

## January 2016

### January 1 Friday 10:00AM - NEW YEAR'S DAY

Issaquah Alps Area Dog Hike  
DOGS WELCOME. Bring leash, water, baggies.

Leader's Choice of trails  
Easy, 3-5 miles, up to 900 ft gain  
Jean Lanz 206-322-0990

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### January 2 Saturday 9:00AM

Rattlesnake Mt's Stan's Overlook  
Moderate, 3.8 miles, 1400 ft gain, Good trail, Moderate pace  
Mary Nolan 425-837-1535

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### January 3 Sunday 9:30AM

Mercer Slough - Water birds, blueberry fields, and a visit to the 1929 Winter's House before it closes for Light Rail construction. (This eclectic Spanish style house is Bellevue's only building on the National Historic Register).

Easy, 3 miles, 100 ft gain, Good trail, Slow pace  
Steve Williams 425-453-8997

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### January 6 Wednesday 11:00AM

Visit Bridle Trails State Park in Kirkland  
Easy, 4-6 miles, little elevation gain, Slow pace  
Robbie Davis 425-369-4369

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### January 9 Saturday 9:00AM

South Tiger - Tiger Mt Trail (TMT) trailhead connecting with South Tiger Traverse for loop.  
Lunch on South Tiger Summit

Moderate, 7.5 miles, 1800 ft gain, Good trail, Moderate pace  
Scott Prueter 425-269-3079

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### January 9 Saturday 10:00AM

Issaquah Alps Area Dog Hike  
DOGS WELCOME. Bring leash, water, baggies.

Leader's Choice of trails  
Easy, 4-6 miles, up to 900 ft gain, Moderate pace  
Tom Pohle 425-481-2341

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### January 10 Sunday 9:30AM

Issaquah Alps Area -Leader's Choice of trails  
Easy, 4-6 miles, 800-1200 ft gain  
Scott Semans 425-369-1725

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### January 16 Saturday 8:00AM

Squak Mt - starting on the Squak Access Trail in Issaquah  
Strenuous, 9.7 miles, 3400 ft gain, Good trail, Moderate pace

George Potter 425-516-5200

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### January 17 Sunday 9:00AM

Hike the Artifacts Trail on Tiger Mt and visit the site of an old train wreck  
Easy, 5 miles, 1200 ft gain, Good trail, Moderate pace  
George Potter 425-516-5200

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### January 18 Monday 9:00AM - MLK Day

Taylor Mt - A loop hike on southern Taylor Mt starting on the Carey Creek Trail and returning on the Elk Ridge Trail. Muddy in places.

Easy, 5.5-6 miles, 950 ft gain, Good trail, Moderate pace  
Cornelia Remy 425-902-6255

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### January 20 Wednesday 11:00AM

Visit Pioneer Park on Mercer Island  
Easy, 4-6 miles, little elevation gain, Slow pace  
Robbie Davis 425-369-4369

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### January 23 Saturday 9:30AM

Squak Mt - Margaret's Way. Possible shuttle to the State Park Trailhead

Moderate, 7 miles, 1600 ft gain, Good trail  
Richard Mann 425-633-7815

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### January 24 Sunday 9:00AM

South Bellevue Greenbelt Trails - A loop hike along the trails of some of South Bellevue's connected green spaces and ravines. Return through Coal Creek and Cougar Mountain Wildland Parks.

Moderate, 10 miles, 1800 ft gain, Moderate pace  
Ralph Owen 425-270-3322

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### January 28 Thursday 6:30PM

Eagle Room, City Hall/Police Station,  
130 E Sunset Way, Issaquah

### Annual Membership Meeting —

#### ALL MEMBERS WELCOME.

Board Meeting to Follow. Karen Daubert, executive director of WTA will be our guest speaker.

Dave Kappler 425-392-3571

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### January 29 Friday 10:00AM

Issaquah Alps Area Dog Hike  
DOGS WELCOME. Bring leash, water, baggies.

Leader's Choice of trails  
Easy, 3-5 miles, up to 900 ft gain  
Jean Lanz 206-322-0990

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### January 30 Saturday 9:00AM

Cougar Mt - Double Loop around Wilderness Peak and on to Longview Peak.

Moderate, 7 miles, 1750 ft gain, Good trail, Moderate pace  
Scott Prueter 425-269-3079

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### January 31 Sunday Noon

Tiger Mt - Tradition Plateau - Learn about evergreen trees and natural history  
Easy, 6 miles, 600 ft gain, Good trail, Moderate pace  
Dave Kappler 425-392-3571

## February 2016

### February 3 Wednesday 11:00AM

Visit Grand Ridge from the Duthie Hill side  
Easy, 4-6 miles, up to 1200 ft gain, Good trail, Slow pace  
Robbie Davis 425-369-4369

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### February 6 Saturday 9:00AM

Marks Cliffs Hike - West Squak Mt.  
Easy, 4 miles, 600 ft gain, Good trail, Moderate pace  
Dave Kappler 425-392-3571

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### February 7 Sunday 9:30AM

Weowna Park - In Bellevue. Big trees, two loops, and a waterfall canyon.  
Easy, 4.5 miles, 400 ft gain, Good trail, Slow pace  
Steve Williams 425-453-8997

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### February 13 Saturday 8:00AM

Cougar Mt Loop - loop hike around Cougar Mt.  
Strenuous, 10.5 miles, 1900 ft gain, Good trail, Moderate pace  
George Potter 425-516-5200

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### February 13 Saturday 10:00AM

Issaquah Alps Area Dog Hike  
DOGS WELCOME. Bring leash, water, baggies.  
Leader's Choice of trails  
Easy, 4-6 miles, up to 900 ft gain, Moderate pace  
Tom Pohle 425-481-2341

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### February 14 Sunday 9:00AM

Cougar Mt - See the Fantastic Erratic, a mine shaft, and the clay pit restoration.  
Easy, 5-6 miles, 1200 ft gain, Good trail, Moderate pace  
George Potter 425-516-5200

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### February 15 Monday 10:00AM - President's Day

Issaquah Alps Area Dog Hike  
DOGS WELCOME. Bring leash, water, baggies.  
Leader's Choice of trails  
Easy, 3-5 miles, up to 900 ft gain  
Jean Lanz 206-322-0990

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### February 17 Wednesday 11:00AM

Visit Soaring Eagle County Park in Sammamish  
Easy, 4-6 miles, up to 300 ft gain, Good trail, Slow pace  
Robbie Davis 425-369-4369

**February 20 Saturday 9:30AM**

Cougar Mt - Sky Country Loop with waterfalls and lunch view

Moderate, 6 miles, 1500 ft gain, Good trail

Richard Mann 425-633-7815

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**February 21 Sunday 9:00AM**

Little Si and Boulder Garden Hike - A loop hike up Little Si then returning on the Boulder Garden Trail making a stop at Moss Vista.

Moderate, 5.5 miles, 1680 ft gain, Good trail, Moderate pace

Cornelia Remy 425-902-6255

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**February 24 Wednesday 7:00PM**

Trails Center, 1st and Bush, Issaquah

Hike Leaders' Meeting

Jackie Hughes 425-641-3815

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**February 26 Friday 10:00AM**

Issaquah Alps Area Dog Hike

DOGS WELCOME. Bring leash, water, baggies.

Leader's Choice of trails

Easy, 3-5 miles, up to 900 ft gain

Jean Lanz 206-322-0990

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**February 27 Saturday 9:00AM**

Grand Ridge Park - Walk through the wetlands and mature second growth forests on this one-way hike through King County's Grand Ridge Park. We'll finish our hike at the Trail Center. Car shuttle required.

Moderate, 9 miles, 1000 ft gain, Moderate pace

Ralph Owen 425-270-3322

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**February 28 Sunday 9:30AM**

Cougar Mt - Mid Coal Creek Hike - Forest Drive to Sandstone Falls, Scalzo Farm, Rail grade "cut 'n fill", the new "Salmon, People & Critters" underpass.

Easy, 3.7 miles, 500 ft gain, Good trail, Slow pace

Steve Williams 425-453-8997

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**March 2016**

**March 5 Saturday 9:00AM**

Squak Mt - Loop hike over Central Peak and West Peak with Rainier view for lunch.

Moderate, 7 miles, 1600 ft gain

Scott Prueter 425-269-3079

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IATC ENCOURAGES CARPOOLING and recommends a contribution to your driver for gas 15¢/mile, \$1.00 minimum

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**March 6 Sunday 9:30AM**

3 Bellevue Parks - Woodridge Park, Wilburton Hill Park, and Kelsey Creek Park.

Get preview peeks at the Bellevue Botanical Garden and the historic Twin Valley Dairy Farm. 4+ hours.

Easy, 3.5 miles, 250 ft gain, Good trail, Slow pace

Steve Williams 425-453-8997

**March 9 Wednesday 11:00AM**

Visit Lewis Creek Park on Cougar Mountain

Easy, 4-6 miles, up to 1000 ft gain, Good trail, Slow pace

Robbie Davis 425-369-4369

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**March 12 Saturday 8:00AM**

South Tiger - See the southern flank of Tiger Mt.

Start from Tiger Summit

Moderate, 9 miles, 2300 ft gain, Good trail, Moderate pace

George Potter 425-516-5200

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**March 12 Saturday 10:00AM**

Issaquah Alps Area Dog Hike

DOGS WELCOME. Bring leash, water, baggies.

Leader's Choice of trails

Easy, 4-6 miles, up to 900 ft gain, Moderate pace

Tom Pohle 425-481-2341

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**March 13 Sunday 10:00AM - Daylight Savings Starts**

5 Water Falls Hike

Visit Far Country Falls, Doughty Falls,

Longview Peak, Coal Creek Falls, and North Fork

Falls on the West side of Cougar Mountain.

Moderate, 6 miles, 1400 ft gain, Good trail, Moderate pace

George Potter 425-516-5200

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**March 19 Saturday 9:00AM**

Tiger Mt - Tradition Plateau Hike

Learn about early spring plants

Easy, 6 miles, 600 ft gain, Good trail, Moderate pace

Dave Kappler 425-392-3571

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**March 20 Sunday 9:00AM**

Cedar Butte Loop - A woodlands walk following a

Figure-8 loop as we pass Christmas Lake

on our way over an un-named hill.

We'll continue on to the view from the summit of

Cedar Butte before visiting the Black Forest.

Moderate, 8 miles, 1500 ft gain, Moderate pace

Ralph Owen 425-270-3322

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**March 23 Wednesday 11:00AM**

Visit Evans Creek Preserve in Sammamish

Easy, 4-6 miles, little elevation gain, Good trail, Slow pace

Robbie Davis 425-369-4369

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**March 25 Friday 10:00AM**

Issaquah Alps Area Dog Hike

DOGS WELCOME. Bring leash, water, baggies.

Leader's Choice of trails

Easy, 3-5 miles, up to 900 ft gain

Jean Lanz 206-322-0990

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**March 26 Saturday 9:30AM**

Soaring Eagle - A promise of spring and mud.

Moderate, 6 miles, little elevation gain, Good trail

Richard Mann 425-633-7815

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**March 26 Saturday 1:00PM to 3:00PM**

Meet at Lewis Creek Park, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE, Bellevue

Logging History Informative Event -

An indoor PowerPoint presentation.

Did you know that most of the land east of

Lake Washington was clear cut by 1920?

See the progression from 12 foot hand-saws to cable skylines that cleared whole valleys at Cougar Mt.

Steve Williams 425-453-8997

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**March 27 Sunday 9:30AM - Easter**

Leader's Choice in the Issaquah Alps Area

Easy, 4-6 miles, 800-1200 ft gain

Scott Semans 425-369-1725

**GEAR CHECKLIST:**

**WATER, FOOD, DAYPACK, RAINGEAR, WARM CLOTHES, HIKING FOOTWEAR**

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Hikes meet beside the grassy area located approximately at 175 Rainier Blvd S, Issaquah (near SE Bush St).

**HIKES LEAVE AT THE TIME STATED. PLAN TO ARRIVE A BIT EARLY**

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Bring your WA Discover Pass

and your National Forest Pass, if you have them. A DISCOVER PASS WILL BE REQUIRED for vehicle parking for any hike on state lands.

GO TO [discoverpass.wa.gov](http://discoverpass.wa.gov) for details.

A NORTHWEST FOREST PASS or an INTERAGENCY PASS WILL BE REQUIRED for vehicle parking for any hike in National Forests, etc. - for details, GO TO [fs.fed.us/passespermits/rec-fee.shtml](http://fs.fed.us/passespermits/rec-fee.shtml)