

Mount Hood Chapter, PCTA Caretaker Meeting Minutes

March 9, 2016

Location: REI Clackamas

Notes by Summer

Welcome

- Welcome: Tonaya Craft as our new Event Coordinator
- Attended: Lamar, Summer, Tonaya, Little Brown, Ron, Carole, Tyler, Liz, Tammy, Ruth, Worm, Pace, Gentleman Bob, Jane, Busdriver John, Rick, Tim, Justin, Steve P, Underbucker, Tami S, Luna, Freefall, Leif, Jim, Steve Q, Roberta, Chris K (28 people)

Accomplishment Summary/Statistics

Thanks to Pace for generating these stats

	YTD		YTD
	Feb 2016	Feb 2016	Feb 2015
Volunteer Hours, total	691.25	1,390.75	2,085.35
Trail Maint - on trail hours	456.25	669.50	780.80
Trail Maint - support hours	235.00	669.25	1164.05
Outreach Event hours	0.00	3.50	51.00
Training hours	0.00	48.50	89.50
Specialized hours	166.50	262.50	118.00
Miles Logged out	16.6	20.8	n/a
Miles Maintained	0.9	3.4	10.6
Feet of Rehab/Recon	630	660	1025
# Trail Work Crews	9	12	11

- Roberta: We are down a little from last year.
- Roberta: One thing I wanted to add: specialized hours. As a Crew Leader, claim the time for paper work. You don't get to count travel time as specialized. Prep time but not travel. If there is some stuff like making cookies, it doesn't count either.
 - Liz: How about when you are the call person?
 - Roberta: No, it is not counted. If you had to be on the phone and deal with an issue you would count it.
- Rick: Justin won't say anything but his wife is pregnant.
- Tim: Quick question on travel time: PCTA doesn't count travel time unless it is stock?
 - Roberta: Not as specialized. Your travel time is counted whatever way you get there. If you're hauling stock, you also count it as specialized.

Past Events

Crews and Events since last caretaker meeting:

1. Feb 12: BOG Cache cleanup: Kim and Tami
 - Tami: We cleaned it up. We took all the tools out and I took a wire brush to everything. Pam did a lot of the sharpening. Organized the tools and the cabinet. Did a lot of sweeping. Paul came out and put handles on everything we had handles for.
2. Feb 12: Scout 400 Trail: Tami
 - Tami: Took a bag to pick up garbage off the trail, most was dogs bags. So it's cleaned up now. There were 4 little landslides
3. Feb 13: 400 Trail Logout: Tyler
4. Feb 15: Teakettle Springs Logout: Tyler

- Roberta: Justin is now the owner of that section
 - Tyler: We logged that section out for you
 - Justin: There is another good one up there with a root ball and 15 smaller ones above the springs.
5. Feb 18: First Mazamas Crew at Nesmith Point Trail: Pace
- Pace: Got some good brushing done in snow and rain. Got some tread work done too.
 - Roberta: The crew seems good?
 - Pace: Yep. About 5 mile round trip. It's a steep trail.
 - Leif: Did you make them carry the sign posts in and out? LOL
6. Feb 20: Logout #6 BOG Oregon Side: Roberta, Underbucker
- Roberta: I'm logged out. It took 6 log outs.
 - Tyler: How many logs have we done already on the PCT?
 - Roberta: Over 200, it's on the sheet passed around. My section should be open to equestrians now.
7. Feb 20: Rick scouts Nick Eaton Ridge/Gorton Creek
8. Feb 22: Scout Eagle Creek: Lamar and Roberta
9. Feb 25: Nesmith Trail logout: Pace
- Pace: That was an interesting one. Bill, Tyler, Marty, Paul and myself and one guy from the Mazamas that wanted to be on a log out. And we got the logs cut but on the last upper one we cut we had an injury. He is fine, not serious. 24" log across trail, we cut the log in 2 sections, the cutting went fine, we started rolling it off the edge, the last push it released quickly and the new guy went with it. He fell on the log and fell down. Thankfully they went separate directions. A bunch of scrapes on his face and hands and some bruises. He was shaken up. Finished the last log and he joined us after resting and walked out to the trailhead fine. The next day he had some more soreness. His biggest concern was that I wouldn't bring him on another crew. The 3 of us are used to do this and I think he didn't know how fast the logs can release/move. As a crew leader I should have been more watching them work instead of in the middle of the work. After the log is cut, there is still more work to be done...he didn't know how quickly it could release.
 - Leif: There is a lot to be said about pushing with your legs and keeping your weight back behind the log. You get all muddy and dirty but it keeps you back.
 - Pace: Tyler was down below.
 - Bill: The closest I've been to seeing someone I thought was going to die. He fell 5 feet onto the log and then fell/rolled through the shrubs and brush. When the log went he took a half step forward and fell forward 5 feet down and landed on the log with his chest.
 - Leif: You are so much safer, sitting and pushing with your legs
 - Bill: He was very eager. It was like a ravine, he could have touched the log the whole way down as it was beside him
 - Pace: I kept looking down and waiting for the log to hit him.
 - Roberta: Pace got a chance to fill out the injury report form. TCP, check in/check out was all in place. Really glad that he isn't seriously injured.
 - Chris: He wants to do it again, I think you found a crew member
10. Feb 27-28: ALDHA-West Ruck at Cascade Locks
- Tonaya manned the table
11. Feb 28: ALDHA-West trail work: Roberta and Freefall
- Roberta: Fixed up the root-wad. We were hoping for 8, accounted for 5 and then only 1 person showed up. Really muddy but we got the job done.
 - Marijke: Tried everything I could do to get the PCTA cards out to people. Next time I will try to be more assertive.
 - Roberta: I love how the thru hikers praise the Trail Angels but have no thoughts to the maintenance
12. Mar 1: Meeting about Timberline Trail Elliott Crossing: Pace
- Pace: It was pretty good. They, organized by TKO people, are interested in volunteer help. Between PCTA and NW Youth Corps – we're the only ones that have any tools. When they heard about our tools they perked up and then again when they heard about our leadership. The east side will be done mechanically, west side by hand tools. Trying to get contractor picked. If the contractor is ok with using pictures that were taken last year to get going, planning can start but if they want to see the trail, they will have to wait until the snow melts. When they surveyed it they took a lot of pic.
 - Chris K: I thought they bid on it last year?
 - Pace: No. looks like an August start most likely. We're going to have another meeting in May to find the status of the contractor. I told them we have people interested. It seems like we have our own crew leaders and crews, not sure. They are talking about having us provide leadership for volunteers TKO comes up with
 - Roberta: That's fine as long as it is a PCTA project and we fill out our paper work
 - Steve Q: Who is the main contact at TKO

- Pace: Tom Kloster
- Pace: Looks like the Boy Scouts may get involved.
- 13. Mar 2: Leadership meeting
 - Roberta: We talked about my work load, you'll hear more about that as we go on
- 14. Mar 5: Eagle Creek Logout: Lamar
 - Lamar: It was great. Got to see 3.5 foot tree roll down a hill like a runaway train. About half way there. Another crew tomorrow and we should be ready for spring break
- 15. Mar 5: PCC Wilderness Lit Class washout repair: Ruth and Tyler
 - Ruth: It was good. We built a rock culvert, Tyler engineered the whole thing and the young people moved the rocks.
 - Roberta: The trail does look great
 - Tyler: You got all these, quasi neophyte crew, you could sense their loss-ness. And I don't know what to do. Told them to take it all the rocks out and throw it all in the creek. Put in a couple stanchion things. I don't know how long it is going to last but the trail is up higher now. I think it needs a 20 inch culvert.
 - Leif: It is wet season
- 16. Mar 5: Mazamas on Nick Eaton Ridge Logout: Rick
 - Rick: We basically got 6 Mazamas the Monday before the work party, we recruited some caretakers. Great crew (all-star) and then the Mazamas called and said they have 6 more peeps. Pace took a crew and logged out a couple 36 inchers. Justin got 16 more logs.
 - Justin: There are still more logs. There was no snow. We just ran out of time
 - Rick: Took a crew and removed 9 logs (6 were 22+ inches and 1 was 40 inches). It was a lot of freaking work. The 6 had side-bind on the same side, one carbon copy after the other. I learned more on that log out than any other log outs I've ever done. Pace had one of Underbucker's tools. Underbucker talked about how it was a dual purpose tool and it worked great. All the Mazamas got to handle the saws. Everyone got dirty, it was good. The big one we called Kelley's log as she could barely see over it. I wish she was here, she has a video. The rain started just as we got back to the parking lot. There were a lot of hikers out there. I was handing out cards like a Vegas dealer.
- 17. Mar 5: Mazamas on Gorton Creek Logout: Pace
- 18. Mar 9: Saw Cert Safety Classes at REI: Underbucker
 - David: Class went ok. It will accelerate the certification process. 30 people between the 2 classes.
- 19. Mar 9: Today's caretaker meeting

Future Events

Next Month:

1. Mar 10: Eagle Creek Logout #2: Lamar and Leif
2. Mar 12: PDX Tool Day
3. Mar 19: OSU Tree School
4. Mar 31-Apr 1: Estacada Saw Cert for USFS Staff
5. Apr 2-3 Estacada Saw Cert for Volunteers
6. Apr 9-10: Scouting Sedum Ridge from Trout Creek Trailhead: Tami
7. Apr 13: Next caretaker meeting

Beyond:

1. Dolly Chapman's Crosscut Saw Sharpening Workshops: March 15-17 and Mar 18-20
2. Gorge Waterfalls 50K run: April 9, <http://www.rainshadowrunning.com/gorge-waterfalls-50k.html>
3. Trail Skills College: April 22, 23, 24
4. Wind River Saw Certs: April 29, 30, March 1
5. OSU Tree School: March 19, 2016
6. North Cascades TSC: May 7-8
7. Get Outdoors Day: June 11
8. Sasquatch in Columbia Gorge (Freefall's section): July 8-14
9. Mt Hood 50 running event: July 9-10, <https://gobeyondracing.com/races/mt-hood-50/>
10. Sasquatch, Mt Adams I: Aug 19-25
11. Sasquatch, Mt Adams II, Sept 2-8
12. Bunker to Bonneville 50K run: Sept 3, <http://www.cgrcb2b.com/>
13. Mountain Lakes 100 run: Sept 24-25, <https://gobeyondracing.com/races/mountain-lakes-100/>

Reports

Volunteer Coordinator: Tammy

1. Email migration complete!
 - Steve Q: You should have gotten 2 emails: one that we are going to move and one that we moved,
 - Steve Q: I can send another email through our old system telling people that we have experienced the new email system going to the spam folders.

- Roberta: And I expect we will lose some people through this.
- Tammy: If someone says that they haven't heard about our crews, let them know to check the spam folder.
 - Roberta: Because the email just said "hello" and then started down. I think that is why it went to my spam folder
- 2. Introducing Tonaya
 - Tammy: We are working it out
 - Tonaya: My daughter has a unicorn on the stick named Lucy (sometimes Laura). I've been out on 2 work crews and it was really fun and I like doing events.
- 3. Sent out that thing from Lisa (the book writer). The crew on Apr. 30 – Tyler, Ruth and Carole all said yes. You can let her know who wants to go.
 - Tami: Tyler that is when we were going to...
 - Tyler: I'm out.
- 4. Tammy: The Facebook page we get messages occasionally. (Read message about donating money). I said we would bring it up and if we agreed we would put it Facebook but if not, we won't.
 - Roberta: I say no.
 - Leif: It would be different if we had already friended them outside of Facebook
 - Roberta: Yeah
- 5. Another one – my name is Andrew, I live in New Zealand, he is coming here, and his son lives here, wants to know if he can work with us. I sent him the vacation weeklong thing, I suggested that I can put him on our mailing list. You may get Andrew out with you in August doing everything because he is so excited about all of this.
 - Tonaya: Maybe we can do a trail maintenance exchange plan
- 6. Tammy: a friend works at Columbia and has requested for us to go – like our Montbell thing. They have a lunch thing, you go and sit around and talk about trail maintenance. Week day, lunch time thing. I may be able to go. There is someone that is working at getting Columbia Friends and Family passes for TSC.

Partnership Crews

I need a volunteer interested in coordinating these

1. Troup 22 Eagle Scout Project: (new this month) Kim???
2. Lisa Holmes, Author and hiking group with 6 people wants a crew on April 30. Any takers?
3. Danner Boots: Pace. The first one fell through with Erin.
 - Sarah contacted me and she would like a large group event, I offered Stinky Bob pull and she likes that idea. No dates yet.
 - Roberta: About 30 people.
4. Apple: Tami, June 2 and June 3. Two single-day projects.
5. Go Beyond Racing: Justin. Looking at dates in April or June
6. Girl Scout group: Carole
7. REI: Tyler: September. He was talking about an overnight. Go up to our section and do something up there.
8. Outward Bound Sep 3-4. Underbucker and Becky. Tread specialists: Kim and Pam and Busdriver John have offered to help
9. PGE at Timothy Lake
 - Tim: Are they willing to provide the materials?
 - Roberta: Yes
 - Tim: Bridge at end of board walk needs railing. The railing is rotten. Also, Aaron has approved us to put gravel in the muddy bank.
 - Roberta: They also offered campsites and food. I was thinking an overnighter.
10. New Seasons Markets:
 - April (1 crew): Tuesday April 19 with Busdriver John, location TBD
 - May (1 crew): Tuesday May 10, with Robert Caldwell – moderate, brushing &/or tread work, Bald Mtn area (near Top Spur)
 - June (2 crews): Tuesday June 14, with Robert Caldwell – moderate, brushing &/or tread work also Bald Mtn area
 - Monday June 27 with Kim/Pam Owen, specific location TBD, Washington in the Gorge area
 - July (2 crews): Tuesday July 12 with Kelley Davis - easy, brushing work on the Washington side of Bridge of the Gods
 - Monday July 18 with Chris Sanderson - moderate, Washington in the Gorge area
 - Aug (2 crews): Monday Aug 15 with Roberta - easy, invasive plant removal on Oregon side of Bridge of the Gods
 - 2nd crew on a Tuesday with Leif - moderate, basic tread work
 - Sept (1 crew): Tuesday Sep 6, with Tami Sheets – moderate work in Washington near Sedum Ridge.
 - Oct (1 crew): Monday Oct 3 with Roberta – location TBD
 - Kids Day, date TBD
 - Roberta: Carole and Roberta – he hasn't come back with which of the 3 days we offered
 - Leif: Do we have a contact?

- Roberta: She hasn't gotten back to me on some things.
 - Roberta: Something I would like to offload, is organizing our partnership work parties. Just doing the coordination you don't have to lead the parties.
 - Jayme: It is already something I do
 - Roberta: I'll talk to you offline about handing it off.
 - 4 weekend crews: Worm, dates TBD
- 11. Mazamas:
 - Feb: done – Nesmith Trail with crew leader Pace.
 - March: March 5 (done). Crew leader Rick/Pace. Wilderness logout Nick Eaton Ridge and Gorton Creek
 - April: none (no work party requested)
 - May: May 2-3, crew leader Lamar on Eagle Creek Trail. There's a lot of trail work needed around and above 7 ½ mile camp.
 - June: June 11, Crew leader Chris K, one day project on Paradise Park Trail starting from Hwy 26. Logout/tread work
 - July: July 9, Crew leader Chris K, continuation of work on Paradise Park Trail
 - Aug: Aug 13/14 Crew Leader Chris K. overnight at Paradise Park
 - Sept: 9/4. Crew leader Tami at Sedum Ridge, this is on the Washington side PCT just north of the Gorge.
 - Oct: unassigned at this point
 - Chris K: Has the Mazamas committed to all these dates?
 - Roberta: Yes. It would be nice to have another Crew Leader on all of these.
 - Leif: If you are doing crews of this size, it is nice to split the groups.
- 12. FYS (Forest Youth Success): no news
- 13. Montbell: Lamar offered to lead
- 14. Boeing – they chose Earth Day – same day as TSC. Tammy said maybe someone wasn't going on the Friday and wanted to lead a crew.
 - David: Are there restrictions?
 - Roberta: No, I don't think it even has to be in the gorge. A small log out would be lovely.
 - Tammy: I'll send you their information.

Dana:

Bill:

Budget: Kim

New budget master?

Tools: Leif

- We have Tool Day on Saturday.
- Leif: I don't know. Haven't thought too much about it. Bought some chains. Getting another chain sharpening. The spare chain may need to be sharpened too. Hopefully this weekend I'll also have a grinder. Need to start printing off inventory stuff. I'll send it to Jane.
- Roberta: Bob and Jane came over and did their part of the tools.
 - Jane: If it was used, they cleaned it (kitchen stuff) up good.
- Bob: Trout and Wind we will set up satellite days for them again?
 - Leif: Yes.
 - Marijke: I still haven't been up there. I don't know where it is.
 - Leif: it needs some new hard hats. South cache ok?
 - David: Yes.
- Roberta: Moving the promotional stuff to Roberta's cache and I'm thinking the cubby hole where the bench grinder is would be a good home for that. Can we find a new home for the bench grinder? It just appeared. We didn't buy it.
 - Leif: We stopped using it as it tore up tools, it would work with finer wheels or a brush.
 - Roberta: Find a home or a way to get rid of it.
 - Leif: Craig's list. This weekend.
- Roberta: I have a good turnout of 9 or 10 people. Jayme is bringing coffee and I'll bring something to nibble on we'll start at 8am (to 12)
- Roberta: Does anyone here want a grinder before we put it on Craig's list?
- Ruth: I'll bring gluten

Trail Skills College 2016: Tammy

- Tammy: It is still happening. Registration opened. Volunteer or instructor have to register and sign in. we need a head count for food.

- Roberta: The instructions are wrong. It says instructors don't need to sign up because it is easier to handle them off the sheet.
- Tammy: The last thing we talked about that everyone needs to sign up as we need a head count.
- Tami: Can you forward the email from Ryan to us so we have it for our meeting.
- Tammy: If you are an instructor and coming and staying and eating we need to know that
 - Leif: There should be a pull down to indicate we are an instructor.
 - Tami: There is , that's how I registered
- Tammy: Getting lots of fun emails about registration. Jayme has been busy getting us cool donations. If you know of anyone that wants to give us stuff for the raffles let me know.
- Tammy: Our next meeting is next Wednesday

Saw Certification: David

- First one will be the first weekend in April in Estacada – cross cut and dual recerts. We'll be holding an additional one before the sat/sun class on thrs/fri. If anyone wants to switch that's fine. There will be a lot of agency people at that one. The FS no longer has a cross cut instructor so Underbucker will be doing it for them.
- Roberta: The thurs/fri class is intended for agency folks?
 - Underbucker: We like to mix them if we can
- Roberta: Wind River all set up?
 - David: I have nothing to do with that
- Steve P: Will there be initial certificates?
 - Leif: Yes. Recerts and initial
- Tammy: Registration opens on the March 15.
- Leif: Next week is FS workshop in NM. Underbucker was up last year when it was in Wind River. Both chainsaw and crosscut

Training and Safety: Open

Pace is now the Crew Leader Development Coordinator

- Another offloading of Roberta
- Bringing on all new crew leaders – we had already set up a training session for paper work on the 24th (Thursday) if you want a refresher, limited space but let her know. We will go through a mentoring program.

Discussion Items

- Challenges List:
 - Administrative Process needs improvement
 - Sacramento's survey of the crew leader process closed. Only 18 people responded. Ellen said they will take steps throughout the season to implement changes where feasible. No plans as of this time.
 - Improve the Satisfaction Percentage (compared to admin, rules, training, certification, or other annoying tasks)
 - Leadership Expansion (VSI, Caretaker, Crew Leader)
 - Pace to take on Crew Leader Development coordination
 - Volunteer Base: keep who we have, get new
 - Recruitment Issues: intimidation factor, timeliness, location, etc.
 - Switched to Mail Chimp
 - Maintain the trail to standard
 - Workload on Tammy and Roberta
 - New Event Coordinator Tonaya
 - Pace taking on Crew Leader Development, already took data audit
 - Marty taking on Logout Status Report
 - Need someone to take Partnership Crew coordination - Jayme

Announcements/Reminders

- More caretaker changes:
 - Dennis Beard is out, due to back and knee issues that are not improving as quickly as he had hoped
 - Taking himself off the list. Not doing special projects but Marty is taking that.
 - Justin has Teakettle Springs section (since Duncan left)
 - Busdriver John returns to the Benson Plateau section – Leif is reclaiming his 1.5 mile.
 - Benson Plateau is now vacant
 - Upper Eagle Creek is now vacant
 - Indian Springs Trail is now vacant
 - Roberta – a lot of changes but I think all for the good.
- Vacancies: Mt. Adams-North; Upper Eagle Creek; Indian Springs Trail;
 - Big Huckleberry (reserved for Little Brown); Sandy River (reserved for Nate)
- McKenzie has officially transferred to the Willamette National Forest.

- No longer our person. At Middle Fork.
- Rachel is temp.
- Ron: Saw Aaron Saturday and he has it.
 - Roberta: It's not official
 - Chris K: I heard there is a gap and there wasn't anyone.
 - Tim: He's acting but he is acting 3 different roles.
 - Roberta: Keep contacting Rachel until we hear otherwise.
 - Pace: I haven't heard back from her on getting a key
 - Roberta: Copy Aaron.
- **Columbia Dispatch:** Dispatch hours will be M-F 0730-1630. Reminder that if you want to work outside of these hours, you still need a TCP and a dispatcher, but it can be a friend, family worker, or volunteer who is in the front country and will take action if you don't check out. In Zigzag there's a SPOT procedure.
- **Note from Dawn:** Hi Roberta, You guys have all done a great job submitting scouting reports and project reports- thank you! I certainly have no complaints on my end. I don't think I'd ever turn down PCTA work on any of our trails 😊!
- **Note from Susan:** Last year 12956 permits issued on Eagle Creek. Estimate 80% compliance.
 - Roberta: That is a lot of people.
 - Tim: That's a lot of compliance.

Round the Room

- Leif: Chatted with agency people today (Claire, Ken, Sue) and caught up with what we've done and what I want to do. There is future stuff that will take a while but what we outlined is fine
- Jim: Attended this afternoon class for a good review and anticipate getting certified. Is it recert if I let it lapse for a year?
 - Leif: Lapsing for a year can still be a recert
- Lamar: 12 person crew tomorrow. Starting at 8am.
- Summer: Mom's still here, since February. She doesn't like to fly.
- "Little Brown" Bill: I want to thank Rick on the log out. Every log had an interesting lay in it
- Ron: Since Oct, we've had 86,000 people at Multnomah Falls more than last year. Most are younger people during the week. A lot of people out of work or looking for work. Lots of people coming to Portland to see Portland. If you have any friends send them somewhere else.
- Carole: Really impressed with communication. I was in England for quite a bit, a hiker reported that there was a log on my trail and by the time the hiker reported the down tree, Tyler told me about it and asked if I wanted him to take care of it. By the time I replied he had already done it.
- Tyler: Tried to go up to see my section but there is 6 feet of snow.
 - Leif: Not doing this again?
 - Tyler: No, I'm not going every week to check.
 - Leif: We had 7" of snow from overnight. But the snow is melting fast.
 - Tyler: I'm working on signs. Bill has another 20. He had 2 different signs both for the Yakima res. One said "Please stay on trail" and the other said "Please stay on THE trail". I've got 3 plus his. In the last year I've done almost 100 signs. Terry Hill came up and took pics of doing signs.
 - Roberta: I posted it on Facebook
- Liz: Looking forward to TSC. I'm volunteering and helping at the front desk with Tami.
- Tammy: So, I didn't get a permit for John Muir trail even though I sent one in every day for 9 days. I may go over and steal Rick's
 - Rick: My hiking buddy is being flaky so I may have one for Tammy
 - Tammy: The other option was the long trail that was 270miles and I didn't think I could do that in 2 weeks. So I'm still hoping.
- Ruth: Met a robust fellow while we were out doing trail work and he mentioned that he is going to TSC and very excited about it.
- Jayme: Speaking of TSC, Ben signed up and is looking for a car pool to get there on Friday
 - Tonaya: Has one
- Pace: Working on the article for the communicator and think it is almost wrapped up. Got some good reviews. Ruth reviewed it. My niece, a non-trail person, thought it was good as well. It is due April 8. Next week 18th, Nesmith trail crew # 5 – brushing and tread work. It was the first sunny day on the calendar.
 - Anyone interested in logging out Gorton/Nick Eaton?
 - Tami: All cross cut?
 - Pace: I prefer weekdays (20 or 22)
 - Tami: Interested on the 20th
 - Bill: Yep
 - Rick: Yep
 - Justin: I have to check
 - Rick: There is 1 big one on the Nick Eaton, couple on Gorton creek. We can split into 2 groups.
 - Tami: I can car pool
 - Pace: If you are interested, send me an email and we can set it up.
- Chris K: Haven't been hiking in 5 months. Just work. Still hoping to get out to lower paradise this weekend to scout.

- Steve Q: Can't find Marty's email. If anyone here has it can give it to me. MailChimp, we are still on the free plan, can only send 1 email/24hours. PCTA is supposed to give us an account that gives us something reasonable. Month from today will be on the trail. Will see you in a long time.
- Bob: 3 or 4 years ago I started kidding Jerry about trading trails, now the reality has happened and now I'm getting withdrawal. So sitting down to arrange something with him. Kind of a transition year, Jerry will do primarily log out and I'll do tread work
 - Roberta: You are close enough that we can throw some NSM crews over there. It's an easy trail head, easy trail. I scouted that section last fall and the drains need to be cleaned, and that would be a great NSM crew.
- Jane: Have the smallest section – the Gateway to Mt Adams. Just waiting for the snow to get out so I can look at it. Left it in good shape last year.
- Rick: One thing, I had really good luck with the Mazamas. Initially I had 12, 3 people canceled and they let me know. Being a "hard ass" and let them know we are moving a lot of equipment and let us know if you need to cancel. Someone brought an additional person. So 12 was 10 so it wasn't too bad. Live and learn thing.
 - Chris: The Mazamas have wanted to do this for years
 - Rick: They talk a good game. You have to hold them to task. For a group of 3,500 people that are heavy trail users you would think there would be more volunteers. Jeff Welter, if you can get the guy on your crew, grab him. He is a great sawyer (B).
- Tim: We've been busy, trying to sell our house. Finally had an offer. Hopefully the end of the month we will be closing and moving in April. This will free me up for work. We also, our chapter applied for grant for creek work. Getting ready for trail work season
- Justin: The Mazamas people I had, when they are filling out the form with contact info, if they don't check the box to be added to the email list they won't be, we could encourage them to do that.
 - Rick: I missed that too.
 - Roberta: If they check it you will have to send the form to Tammy as Ellen won't be adding them to our list. It would be best if they send Tammy an email or go to our site to sign up. Our info is on the cards too.
- Steve P: Waiting for snow to melt, hoping to scout in May. If we are always looking for work for NSM, I have really good access: 1hour 20min out. Just 2 miles in is a lot of rhody and tread work.
 - Jayme: The biggest restriction is they like to be back by 3 or 4, leaving at 7.
 - Tami: So work from 9 to 1?
 - Roberta: It does make for a short day. It could also be used for some of the other crews.
 - Steve P: I keep saying I'm going to take someone up.
- David: I just need help with getting some tools in the car after the meeting
- Tami: I've got some plans in the first 2 weeks in April to do some scouting, Tyler had volunteered to help with a log out. I appreciate that very much. Got lots of little plans in my head about what I would like to do but will see what happens when I get up there.
 - Roberta: Did you hear back about the rock pile?
 - Tami: 2000 Rd, there is a rock pile deliberately across the road blocking it, you can see past it to where the clear cut is. DNR put it there. No response as to what/why. They are going out Washougal River Rd – will take that in the future it is shorter and better condition. There are no signs but markers everywhere
- Marijke: Scott and I did a day hike scouting on Sunday - Trout Creek to Wind River – her section is a hot mess. Easily 60+ trees down. During saw training you guys go after it. After all the rain you go through and think oh gosh. It is impassable for horses in a lot of sections. Last year's turnpikes need some work, they are holding water. I am also pregnant. Super excited to go to the saw training. Super game to keep working as long as possible.
 - Underbucker: I have a video of McKenzie doing crosscut at 7months.
- Freefall: I'm hiking NM starting Apr 18. Flying out the 14th. May not be here for the next meeting. Have a lot to do to get out of here. Back in late May/early June.
- Roberta: Got back from a few days in the Olympics and the trails are in terrible shape. Had a good time. There was a puncheon that was totally destroyed they had nailed a board –a 2x4 – from one end to the other.
- Tami: Anyone going to the BOG cache.
 - Leif: I am.
 - Tami: I washed these chaps
 - Ruth: I washed the gloves
 - Leif: I will be hanging out there tomorrow.