



Hi Everett Mountaineers,

Enjoy the summer season by enrolling in one of the Everett Branch's outstanding outdoor activities. Numerous climbs, hikes, paddles, and scrambles have been scheduled throughout the coming months, all the way into September. Our veteran leaders make these outings fun and memorable experiences for everyone.

As always, this e-newsletter highlights some of our branch's activities, courses, events, and amazing volunteers. Remember, you can check out all our offerings at mountaineers.org/Everett.

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Louie Coglas, LOTM Chair, delivers safety briefing.

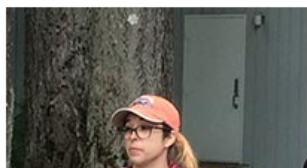


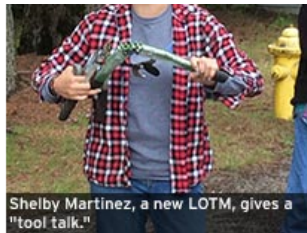
Mountaineers climb rocks... and sometimes move them.

Everett Branch Continues National Trails Day Tradition

On Saturday, June 3, members of the Everett Branch's Lookout and Trail Maintenance (LOTM) Committee and a coalition of outdoor groups reconstructed a section of the Eight Mile Trail near Darrington. The trail leads to Three O'Clock Rock, a popular climbing site, and then on to Squire Creek Pass, which features spectacular views of Whitehorse and Three Fingers Mountains. Other groups included the Washington Climbing Coalition, Summit Everett, and Friends for Public Use. Members of the National Forest trail maintenance staff from the Darrington Ranger District directed the work, which included clearing brush and trees, constructing rock walls, digging drainage ditches, and covering the trail beds with mineral soil. After a long day on the trail, The Mountaineers enjoyed a raffle of outdoor clothing and gear, National Trails Day T-Shirts, and a delicious dinner at the Darrington Rodeo grounds prepared by local residents.

Bridget Wishiewski, the National Forest's Trail Maintenance Director, praised the Mountaineers efforts, stating that "an extraordinary amount of work" was accomplished in a single day. Shelby Martinez, a new Mountaineer, was enthusiastic after serving in a LOTM leadership position for the first time. She recruited some friends to participate and is looking forward to returning to participating in future National Trail Day events.





Shelby Martinez, a new LOTM, gives a "tool talk."



We moved it!



Courses

[Sport Climbing Course](#) | Aug 26 - Sep 17

This course introduces the fundamental skills necessary to lead climb single pitch routes protected by bolts. A successful applicant will have mastered top rope belay technique and be able to top-rope at least a gym 5.9 with clean style. This course is open to all members, but priority enrollment will be given to Everett Basic Climbing Course graduates or current students. Climb on!

Events

July - No Open House

[Everett Annual Summer Picnic](#) | Wed, Aug 2

Members and the general public are invited to join us at American Legion Memorial Park. Bring your family, friends, neighbors and a dish to share for a fun evening potluck. Find out what the Mountaineers are all about. Enjoy the sunset and tales of summer trips past and adventures yet to be had!

Activities

[Sea Kayak - Chuckanut Bay](#) | Sat, Jun 10

This trip is offered as a "student paddle" and is open to students from all branches; to sign up, please request permission from the trip leader. Dry suits required.

[Stewardship - Lord Hill Park](#) | Sat, Jun 10

Stewardship guru Louis Coglas will lead participants in creating a new trail in Lord Hill Park.

[Alpine Scramble - Plummer Peak](#) | Sat, Jun 24

Scramble up Plummer Peak just southwest of Pinnacle Peak, located in the Tatoosh Range of Mt. Rainier National Park
