

# NW REGIONAL AVA NEWS AND INFORMATION

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Here comes July!

Fun memories from the NW Regional Conference in Ashland and Surrounding areas. Great to see so many of our NW Region Walkers at the event. Great big thanks to the OTSVA officers and clubs and Tom and Louise Baltes for this great walking festival. Over \$3400 was donated to the Burn Fund to help the residents of neighboring towns that had so much devastation in the fires 2 years ago. Thanks to all the clubs of the NW region for their generosity of donating to the silent auction and help to make this all happen.



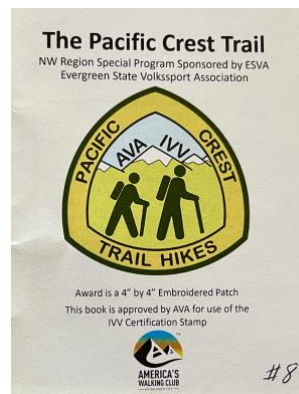
## YR Updates:

Tacoma YR1262/YR1263 – Spar Coffee Shop is now Curran Coffee, same address. Walk box is in small file box behind the counter so you will need to ask for it. OSB also available.

Seattle-Queen Anne Hill – YR0054/YR1529. Start Point has closed. Club seeking new Start Location. Watch the sanction alerts for new location.

## New SPECIAL PROGRAM for the NW Region:

AVA President, Nancy Wittenberg, has initiated a new special program for the PCT (Pacific Crest Trail). You will need to complete 4 in WA, 4 in OR and 4 anywhere else. Cost is \$10. Please mail request and check (Pay to Nancy Wittenberg) Nancy Wittenberg at 12626 129<sup>th</sup> St E, Puyallup, WA 98374. All walks are OSB only. Patch sent on completion.



## Sanctioning of YR/SYR is coming:

Readiness: (once and done!)

- Check to be sure none of your current YR/SYR sanctions have these symbols on them. If one of these errors appear you will need to fix the errors before you renew your sanction. After you have “saved” be certain to “publish”. Many clubs have sanctions with these issues. I have notified a few clubs that have significant amounts.



- Check to see that the POC Contact information is current and be sure that the walk box also has the information.

- OSB- Check to see what your directions look like and update if necessary BEFORE you renew so you don't need to do it in 2 places. There have been reports that some of the walk directions were updated but only the changed pages were uploaded. The complete file MUST be uploaded again. Updating after the original approval is not monitored so you will not receive any notification other than an upset walker.
- Check to see that your maps are readable. There are some cases where the file did not upload correctly, and the map is too faint to read. Please upload in color for the best copy for the user. If you find you have files that need fixing, do it now so you do not need to do it again after you renew.



You can download directions from OSB here without signing into the walk. Good for the clubs you have management permissions for.

- If you plan to add more walks into the OSB please do it before you renew your YR, so you don't need to do it twice.
- In Washington state, if you have corrections per the YR reviews being done, incorporate your walk direction corrections in OSB before you renew.

### When Renewals go live:

When renewals go live you will find them here on my.ava.org.:



Your current YR/SYR will be listed here. If your club is undecided about a walk wait till close to the end period to not renew.

Please let Ed or I know if you are having problems completing your sanctioning.

### Please keep your officer and club information current:

Be sure to keep you club contacts up to date including the Club mailing address, POC with email address, club website, and contact/ mailing information for each club officer. This should be updated whenever there is a change. If no changes the information must be verified at least once per year. Make any changes, if necessary, then check the Verify Box. Only a person with club manager access may make changes to the club's contact details on my.ava.org.

### 2023 IVV Olympiad

Celebrate this 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend and register to join our star-spangled Parade of Flags that kicks off the 18<sup>th</sup> Olympiad in San Antonio February 19, 2023. Your registration today helps us secure services and merchandise for this once in a lifetime walking festival.

Our NW Region *challenge goal of 650* or more participants needs YOU! Early bird discount expires in 90 days.

Register <https://ivvolympiad2023.org>. Don't forget to add state in address.

## **Getting “on the road again”**

Time is getting close to get pre-registered for these upcoming multi-day events. Register now! A great opportunity to meet walkers from our NW Region and other states.

August 19-21, 2022, NW Hiking Weekend, Port Ludlow and area, WA

<https://fourplushikers.weebly.com/nw-hiking-weekend.html>

Sept 29-Oct 2, 2022, Walk the Cascade Loop to Winthrop, WA

<http://www.interlakentrailblazers.org/winthropcascade-loop-2022.html>

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