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A Message From Your President

Hi everyone-

The first race of the year is Memorial Day weekend in Toppenish. The Moonshiners Jeep Club always puts on an amazing play day. If you are over in that area stop by and check it out. You won't be disappointed. Your board is getting ready to meet in June to keep working hard to move our sport forward and to ensure what we already have seats preserved. If you get a chance thank a board member. They work very hard to support our cause. Trail Jam is just a couple of months away and spots are still available. This is an amazing event that gives you multiple days on the trails and lots of great time spent with friends old and new in the campground. If you have never attended, I suggest that you do. I hope everyone has a safe and happy Memorial Day! Till next time. Happy Wheelin'

Kyle Wiebold

PNW4WDA President

** Region 1 Delegates Meeting

** May 15th, 2019

The meeting was called to order by Region 1 Director Dave Taylor at 7:07 PM. There were 8 delegates and 4 officers present, representing 4 clubs.

Guests: None

Secretary Report: No motion was made. No one read the Tri-power

Directors Report: Will have more info after the June 2019 Board Meeting

Treasurer's Report: As reported on the Balance Sheet and Profit-Loss Statement provided at the meeting. Moved, seconded and accepted as printed on separate report

Land & Legislative:

Walker: Regular work parties on second Saturday of each month

The bridge is finished, also a nice picnic table at the overlook and a memorial bench was added.

Individual clubs can contact Ryan or Jim Cahill for specific projects

Reiter: At the work party a lot got done about half on the Tight and Twisty Trail will need one more day.

G9 added rock and waterfall section and another waterfall possibly on G11

In the motorcycle area tree were cut.

They are still trying to hire an operator.

Important note: for work hours to "count" for accrued trail work hours, the event must appear on

the DNR calendar. Contact the liaison for the specific area (Ryan or Ben) before the work party to

have it put on the calendar

The monthly meetings for the areas are at the DNR offices in Sedro Woolley (for Walker) and

Everett (for Reiter). Information on both are on the DNR calendar at the DNR website.

Trail Counters—if you need/want one, check with Dave or Ed. Ed has been trained in using them.

We have 15 of them across the PNW.

Competition: The Competition Schedule is currently posted on the PNW Website.

Club Power/ We Did it/ Quill Power: If anything, please forward to Angie Holm of Happy Campers Club. aholm02@hotmail.com .

On these forms, the most important item for the Forest Service is the Hours Worked.

This is

important to report the volunteer hours we give.

The form is available on the PNW Website. The form needs to be printed out, SIGNED, then

scanned and e-mailed to be submitted back to Angie.

Membership: Jim Epoch agreed to serve as Membership Chairman for Region 1.

PR: Jim Epoch also agreed to serve as PR Chairman for Region. (Many thanks!!)

Sunshine: Please contact Jennifer Hayter of Dirty 13 (jhayter14@hotmail.com) if cards need to be sent out.

Ed suggested that Jennifer be asked to send cards to the clubs that don't regularly attend the

Region 1 meetings. Dave T has worked on getting correct contact information with these groups;

Jim Epoch will work with Jennifer on this.

Club Report: Timber Tamers hosted the meeting this evening.

They have been a club for 40 years (Congratulation Tamers)

Currently 79 Members with 60 paid.

Region Report: Food Drive: Don't forget to bring any canned food or blankets for the Maltby Food Bank and

Maltby Women's Shelter to a meeting or to Luke's shop, Quality Foreign Auto on Bothell Everett

Hwy, in Mill Creek. Grace May can take these donations from the Region 1 meetings.

Teddy Bears: Don't forget to bring any stuffed animals for Grace to take to her contact at Monroe

Hospital. Grace May can also help with this.

OSP: For 2019 will be September 20 and 21, 2019.

Casey is working with Dave at Tidelands Campground to confirm the dates

Northwest Off-road Expo: For 2019 will be September 28,2019 New site across the valley from Thomas Farms. No traffic control issues-better than before. Committee will go next week to check out site

Region 2 Delegates Meeting

May 16th, 2019

Called to order by President Brandon Marek at 7:30 P.M. followed by flag salute and moment of silence.

Secretary's Report: Motion was made and seconded to accept report as written. Thank you!

Treasurer's Report: Lora Jungmayer provided a written treasurer's report. Motion made and seconded to accept report as written.

Club Power/We Did It: Make sure to get all your forms in please. You have the online option or turn it directly into either Angela Holm (Association level) or Megan Laurent (Region level).

Naches: Still closed for winter. Hoping to open July 15th. There will be a work party June 29th and 30th.

Evans Creek: June 22nd and 23rd work party. There is still snow! Wanna play in the snow?? That's the place to go!

Elbe Hills: Work party was on May 11th. There were 48 people who signed in which grossed about \$7500 to our trail budget. Woohoo! Almost at our funding for the year with only 2 work parties! There was a lot of work that got done and a lot of trash was picked up. Jessica is getting a copy of sign in sheets for PNW members to turn into Club Power/We Did It. We have to keep pushing more volunteer hours to hopefully up our future granting. Land commissioners said that they rely strictly on our volunteer hours since a lot of funding has been cut. June 8th will be the next work party. Work parties are the 2nd Saturday of each month starting at 9 AM through the summer. (April-October) Any groups still interested in hosting a work party...September is open.

Elbe Focus Group Meeting: The trails are drying out from the winter really well. Roads are freshly graded. There is still 2 acres of logging left to do by October (at the latest) on the inner alder loop and alder loop trails. Closed an illegal bypass on the alder loop and opened a legal sustainable one. June work party will be a big one with multiple pieces of equipment and going to hopefully cut in a new hill climb

and do bigger projects. Work party dates may vary during fire season according to danger levels.

Tahuya: Dry and dusty. There are lots of fun trails out there so make sure you get out there and take advantage of it. Really neat trail system. Quadrapaws fun run is coming up June 8th so make sure you come out! To sign up for the fun run you can check out Quadrapaws Facebook, mail in your form or show up at the door (cash only). Looking forward to a good time! First rig 8:30 last rig 11:30.

Land Matters: Still looking to fill this position. No longer have the forest manager out in Tahuya. Trying to hire someone right now to replace the position.

Letter Writing: no report

Membership: nothing to report

Ways and Means: nothing to report

Public Relations: nothing to report

Future 4-Wheelers: Still looking to fill this position. Please bring this back to your kiddos in your club so we can get this position filled!

Competition: Full cages and minimum or 4-point harnesses are required at the Ethel race track from here on out. Make sure to check out comp rules on the pnw site under comp section. The Memorial weekend race at Toppenish hosted by moonshiners is coming up quick. There was a big 3-day work party down at Ethel and there were 132 ecology blocks brought in, drag strip has been moved, spectator area has been moved and lots of other work was done. Really great turn out of helpers! Sounds like some grating will be done June 1st. Its looking great!

Region 2 Fun Run: Lake Tapps Turtles made a door prize donation tonight. Thank you! Still looking for help with registration and someone to run the RTI ramp possibly. Still waiting to hear back from forest service for the side by sides to have permission to be on the roads for the event. Donations are still the biggest thing right now needed. Jessica will make dash plaques for this year again. Jessica is going to make decals for the side by sides for the registered rigs for the event. That way if someone doesn't have that specific decal then they aren't there for our event.

Roll Call: Verbal

Old Business: Trail Jam- Pretty sure everyone is signed up for trail hosts. Spots are filling up quick so make sure to get signed up. Even if you're a trail host make sure to get signed up as well. T-shirt order is going in soon so sign up if you would like that. Lake Tapps Turtles donated tonight. Thank you! Still looking for additional door prizes please and thank you!

New Business: OSP-Webfooters finalizing a new spot for camping. Reservations online will be a little farther out than the normal June 1st. Make sure to check out Tacomawebfooters.com. for more info to follow.

Announcements:

Quadrupaws Fun Run-June 8th

Spanaway Moonshiners Race @ Toppenish Fairgrounds-May 25th-27th

Redneck and Rugrats Fun Run-July 13th

RPM Race- June 8th and 9th

Fun in the Sun-Buckley Logshow Grounds-July 20th

Next meeting: June 20th, 2019 @ 7:30 P.M.

Meeting adjourned at: 8:18 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by: Megan Lauren

Region 3 Meeting Minutes

May 21 2019

Papa Pete's Pizza

Region 3 Director Kristin Smith called the meeting to order at 7 pm, followed by the flag salute and a moment of silence.

Attendance: Flat Broke and 4 Wheelin, PNW Individual Members, Hubs In, Sand Fleas, Trail Breakers and Vancouver 4 Wheelers. Guest: Doug VanDyke.

Motion made, seconded and passed to approve the minutes of the April meeting.

Region Director report. There will be a Board of Director's conference call on June 5th.

Treasurer's report was given.

Competition Chairman was absent. Moonshiners Play will be held on May 25-27 in Toppenish, Washington. Several members attended the Ethel work party on May 4th. The drag strip is wider but still the same length.

Oregon Land Matters: All trails in the Tillamook are open. Currently getting ready for Jeep Jamboree.

Washington Land Matters: The Yacolt is open.

Ways and Means: Region 3 stickers are available.

Old Business: Operation Shore Patrol. Tony has 3 boxes of garbage bags left from last year and will pick up more and pay with money from last year's raffle. Currently has 3 door prizes donated. Cottage Bakery, Long Beach Tavern and Dennis & Company.

New Business—Monday, May 27th is practice for Rose Festival Float Drivers. June 8th is the parade. Drivers will pull out and tow floats on June 7th at 10:00 pm.

Trail Jam still has opening.

Kristin attached a list of all events to the agenda.

Upcoming events: July 10-14 Trail Jam at Jim prick Park, Naches, Washington
August 16-18 Summer Convention at Ethel Event Center
September 14 PNW Delegates Meeting in Longview at the Moose Lodge
September 21 Operation Shore Patrol-Regions 1, 2 & 3
September 21 Pick up a Mountain- Region 4

Region 4 Meeting Minutes-No Report

Region 6 Meeting Minutes- NO Report

NOHVCC- National Off-Highway Vehicle Conservation Council

** OHVS PROVIDE OPPORTUNITIES FOR THOSE WITH PHYSICAL (OR OTHER) LIMITATIONS TO GET OUTDOORS

In 1987 NOHVCC Chairman of the Board of Directors Dan Kleen was injured in a diving accident. Before the accident, Dan was an avid motorcyclist (both on and off-highway). After his injuries led to him wrestling with his new status as an incomplete C-6 quadriplegic he was worried he would have to completely abandon the sport that he loves. Luckily, at the time ATVs and later the availability of ROVs (side-by-sides) provided him continued opportunity to get outdoors and enjoy motorized recreation.

Dan says "OHVs are great equalizers as there are not many other sports or recreational activities in which I can fully participate."

But it is not just those who have a history of participation in powersports who can benefit from the opportunities OHVs provide. Dan knows a lady of 70 plus years of age with limited mobility who now gets to fully enjoy outdoor photography. She found that her motorized wheelchair restricted her ability to access the places she likes to visit to capture nature and wildlife with her camera. She now uses an ROV to help her get her shots!

Dan and others with physical limitations can use hand controls in their ROVs like those that physically-challenged individuals utilize in road-going passenger vehicles. ATVs often feature automatic transmissions and power steering which make it easier for some with limitations to ride.

Like with most things these days Dan suggests that those who are interested in adapted vehicles start with searches on google and YouTube. "There are a lot of people who have figured out how to adapt these vehicles for use by those with limitations. Simply getting a taste of what is out there is a great place to start." For more in-depth information those interested should reach out to local OHV clubs and associations, powersports dealers, state spinal cord injury associations and Easter Seals to find others in similar situations.

Dan says “another good thing is for those with interest to visit a local powersports dealership and look at the vehicles that are available. One can get a good idea of which vehicles they may be able to get in and out of and operate. Everyone is different, so there are different options that may make it possible for those with a diverse range of limitations to operate these vehicles. For example, there are harnesses, hand controls, spinner knobs for steering wheels and other products on the market which can be utilized to help get a lot of people recreating.”

Finally, Dan himself can offer guidance and can be reached at trailhead@nohvcc.org (<mailto:trailhead@nohvcc.org>) .

Dan emphasized that there is always more to learn, and more products becoming available. “I have been in a chair for 32 years and I am still trying to figure out things that will make it easier for me to ride in and operate OHVs.”

There are countless challenges faced by numerous individuals, including some of which may not be visible – but many can be overcome with respect to OHV recreation. Even if operation of these vehicles is not possible – ROVs or full-sized four-wheel drive vehicles may offer a great opportunity to get outdoors as a passenger.

Dan shared that he doesn’t take rides for granted, instead he views them as a gift he has been given as there was a time that he didn’t believe he would be able to get outdoors ever again. He recounted a story that means a lot to him. “I was at a Jamboree and participants were offered the chance to ride a new model ATV that was being premiered at the event. I left my wheelchair in my truck and set out on the ride with a group of riders and industry representatives that I didn’t know. When we stopped for lunch, I rode my ATV up to the picnic table and ate alongside the other riders. After eight hours of riding we returned to the trailhead and a friend brought my chair over so I could dismount. The other riders were stunned as they hadn’t realized that I had any limitations. That was a pretty fun day for me as I was able to keep up with all the riders and I felt 100% engaged in the sport.”

Lastly Dan stressed that people should not be afraid to try. “Sometimes your first, second or even third set-up may not be ideal – but keep trying! It will definitely be worth the challenge if you can get outdoors.”

2019-05-16

Previous Post: How Do the Toledo Trail Riders Maintain Trails? Watch and Hear from Club President Matt Bucher! (<https://www.nohvcc.org/how-do-the-toledo-trail-riders-maintain-trails-watch-and-hear-from-club-president-matt-bucher/>)

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Washington State Director- Lisa Chissus

Pick Up A Mountain is now a registered trademark of the Pacific Northwest 4 Wheel Drive Association #1079546.

Had a good meeting with the Land Commissioner as well as 4 other representatives from the Department of Natural Resources (DNR). DNR informed me that \$750K was taken from their budget so they now "RELY" on our volunteer efforts to maintain our trails. They also said that our state is unique in that 50% of our trails are accessible for motorized use. Have reached out to them to see if there are specific concerns for us to assist with and will update when I get that.

We all should be thinking about ways to promote membership. We are working on table covers, updated Who & What We Are cards, and membership forms that we can use at events. Please let me know if you are interested in using them.

Lisa Chissus

Washington Executive Director

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Milk Creek Trail Project

There will be a Trail building project the weekend of June 28-30 2019. The project will reroute a portion of the Milk Lake Trail out of a sensitive riparian area. Milk Lake Trail is a popular 4X4 trail off of Hwy 410 on Chinook Pass. The project is a cooperative effort by the Pacific Northwest 4 Wheel Drive Association and the Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife. The preliminary planning and preparation for the project has been done by Ron Rutherford and several members of the Jeeping Nomads.

The USFS Chinook Pass Work Center has been secured at no cost from the Naches Ranger District as a project staging and camp area for the weekend.

We are asking people to preregister to save time and keep the administrative time to a minimum. If you are planning on attending, please complete the information below and reply to sender. You may also e-mail it to jimh@fairpoint.net (mailto:jimh@fairpoint.net) or jeepingnomads@gmail.com (mailto:jeepingnomads@gmail.com)

Friday June 28, 2019 Move into staging, set up camp, and get organized.

Saturday June 30, 2019 8:00 am project details and safety briefing. Work on the trail

Sunday July 1, 2019 If needed complete work on the trail. Enjoy the mountains!!

Thing you should know.

The Chinook Pass Work Center will be open field Dry Camping at this point we do not have a porta pottie (no funding)so if possible, come self-contained or prepared.

Food and Drinks for the weekend are on your own.

Tools are not provided. We will need Loppers, axe, shovel, hand saws, chain saws (Training and Certification),etc.

Basic Personal Protection Equipment (PPE) Gloves, appropriate foot wear, Eye protection, Long Pants and shirt, Helmet, etc.

If you are using a chain, saw the basic safety equipment is needed.

Milk Creek Trail Project

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Trail Jamboree Information [CLICK HERE \(https://www.pnw4wda.org/trail_jamboree.php\)](https://www.pnw4wda.org/trail_jamboree.php)

Greetings from Washington Off Highway Vehicle Alliance! Lots going on or about to happen, so it's time to get everyone up to speed. Representing Washington's motorized recreationists is our purpose in life, and we take it seriously. With that, here's some of what we're up to.

First order of business has been to get our non-profit status in order. Since our inception, we have been a 501(c)4, which has allowed us to not only lobby for favorable legislation, but to also support legislators that support us as a group. This current Board has made the decision to change our status to 501(c)3, which will still allow us to support and lobby for legislative issues favorable to our sport/hobby, and have access to more grant opportunities, including forest RACs, but no longer support individual candidates for office. The perception changes from not just a legislative advocate but will help us become more of a partner in efforts to maintain and grow our sport.

Now, speaking of volunteers, WOHVA is also investigating ways to make the process easier for all involved after having received inquiries from some of our land managers on the subject of simplifying their method of contact. This came about due to some issues contacting local clubs because of the turnover in their membership and contact info. Our board terms are staggered, so continuity can be maintained, so the idea is to work toward making WOHVA the statewide contact for Washington when it comes to work on our motorized trails, similar to what other user groups are doing. If volunteers are needed in Naches, their OHV manager can contact WOHVA, and we marshal the troops for that area or particular trail. Each club would still log its hours, and get direct credit with the agency involved, so no change in that regard. We're still working on details, so if anyone has questions or ideas, please feel free to pitch in.

We also have active grant requests in for NOVA and RTP and hope to know how we stand in the next few weeks. We'll notify everyone when we have news, so keep your fingers crossed we get the grants so we can get some work started!

For more updates, keep up with us on our website, www.wohva.org
(<http://www.wohva.org/>) , or on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/WOHVA.NW/>.
Happy wheeling gang!

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