

January 2025 Newsletter

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We meet on the second Wednesday in February, April, June, August, October, and December. Currently most of our meetings are held remote using the internet except for the August PICNIC Meeting which is normally held at the outdoor patio next to the cafeteria at the Adventist Health Portland, 10123 SE Market St, Portland, OR 97216



Schedule of Club Events

12 Feb – General Meeting - 7:00PM

Meeting will be held electronically via Jitsi.



Christmas Tree in Benson Hotel

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**JAN 1 @ 9:30 TO NOON (WEDNESDAY)
VANCOUVER, WA**

McMenamins East Vancouver
1900 NE 162nd Ave., B-107
New Year's Day Walk – EVENT

Celebrate New Year's Day in the morning walking with a choice of 3 different 5 km routes and one 6k routes. The NW Loop (rated 1B) will be in older nice residential areas and in a small wooded park with dirt trail. The NE Loop (rated 1A -6km) is on paved pathways near and in residential areas. The SE Loop (rated 1A) will mainly be in Pacific Community Park on paved or gravel trails and the SW Loop (rated 1A) will be in a newer area with some very nice homes.

Group walk start at 9:30
There will be random prizes of Champagne and Sparkling Cider awarded to some walkers.



Walkers on Milwaukie Walk – 11 Dec 2024

**1 Jan @ 9:00 AM to noon (wednesday)
SEATTLE, WA**

St John The Baptist, Episcopal Church,
3050 California Ave. SW

New Year Walk – EVENT

Walk on Sidewalks and well groomed trails in the Johnson district to and along the waterfront to the light house. The 5km goes through the Admiral District with views of the Cascades and Olympics 5km rated 1A 9easy) and 10 km rated 2B (moderate)



Christmas Holiday Decorations @ Good Sam Medical – 18 Dec 2024

**JAN 8 @ 9:40 TO 9:55 AM (WEDNESDAY)
PORTLAND, OR**

WinCo Parking Lot,
3025 SW Cedar Hills Blvd.

Hidden Pathways Walk – YRE 1437

Walk through many of the hidden pathways of Beaverton, through nice neighborhoods and past many restaurants.

5 and 10 km Rated 1A (Easy)

The starting point is changed for this walk only.



5 km Walkers in Standard building across the street from Portlandia (in background)- 18 Dec 2024



5 km Walkers in Pioneer Plaza - 18 Dec 2024

**JAN 15 @ 9:40 TO 9:55 AM (WEDNESDAY)
PORTLAND, OR**

Interstate Fred Meyer Parking Lot
7404 N Interstate Ave.

Kenton from Old to New Walk – YRE 847

Enjoy a part of Portland built as a company town -now a zany, historic district. Walk in parks and historic area.
5 and 10 km – rated 1B (Easy)



Walkers at Start for Milwaukie – 11 Dec 2024

**JAN 22 @ 9:40 TO 9:55 AM (WEDNESDAY)
GLADSTONE, OR**

Safeway Parking Lot away from store,
92 82nd Dr.

Neighborhood Walk – YRE 773

The walk goes through old neighborhoods in Gladstone City to the Willamette River then on paths and sidewalks along the Clackamas River.

5 and 10 km Rated 1A (Easy)



Gingerbread House at Benson Hotel- 18 Dec 2024

**JAN 29 @ 9:40 to 9:55 AM (wednesday)
VANCOUVER, WA**

Ft. Vancouver Visitor Center,
1501 E. Evergreen Blvd

Historic Vancouver – YRE 138

This event explores the importance of this area in the history of the US, the Northwest & the Pacific region. Route goes thru city parks, Clark College, Pearson Airfield & the National Historic Site, passing monuments & historic buildings along the way. At the core of the historic site is Old Fort Vancouver.

5 and 10 km Rated 1A (Easy)



Rose City Roamers December meeting

Wednesday, 12/11/2024

Ed called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

The last meeting minutes were sent to everyone on October 15. The motion to approve them was called and voted approved as written.

The treasurer's report was mentioned but Jim Wolf (treasurer) was not present to discuss them.

Old Business

1. Dick reported that Heidi is working on the website and has a lot done. She just has the members only section to complete otherwise it is ready to go. There have been meetings at Dick's house about how to transition to the new site.
2. Ed reported that the AVA regional and deputy regional director positions will expire at the end of April. Sandi Severtson of Sequim has stepped up to run for regional director. Don Reid and Pat Jewett are reportedly somewhat interested in the deputy regional director position.
3. Ed also reported that the ESVA voted in April for their leadership positions which will run until April 2026. OTSVA will vote in July for a new vice president and treasurer.

New Business

4. The following people have been nominated for AVA leadership positions: Carl George for chair, Ed McCabe (currently treasurer) for vice chair, Chris Mellon of Maryland for treasurer, and Leslie Stone (currently secretary) for secretary.
5. Membership fees are now due. Cheri Stone is handling the paperwork and money and then notifying Jim Wolf of the updates. Individual

and family memberships are unchanged at \$6 annually.

6. Several former members seem to think they are current but haven't paid, i.e. Laura Haviland and Claudia Koon. Cheri will add them to the email reminder list. Dick will send the newsletter and membership form to both of them. They are current Vancouver USA club members.
7. Travelling guided walk stamps for next year are \$105 one time only. Everyone should think of walks we should bring back as travelling guided walks.
8. Dick suggested that one TGW should be the annual walking day walk in Oregon City. He will call the community center to arrange to have the start point there as usual. The AVA has changed the April walking week to the May walking month.
9. Ed and Sharon Moats are printing strips for all area walks for next year. For the annual walking day walk, Dick wants a physical stamp as well as strips.
10. Dick and Barbara have a lot of club "stuff" in their garage from Rose City Roamers, Vancouver USA and a dozen other clubs. They would like to coalesce and get rid of some of the stuff. There are 15 tables and chairs, 3 podium start boxes as well as a trailer full of stuff. A motion to approve getting rid of some stuff was moved, seconded and approved by everyone.
11. Ed reported that at a recent CRVC meeting Sharon Klein gave him a lot of stuff from the defunct Sherwood Merry Walkers and he disposed of it.
12. Jim Wolf entered the meeting at 7:35 PM and was brought up to speed. He talked briefly about AVA bills and credits. He also mentioned that AVA records can be disposed of after 7 years. He also talked about his recent cruise and his next trip.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:46 PM.