Buckley to Orting Half Marathon
BY RICHARD PASQUIER, RACE DIRECTOR

The third annual Buckley to Orting (B&O) Half Marathon has come and gone. On Saturday, July 26, 2014, a total of 107 runners and walkers made their way through the 13.1 mile, scenic course.

Here is a list of the top finishers by category for the event.
• Female - 17 years of age and under
  Samantha Patterson from Puyallup, Washington in 1 hour 37 minutes

• Female - 18 to 39 years of age
  Jess Hale from Snohomish Washington in 1 hour 43 minutes

• Female Masters
  Tamara Armstrong from Federal Way, WA in 1 hour 40 minutes

• Female Super Masters
  Marsha Nelson from Bonney Lake Washington in 2 hour 45 minutes

• Male - 17 years of age and under
  Tony Lee [Hester had age listed wrong.] from Milton Washington in 1 hour 52 minutes

• Male - 18 to 39 years of age
  Creighton Nash from Des Moines Washington in 1 hour 28 minutes

• Male Masters
  Jeff Levinson from Bonney Lake Washington in 1 hour 33 minutes

• Male Super Masters
  Chuck Cathey from Seattle Washington in 1 hour 51 minutes

Jeff, Samantha and Tamara all set new course records for their divisions. Maybe next year someone will beat the course record set last year by Mike

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Letter to the Editor

I participated in the R2R solo ultra this year and won an age group award. I was first place female master with a time of 9:35. It was a beautiful course and hands down the best race I have ever participated in. Very well organized, amazing volunteers- and a lot of them, and just a lot of fun.

Brandi Swortz
Lakewood

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area when completed for people traveling on the Foothills Trail through Buckley, where discussion of the Foothills Trail actually began with meetings in the back of Dr. Tait’s office back in 1986.

The undeveloped and unpaved sections of the Trail between the John’s Road and 156th Street East in the Wilkeson area, through Gale/Wilkeson Creek Canyon have long been maintained by the Foothills Rails-to-Trails Coalition. The trail is made of mostly cut grass which you can walk, ride a mountain bike or ride horses through. We have just completed our third mowing of the section and I encourage you to come out and travel through a very peaceful and bountiful area of your undeveloped trail system. The trip in and back to the starting point is roughly five plus miles. A second option might be to leave a car at the Buckley end of the asphalt trail, than take another car to 156th Street East about 300 feet west of Johns Road East and walk west and downstream along the Creek. Then when you get to the paved trail go to your right across three of the “bridges to nowhere” and continue over paved/unpaved trail to the end of the Buckley asphalt for about a six mile trip.

Looking forward to the Washington State Fair (Puyallup Fair to me) which will be upon us as this newsletter goes to print. We can always use people to staff our Fair booth. Three hours of time and you get a parking permit and free admission to the Fair. Go to our web site and sign for a shift or more!

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Meet Your Board Member

Donald Rich

Trails have become an American way of family involvement and recreation. I am happy to be a board member of our Foothills Coalition Trail System which now has National recognition.

Our monthly meetings keep me informed and motivated. I have volunteered for many work parties in order to keep the upper unimproved trails clear and usable for R2R, B&O, and recreational use for all trail users. My wife (Janet) and I volunteer for other events and are also active members of Friends of the Riverwalk. The few years I have served as a board member has shown much more interest and support from our cities and County government. Working together we are linking together a larger network of trails. I want to compliment the members and volunteers for their continuing dedication to trails for so many years. Progress moves slowly with many roadblocks.

After graduating Sumner High School I attended Washington State University for one year. After some searching I began a career with PNB/US West/Qwest as a technician which lasted for 33 years. We lived just across the river in North Puyallup for 29 years where we raised our three children. I volunteered in PC FPD #11 for 30 plus years as firefighter/Commissioner. Janet and I moved into our new home on South Hill in Crystal Ridge Estates two months after I retired. We have a vacation lot on the ocean at Pacific Beach, which encourages family get-togethers with our children, grand children, and great grand children for beach walks, campfire conversations, camping and razor clam digging.

As always I still enjoy the outdoors. Back in the Day, you would find me exploring hills in a jeep or riding off road motorcycles. Now it is bicycling with friends and walking with the Valley Volkssporters on the trails. My participation in the Foothills Rails-to-Trail Coalition and Friends of the Riverwalk has been very motivating as we move toward uniting communities by trails.

WANTED...!

If you haven’t signed up for the Fred Meyer Rewards Program, please consider doing it now. So far this year, we have received over $1,800.00 from the program. It’s real easy to sign up: You can link your Rewards Card to our non-profit Community Rewards account by visiting the following website: at www.fredmeyer.com/communityrewards. We have been assigned NPO number 94355. Please refer to this number when you are signing up or search for the Foothills Trail.

Rainier-to-Ruston Relay and Ultra Results Update

by John Selby, Coalition Board Member

This year’s winner of the Mayor’s Cup for the Rainer-to-Ruston Relay and Ultra was the ‘Rise and Shine’ team representing the city of Buckley. The team included four individuals; Karen Leahy from Buckley, Adam Leahy from Buckley, Rene Popke from Enumclaw, and Grant Slish from Buckley. Rise and Shine completed the course in 6 hours and 31 minutes finishing ahead of the City of Puyallup team by 24 minutes.
Networking for Trails

The City of Sumner has placed a map of the Sumner Link Trail as well as driving directions and parking information online at the following web address: http://ci.sumner.wa.us/living/parks-trails/trails/trail-map/

VISITING SUMNER

Known as the Rhubarb Pie Capital of the World, Sumner is the sweetest stop on the road between Seattle and Mt. Rainier. Located just 35 miles south of Seattle and 15 miles east of Tacoma, Sumner is in the heart of adventure. And the Sumner Link Trail provides your connection for walking and biking.

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Stone of Graham, Washington of 1:19:35!

We received lots of kudos from the runners, who thought the course was wonderful, the race was well run, and were going to tell friends and fellow running club members about the race.

I want to thank all of the great volunteers we had for the B&O, because without them, the race would not have been as great as it was.
Active Transportation
by Dixie Gatchel, Coalition Coordinatory for Active Transportation

Good News! Our Active Transportation (AT) Community of Interest (COI) has been awarded $159,000 by The Russell Family Foundation (TRFF). AT is defined as any self or human-powered mode of transportation and COI are collaborative, open-table groups made up of committed individuals and organizations. The fun part has begun! Implementation of our visionary strategies and initiatives that took over nine months of collaborative effort to develop is underway. Our goal was to develop a proposal for long-term, sustainable, community-based leadership and stewardship for this precious 10,000 square mile resource. My hat is off to ForeverGreen Trails CEO Dr. Jane Moore and President Bryan Bowden for strong leadership in preparation of the winning proposal. Dr. Moore also did a great job as our AT COI Coordinator.

The Puyallup Watershed Initiative, launched in 2013 by TRFF, was an epic re-thinking of grant making and incentives. The Initiative is an invitation for people and organizations to work together to identify environmental and social challenges affecting their community, decide how to best tackle them, and then do so. The granter is hands-off in the decision making but provides technical support on things most non-profits are unfamiliar with such as formulating joint applications, budgets, evaluation systems and leadership structures. Link: http://www.trff.org/

TRFF appointed Bonneville Environmental Foundation (BEF) as lead coordinator for the initiative and near-term partner to extend reach into the watershed. BEF provides direct support, proposal development and thought-partnership to communities within the watershed interested in applying for funds. Thank you Robert Warren, Brenda Lemay, and Jennifer Arnold. You were most helpful and great to work with. Link: http://www.benef.org/

At this time, TRFF is working with the following Puyallup Watershed Communities of Interest:

- Agriculture
- Biodiversity
- Environmental Education
- Forestry
- Just and Healthy Food
- Salmon
- Social Equity
- Trails and Recreation
- Water Quality

TRFF is interested in supporting collaborations that bring together diverse viewpoints and leaves aside predetermined ideas about fixes till everyone at the table is operating from a shared understanding of goals. They want to spark new conversations and actionable 10-year strategies.

Here’s an update as of 08/15/14 from BEF Program Associate Brenda LeMay, “The Initiative is going through an exciting time of transition on multiple levels! All but one active COI are finished with the visioning and strategic planning process and are on the path toward receiving funds and implementing work. One group is very close to submitting their proposal and year-1 plan to TRFF, three have recently submitted and are awaiting funding decisions, and two are moving through final steps before receiving the funds awarded by TRFF. This marks the transition between initial planning phase and approaching implementation phase. Soon the work that each group has collaboratively proposed to take over the next ten years will begin! The foundation of these collective efforts will start to take shape, paving the way toward the vision of a healthier and more resilient region!”

Watch for the release near the end of August for TRFF’s exciting new video, “Many People Many Voices.” Many of us were interviewed by Seth Walker, TRFF’s Engagement Director, at the celebration of our progress on June 25, 2014, at the Pioneer Pavilion in Puyallup. It was inspirational to mingle and exchange ideas with members of other COIs. Seth posed the question central to the Puyallup Watershed Initiative, “What more can we do together than we could do alone?”

TRFF CEO Richard Woo and Program Officer Holly Powers visit our meetings from time to time to listen and offer encouragement. At our last meeting Richard had this to say, “The Puyallup Watershed Initiative ties us together in a new paradigm that I believe shows a great deal of promise.” I didn’t know much about TRFF before joining the watershed effort but the more I learn the bigger fan I become. I echo Foothills Board Member Don Partington’s comment from our most recent meeting, “I’m proud to be a member of this group.”

Alert to Foothills Rails-to-Trails Coalition President Buzz Grant and Board Members: Let’s start working on our proposal for a Year-Two Initiative award now. All 10,000 square miles of the Puyallup River Watershed encompasses our Pierce County Foothills Trail Active Transportation Network. We are Big Time stakeholders in this historic effort. What say you?
Memberships/Donations

The Foothills Rails-to-Trails Coalition is a non-profit organization with a mission to assist Pierce County communities in the creation, maintenance, and usage of a connected system of non-motorized trails for healthier people from Mount Rainer to Puget Sound.

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Calendar of Events

Meetings:

**Monthly Board Meetings:**
Open to all members and are generally held on the 4th Thursday from 7-9 p.m. at the Heritage Quest Research Library located at 1007 Main St., Sumner. Monthly meetings may be rescheduled, so check our website at www.piercecountytrails.org for changes.

**Charlie Chat - Weekly Luncheon:**
Informal luncheons from 12-1 p.m. are held at Charlie’s Restaurant, 113 East Main, Puyallup. All are welcome to come and share what they have been doing to promote the mission of the Coalition. No business is conducted even if a quorum of members is present.

**Courtesy Patrol Meetings:**
Scheduled the 3rd Saturday of each month at High Cedars Golf Course, 149th Street Court East, Orting. No-host breakfast starts at 8 a.m. and the casual meeting at 9 a.m. with a free-for-all discussion about the past, present and future of the Courtesy Patrol. Guest speakers and training sessions are often included. For more information please contact Ernie Bay at (253) 848-7718 or bugtrail@aol.com.

**Friends of the Riverwalk Committee:**
We are an informal group of volunteers devoted to the enjoyment and betterment of the Puyallup Riverwalk. Please join us for most Monday mornings* at 9 a.m. at Mrs. Turner’s Restaurant, 701 East Main, Puyallup.
*call prior to confirm in case of cancellation.
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**Events:**

**2014 Pierce County Trails Conference -**
Trail Conference will be held in the evening on Wednesday, October 29, 2014 in the Pagoda at Point Defiance Park in Tacoma. ForeverGreen Trails is updating our website and when finished registration will be available online as well as by mail or at the door.
Membership makes a difference!

The work we are doing is made possible because of your membership and generous support. Credit cards accepted.

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