Cougar Mountain among our richest hiking areas.

### WHAT LIES AHEAD?

For details of the April-May-June schedule, see page **7-8**.

To spotlight some events:



#### Betty's Trail

We call it that because Betty Culbert has spent dozens of days exploring the route, holding discussions with our legal counsel, Tom Lucas, and with the developer who has dedicated the corridor to the City of Bellevue and with Bellevue Parks & Recreation.

Our special excitement in this trail is the precedent: it connects to the City of Bellevue trail system being built from Somerset to Hilltop, potentially connects to the Metro 210 line in Eastgate, and marks the start of what we foresee as a long and happy cooperative relationship with Bellevue Parks & Recreation, whose jurisdiction ultimately will extend along much of the north slope of Cougar one mile to Peggy's Trail, the Bear Orchard, the Precipice Trail, and other greenbelts to be dedicated by developers.

#### Far Country Creek Trail

Our long-time trails from May Creek either have been or will be closed off by home-building. They no longer will provide south entries to the Cougar trail system. Working with the developers, King County Planning, and King County Parks & Recreation, we have obtained a trail corridor starting in the vicinity of Licorice Fern Wall. But there is no trail in the corridor. When King County engineers, working with our Dan'l Boones and Chief Ranger, have staked a trail route, we'll build it. (The project may be started before you read this.)

#### China Creek Trail

Again thanks to a King County/developer accord, we have a trail corridor eastward along China Creek to the Regional Wildland Park. However, none of our existing trails do more than touch the corridor. A China Creek Trail, in the dedicated corridor, will be high priority come fall.



### Squak Mountain

The coming together of State Parks, Issaquah Parks & Recreation, and a developer seem about to give us what we had almost despaired of -- a trail from downtown Issaquah up Cabin Creek to the Squak Mountain State Park.



### Tiger Mountain

The "greatest near-city wildland trail in America" requires not only regular Adopt-A-Trail maintenance but on-going upgrading. There will be Longwell Armies on the Tiger Mountain Trail (TMT) evermore.

Recreational Equipment Inc. is sponsoring a work party this spring (?) on the Tiger Mountain Caves Trail, one of the most popular in the Alps -- and one of the hardest to find.

Our Chief Ranger has undertaken to do improvements on the Big Tree Trail and Tradition Lake Trail that will help Issaquah Parks & Recreation and the state Department of Natural Resources maximize easy recreational use of the de facto regional park under their joint jurisdiction.



### To Snoqualmie Falls

The decision rests with the King County Executive and Council.



### Lake Sammamish State Park

State Parks is discussing with Issaquah Parks & Recreation the hooking-up of the park and the city and the building of an around-the-park trail that would respect the wildlife habitats while permitting respectful feet to get around the park with less squish.



### ISSAQUAH: THE TRAILHEAD CITY

We are pleased to report that Issaquah Parks & Recreation has in mind a city trail system to hook up in every direction with DNR, State Parks, King County, and City of Bellevue trail systems, and that it is seeking \$6,000 from the Issaquah City Council to prepare a plan; and that Mayor A. J. Culver supports the plan; and that Council President Don Raybuck is enthusiastic; and that the Issaquah Chamber of Commerce and the Issaquah Press are strong backers.

An immediate benefit is the prospect of close agreement on the trails of the east and north sides of Cougar Mountain -- the access trails to the Regional Park.

Another is the push for a city trail from Sunset and Front down Issaquah Creek to Cabin Creek, meeting either a State Parks easement or the State Park itself: "Wilderness on the Metro 210."

Another is the growing sense that Issaquah Parks & Recreation, if given an enlarged Recreation District, could -- and would -- be able to support a trail system on the Tradition Plateau that would not forever be in jeopardy.

Another is the conviction that a trail will go north from Issaquah along Lake Sammamish, and that a trail will go east from Issaquah to Snoqualmie Falls because the City of Issaquah will put its weight behind these campaigns.

COME ON OUT AND HELP MAKE 1987 A VERY GOOD YEAR FOR THE TRAILS.



Harvey Manning

EARTH DAY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON  
HUB

MONDAY, APRIL 20th

FREE!

11 a.m. Displays by organizations  
(including OUR IATC)

Afternoon

Panel discussion on Wildlife: Wn. State Game Dept.,  
Sierra Club, Defenders of Wildlife, Greenpeace, Na-  
tional Park Service

7 - 9 p.m.

Talks:

Michael Frome on Wilderness

Harvey Manning on Backyard Wildlands

Free to Public    Free to Public    Free to Public    Free to Public

# Join

## THE ARMY AND SEE THE ALPS

In 1987 the Trails Club will undertake its most massive, sustained campaign ever to get a step ahead of the developers' bulldozers. We will be upgrading the Tiger Mountain Trail and the Tradition Plateau trails, building a new route from Eastgate (or near) over the ridge and down to Coal Creek (or near).

For openers, in the spring, once each month we will turn out our barbarian hordes in full muster. This isn't just pure fun (though the trail parties are "parties!") -- this is WAR!

EVERYBODY COME!

Bring a tool of some sort -- any sort of digger, chopper, clipper, or saw or . . . Lunch and beverage.

SATURDAY, APRIL 11TH

THE HILLTOP CREEK TRAIL PROJECT (BETTY'S TRAIL)

Join the Issaquah Alps Trails Club and the Bellevue Parks & Recreation Department on April 11 for a joint trail project. We will be building a half mile of new trail through an open space corridor bordering Hilltop Creek. The Trails Club and the Parks Department will work together to save this important strip of green that will eventually connect the Hilltop and Somerset trails with the Coal Creek and Cougar Mountain trails.

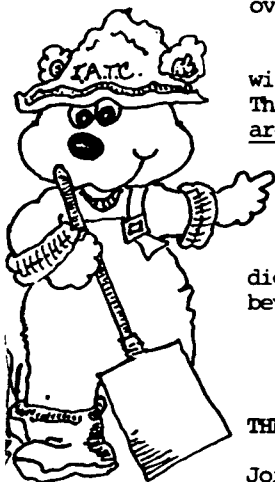
Meet us at the Issaquah Park & Ride lot with your hand tools, work boots and gloves, and a sack lunch at 9:00 a.m. We will car pool from there to the project site. Local dignitaries and media will be there to kick off this cooperative event, hope you will be there, too!

LOOKING FOR YOU



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To JOIN A WORK PARTY!





SATURDAY, APRIL 25TH

VOW DAY (VOLUNTEERS OF WASHINGTON)

VOW parties are out across the state this day. The VOWs and the IATCs will join to perfect the Around-Tradition-Lake Trail in the de facto Issaquah City Park.

Meet at the Issaquah Park & Ride at 9:00 a.m. Cut a little brush, widen a little tread, then sit as with the wildfowl. Leader, Bill Longwell, 255-1295.

GIRL SCOUT TRAIL MAINTENANCE PROJECT 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

The Girl Scouts will work on trail maintenance under the supervision of their leaders and IATC Native Guides -- women hikers who will offer their services as role models. (And we do need Native Guides to volunteer). Call Dave Kappler as to when and where to meet. Dave Kappler may have a new phone #.

SATURDAY, MAY 30TH

NEWCASTLE TRAILS PARTY. Help us get the trails ready for our Vth (!) RETURN TO NEWCASTLE DAY. Bring tools. Energy. Meet at Redtown site or at the P & R at 8:30 a.m. Dave Kappler (new Issaquah #), Steve Cavit, 271-7780.

SATURDAY, JUNE 6TH

RETURN TO NEWCASTLE PARTY. Help set up our show. Tents, booths, trail signs, organizational ability (See "Classy" Ads). Coffee and Donuts served with cheerful smiles. Dave Kappler (new Issaquah #), Steve Cavit, 271-7780, Betty Manning, 746-1017.

SATURDAY, JUNE 20TH

TIGER MOUNTAIN TRAIL PARTY.

REI AND IATC JOIN FORCES. Bill Longwell will be there to lead us. Mannings Reach area. The TMT needs our help. Be at P & R at 8:30 a.m. Bill Longwell 255-1295.

COFFEE AND DONUTS WILL BE CHEERFULLY SERVED AT ALL PARTIES!

# "The Apparatus"

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# adopt a trail

AND OWN YOUR OWN PIECE OF THE ALPS. . .

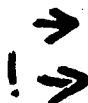
Public agencies presently have no funds for trail maintenance in the Issaquah Alps. It's up to us to keep the footpaths open to feet.

Our previous adoption program has fallen apart. The old faithfuls continue valiant service, but many who had initial enthusiasm gave up their trails and have not been replaced.

SO, WE ARE STARTING OVER FROM SCRATCH!

Which trail is your favorite? The one you would be willing to spend a few days a year on -- cutting out the blowdowns of winter, lopping down the salmonberry -- swordfern growth of spring, trampling the nettles of summer?

VOLUNTEER NOW



Call Chief Ranger Bill Longwell -- 255-1295 --

Better, drop him a postcard (he's out a lot)

402 Index Place N.E.

Renton, Wa 98055

Give him your phone number and he'll call you.

Tiger? Squak? Cougar? Taylor? Grand Ridge? Little Si?

Coal Creek? May Creek? Call early and get your choice.

One mile? Two miles? Five miles? You can have as many miles as you can handle. No limit!



# adopt a mile

# "Board of Directors"

Notes on topics discussed at Board of Directors Meetings.

December 18, 1986

Alpiner. Discussed costs of paper, printing, folding, stapling, labeling vs. present work party system. Will have 16 faces instead of 12 in future.

Betty's Trail. Property is in process of transfer, all blockages eliminated. This will set precedent for future dealings with Bellevue.

REI Service Project. This will probably be trail building on Tiger Mountain, possibly the Caves area.

Return to Newcastle V. Discussed with King County Parks: parking, traffic control, barricades, "Pedestrian Crossing" signs, park patrol, night security, tables and chairs, tents, reader board.

The ORV Front. Suggestion made to make Rod Chandler an honorary member. John Miller will pitch in to support Rod in saving trails for hikers.

Membership Report. December Alpiner mailing was to 1160 members.

January 15, 1987

Annual Meeting. Elections were held in which four Board members were nominated and unanimously elected. All officers were duly reelected. HM's President's Review concerned Cougar Mountain and relationships with the County Executive. Also B-N land swap, status of which is unknown.

History Book. Will be completed by Return V. Discussed number to print - about 4000.

Trails. King County is making a trail inventory on Cougar. Discussed plan for Northern Village, Betty's Trail. April 25 is National Trails Day.

Squak Mountain. East side belongs to DNR, not Weyco, and is not safe from development. DNR has designated conservation areas on Mt. Si and at Bald Lake which would be relieved of producing income for school trust. Discussed law enforcement using IAC funds.

Treasurer. Discussed policy on contributions. We will support Friends of Discovery Park, join Site Alternative Coalition and contribute to Puget Sound Water Quality Defense Fund.

Lake Sammamish State Park. Suggestion made that Issaquah give Lake Tradition to State in exchange for soccer fields.

Tiger Mountain. DNR is open to having <sup>all</sup> vehicles on Tiger Mountain licensed. DNR must establish criteria for horse trails, else we will be forever plagued with horses on our trails.

February 19, 1987

Alps. Quick review of Cougar, Squak and Tiger situations. Consensus that HM suggest donation of West Tiger 3 from Weyco.

Forluck. Russ Cahill, new director; King County Parks, is invited.

Return to Newcastle V. Book is progressing well. We'll have wagon rides this time. Might have music and dancing groups, ethnic. Time to send wish list to County for bulldozing and other services.

National Trails Day - April 25. Girl Scouts will return to Alps for trail work.

Betty's Trail. Will be dedicated on April 11. Hope to have media event, hikers, scout groups.

# "Now Off the press..."

## 50+ trails of cougar mountain regional wildland park and squak mt. state park

50+ Hikes in Cougar Mountain Regional Wildland Park,  
Squak Mountain State Park, Lake Sammamish State Park,  
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Completely revised, embodying the joint wisdom of  
Harvey Manning, Ralph Owen, Bill Longwell, Dave  
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Fan-tastic!

\$6.50, postage paid.

Guide to the Trails of Tiger Mountain by Bill  
Longwell, in a new edition, the text and map  
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\$6.50, postage paid.

STILL AVAILABLE: Bedrock and Bootsles -- An Introduction to the  
Geology of the Issaquah Alps, by Marvin Pistrang. A  
thorough but simple chronology of the geology of the  
Alps from early Eocene period to modern times. \$2.00.

AVAILABLE BY MAIL FROM: Issaquah Alps Trails Club  
PO Box 351  
Issaquah, WA 98027

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Works and other area bookstores  
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## '6.50 through iatc or your local bookstore

## JUNE HIKE SCHEDULE

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- Tues. June 2: Tiger Mtn. Lake Tradition Plateau. Class 3A. Meet 9:30 a.m.  
Al Blalock 746-4155 and Ed Bowser 747-3349
- Wed. June 3: Cougar Mtn. West Tibbetts Creek. Class 3B. Meet 9:30 a.m.  
Barbara Johnson
- Thurs. June 4: Leaders Choice Toddlers Walk. Class 1A. Meet 9:45 a.m.  
Maureen Wells 392-3660
- Sat. June 6: Cougar Mtn. RETURN TO NEWCASTLE V PARTY. Coffee and donuts. Meet 9:30 a.m. Dave Kappler 235-0741, Steve Cavit 271-7780, Betty Manning 746-1017 (See "Classy Ads")
- Sun. June 7: Cougar Mtn. Return to Newcastle v. 10 a.m to 5 p.m.
- Tues. June 9: Tiger Mtn. West Tiger 3 Loop. Class 3B. Meet 8:30 a.m.  
Laurene McLane 392-0204
- Thurs. June 11: Tiger Mtn. Leaders Choice. Class 4C. Meet 8:30 a.m.  
Will Thompson 488-8592
- Fri. June 12: Snoqualamie Valley. Snoqualamie Falls. Class 2B. Meet 9:30 a.m.  
Mary Cadigan 641-4046
- Sat. June 13: Tiger Mtn. West Tiger 1, 2 & 3 Loop. Class 3C. Meet 8:30 a.m.  
Ralph Leach 783-6345
- Seattle. Pioneer Square History Hike. Class 2A. Meet 10 a.m. under pergola at First & Yesler. Tim O'Brian 324-1609



## APRIL HIKE SCHEDULE

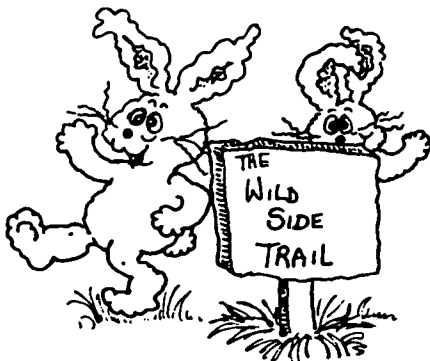
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- Thurs. April 2: Tiger Mtn. West Tiger 2 & 3 Loop. Class 3C. Meet 8:30 a.m. Hazel Hale 243-5376
- Fri. April 3: Tiger Mtn. Lake Tradition Plateau. Class 2B. Meet 9:30 a.m. Mary Cadigan 641-4046
- Sat. April 4: Cougar Mtn. Cougar Wilderness Loop. Class 3C. Meet 8:30 a.m. Bob Eschrich 232-5764
- Sun. April 5: Mt Si Mt Si Summit Class 4C. Meet 8:30 a.m. Steve Irby 255-3211
- Tiger Mtn. Lake Tradition Plateau. Class 2B. Meet 12:30 p.m. Larry Hansen 392-2458
- Tues. April 7: Snoqualmie Valley. Lake Alice to Snoqualmie Falls. Class 3B. Meet 9:30 a.m. Al Blalock 746-4155 and Ed Bowser 747-3349
- Wed. April 8: Tiger Mtn. Leaders Choice. Class 3C. Meet 9:30 a.m. Dwight Riggs 772-1666
- Thurs. April 9: Tiger Mtn. Tiger Mtn Trail. Class 4C. Meet 8:30 a.m. Involves car switch. Joe Toynbee 723-6716
- Marymoor Park. Toddlers Walk. Class 1A. Meet 9:45 a.m. Maureen Wells 392-3660
- Sat. April 11: Cougar Mtn. Betty's Trail Party and ground breaking ceremony for Bellevue Parks Trail Connection to Cougar Mtn. Wilderness Park. Community leaders, scouts, and citizens. Coffee & donuts. Meet 9 a.m. Betty Culbert 641-6451
- Sun. April 12: Tiger Mtn. West Tiger 1, 2 & 3 Loop. Class 4C. Meet 8:30 a.m. George Mischler 746-8144
- Cougar Mtn. Coal Creek Geology Special. Class 2A. Meet 9:30 a.m. Steve Williams 453-8997
- Cougar Mtn. East Cougar Mtn. Loop. Class 2C. Meet 12:30 p.m. Ralph Owen 746-1070
- Mon. April 13: Tiger Mtn. Leaders Choice. Class 4C. Meet 8:30 a.m. Will Thompson 488-8592
- Tues. April 14: Tiger Mtn. Poo Poo Point. Class 3B. Meet 8:30 a.m. Laurene McLane 392-0204
- Thurs. April 16: Tiger Mtn. West Tiger 1, 2 & 3 Loop. Class 4C. Meet 9:30 a.m. Joanne Howe 432-0741
- Sat. April 18: Tiger Mtn. Poo Poo Point. Class 3B. Meet 8:30 a.m. Jerry Wheeler 242-9344
- Snoqualmie Valley. Lake Alice to Snoqualmie Falls. Class 3B. Meet 9:30 a.m. Kate Gross 392-8292
- Sun. April 19: Snoqualmie Valley. Preston to Lake Alice. Class 2A. Meet 12:30 p.m. Peggy Owen 746-1070
- Wed. April 22: Mt Si. Leaders Choice. Class 3C. Meet 9:30 a.m. Bob Wood 324-8416
- Thurs. April 23: Tiger Mtn. West Tiger 2 Loop. Class 3C. Meet 9:30 a.m. Bernie Dionne 228-5302
- Sat. April 25: IATC-VOW Lk. Tradition Trail Party (part of statewide "Spring Rally" cleanup). Bring tools if possible. 9 a.m. P & R -- convoy to High Point trailhead. Bill Longwell, 255-1295.
- Girl Scout Trail Maintenance Party. 9 to 12 p.m. Call Dave Kappler to help volunteer lead (he may have a new Issaquah number.)
- Sun. April 26: Tiger Mtn. Poo Poo Point Loop. Class 3B. Meet 8:30 a.m. Russ Williams 392-5989
- Tues. April 28: Tiger Mtn. North TMT Loop. Class 2B. Meet 9:30 a.m. Gail Palm 783-6005 and Bob Knutsen 243-4546
- Wed. April 29: Tiger Mtn. Exploratory Bushwhack. Class 3C. Meet 9:30 a.m. Dwight Riggs 772-1666

# MAY HIKE SCHEDULE

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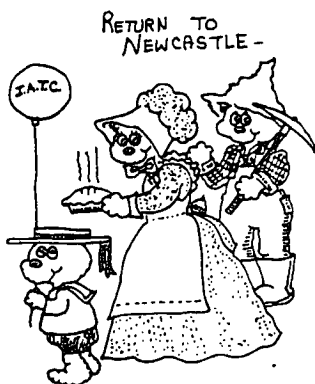


- Fri. May 1: Mt Si. Little Si Summit. Class 2C. Meet 9:30 a.m.  
Marty Hansen 392-2458
- Sat. May 2: Rattlesnake Mtn. Kerriston Townsite. Class 3B. Meet 9:30 a.m.  
Russ Williams 392-5989  
Cougar Mtn. Wilderness Creek Loop. Class 3C. Meet 12:30 p.m.  
Stan Unger 283-7823
- Sun. May 3: Tiger Mtn. Middle Tiger Loop. Class 3B. Meet 8:30 a.m.  
A. J. Culver 392-3002
- Tues. May 5: Rattlesnake Mtn. Kerriston Townsite. Class 3B. Meet 9:30 a.m.  
Al Blalock 746-4155 and Ed Bowser 747-3349
- Thurs. May 7: Tiger Mtn. Leaders Choice. Class 3B. Potluck special.  
Meet 9:30 a.m. Joe Toynbee 723-6716
- Sat. May 9: Tiger Mtn. West Tiger 2 & 3. Class 3C. Meet 8:30 a.m.  
Trudy Ecob 232-2933
- Sun. May 10: Tiger Mtn. North TMT Variation. Class 4C. Meet 8:30 a.m.  
Falk Krueger 525-4544  
Mt Si. Little Si Summit. Class 2C. Meet 12:30 p.m.  
Bob Gross 392-0539
- Tues. May 12: Tiger Mtn. Poo Poo Point. Class 3B. Meet 8:30 a.m.  
Laurene McLane 392-0204
- Thurs. May 14: Leaders Choice Toddlers Walk. Class 1A. Meet 9:45 a.m.  
Maureen Wells 392-3660
- Fri. May 15: Cougar Mtn. Tibbetts Creek Trail. Class 3B. Meet 9:30 a.m.  
Betty Culbert 641-6451
- Sat. May 16: Seattle. Georgetown History Hike. Class 2A. Meet 10 a.m. at  
Beanie's Tavern corner of Lucille St. and Airport Way. Tim O'Brian  
324-1609  
Taylor Mtn. Shaun Creek Falls. Class 2C. Meet 12:30 p.m.  
George Jackman 641-2895
- Sun. May 17: Cougar Mtn. Cougar Wilderness Loop. Class 3C. Meet 9:30 a.m.  
Ralph Owen 746-1070  
Cougar Mtn. Leaders Choice. Class 2B. Meet 12:30 p.m.  
Steve Williams 453-8997
- Mon. May 18: Cougar Mtn. Cougar Park Loop. Class 2B. Meet 12:30 p.m.  
Mary Cadigan 641-4046
- Thurs. May 21: Rattlesnake Mtn. Rattlesnake Ledge then Little Si Summit.  
Class 3C. Meet 9:30 a.m. Joanne Howe 432-0741
- Sat. May 23: Taylor Mtn. West Taylor Mtn Trail. Class 3B. Meet 8:30 a.m.  
George Jackman 641-2895
- Sun. May 24: Bandera Mtn. Bandera Mtn. Summit. Class 4C. Meet 8:30 a.m.  
Falk Krueger 525-4544  
Cougar Mtn. Lakemont Gorge. Class 2C. Meet 12:30 p.m.  
Buzz Moore 746-1866
- Tues. May 26: Tiger Mtn. Hobart RR Grade Loop. Class 2B. Meet 9:30 a.m.  
Gail Palm 783-6005 and Bob Knutsen 243-4546
- Wed. May 27: Cougar Mtn. West Tibbetts Creek. Class 3B. Meet 9:30 a.m.  
Connie Dow 392-2190
- Sat. May 30: Cougar Mtn. Newcastle Trails Party. Coffee and donuts.  
Meet 8:30 a.m. Dave Kappler 235-0741 and Steve Cavit 271-7780
- Sun. May 31: Tiger Mtn. Leaders Choice. Class 4C. Meet 8:30 a.m.  
Will Thompson 488-8592



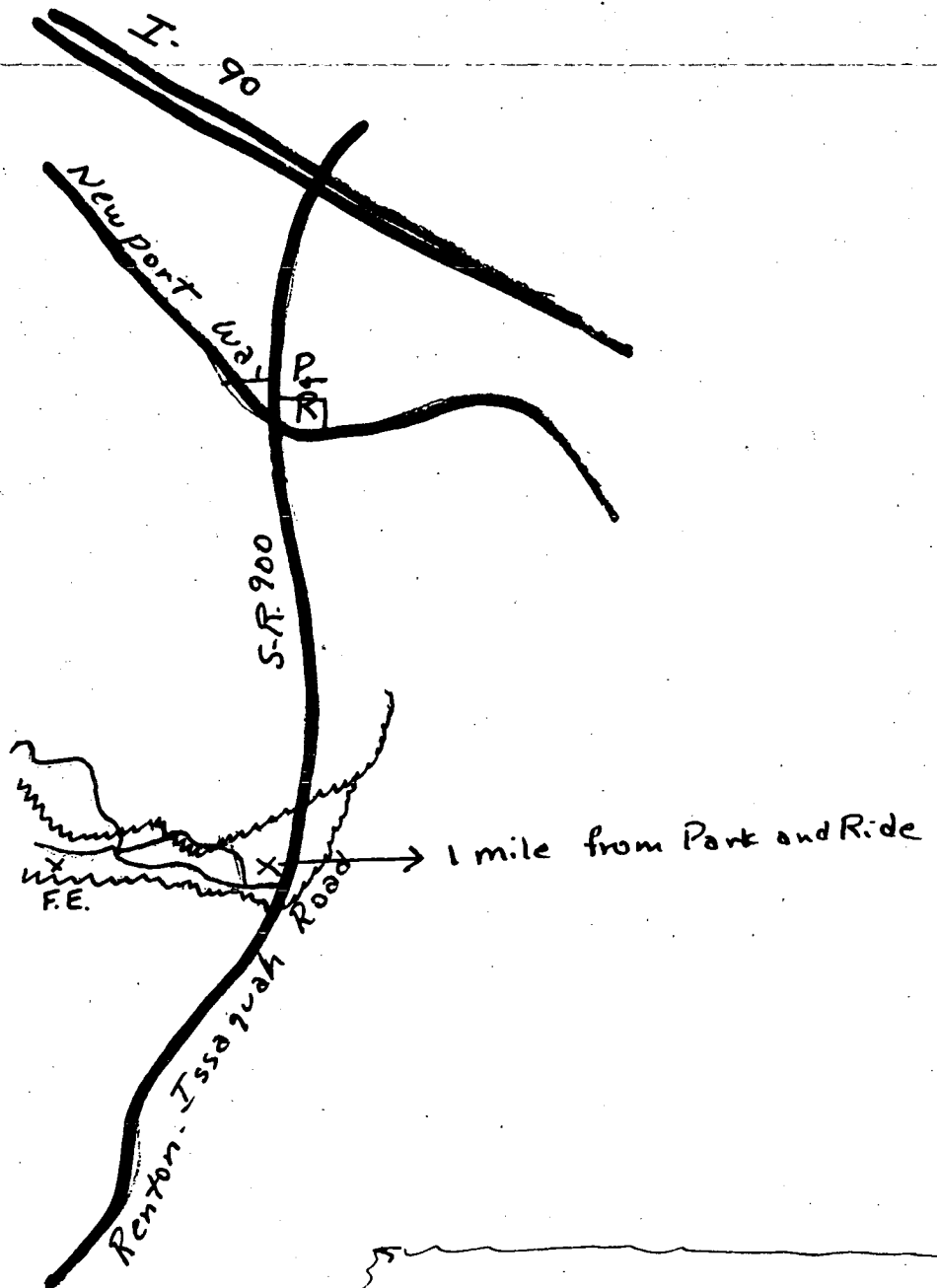
# JUNE HIKE SCHEDULE

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- Tues. June 2: Tiger Mtn. Lake Tradition Plateau. Class 3A. Meet 9:30 a.m. Al Blalock 746-4155 and Ed Bowser 747-3349
- Wed. June 3: Cougar Mtn. West Tibbetts Creek. Class 3B. Meet 9:30 a.m. Barbara Johnson
- Thurs. June 4: Leaders Choice Toddlers Walk. Class 1A. Meet 9:45 a.m. Maureen Wells 392-3660
- Sat. June 6: Cougar Mtn. RETURN TO NEWCASTLE V PARTY. Coffee and donuts. Meet 9:30 a.m. Dave Kappler 235-0741, Steve Cavit 271-7780, Betty Manning 746-1017 (See "Classy Ads")
- Sun. June 7: Cougar Mtn. Return to Newcastle v. 10 a.m to 5 p.m.
- Tues. June 9: Tiger Mtn. West Tiger 3 Loop. Class 3B. Meet 8:30 a.m. Laurene McLane 392-0204
- Thurs. June 11: Tiger Mtn. Leaders Choice. Class 4C. Meet 8:30 a.m. Will Thompson 488-8592
- Fri. June 12: Snoqualamie Valley. Snoqualamie Falls. Class 2B. Meet 9:30 a.m. Mary Cadigan 641-4046
- Sat. June 13: Tiger Mtn. West Tiger 1, 2 & 3 Loop. Class 3C. Meet 8:30 a.m. Ralph Leach 783-6345
- Seattle. Pioneer Square History Hike. Class 2A. Meet 10 a.m. under pergola at First & Yesler. Tim O'Brian 324-1609
- Sun. June 14: Cougar Mtn. Cougar Ring Trail. Class 3C. Meet 8:30 a.m. Ralph Owen 746-1070
- Cougar Mtn. Coal Creek Falls. Class 2B. Meet 12:30 p.m. Bob Gross 392-0539
- Tues. June 16: Tiger Mtn. Lake Tradition Plateau. Class 3A. Meet 9:30 a.m. Pat Kaald 746-8741
- Fri. June 19: Cougar Mtn. Licorice Fern Estate to Red Town. Class 2A. Meet 9:30 a.m. Betty Culbert 641-6451
- Sat. June 20: Tiger Mtn. TMT Party. Coffee & donuts. Meet 8:30 a.m. Bill Longwell 255-1295
- Sun. June 21: Tiger Mtn. West Tiger 3 Loop. Class 3B. Meet 8:30 a.m. Russ Williams 392-5989
- Tues. June 23: Tiger Mtn. Hobart RR Grade Loop. Class 2B. Meet 9:30 a.m. Gail Palm 783-6005 and Bob Knutsen 243-4546
- Wed. June 24: Cougar Mtn. East Cougar Mtn. Loop. Class 3C. Meet 9:30 a.m. Connie Dow 392-2190
- Sat. June 27: Mt. Teneriffe. Mt. Si Trail then to Mt. Teneriffe. Class 4D. Meet 8:30 a.m. Bob Wood 324-8416
- Sun. June 28: Squak Mtn. Thrush Gap Trail. Class 3B. Meet 8:30 a.m. Ann Leber 746-3291
- Cougar Mtn. Lakemont Gorge. Class 2C. Meet 12:30 p.m. Buzz Moore 746-1866

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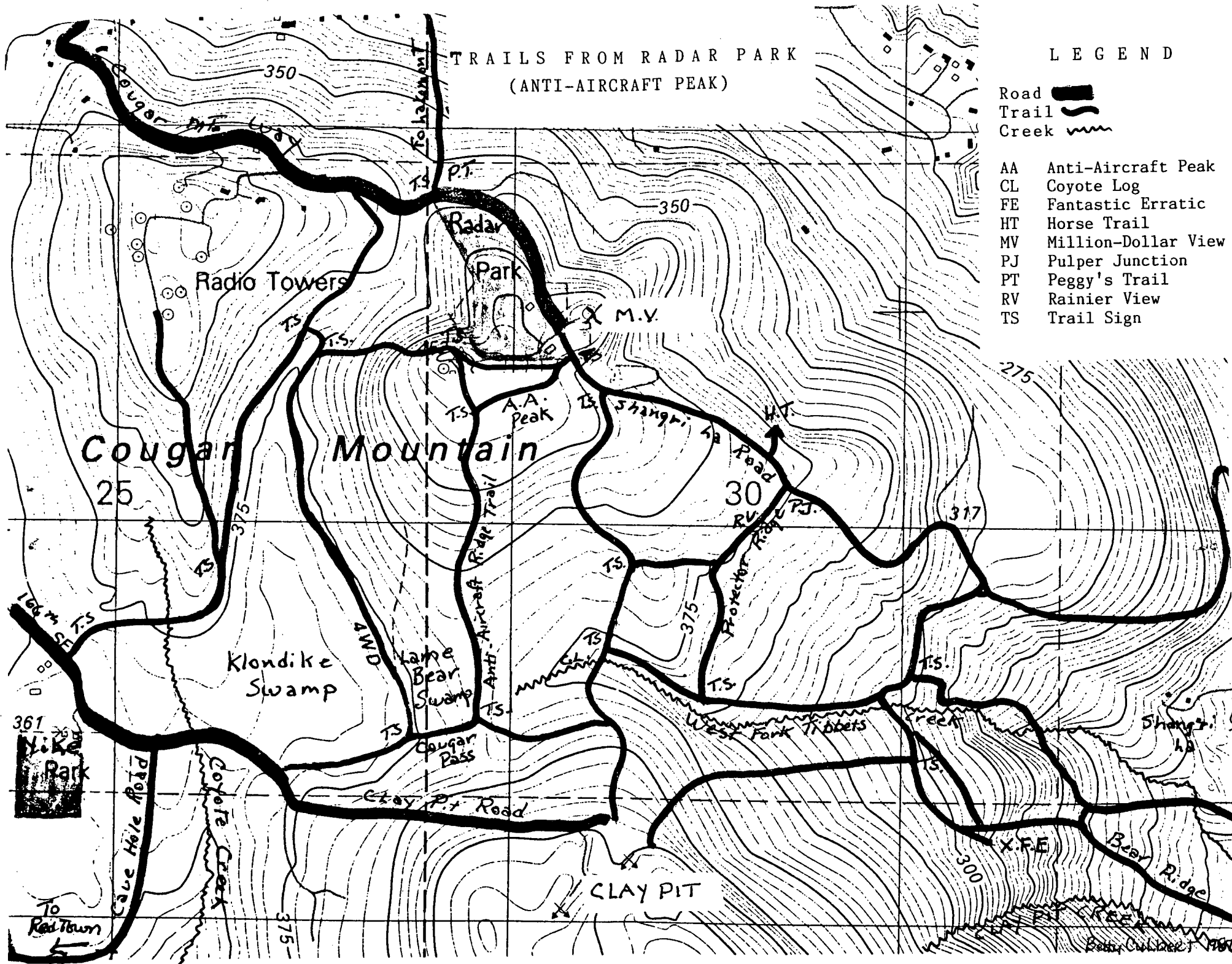


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## LEGEND

AA	Anti-Aircraft Peak
CL	Coyote Log
FE	Fantastic Erratic
HT	Horse Trail
MV	Million-Dollar View
PJ	Pulper Junction
PT	Peggy's Trail
RV	Rainier View
TS	Trail Sign



## HIKE INFORMATION

**IATC Hike Leaders** The hike leaders are volunteers who have donated their time to lead those who want to hike and explore the trails in the Issaquah Alps and the other nearby foothills (Cascades) in King County. Hikes are scheduled and led on a year around basis irregardless of weather or attendance numbers. We hike in the rain, snow, fog, ice, wind, and even when the sun is out on a clear day. We hike on good, bad, muddy, brushy, steep, flat, easy, hard, obscure, and animal trails. As volunteers, neither the hike leaders, the IATC, or the club directors are in any way responsible or liable for your comfort, transportation, property, safety, or general well being while traveling to and from the trail head or while hiking or working on any trail. Our sole purpose is to show you where the trails are and to lead the way. The public, other clubs, youth groups, church groups, etc. are welcome and wholeheartedly invited to join with the hike leader and others who want to hike these trails. Children under 13 should be accompanied by an adult.

**Hike Classifications** Numbers indicate hiking time in hours (travel time to and from trailhead and meal times not included), i.e.:

Class 1 = + 2 hours

Class 3 = + 6 hours

Class 2 = + 4 hours

Class 4 = + 8 hours

These are approximate hiking times, based on an assumption of a 2 mph pace, with a half hour added for every 1000' elevation gain.

Trail conditions, weather, unexpected hazards can extend the hiking time. Travel time to the trailhead and back will add 20 - 70 minutes, depending on the hike. Lunch time will add another 20 - 70 minutes depending on the mood of the group.

**LETTERS indicate degree of difficulty:**

A = level terrain, no difficulties for an average walker

B = some climbing - up to 800', or some other element of difficulty

C = more climbing - up to 2200', or some other difficulty

D = much climbing - over 2200' elevation gain

This is estimated degree of difficulty. Most trails we hike are not up to the high standards you may be used to from hiking in National Parks. The trails we hike can be very steep in parts, muddy, and brushy. You may gain 1000' elevation in just one mile of a 5-mile 1500' elevation gain hike. You may have to clamber over fallen trees, or beat your way through nettles and berry bushes. Short doesn't automatically mean easy, and long doesn't automatically mean tough.

**Meeting Place:** In order to reduce confusion, all hikes will assemble at the Issaquah Metro Park and Ride Lot, Exit 15 off I-90. The lot is located west of Issaquah at Goode's Corner, the junction of Highway 900 and Newport Way. We gather at the south end of the Park and ride. Most hikes are coordinated with Metro 210 schedule. Hikes generally leave the Park and Ride right after 8:30 or 9:30 in the morning or 12:30 in the afternoon, in each case shortly after the scheduled arrival of a 210 bus from points west. Check your 210 bus schedule.

**Clothing:** Dress for comfort in the Pacific Northwest outdoors, i.e., expect rain, snow, sunshine, fog, etc. and bring the extra clothing, rain gear, food, liquid, matches, flashlight, and first aid supplies necessary for your safety and comfort. Wear comfortable hiking footwear (for most hikes this means hiking boots, or hiking shoes).

**Trail Maintenance:** As volunteers, we organize and schedule trail maintenance parties from time to time. Normally, we meet at the hike meeting place, distribute tools, drive to the trailhead, hike to that section of trail we are going to work on, and work from 2 to 4 hours. Trail maintenance work parties are a very social event and can be fun. Try one next time, you will like it. We also encourage individuals or groups to adopt a trail, or section of a trail, and accept the responsibility for maintaining it.

**Search & Rescue Procedures:** The King County Police is the agency responsible for coordinating search and rescue (SAR) activities within King County. This includes searching for lost or overdue hikers and dispatching emergency medical teams and equipment. In the event someone is lost, injured, or overdue on a scheduled hike, the hike leader will ask one or more volunteers to hike out and call the King County SAR Duty Officer (telephone 911). The caller must stay by the telephone to answer any questions the SAR Duty Officer may have. Another volunteer will be asked to hike out and stay at the trailhead to lead the SAR team to the injured party or to the location the lost or overdue hiker was last seen. The remainder of the hiking group should stay with the injured party or volunteer to search in pairs along the trail.

**Hike Committee:** George Jackman 641-2895, Jim Cadigan, Mary Cadigan, Dwight Riggs, Gloria Riggs, Ann Leber, Steve Cavit, Jenne Micai, Russ Williams.

### **HIKE DESCRIPTION MODIFIERS**

**Exploration:** An exploration hike is one where the leader will show you the trails and points of interest on or along the designated mountain, area, or trail system. The trails to be hiked or points visited will depend on the weather and the groups mutual interests and desires.

**Leaders Choice:** When a schedule hike has been designated "Leaders Choice", this means the leader will hike on designated mountain or area on trails of the leaders choice. In other words, the leader had not yet decided where to hike by the schedule publication date.

**Variation:** A variation hike modifier is one where the leader will start out, and probably return to, the designated trail and then detour, take short cuts, loops, explore, or otherwise deviate from the main trail on other trails to shorten, extend, or make the hike more interesting.

**Trail Party:** A trail party is a trail maintenance work party.

**Exploratory Bushwhack:** An exploratory bushwhack hike is where the leader is going cross country off of the regular trail system to explore along animal trails, canyons, old logging roads, or old railroad grades. Expect to go through brush, over logs, tiptoe through wild flowers, and/or mud, and have a good time hiking where others seldom tread.

**Youth Hike:** These hikes are especially planned to be of interest to youths ages 6 to 12. Parents or guardians must accompany.

**Toddlers Walk:** These hikes are intended for parents with very small children or infants.

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# Cougar & Squak Mountain Hikes

(For more detailed descriptions of hikes see the newly published guide books, \$6.50 each through the IATC).

## Cougar Mountain

THE BOULDERS OF WILDERNESS CREEK (Class 2-C) - The trail established by the Trails Club members five years ago was the first unit of the Cougar Mountain Regions Wildland Park. The short steep path follows near the waterfalling creek to the Boulders, monster chunks of andesite fallen from the glacier-oversteepened cliffs of Wilderness Peak, Cougar's highest. Moss and ferns growing on the rock beside the creek create a magic spot. A short climb to Big View Cliff is worth the effort if a crystal clear day reveals Mount Rainer against the southern sky.

THE BEAUTIFUL BOTTOM TRAIL (Class 2-C) - This trail continues from the boulders to more enchanting places and the site of the famous Cougar cave. Climbing still along the waterfalls, the trail intersects with Shy Bear Trail. A left loop would take you to the Long View lookout point and the Ring Road back to the Boulders.

THE BOULDERS-WILDERNESS PEAK LOOP (Class 2-C) - This trail continues from Shy Bear Trail to the top of wilderness peak, descending by Jim's new and less steep trail to Wildview cliff and a lunch stop at Big View where the view might await you.

COAL CREEK AREA HIKES - Coal Creek Townsite off the Coal Creek-Newcastle Road is the trailhead for a number of hikes in the new Cougar Mountain Regional Wildland (and Historic) Park. Along these trails you can explore the ghost towns of the Coal Country and the few remaining artifacts and also discover the wilderness which is creeping back to cover a once populated area. Just inside the gate is the trailhead to Red Town. The way leads up Hill Street toward Cave Hole Road and beyond to the Ball Park, looping back via the Wild Side Trail with side trips to the steam hoist and Ford Slope. Cave Hole Road with its cavities on both sides leads you to the upper park and Clay Pit Road but on the way you pass the trail to Coal Creek Falls. The creek tumbles from the headwaters basin of Klondike Swamp over a 30-foot mossy cliff into lovely pools which make a cool spot for a summer day and in winter icicles glisten from every hanging place. Here you can have your wilderness experience.

Another trailhead from Red Town gate is the Wild Side Trail described elsewhere.

The older townsite of Newcastle can be reached via the Seattle and Walla Walla railroad grade just across the road. Elizabeth's Trail leads down from the field, past the foundation of the Coal Town Hotel and along the site of the former tramway to the terminus of the railroad. Walking this grade past many relics of mining you reach the Cinder Mines. Waste rock which burned at high heat has left interesting deposits, fused minerals and petrified wood for the Coal Creek Geology Hike. Leaving the railroad grade for short walk along Coal Creek Newcastle Road you reach old Newcastle and a visit to the Baima House, a company house built before 1880 and now on the State Historical Register. Looping back past the bunkers the Old Town Trail climbs a plateau, passing the China Creek and Marshall's Hill trails before descending toward New Newcastle or New Town, formerly Coal Creek. In this historic area trails lead into the nooks and crannies of the past, the sites of old churches, saloons, bunkers and wash houses. Just stay clear of the holes and be prepared for wet, muddy spots on the trails.

COAL CREEK FALLS - See Coal Creek Area Hikes

COAL CREEK GEOLOGICAL TOUR - See Coal Creek Area Hikes

COUGAR MOUNTAIN PARK LOOP (Class 2-B) - Starting from the top of Anti-Aircraft Peak, the site of the new park, we descend down the Lost Beagle Trail to the Klondike Swamp. Bill's trail along the dry side of the swamp goes through a new logging area which makes for nice views. A side short climb might be included to capture that rare Rainier View. We intersect the Clay Pit road near the site of Nike Site and might detour there for a bit of history. The loop back will be a climb up Anti-Aircraft Ridge from either Clay Pit or the Klondike Road. The loops are endless in possibilities and length. Expect some mud in a few places.

COUGAR RING (Class 4-B) - The hike explores the center of the Cougar Mountain Region at Regional Wildland Park. This is a full day, 10 mile hike following old woods roads, bear trails, and red ribbons (put there by the leader not because he doesn't know the way but so that you will see he does), visiting the Long Marsh, Far Country, the Wilderness, the High Marsh, the Great Cave Hole, with great views from some three or four summits of Cougar.

DE LEO'S WALL (Class 2-C) - This amazing near vertical wall of Marshall's Hill rises about 900 feet from the floor of May Valley. We do not try a rock climb however, but take a more gentle approach from Red Town, the site of the old company coal town. Each leader has a different approach to this area where the views of the valley and Mount Rainier make a delightful backdrop for lunch. The loop back can also be done either via the Wildside Trail or the Indian Trail to the ball park, or via China Creek.

EAST COUGAR MT. LOOP (Class 3-C) (1300' elev. gain: 4-5 hrs.) - Starting at State Highway, we will climb to Claypit Peak via Newcastle Queen Trail. After visiting Cougar Mountain Regional Wildland Park and enjoying the beautiful view overlooking Lake Sammamish, we will return to the starting point by way of Claypit Creek ridge. The return will be exploratory.

## ELIZABETH'S TRAIL - See Coal Creek Area Hikes

LAKEMONT GEORGE (Class 2-C) (lower part of Peggy's Trail) - A wild stream tumbles down a gorge which may or may not become the route of Lakemont Boulevard, which developers want in order to put 50,000 people on top of Cougar Mountain. Ascend a virtual rainforest, sidetripping to the most spectacular waterfalls in the Issaquah Alps. Visit an abandoned homestead where the local bears come for an annual apple feast. In wet conditions, the mud can be a problem both for depth and slippery conditions on steep sections.

## OLD NEWCASTLE TO NEW NEWCASTLE - See Coal Creek Area Hikes

A PEAK AND A HALF (Class 3-C) (1600 ft. altitude gain; 6-7hrs.) - The hike starts at the new Cougar Mt. Park (where our park ranger lives), traverses the east side of Cougar by way of the Pioneer Trail, drops down to Highway 900, then begins a traverse of Squak Mountain to its summit, finally descending by way of Phil's Creek. Car swap necessary.

PEGGY'S TRAIL TO COUGAR MOUNTAIN PARK (Class 3-C) - This has become one of the most popular trails in all the Issaquah Alps since Peggy and her friend, Ralph, identified the route, flagged it, and built it. The way starts at exit 13, off I-90 - and thus is a great trailhead for hikers dependent on the Metro 210, which passes by. The ascent of a rainforest-like valley of Peltola Creek (Lakemont Gorge), leads to the steeper ascent of the gorge wall, past the most spectacular waterfalls of the Alps, and continues to the summit of Anti-Aircraft Peak, site of a newly-opened county Park, and views over Lake Sammamish to the San Juan Islands and Mt. Baker and all that. In a few years thousands of people will climb the trail every nice weekend. Come while it's still lonely, and help make footsteps.

SQUAK MOUNTAIN VIA THRUSH GAP (Class 3-B) - The southern route to the summit follows a long, lovely valley to Thrush Gap, site of a 1920's logging camp. The climb then takes us rather steeply to the summits but the views are worth it to Seattle, the Olympics and Mount Rainier.

WEST TIBBETTS CREEK - BEAR RIDGE TRAILS (Class 3-C) (4 mile roundtrip, elev. 1100') - Your vice-president recently stumbled upon a pair of trails that from the evidence have been traveled by Europeans for scores of years and previous residents for thousands, and before that very likely by woolly mammoths, lame pterodactyls, and tricky crocodiles. It now serves as a major arterial for bear, cougar, coyotes, and griffins commuting from Cougar Mountain to Squak, and thence to Tiger and the heart of the dark Cascades. This is a new trip for us, but will instantly become a standard, because the wild heights of Bear Ridge, between the wild gorges of Claypit Creek and West Fork Tibbetts Creek, are some of the grandest country hereabouts. This whole area distinctly must be a dedicated greenbelt, giving people access to the Cougar Mountain Regional Wildland Park, and other of God's Children a route from Cougar to the adjoining wildland east.



WILD SIDE TRAIL (Class 2-B) - Return to the days of 1884 in Red Town. Walk through an area which rivalled Seattle in size. The Ford Slope is still there and instead of the flooded entrance try and picture coal cars heading down into the mines. The Wild Side Trail has been extended along Long Marsh to the Far Country Falls, intersecting the De Leo's Wall Trail.

## *Tiger Mountain Hikes*

ARTIFACTS TRAIL See Middle Tiger Mining and Logging Sampler.

BEAVER VALLEY VIA SILENT SWAMP (CLASS 3-B) - With the road open again we can park at the trailhead to Silent Swamp and enjoy this quiet bypass to Beaver Valley. The 18 dams are still there, some old and silted in and others looking brand new. Their engineering, plus the climate in this cool corner of Tiger have resulted in an ecotone where Sitka spruce, a coastal tree, and Pacific silver fir, a mountain tree, mingle.

BIG TREE TRAIL (Class 2-A) - See Lake Tradition Plateau Hikes

15-MILE CREEK-MIDDLE TIGER-HOBART RR GRADES AREA - Hikes on Middle Tiger include on the south side an easy level stroll through the 15-Mile-Creek Grand Canyon (Class 1A); a short, steep climb along the canyon to the Hobart RR Grade (Class 1B); a longer climb and loop to include the Tiger Mt. Trail (Class 1C); and assorted loops to Middle Tiger's 2607' peak. The most direct route to the peak is a 1400' climb straight up in 1-1/2 miles (Class 1C). Other routes to the peak may include the south slope attractions and RR grades and logging artifacts on the east slope of Middle Tiger (Class 2C and 3C).

GRAND CANYON OF 15-MILE CREEK - MIDDLE TIGER RR LOOP (Class 3-C) - See 15-Mile Creek-Middle Tiger-Hobart RR Grades Area

explore the old RR grades ascending West Tiger from the old Preston Sawmill. The trail passes through fine old growth forest, staying at about the 1100-foot level, except for stream crossings.

ISSAQUAH WATERWORKS (Class 2-B) - See Lake Tradition Plateau Hikes

LAKE TRADITION (Class 1-A) - See Lake Tradition Plateau Hikes

LAKE TRADITION PLATEAU HIKES - Each leader has a favorite route through the Issaquah Watershed, a regional treasure: the trail around Lake Tradition (Class 1-A) is an easy stroll, with possible loops to include Round Lake and the Rain Forest East, the orchard of the abandoned homestead and a lost forgotten Greyhound bus. The Big Tree Trail (Class 2-A) leads to the 1,000-year-old Big Tree of the Lower Plateau, and the century-old cedar puncheon skid road used by oxen. Dropping lower on the hillside is the Brink Trail which leads us in a loop to the Issaquah Water Works (Class 2-B) which once supplied Issaquah with water, a fascinating tour of the past.

MANNING'S REACH (Class 3-B) - From High Point, the Tiger Mountain Trail climbs to the railroad grade and then up again along the flank of West Tiger 2 to the pass between 2 and 3 and out to a wonderful open stretch of the TMT called Manning's Reach. It is a great spot in any season and the highest point on the TMT at 2600 feet. The views are great out to Seattle and the Olympics beyond.

MIDDLE TIGER (Class 3-C) - See 15-Mile Creek-Middle Tiger-Hobart RR Grades Area

MIDDLE TIGER MINING AND LOGGING SAMPLER (Class 3-4C) - See 15-Mile Creek-Middle Tiger-Hobart RR Grades Area

MIDDLE TIGER VIA 15 MILE CREEK CANYON (Class 3-C) - See 15-Mile Creek Area

NORTH END OF TMT LOOP (Class 2-3-C) - The north end of the TMT make a wonderful beginning for a hike which climbs from High Point through old conifers to a bright open alder forest. Lovely stream crossings, on well-made bridges (one would make a picnic spot) lead to the intersection with the old TMT and the other side of the loop to the cars. Some steady climbing but not too steep and the total loop is 4-1/2 miles. Another route starts as in the above hike, turning off the Tiger Mt. Trail at Dwight's Trail and heading off toward the Preston Trail. Once on the Preston Trail, it is a steady and sometimes steep climb. Lunch stop is usually sunny at the old log cabin site. Where the trail meets the side route down to the TMT again (2250') is as far as we climb. Return trip is fast to the cars.

POO POO POINT AND MANY CREEK VALLEY (Class 3-B) - A popular viewpoint and a fine start for a glide down into Issaquah Valley. The Talki-Tooter once heard here in olden days gives us the name, if you are wondering . . . The route follows the Many Creek Valley in one of several possible routes.

TIGER MOUNTAIN HISTORY HIKE (Class 3-C) - This 11-mile up-and-down hike covers the early history of mining and logging on Tiger Mountain. It not only follows railroad grades and caches of artifacts from mining days, but also may include a sidetrip to a summit. You will appreciate the days long gone by after listening to Bill Longwell's discourse.

TIGER MOUNTAIN TRAIL (CLASS 3-C) - This is the classic 11.3-mile trail from near Highway 18 in the south to the newly constructed finish at High Point. With a car switch we can do it all in a single day, in deep woods, over nicely bridged creeks, along railroad grades and with open views from the slopes of Middle Tiger and West Tiger 2. The scenic spots along the way were named for the boys (men by now, no doubt) who helped Bill Longwell build the trail. Time and many feet have trod here over the years. Don't expect a wide and level trail as in Rainier Park but one which might be narrow, slippery and brushy in places but which has constantly been worked by many loving hands.

WEST TIGER CIRCUMAMBULATION (Class 3-B) (12 miles) - Beginning at the east trail head at High Point, we hike the TMT and Dwight's Way, up the Preston Trail to the Dick Heinz Trail. From there we go through 15-Mile Pass via the 15-Mile RR Grade and again to the TMT, then back to High Point. A traverse of the Tiger 2 summit is optional.

WEST TIGER I) (Class 3-C) - From the east trailhead at High Point we hike the TMT and Dwight's Way, cross the Preston Trail, then climb steeply to West Tiger I's peak at 2948 ft. Return trip (or alternate ascent) is back down the steep West Tiger I Trail to the Preston Trail, then along the Preston Trail to the TMT and back to High Point.

WEST TIGER 1 - 2 - 3 (Class 3-C) - This is usually called the "wipe-out hike" but it hasn't wiped out anyone lately. Ascend the highest of the three peaks, West Tiger 1 first, (see description above). Proceed along a service road to West Tiger 2. From West Tiger 2 descend to Mannings Reach and follow the TMT to the turn off for West Tiger 3. Descent from West Tiger 3 can be via the TMT with part of the West Tiger RR grade included, or down the Lake Tradition Trail to the west trailhead at High Point.

WEST TIGER 3 (Class 3-C) - The 360-degree view from West Tiger 3 is always a great attraction. This summit, though lower, is more isolated and alpine than the other summits with their forest of antennas. The climb is steep in places but not hard and the rewards all along the way are certainly worth it. From High Point we take the TMT or the Lake Tradition Trail. The route can include part of the West Tiger RR grade.

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## BEYOND THE ALPS

### GEORGETOWN - The Community That Refuses to Die

The Georgetown community is the oldest in the Seattle area. The Collins, Maples and Van Asselts settled here before the Denny Party landed at Alki.

Platted in 1890 by Dexter Horton's brother Julius and named after Julius's son, the town was a stop on the Seattle to Newcastle Railroad, the gateway to the Meadows Race Track. By 1909 it was known as a 24-hour sin city, which prompted the Rev. Mark Matthews to describe Georgetown as the "cesspool of Seattle".

Historical sites include the Argo Switching Yard, Howard Hotel, Bertoldi Hall, Rainier Brewery (1893), the Georgetown City Hall, Horton Hotel, Hamilton Hotel, Mayor Mueller's house (1892), Julius Horton house (1890), two of the old roadhouses and the Sheffleton Steam Plant (1906).

In spite of a concerted effort by the City of Seattle to industrialize Georgetown, there remains a vital core of community activists fighting to save this historical neighborhood.

LITTLE SI (Class 2-C) - A new trail, the upper half built from scratch this past summer by Will Thompson, the lower half rebuilt this fall by Thompson's Army, leads in 2-odd miles and 1000 feet a superb view of the North Bend Plain, bed of a Pleistocene lake. On the way it traverses the Rift - an earthquaked gap between Little Si and Big Si - and passes under the Great Overhang. Come now, and enjoy it before the crowds find out about it.

MOUNT SI (Class 3-C) - Rattlesnake Mountain is one of "ours", the connector ridge of the Issaquah Alps to the Cascades. And when we hike Rattlesnake, what do we see? Mount Si, of course, even taller from base to summit than our Tiger, and a thousand-odd feet higher toward true alpine-ness. We will go as high as the snow and typhoons allow on the day in question - to Haystack Basin and its eagle-eye views west to Olympics, Seattle, and, of course, the Issaquah Alps.

SEATTLE HISTORY HIKE (Class 2-B) - MEETING PLACE: Seattle's Pioneer Place (under the Pergola). Take a 2-mile guided tour of the Official Seattle Historical district with a resident expert, then a three-mile walk up Yesler on the old cable car route. Approximately 100 buildings (more than 50 of these built between 1889 and 1893) will be studied for their historical and architectural significance. Names like Issaquah Saloon and Newcastle Logging House make you realize the link between the two sides of the lake. At the Leschi landing the coal from Newcastle was, for a time, unloaded after being ferried across the lake. The wonderful old depot and ferry wharf are no longer there and you won't be able to take the cable car back down to the city but busses leave every 30 minutes and in 10 you'll be back at First and Yesler, having traveled back 100 years in history.

## RATTLESNAKE MOUNTAIN

Rattlesnake Mountain is oriented on a NW-SE axis with summits on the NW end (3200') and the SE end (3500'). The NE side of the mountain is mostly second growth timber and steep, the SW side is more gradual, has been logged off, and is crisscrossed with logging roads. Both the summits and the ridge between them are accessible by service and logging roads and one trail (the roads are gated and usually locked). There are four transeiver tower locations on the two summits and the ridge between them. The NW summit is usually reached by hiking the service road that starts close to the intersection of I-90 and state high 18, or, by ascending the power line service road and underground power line swatch on the NE side. The SE summit and Rattlesnake Ledge can be reached by hiking the Rattlesnake Ledge trail, which starts at the county park on Rattlesnake Lake, and continues on up to the SE summit.

Hikers are rewarded with spectacular views from either summit, from the roads on the SW side, and from Rattlesnake Ledge. There is an abundance of wildflowers, wildlife, geological formations, and huckleberry to be investigated, appreciated, and harvested. It is easy to get confused on which roads to follow. Most hiking routes are steep and/or long. Guides are recommended for your first time up.

## TAYLOR MOUNTAIN

Taylor Mountain is oriented on an east-west axis and the summit is almost indiscernible because it rises only 100 feet from the two mile ridge on top. The top of the ridge and the majority of the southside of the mountain is part of the Seattle Cedar River Watershed, as such that part of the mountain is fenced and posted "NO TRESPASSING". Much of the west side and the lower portion of the north and east sides have been recently logged. The west ridge is accessible by logging road, or the West Taylor Mountain Trail (WTMT) which follows an old railroad grade through the remaining forest to the top. On the north side of the mountain, Shaun Creek Falls is accessible by a trail that branches off of the WTMT.

Hikers have a spectacular view of Mt. Rainier and the southern Cascades from the West Ridge Vista; a terrific 50' waterfall in Shaun Creek Canyon, an abundance of wildflowers and wildlife, great wild blackberry picking in clearcut areas, and relatively moderate elevation gains (easy hiking) to all points of interest.

## RAGING RIVER VALLEY

The headwaters of the Raging River forms the geographic boundary between Rattlesnake Mountain on the NE side and Taylor Mountain on the SW side. The whole valley, except for isolated tracts, has been logged recently. Access to Raging River valley is via the service/logging roads on both sides of the valley. Access for hiking on the roads is via the service road near the I-90 and State Hwy. 18 intersection, or the Kerriston logging road on the east side of Hwy. 18 just south of the Raging River Bridge. Both roads are gated and usually locked except when logging. Another activity taking place on the logged off slopes of Rattlesnake Mountain just north of the old Kerriston Townsite, they bring tank trucks of Metro sludge from the sewage treatment plant and spray it on the land to get rid of the stuff and promote timber growth.

Hikers can enjoy open road hiking to the old Kerriston Townsite for artifacts, to the old Kerriston sawmill where foundations of the sawmill still exist, quiet and peaceful picnics along the river banks or on the one remaining bridge that spans the Raging river, and wildflowers and wildlife (including spawning steelhead in season).

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SNOQUALMIE FALLS - PRESTON - LAKE ALICE ROAD AREA (John Wayne Trail) - Hikes range from very easy: Preston to Lake Alice Road, also known as the John Wayne Trail, (Class 1-A); Lake Alice Road to Snoqualmie Falls Vista (Class 2-A), to the more difficult hike beginning at the Lake Alice Road junction with the John Wayne Trail, dropping down to the Forest Theatre on the banks of the Snoqualmie River and on to the base of Snoqualmie Falls (Class 2-B). A new scratch trail, rough and difficult, continues from the end of Snoqualmie Falls Vista hike by dropping under the old abandoned trestle and regaining lost elevation to the Powerhouse, making a loop by way of the Forest Theatre (Class 3-B).

### CLASSY ADS

**HELP WANTED:** Postmaster General to take charge of sorting and posting quarterly Alpiner mailings. Approximately 4 hours work per quarter (that's once every 3 months). Work with Alpiner editor as part of the team. Earn the gratitude and appreciation of thousands. Work with cheerful committee members. Must be dependable and attentive to details. Contact Alpiner Editor Connie Fair at 747-7388.

**HELP WANTED:** Bull Cook and Chief Bottlwasher to provide and serve donuts, coffee, and assorted breakfast menu items to trailmaintenance work parties. Approximately 2 hours of fun once a month. Should be reasonably clean and have a positive attitude during early morning hours in all types of weather. Repertoire of snappy jokes to cheer up volunteer forced labor gangs a plus. Must be honest and not swipe all the goodies. Contact George Jackman 641-2895.

### **ECO-PROSELYTZERS NEEDED:**

The Issaquah Parks Department has asked IATC to teach outdoor education classes in the Lake Tradition area for their Summer program (June 22 - August 8). We need teachers and assistants for one or more 3-hour sessions for various age levels. The lesson plans are available for those who wish them. Teaching Certificate not needed. Willingness to Spread The Word about the Great Issaquah Alps is a must! To apply, call Barb Johnson at 746-5573.

**HELP WANTED:** Graphic Artists or Amateurs: Have fun making signs and placards for Newcastle Days. Place them in the right place before the event and retrieve them after the event. Call Dave Kappler 235-0741.

**HELP WANTED:** Citizens of Issaquah: Represent IATC at local civic meetings. Clairvoyance a plus. Call Harvey Manning 746-1017.

**HELP WANTED:** Producer: Locate and solicit ethnic or other gratuitous performing artists for Newcastle Day Celebration. Call Dave Kappler 235-0741.

**HELP WANTED:** Circus Hand: Experienced and inexperienced. Help assemble and set up tents, tables, booths and displays of June 6 for Newcastle Day Celebration. Free coffee, donuts, and supervision. Call Dave Kappler 235-0741.

### CEDAR RIVER WATERSHED !!!

A Seattle Watershed Advisory Committee has been meeting to give the public opportunities for input into the process of evaluating the possibility of permitting additional users within the watershed boundaries. Currently, the watershed's primary function is to provide high quality water for human use, and logging is permitted on U.S. Forest Service and private land that is within watershed boundaries.

A consulting firm has been contracted to survey the general public, communities served by the Seattle Water Department, and community "opinion leaders" to assess their opinions regarding appropriate uses - such as hiking, horseback riding, fishing, hunting, education, etc. - and the level of activity within the watershed. Additionally, there will be two public workshops to be held on Saturdays (tentatively scheduled for June 6 and June 13) and an opportunity to tour the watershed (tentatively scheduled for May 30) prior to the Advisory Committee development of a "Secondary Watershed Use Alternative Plan".

The IATC hiking program continues to reach out for additional all season hiking areas, and the Cedar River Watershed boundaries are contiguous with trails we use on Taylor Mountain, Rattlesnake Mountain, Mt. Washington, McClellan's Butte, etc. If the Seattle Water Department decides to open the watershed to other uses, we should be at the very front of the line as a potential secondary user whose activities are compatible with the watershed's primary use.

If you are interested and want additional information about the program, contact Rosemary Menard, secondary use analysis project manager at 625-5674.



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