

CVC Board Meeting Minutes

4/28/2026

711 Eastside St. NE, Olympia, WA

Present were Karen Younkins, Larry and Cheryl Bush, David Black, Sheila Morrison, Barb Malone, Chase Davis, Pam Greig-Davis, and Mary Clem.

The meeting was called to order and the following topics were discussed:

1. Pam Greig-Davis summarized Wild and Woodsy as not well attended but enjoyed by those who did attend. With the exception of possible online registrants, we had 90 total. The dollar totals are not yet available. The pizza dinner at the start point was easy to assemble, and enjoyed by all. The dinner at River's Edge was also a success for those who attended. New walks were a successful and interesting addition this year, even as attendance for the group walks was poor, compared to past years. It was fairly obvious from the lack of attendance, and from the expected loss of our start venue in Lacey that this will be our last event of this kind.

The Board decided to gift a lifetime CVC membership to Steve and Sue Strachan in appreciation for the use of our free venue in Lacey these past Wild and Woodsy events, as well as their time and involvement with the events. We will have a thank you card sent, and Pam discussed devising some sort of certificate to include with the card.

Other ideas for future events were discussed, and include train trips to walks in Seattle, Portland, Bainbridge Island. As we have three new walks on our docket in Bellingham, a weekend trip to Bellingham was pitched.

We only have granola bars left over from the event, so Sheila will bring treats to our May club meeting.

2. Larry and Cheryl Bush said that we have leaders for all but one of the scheduled Tuesday night walks. Karen will send out a schedule of the walks via email to the membership.

3. Barb Malone reported that Birgit Miller has expressed interest in putting together a Salmon Walk this Fall and has been given the info that Barb possessed. We might need to go over some time-pressured features of the walk, having to do with entry to the Capital, presentations at the Hatchery, etc. in order to firm up the plans.

4. Mary reported that she will proof the Bellevue Walk again before it takes place on June 27th.

5. It was decided that we will not pursue the purchase of an A to Z Challenge Book from OTSVA.

6. Karen pointed out that the club should have a meeting in November in order to firm up support and volunteers for the Christmas Walk and Party. It was decided that the new CVC President would revisit the meeting schedule during the July meeting and take it from there.

6a. A discussion was had about raising the yearly dues amount, but was tabled in favor of waiting for the new slate of club officers to bring it up once their tenure starts.

7. Sue Hennie and Gayle Klostermeyer will be in charge of the August 20th picnic at Squaxin Park. Chase and Pam said that they have directions for the Squaxin Park Scenic Level 6 km walk, and will have them for the picnic. The details of walk start and potluck start will be included in the invitation that will be sent via email to the membership. It was decided that, as in years past, this walk will not appear on Meetup as it remains a privately attended picnic walk.

8. Karen, Julie, and Cheryl will be in charge of the Holiday Party at the Jacob Smith House on Dec. 10th.

9. A discussion was had about whether the club should purchase another batch of name tags, as some members have broken tags, or have lost their tags. It was decided that David will investigate the charge for new tags with the Lacey business we have used in the past, forward that info to Karen, and she will email the Board so we can decide if the club will pay for new tags, or just facilitate the order of tags and have individuals pay for their own tags.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mary L Clem". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Mary Clem, Secretary, Capitol Volkssport Club