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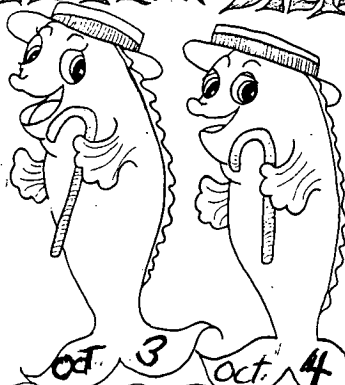
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The President's (33rd) Report

August 20, 1987

We'll make this short and sweet -- or rather, sour.

THE COUGAR MOUNTAIN REGIONAL WILDLAND PARK IS ONLY HALF COMPLETE.

Wilderness Peak and Clay Pit Peak and Marshall's Hill still are owned by Burlington-Northern.

Nothing - zero - zip - has been done in the administration of County Executive Tim Hill to remedy the situation.

Can you write two letters? Not long letters - simply repeat the three sentences above.

Address one to: Tim Hill, King County Executive
King County Courthouse
Seattle, WA 98104

Address the other to: Your County Councilperson
King County Courthouse
Seattle, WA 98104

The Councilperson whose district encompasses Cougar Mountain is Bruce Laing, who has been unable to stir the Executive to action.

Representing Renton and south is Gary Grant, who knows the mountain from way back and has been a consistent supporter.

Lois North, in Seattle's Queen Anne Hill area, has been a pusher for the park since PRO PARKS, but also has been unable to get Hill going.

Cynthia Sullivan and Ron Sims, from north and central Seattle Districts respectively, have been solid supporters, as has been Audrey Gruger, from the north end of the county.

Bill Reams represents the northeast sector, R. R. Bob Grieve and Paul Barden the southwest.

THEY ALL NEED TO HEAR FROM YOU.

..... PLEASE? DO IT NOW?



Manning

Harvey



SALMON DAYS

SALMON DAYS ARE HERE AGAIN!!!

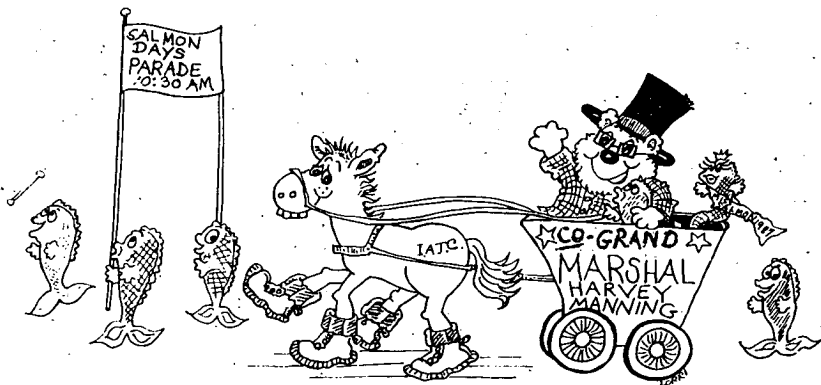
OCTOBER 3 - 4

NOTE: Before going on to the fun part, how about lending a hand?

The Trails Club booth must be set up Saturday morning, taken down Sunday afternoon. The booth must be manned all through both days, with club members answering questions, handing out leaflets and maps, and enrolling new members. Walks to see wild (not hatchery) salmon need leaders.

If you can help out for a couple of hours either day, call:

Betty Manning (after 4 p.m.) 746-1017 or Dave Kappler (ditto) 392-3571. Or, BETTER YET -- fill out the form below, and send to Betty -- 15819 SE 44th St, Bellevue, Wa 98006 but soon.



NOW!!!

You know about the club booth, the wild salmon walks, the terrific history hikes led by Tim O'Brian to Old Issaquah and Mine Town, the great new museum of Issaquah Historical Society, and all the IHS action at the (present) railroad depot.

You know about the 10K Rotary Run, the food fair, and the gimcrack and gew-gaw booths.

You know about the parade, too, Saturday morning, 10:30.

???BUT, DID YOU KNOW WHO THE (CO-) GRAND MARSHAL IS THIS YEAR???

!!!HIMSELF!!!

Our Chief Schemer, Dave Kappler, is in charge of planning exactly how Our President will marshal, grandly. In a coal car drawn by 20 mules? Accompanied by a marching platoon of trail-crew workers, shouldering tools, lead by Chief Ranger? An Egyptian galley, the Marshal reclining on cushions, being fanned by damsels with dulcimers, houris popping grapes in his mouth? Yet to be determined is how far the Salmon Days Festival will let us go. It is our intention that this will be the parade that sends the Seafair Pirates slinking home with tails between legs.



Salmon Days Signup -- Oct. 3 - 4.

Working the booth:

I will work: (we need at least 2 people every 2-hour shift)

Saturday
Set - up (Call Dave)

Sunday

11 - 1 p.m. _____
1 - 3 p.m. (name) (phone) _____
3 - 5 p.m. _____

10 - 12 p.m. _____
12 - 2 p.m. _____
2 - 4 p.m. _____
4 p.m. - take down booth _____

Leading the hikes:

Salmon hike (Call Dave for times)

Saturday _____ (time)

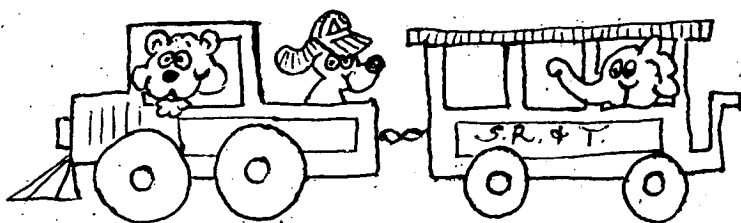
Sunday _____ (time)

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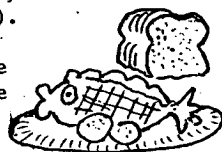
SNOQUALMIE RAILS AND TRAILS I

Sunday, August 16, inaugurated an event that will stand beside RETURN TO NEWCASTLE and introduced Friends of Snoqualmie, a group that will share much of the work the Trails Club takes as its own responsibility -- and will do much other that is right up our alley.

Keep it in mind for 1988: SNOQUALMIE RAILS & TRAILS IS A FUN DAY.

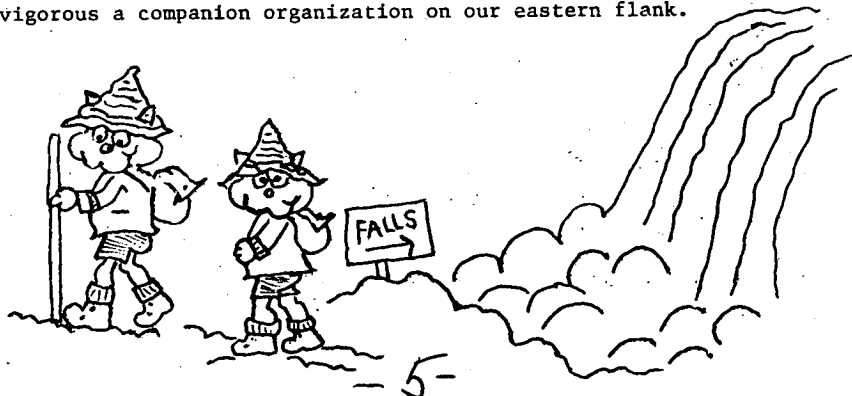
The steam choo-choo running from Snoqualmie Falls to North Bend. The wagon rides hauling kids around the flood plain. The hikes to Snoqualmie Falls, the Old Mill Pond, Three Forks. The "antique" Metro buses (1945 -- looked like new to some of us) taking folks to trailheads and on scenic tours, such as, to the Winery high on the side of Rattlesnake Mountain (for some, very high).

The Snoqualmie Tribe sold 700 salmon dinners! (Don't miss the fried bread.) They put on a singing show in the pergola. The bluegrass and banjo bands filled in around.



Though politics were not on the day's official agenda, many got the messages: the trail must be completed from Issaquah to Snoqualmie, and Tim Hill must be got off the stick to see it is done; Weyerhaeuser's notion of throwing out the deliberations of the elected officials of King County in order to do its own "land planning" for the valley cannot be tolerated in America.

The Friends of Snoqualmie staged the affair -- which surely was the spectacular event in the history of Snoqualmie. The Trails Club is proud to have helped a bit -- and mighty glad to have so vigorous a companion organization on our eastern flank.





BROTHER, CAN YOU SPARE A DIME?
(HOW ABOUT YOU, SIS?)

IT'S FOR THE BIRDS

This is a very short story, so get out your checkbook and touch pen to tongue and get ready to write.

The City of Issaquah, having turned over all of its land to developers for paving, now wishes to invade Lake Sammamish State Park to do some paving of its own. For soccer and like that.

The Trails Club fully supports soccer and like that, but it supports birds, too. Birds have been ejected from most of the Squak Plain. They deserve to have a bit left for them --- and for the birdwatchers.

The City prepared an environmental impact statement. Then came the November Flood. The City was out to lunch and missed it. Says it NEVER happened, not really. And if it did, makes no difference.

A private party has filed suit. This is our last chance to save the State Park. (The State Parks Director is a soccer player.) We have to save the park from the City of Issaquah -- and from State Parks. If we can hold them off long enough in the courts, we can seek help from the Legislature. (The Trails Club never has filed a suit but is permitted by its articles of incorporation and its IRS classification to support environmental suits.)

As of today, the individual has spent more than \$1,700 of his own funds. More will be required -- though it stands to be a relative cheapy as lawsuits go. To date he has received less than \$100 in contributions from Trails Club members.

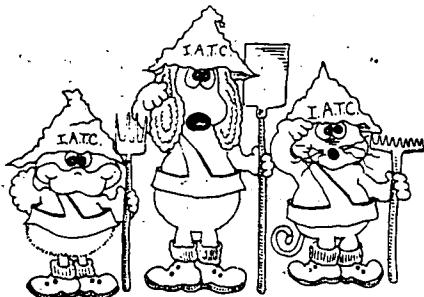
How do you feel about the Squak Plain? The State Park? The birds?

For tax-deductible contributions, the checks can be made out to Issaquah Alps Trails Club, earmarked "Lake Sammamish State Park lawsuit."

If you don't wish a deduction, to Bricklin & Gendler.

Send (for transmission) to: Issaquah Alps Trails Club
P.O. Box 351
Issaquah, WA 98027

JOIN THE ARMY AND SEE THE ALPS!



As individuals, it is very hard for us to achieve measurable impact upon the public body of Government. Letters, letters, letters -- yes, we must write them, but we rarely receive visceral satisfaction from a good blow well struck.

Ah! But to whack out a stretch of trail -- and thus put the people's feet on it -- and thus "frustrate the knavish tricks, confound the politics" of the land-eaters -- that both does and feels good.

So, come! Bring tools if you have them, though the Trails Club now owns quite a nice arsenal, thanks to donated funds. (One gift recently put \$500 under the specific control of Chief Ranger Bill Longwell, to spend as he sees fit!) Dress warm, pack a lunch, be prepared to spend a goodly part of a day -- in storm, sleet, wind, snow, heat wave, attack of the killer chipmunks -- making a part of the earth the people's earth.

WORK PARTIES

TIGER MOUNTAIN TRAIL

October 10 (Saturday)

Assemble at Issaquah Park & Ride Lot at 8:30. Coffee and donuts. Then carpool caravan to the trailhead.

This is "the greatest near-city wildland trail in America," the masterpiece of our Chief Ranger, Bill Longwell. Come help make it greater.

For information call Gale Palm 783-6005 or Bob Knutsen 243-4546.

COUGAR MOUNTAIN REGIONAL WILDLAND PARK -- ACCESS TRAIL FROM SOUTH

OR WEST

November 15 (Sunday)

Assemble at Issaquah Park and Ride at 8:30. Carpool-caravan to trailhead -- after the coffee and donuts and maple bars.

The objective will be either the Far Country Creek Trail ("John's Trail") from May Valley or the China Creek Trail from Old Newcastle, depending. Both need to be done -- and will be done -- by Armies this fall-winter-spring. (The land-eaters are on the scene, gulping, gulping.)

The leader is Dwight Riggs, a Tiger Mountain Ranger who has agreed to come to Cougar for the day. For information call Cougar Mountain Ranger Dave Kappler, 392-3571.

The Alps

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\$8.00 (Includes tax and shipping)

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A thorough but simple chronology of the geology of the Alps from early Eocene period to modern times.

\$3.00 (Includes tax and shipping)

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COUGAR MOUNTAIN -- revised, 1985

new TIGER MOUNTAIN -- revised, 1987

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Tiger Guide	8.00	_____
Bedrock and Bootsoles	3.00	_____
Tiger Map	1.75	_____
Cougar Map	1.75	_____

Total Enclosed \$ _____

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A Hundred Years Of Hidden History

By Richard K. McDonald
and Lucile McDonald



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"Board of Directors"

Notes on topics discussed at Board of Directors meetings.

June 19, 1987

Return to Newcastle. Great success despite lack of publicity, more people involved, hikes well announced and scheduled. Discussed County's role, Return VI.

Trails. 24 people attended Caves Trail Party and trail is now an easy path. Discussed horse problems on Cougar and Tiger, missing trail signs at Coal Creek. Also location of Issaquah Alps, our territory and where we should be hiking.

Developers. Issaquah wants 4-lane road through SE 60th neighborhood for East Village. IATC has commented on EIS. Weyco has replatted Licorice Fern II, disastrously. Our greenbelt dedications on China Creek & DeLeo Wall are already gone as King County did not guard our interests.

Tiger Mt. State Forest. DNR is starting clearcuts as though nothing ever happened.

Tourism. Issaquah Tourism Commission will give us \$1000 for trail signs if we supply intersection monitors for a bike fun ride. HM has special plans.

Snoqualmie Hails & Trails. We'll provide hike leaders Aug. 16. Buz is coordinator.

IATC Agenda. HM listed agenda for future projects of all of us. Overwhelming! Help!

July 16, 1987.

Preston. Saw fascinating slide show of old Preston homes and historical sites. IATC will write letters or whatever to help get this designated as State or County landmark.

Snoqualmie Hails & Trails. Buz working with Snoqualmie Committee on civic celebration. Will have salmon bake, bike ride-around, guided horseback rides, hikes, country music. Donated \$100 to the cause.

Cougar Mountain. Discussed Licorice Fern hearing, horse problems, SE 60th. Park has two new rangers who are brushing, signing, patrolling. We need to meet with Bruce Laing regarding completion of park.

Issaquah Parks. Barbara Johnson coordinating with Anne McGill Thompson re money needed for trails plan, trail to High Point, trail to Squak. Six Lake Tradition trips are scheduled this summer, thanks to Barbara and Anne.

August 20, 1987.

Salmon Days. Discussed HM's costume and transport as co-Grand Marshal. Need booth attendants. Tim will do history walks, Roger the fish walks.

Snoqualmie Hails & Trails. Our leaders led hikes to Little Si and Forest Theatre and Snoqualmie Falls. Had two Metro buses for transportation (1945 models). Railroad and wagon rides jammed all day. IT WAS FUN.

Hikes. Discussed out-of-Alps hikes. Lake Annette. Banner Mountain.

Armies. TMT Army on October 10. Cougar on November 15. Resiliuses are back in the woods. Vance Babcock will coordinate China Creek.

Tiger Mt. State Forest. DNR priorities seem to be (1) timber sales, (2) habitat evaluation, (3) master trail system, (4) education-interpretation. Public hearing on timber sales September 2.

Wonder Woman. Barb Johnson leads nature walks for Bellevue Parks, patrols Bellevue Square, continues with Issaquah Parks, monitors Bellevue Parks Board, is liaison with Russ Cahill, promoter of Tradition Center idea.

"The Apparatus"

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For any information about anything, try any member of the Board of Directors:

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Barbara Johnson	

For information about activities call:

ISSAQUAH ALPS 24-hour HOTLINE:	328-0480
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Patti Arthurs, Lorri Burkey-Illustrator	



We'd like to tell you about our plans for the winter months . . . we will be scheduling a how-to-become-a-hike-leader seminar on a Saturday once a month in January, February and March, led by our intrepid educational leader, Barbara Johnson. This will not only give instruction on how to lead safely and well, but will include an easy hike and problem-solving. Be sure to look for the seminar and come. Don't be hesitant. All the hike leaders had the "leader's syndrome" before leading hikes became second nature. . .

We plan to establish a telephone tree and begin calling members. Rather than continuing to nag in The Alpiner we figure that talking on the phone will help us find those people wanting to do their share in keeping the club moving forward . . while you're waiting for that phone call, here's a partial list of positions people would like to share with someone eager:

- Telephone person for the Hike-Scheduling Committee
- Mailing Committee for The Alpiner (more than 3)
- Telephone Tree Organizer
- Someone on call when we need extra help!

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MONTHLY MEETINGS

Held at Newport Way Library at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. Includes updating on club problems, political issues, general give and take. Sometimes it's hot and heavy.

October 15 - NOVEMBER 19 - DECEMBER 16

Please call Connie Dow 392-2140 to verify
December date!

The calendars are removable
for your convenience.

PLEASE Post!



October 1987



SUNDAY A.M.	SUNDAY P.M.	MONDAY A.M.	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY A.M.	SATURDAY P.M.
						1 Pat Kaald 2 746-8741 Tibbets OK trail Class 2B 9:30 a.m.	SALMON Issaquah 10-5 P.M.	Bob Wood 3 Olympus - Big tree tour RSVP 324 8416 Sat. + Sunday
4	4	5	6 Virginia Cuykendall 746-7280 Toddlers & Parents Walk Leader's choice Class 9:30 a.m. 1A	7 Jim Cadigan 641-4046 Tiger Mt. W. Tiger 1,2,3 Loop Class 8:30 a.m. 4C	8 Will Thompson 488-8542 Tiger Mt Thru Backdoor Class 8:30 a.m. 3C	9 Peggy Owen 746-1070 So. Cascades Annette Lake (45-MIN. Drive) Class 9:00 a.m. 3C		10 Gail Palm 10 783-6005 Bob Knutson 243-4546 South TMT TRAIL WORK Party 8:30 a.m.
DAYS Issaquah 10-5 PM		VISIT OUR BOOTH! volunteer!		Virginia Cuykendall 746-7280 toddlers/parents walk - leader's choice Class 9:30 a.m. 1A		15 Leurene McLane 392-0204 (before 4 PM) TIGER Mt. Leader's Choice Class 9:00 a.m. to the Monthly Meeting Newport Way Library - 7:30 P.M.	16 MARY Cadigan 641-4046 LK Alice to Snog. Falls Class 9:30 a.m. 2B	17 Marty Hansen 392-2458 Middle Tiger summit Class 9:00 a.m. 3B
11 Jerry Wheeler 242-9344 R.S.V.P. Rampant Lakes (Limit 12) Class 8:00 a.m. 4C	11 Michael Hansen 232-1609 W. Tiger 1 Youth Hike Class 8:30 a.m. 3C	12 Gail Palm 783-6005 Bob Knutson 243-4546 Tiger Mt. Hobart RR Grade Loop Class 9:30 a.m. 2B	13 Berni Dionne 228-5362 W Tiger 2 Class 8:30 a.m. 3C	14 Doug Walti 322-7714 Little Si Class 9:30 a.m. 2C	22 Betty Culbert 641-6451 Cougar Mt. W. Tibbets Creek Loop Class 9:30 a.m. 2B	23 Ursula & Leonard Eisenberg 392-4034 Tiger Mt. caves Class 9:30 a.m. 3B	24 Peggy Owen 746-1070 Preston History Walk Class 12:30 p.m. 2B	24 Peggy Owen 746-1070 Preston History Walk Class 12:30 p.m. 2B
18 George Jackman 641-2895 W. Taylor Mt. Exploration Class 8:30 a.m. 3C	18 Ralph Owen 746-1070 E. Wilderness Park Loop Class 12:30 p.m. 2B	19	20 AL Blalock EP Bowser 746-4155/747-3349 Nisqually Delta Exploration Class 8:30 a.m. 3A	21 Doug Walti 322-7714 Little Si Class 9:30 a.m. 2C	29	30	31 Phil Fridmore 827-2093 So. Cascades Pratt Lake Class 8:00 a.m. 3C	31 Bob Gross 392-0539 Tiger Mt. Leader's choice Class 12:30 p.m. 2B
25 George Mischler 746-8144 Middle Tiger Loop Class 9:30 a.m. 3B	25 Steve Williams 453-8997 Cougar Mt. Leader's choice Class 12:30 p.m. 3B	26	27	28	Insert A			

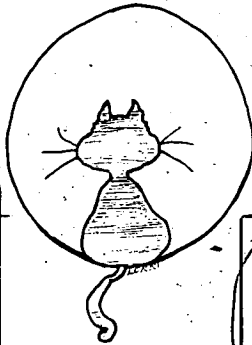
OCTOBER 1987 HIKE SCHEDULE

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- Fri. Oct. 2: Cougar Mtn. Tibbets Creek Trail. Class 2B. Meet 9:30 a.m.
Pat Kaald 746-8741
- Sat. Oct. 3: Olympic Mtns. Special Big Tree Tour.
See the largest, tallest trees in Washington - cedars, firs, spruce.
Motel or camp. RSVP leader for details. Bob Wood 324-8416
- Seattle. Georgetown History Walk. Class 2A. Meet 10 a.m. at
Airport Way and Lucille Street in Seattle. Tim O'Brien 342-1600
324-1604
- Sun. Oct. 4: Olympic Mtns. Special. See Saturday, Oct. 3.
- Tiger Mtn. West Tiger 2 & 3 Loop. Class 3C. Meet 8:30 a.m.
Larry Hansen 392-2458
- Cougar Mtn. Lakemont Gorge. Class 2C. Meet 12:30 p.m.
Buzz Moore 746-1866
- Tues. Oct. 6: Toddlers & Parents Walk. Leaders Choice. Class 1A. Meet 9:30 a.m.
Virginia Cuykendall 746-7280
- Wed. Oct. 7: Tiger Mtn. West Tiger 1, 2 & 3 Loop. Class 4C. Meet 8:30 a.m.
Jim Cadigan 641-4046
- Thurs. Oct. 8: Tiger Mtn. Tiger Mtn. thru Backdoor. Class 3C. Meet 8:30 a.m.
Will Thompson 488-8592
- Fri. Oct. 9: South Cascades. Annette Lake. Class 3C. Meet 9 a.m.
Peggy Owen 746-1070. 45 min. drive to trailhead.
- Sat. Oct. 10: Tiger Mtn. South TMT Trail Party. Meet 8:30 a.m.
Gail Palm 783-6005 & Bob Knutsen 243-4546
- Sun. Oct. 11: South Cascades. Rampart Lakes. Class 4C. Meet 8 a.m.
1-1/2 hr. drive to trailhead. Forest Service limit of 12 hikers.
RSVP hike leader Jerry Wheeler 242-9344
- Tiger Mtn. West Tiger I Youth Hike. Class 3C. Meet 8:30 a.m.
Michael Hansen 232-1609
- Tues. Oct. 13: Tiger Mtn. Hobart RR Grade Loop. Class 2B. Meet 9:30 a.m.
Gail Palm 783-6005 & Bob Knutsen 243-4546
- Toddlers & Parents Walk. Leaders Choice. Class 1A. Meet 9:30 a.m.
Virginia Cuykendall 746-7280

- Thurs. Oct. 15: Tiger Mtn. Leaders Choice. Class 3C. Meet 9 a.m.
Laurene McLane 392-0204
- Monthly club meeting at Newport Way Library 7:30 p.m.
All members invited.
- Fri. Oct. 16: Snoqualmie Valley. Lake Alice to Snoqualmie Falls. Class 2B.
Meet 9:30 a.m. Mary Cadigan 641-4046
- Sat. Oct. 17: Tiger Mtn. Middle Tiger Summit. Class 3B. Meet 9 a.m.
Marty Hansen 392-2458
- Sun. Oct. 18: Taylor Mtn. West Taylor Mtn. Exploration. Class 3C
Meet 8:30 a.m. George Jackman 641-2895
- Cougar Mtn. East Wilderness Park Loop. Class 2B
Meet 12:30 p.m. Ralph Owen 746-1070
- Tues. Oct. 20: Tiger Mtn. West Tiger 2. Class 3C. Meet 8:30 a.m.
Berni Dionne 228-5302
- Toddlers & Parents Walk. Leaders Choice. Class 1A. Meet 9:30 a.m.
Virginia Cuykendall 746-7280
- Fri. Oct. 23: Cougar Mtn. West Tibbets Creek Loop. Class 2B
Meet 9:30 a.m. Betty Culbert 641-6451
- Sat. Oct. 24: Tiger Mtn. Tiger Mtn. Caves. Class 3B. Meet 9:30 a.m.
Ursula & Leonard Eisenberg 392-4034
- Preston, WA. Preston History Walk. Class 2B. Meet 12:30 p.m.
Peggy Owen 746-1070
- Sun. Oct. 25: Tiger Mtn. Middle Tiger Loop. Class 3B. Meet 9:30 a.m.
George Mischler 746-8144
- Cougar Mtn. Leaders Choice. Class 3B. Meet 12:30 p.m.
Steve Williams 453-8997
- Tues. Oct. 27: Nisqually River. Nisqually Delta Exploration. Class 3A.
Meet 8:30 a.m. One hour drive to trailhead.
Al Blalock 746-4155 & Ed Bowser 747-3349
- Toddlers & Parents Walk. Leaders Choice. Class 1A. Meet 9:30 a.m.
Virginia Cuykendall 746-7280
- Wed. Oct. 28: Little Si. Little Si Summit. Class 2C. Meet 9:30 a.m.
Doug Welti 322-7714
- Sat. Oct. 31: South Cascades. Pratt Lake. Class 3C. Meet 8 a.m.
Half hour drive to trailhead. Phil Pridmore 827-2090
- Tiger Mtn. Leaders Choice. Class 2B. Meet 12:30 p.m.
Bob Gross 392-0539

November 1987



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<div>Doug WELT 322-7714</div> <div>Shaun Creek Falls (Taylor Mt)</div> <div>Class 11:00 2A A.M.</div>		<div>Virginia Cuykendal 746-7280</div> <div>Toddlers + Parents walk (Leader's choice)</div> <div>Class 9:30 1A A.M.</div>		<div>Connie DOW 392-2190</div> <div>Middle tiger Summit Loop</div> <div>Class 9:30 3B A.M.</div>	<div>Mary Cadigan 641-4046</div> <div>North TMT Loop</div> <div>Class 9:30 2B a.m.</div>	<div>URSula & Leonard Eisenberg 392-4034</div> <div>WTiger 3</div> <div>Class 8:30 3B A.M.</div>	<div>Steve Cavit 271-7780</div> <div>Cougar Mt: Wilderness Creek Explana- tion</div> <div>Class 12:30 2C p.m.</div>
<div>Ralph Owen 746-1070</div> <div>TMT</div> <div>Class 8:30 4C A.M.</div>	<div>Larry Hansen 392-2458</div> <div>LK. Tradition Exploration</div> <div>Class 12:30 2B P.M.</div>	<div>Virginia Cuykendal 746-7280</div> <div>Toddlers + Parents walk (Leader's choice)</div> <div>Class 9:30 1A A.M.</div>	<div>Joanne Howe 432-0741</div> <div>Middle tiger Loop</div> <div>Class 8:30 3C A.M.</div>	<div>Jim Cadigan 641-4046</div> <div>Cougar Mt: Wilderness Park Exploration</div> <div>Class 8:30 4C A.M.</div>		<div>Trudy Ecob 232-8933</div> <div>WTiger 2+3</div> <div>Class 9:30 3C</div> <div>Peggy Owen 746-1070</div> <div>cool ck. Falls De Leo-Loop</div> <div>class 9:30 2B A.M.</div>	<div>Tim O'Brien 324-1609</div> <div>Seattle: Seattle History walk</div> <div>10 A.M. Pergola- Pioneer Squares</div>
<div>15</div> <div>Cougar Mt. TRAILS WORK Party - see write-up.</div> <div>Dwight Riggs, leader 772-1666</div> <div>8:30 A.M. (a.k.a.) 392-3571</div>	<div>15</div>	<div>16</div>	<div>17</div> <div>Gail Palm 783-6005</div> <div>Bob Knutsen 243-4546</div> <div>Little si 9:30 A.M.</div> <div>Virginia Cuykendal 746-7280</div> <div>Toddlers/ Parents walk</div> <div>Class 9:30 1A A.M.</div>	<div>18</div>	<div>19</div> <div>Laurene Malane 392-0204 (before 4PM)</div> <div>Tiger Mt. Monthly Leader's P. Meeting</div> <div>Class 9:30 3C Newport way Lib. 7:30 P.M.</div> <div>Meet Please come!</div>	<div>20</div>	<div>21</div> <div>Steve Irby 255-3211</div> <div>Tiger Mt: MANY Creek valley</div> <div>Class 9:30 3B A.M.</div>
<div>22</div> <div>George Mischler 746-8144</div> <div>Tiger Mt: PooPoo Pt. Loop</div> <div>Class 8:30 3C A.M.</div>	<div>22</div> <div>Steve Williams 453-8997</div> <div>Cougar Mt. Leader's Choice</div> <div>Class 12:30 3B P.M.</div>	<div>23</div>	<div>24</div> <div>Berni Dionne 228-5302</div> <div>WTiger 2</div> <div>Class 3C</div> <div>300 A.M. VIRGINIA Cuykendal 746-7280</div> <div>Toddlers Parents walk</div> <div>Class 9:30 1A P.M.</div>	<div>25</div>	<div>26</div> <div>Joe toynbee 723-6716</div> <div>TIGER MT. T.G. DAY Appetizer Hike</div> <div>Class 8:30 2B A.M.</div>	<div>27</div>	<div>28</div> <div>Ralph Leach 783-6345</div> <div>WTiger 1,2,3 Loop</div> <div>Class 8:30 4C A.M.</div>
<div>29</div> <div>TOM MECHLER 255-0922</div> <div>Squak Mt. Exploration</div> <div>Class 8:30 3C A.M.</div>	<div>29</div>	<div>30</div>					

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NOVEMBER 1987 HIKE SCHEDULE

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Sun. Nov. 1: Taylor Mtn. Shaun Creek Falls. Class 2C. Meet 11 a.m.
Doug Welti 322-7714

Tues. Nov. 3: Toddlers & Parents Walk. Leaders Choice. Class 1A. Meet 9:30 a.m.
Virginia Cuykendal 746-7280

Thurs. Nov. 5: Tiger Mtn. Middle Tiger Summit Loop. Class 3B.
Meet 9:30 a.m. Connie Dow 392-2190

Fri. Nov. 6: Tiger Mtn. North TMT Loop. Class 2B. Meet 9:30 a.m.
Mary Cadigan 641-4046

Sat. Nov. 7: Tiger Mtn. West Tiger 3. Class 3B. Meet 8:30 a.m.
Ursula & Leonard Eisenberg 392-4034

Cougar Mtn. Wilderness Creek Exploration. Class 2C.
Meet 12:30 p.m. Steve Cavit 271-7780

Sun. Nov. 8: Tiger Mtn. Tiger Mtn. Trail. Class 4C. Meet 8:30 a.m.
Involves car switch. Ralph Owen 746-1070

Tiger Mtn. Lake Tradition Exploration. Class 2B. Meet 12:30 p.m.
Larry Hansen 392-2458

Tues. Nov. 10: Toddlers & Parents Walk. Leaders Choice. Class 1A. Meet 9:30 a.m.
Virginia Cuykendal 746-7280

Wed. Nov. 11: Tiger Mtn. Middle Tiger Loop. Class 3C. Meet 8:30 a.m.
Joanne Howe 432-0741

Thurs. Nov. 12: Cougar Mtn. Wilderness Park Exploration. Class 4C.
Meet 8:30 a.m. Jim Cadigan 641-4046

Sat. Nov. 14: Tiger Mtn. West Tiger 2 & 3. Class 3C. Meet 8:30 a.m.
Trudy Ecob 232-2933

Cougar Mtn. Coal Creek Falls & DeLeo Wall Loop. Class 2B.
Meet 9:30 a.m. Peggy Owen 746-1070

Seattle. Seattle History Walk. Class 2A.
Meet 10 a.m. at pergola in Pioneer Square. Tim O'Brien 324-1609

Sun. Nov. 15:

TRAIL WORK PARTY - Cougar Mt.
Meet 8:30 a.m. Dwight Riggs 772-1666

Tues. Nov. 17:

Little Si. Little Si Summit. Class 2B. Meet 9:30 a.m.
Gail Palm 783-6005 & Bob Knutsen 243-4546

Toddlers & Parents Walk. Leaders Choice. Class 1A. Meet 9:30 a.m.
Virginia Cuykendal 746-7280

Thurs. Nov. 19:

Tiger Mtn. Leaders Choice. Class 3C. Meet 9 a.m.
Laurene McLane 392-0204

Monthly club meeting at Newport Way Library 7:30 p.m.
All members invited.

Sat. Nov. 21:

Tiger Mtn. Many Creek Valley. Class 3B. Meet 9:30 a.m.
Steve Irby 255-3211

Sun. Nov. 22:

Tiger Mtn. Poo Poo Point Loop. Class 3C. Meet 8:30 a.m.
George Mischler 746-8144

Cougar Mtn. Leaders Choice. Class 3B. Meet 12:30 p.m.
Steve Williams 453-8997

Tues. Nov. 24:

Tiger Mtn. West Tiger 2. Class 3C. Meet 8:30 a.m.
Berni Dionne 228-5302

Toddlers & Parents Walk. Leaders Choice. Class 1A. Meet 9:30 a.m.
Virginia Cuykendal 746-7280

Thurs. Nov. 26:

Tiger Mtn. Thanksgiving Day Appetizer Hike. Class 2B.
Meet 8:30 a.m. Joe Toynbee 723-6716

Sat. Nov. 28:

Tiger Mtn. West Tiger 1, 2 & 3 Loop. Class 4C. Meet 8:30 a.m.
Ralph Leach 783-6345

Little Si. Little Si Summit. Class 2C. Meet 12:30 p.m.
Bob Gross 392-0539

Sun. Nov. 29:

Squak Mtn. Squak Mtn. Exploration. Class 3C. Meet 8:30 a.m.
Tom Mechler 255-0922

December 1987

SUNDAY A.M.	SUNDAY P.M.	MONDAY A.M.	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY A.M.	SATURDAY P.M.
			AL Blalock ED Bowser 746-4155/747-3349 LK Tradition Plateau Exploration Class 9:30 3B TODDLERS Parents Walk Class 9:30 A.M.	2	Maury Muzzy 392-8718 W Tiger 3 Summit Class 9:30 A.M. 3C	4	Hazel HALE 243-5376 Mt. Washington Summit Class 9:00 A.M. 3C	URSULA & Leonard Eisenberg 392-4034 Little Si Class 12:30 P.M. 2C
Dwight Riggs 772-1666 Tiger Mt. Exploratory Bushwhack Class 8:30 3C A.M.	6	Connie Dow 392-2190 Cougar Mt.: W. Wilderness Park Loop Explora- tion Class 9:30 A.M. 2B	7 Gail Palm 783-6005 Bob Knutson 243-4546 Cougar Leaders Choice Class 9:30 A.M. 3B Virginia Cuykendall 746-7280 TODDLERS Parents Walk Class 9:30 A.M.	8	Joanne Howe 432-0741 Tiger Mt.: Leader's Choice Class 8:30 A.M. 3C	10 Mary Cadigan 641-4046 Cougar Mt.: Cool Creek Falls/ De Leo Wall Loop Class 9:30 A.M. 2B	11 George Mischler 746-8144 W. Tiger 2+3 Loop Class 8:30 A.M. 3C	12 Tom Mechler 255-0922 Little Si Class 9:30 A.M. 2C
Ralph OWEN 746-1070 Cougar Mt.: Peggy's Trail To Wilderness Park. Class 9:30 A.M. 3C	13	Jim Cadigan 641-4046 Middle Tiger Loop Class 8:30 A.M. 3B	14 VIRGINIA Cuykendall 746-7280 Another (!) TODDLERS and Parents Walk Class 9:30 A.M. 1A	15 Hazel Hale 243-5376 Little Si Class 9:30 A.M. 2C Monthly Meeting would you believe you Goodies + talk? 7:30 PM Newport Way Library	16 Betty Culbert 641-6451 Cougar Mt.: N. Wilderness Park Loop Class 9:30 A.M. 2B	17 George Jackman 641-2895 Taylor Mt Exploration Class 8:30 A.M. 3C	18 Ralph Leach 783-6345 W Tiger 1, 2, 3 Loop Class 8:30 A.M. 4C	19 Bob Gross 392-0539 LK Tradition Plateau Expla- tion Class 12:30 P.M. 2A
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- Tues. Dec. 1: Tiger Mtn. Lake Tradition Plateau Exploration Class 3B. Meet 9:30 a.m. Al Blalock 746-4155 & Ed Bowser 747-3349
- Toddlers & Parents Walk. Leaders Choice. Class 1A. Meet 9:30 a.m. Virginia Cuykendal 746-7280
- Thurs. Dec. 3: Tiger Mtn. West Tiger 3 Summit. Class 3C. Meet 9:30 a.m. Maury Muzzy 392-8718
- Sat. Dec. 5: Mt. Washington. Mt. Washington Summit. Class 3C. Meet 9 a.m. Hazel Hale 243-5376
- Little Si. Little Si Summit. Class 2C. Meet 12:30 p.m. Ursella & Leonard Eisenberg 392-4034
- Sun. Dec. 6: Tiger Mtn. Tiger Mtn. Exploratory Bushwhack. Class 3C. Meet 8:30 a.m. Dwight Riggs 772-1666
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- Toddlers & Parents Walk. Leaders Choice. Class 1A. Meet 9:30 a.m. Virginia Cuykendal 746-7280
- Thurs. Dec. 31: Tiger Mtn. Leaders Choice. Class 3C. Meet 9:30 a.m. Dwight Riggs 772-1666

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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24 HOURS A DAY - RECORDED HIKE DESCRIPTIONS
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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 Baime 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.

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

CAVES OF WEST TIGER 3 (Class 3-C) - The way to the caves has been well worn by the backside of jeans sliding down the steep path off the Section Line Trail. It is downhill at the hard part and not dangerous, just rough in spots. Bring a flashlight to explore Don's Cave, an easy walk-in and O'Brian's Cave, which requires a short scramble. Both giant caverns, the largest with room for 100 or more people, represent the largest known talus caves in the state. A stunning scene even without entering, with huge rocks set in deep forest and thick moss.

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.

For hike information call the
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BEYOND THE ALPS

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.

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).

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 Longing 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.

MOUNT WASHINGTON (Class 4-C) A surprise super hike to Mount Washington, known as "Stranger Mountain" and located east of Rattlesnake Ridge, southeast of Mt. Si, and overshadowing the ancient terminal moraine of the Puget Glacier. This is a 12-mile round trip for strong hikers.

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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