



# Mount Hood Chapter Pacific Crest Trail Association

The mission of the Pacific Crest Trail Association is to protect, preserve, and promote the Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail as an internationally significant resource for the enjoyment of hikers and equestrians, and for the value that wild and scenic lands provide to all people.



## Minutes of Caretaker Meeting, March 10, 2010

The meeting was called to order by Steve Queen at 6:35 PM.

Caretakers present were: Bill Hawley, Jack Konner, Dennis Beard, Jim Webb, Roberta Cobb, Becky Wolf, Jerry Bentz, Steve Plant and Steve Queen.

### Past Events

- February 13, Annual Meeting, Gifford Pinchot HQ, 12:30 socialize, 1:00 - 3:00.
- February 18, South to near Sedum Ridge, Jim Webb.
- February 19, Volunteer recognition, Estacada ranger station, 3 PM
- February 22, Road 2070 logout, Bill Hawley.
- February 27, Tool Day, Roberta Cobb's.
- March 5, Scouting to below Teakettle Spring, Dennis Beard.
- March 8, Road 68 to Big Huckleberry Mountain, Bill Hawley.

### Future Events

- March 12, South to Sedum Ridge, Jim Webb.
- March 17, 1:30, Columbia Dispatch radio frequency review, Kim Owen.
- March 27, REI Volunteer Table, Jack Konner.
- April 3, Bridge of the Gods to Herman Bridge Trail, Steve Queen.
- April 3, Crest Camp south, Bill Hawley.
- April 10, Carpenters Lake Trail to Fort Rains, Steve Queen.
- April 10, REI Volunteer Table, Jack Konner
- April 16-18, Trails Skills College, Cascade Locks
- April 24, Chainsaw certification, Estacada Ranger Station.
- April 24, 26, 2010, Chainsaw and crosscut saw certification, Gifford Pinchot NF.
- May 14-16, Westfir Training.
- June, 4-6, Allingham Training.
- July 9-11, Ramona Falls to Paradise Park, Kim and Pam Owen.
- July 9-11, Joe Graham Horse Camp to Jude Lake, OET, Becky Wolf.
- July 31, Breitenbush Lake to Park Ridge, BCH, Jerry Bentz.

### Training and Safety Report (Steve Queen)

- Jennifer Tripp is checking on First Aid fundamentals kits.
- Dennis Beard has prices on Quick Clot, etc.
- Trail Skills College
  - Becky Wolf: Ron Northway is looking for tools
  - Dana provided gloves and goggles.

### Budget Report (Kim Owen)

- None.

### **Tools Report (Jerry Bentz)**

- Jerry is Building racks for the trailer.
- Tool Day: Tools at Roberta's cache were cleaned, storage was improved and crosscut saws were engraved with numbers.
- Bill Hawley: Joe has completed repair of crosscut saws and is making covers. Materials for covers will cost \$14 each. They will be returned to the Wind River cache in a couple of weeks.

### **Annual Meeting (Steve Queen)**

- Steve Queen: It was generally agreed that the Annual Meeting was successful, due to the large turnout and the enjoyment of the audience for the speaker.
- Jack Konner: The Annual Meeting was highlighted by good attendance by our equestrian groups and Caretakers. People, especially equestrians, liked the speaker and the refreshments were excellent. However, the talk exceeded the time limit, there were very few of our hiker volunteers, as well as other hikers, present and volunteer recruitment was nil. The only three names we got were equestrians who questioned whether they were still on the e-mail list, which they proved to be. We should decide what the purpose of the Annual Meeting is and what we want to achieve by it. It was decided that this would be left to a meeting closer to the Annual Meeting to consider.
- Some ideas for obtaining speakers were discussed.

### **Regional Representative Report (Dana Berthold)**

- None.

### **Discussion Items**

- Bill Hawley: Bill has been Appointed Technical Advisor for the Gifford Pinchot Stimulus Project. While the appointment covers June through August for two years, Bill has only agreed to this coming season.
- Roberta Cobb: We need clarification about agency requirements of JHAs.
- Dennis Beard: Trails scheduled for outside contracts for repair were discussed.
- Bill Hawley: ARRA projects that will be implemented this summer in our part of southern Washington. There are also several other project in the Goat Rocks Wilderness.
- The following ARRA contract projects (by NWSA and SCA youth crews) will be done on the PCT in southern Washington in 2010:
  - Sedum Switchback area - tread and drainage restoration
  - Potato Hill (north & south) - tread and turnpike restoration
  - Indian Heaven - tread restoration near Blue Lake
  - Stagman Ridge - tread restoration
  - Cultus Lake (feeder) - tread and drainage restoration
  - Killen Meadow - tread and drainage restoration
  - Carpenter Lake area - restructure bridges, tread & drainage restoration.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, April 14, 2010, 6:30 PM at Clackamas REI.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:17 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jack Konner  
Secretary