



Newsletter



OCTOBER 2008

Neskowin CPAC Update

For the latest updates on the Neskowin CPAC, visit their new website: www.neskowincpac.org

CPAC will sponsor a beach erosion workshop
November 1, 2008, 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM
Neskowin Valley School

Hawk Creek Development
One of the biggest issues that CPAC is exploring is the Hawk Creek Development and the 34 acres that were formerly a golf course on the east side of Highway 101. CPAC recommended to the Tillamook County Planning Commission that the zoning request for this property be denied. At our NCA Community Meeting on September 1, 2008, the 100 plus members present voted to support CPAC's denial to include financial support. At the October 4, 2008 NCA Board Meeting, \$3,500 was allotted for this purpose. This donation is only a fraction of the money needed for CPAC to continue to stay on top of this issue. CPAC would greatly appreciate donations from individuals. For more information visit www.neskowincpac.org.

2008 Neskowin Golf Scramble

By Ann Wieck

Another fun and successful scramble! Thanks to the efforts and generosity of so many community members and businesses. We again raised over \$5,000 for the NCA and its support of community needs.

The weather was gorgeous on Friday evening for the potluck and Saturday for golf. Sunday was touch and go with sprinkles, but like true Oregonians we persevered and continued to enjoy the day. Thanks to the Linman's and Gerrish's for the extra tents. Thanks to all who donated their time, raffle items, money and gift certificates. A fun time was had by all.

Congratulations to the winning teams!
Low gross winners: Steve Greer, Bruce Greer, Matt Hamstreet and Mike Fellows
Low net winners: Mike Henningson, Sue Henningson, Kregg Hanson and Andrea Watson

Next year's 2009 scramble will be August 28-30. Mark your calendar. We'll see you on the links!



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Low Net Winners

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Introducing our New NCA Board Members

Meri McLeod

“This is my first year of retirement after working the past 30 years for the Salem Keizer School District both as an art teacher and a library media teacher. I’ve enjoyed the wonders of Neskowin since I was a young girl. My family would come for a week (and if lucky for two weeks!) renting a cabin and also a space in the old campground. I met my husband Scott in Neskowin and we now share his family beach house with his brother, sister and their families. We have all raised our kids in the Neskowin culture and now I have time to give back for all the wonderful memories.”

Nancy Bantsari

“I moved from Southern California many years ago. I had five children in 5 1/2 years (a girl, twin boys, and twin girls) and now have eleven grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Now “retired,” I own and manage rental properties in Salem and a condo at Neskowin Resort. I very much enjoy our little village and look forward to serving on the board and participating in the golf scramble next year!”

We have four openings on the NCA Board

Are you interested in joining the NCA Board?

- The expectations for Board Members include:
- * Attend monthly Board Meetings, March through Oct.
 - * Attend two community meetings (Memorial Weekend and Labor Day Weekend)
 - * Participate and/or lead one or more NCA event

The commitment is minimal and you would be so appreciated!!! If you are interested, please contact President Christi Clark at cclark@oregoncoast.com or 503-392-3937.

Our Own Neskowin Marketplace

By Christi Clark

Winter hours:

Monday through Thursday: 7:00 AM - 7:00 PM
Friday, Saturday, and Sunday: 7:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Time flies when it comes to the Neskowin Marketplace. Would you believe that “new” owner Dave Dunagan has been at the helm of our local store for 3 years this November? Dave was formerly in casino management for 32 years, including a stint as manager at Chinook Winds from 1996-1997. He and his wife Shirley loved it here on the Oregon Coast so much they decided four years ago to sell everything and move from Nevada to Lincoln City. After one year of not working, Dave knew he needed to go back to work, but doing what was the question? Then he saw that the Neskowin store was for sale, and it only took four months from the time he laid eyes on the store until he became the owner.

Dave says one of the best aspects of his new career is that he only has to answer to himself. What surprised him the most was the seasonality of the business. He was not naïve to that aspect, but was still amazed at just how much business really slows down from November to February. This year, like the rest of the country, he is already noticing a slow down.

The three other friendly faces at the store are Dave’s wife Shirley, Belinda and Gail. All three are great at remembering your regular order and freely giving out compliments and warm greetings.

Dave really enjoys the Neskowin community and he appreciates how friendly everyone is to him and his employees. Dave also gives back to our community. A few of the organizations the store supports are the Neskowin Community Association, Nestucca High School sports, and the South Tillamook County Library.

Note the above winter hours of the Neskowin Marketplace and support our local store, especially during the slow season!!!

Neighbor News

First Thursday
Reception Art Opening
Augen Gallery, Portland

Neskowin/Eugene artist Kacey Joyce

November 6, 2008
5:30 PM - 8:30 PM

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Nesko Women's Club Marks 83 Year History

By Jeanette Miller, Nesko Club President

As we celebrate our 83rd club year this September, we reflect on our humble beginnings when it all started with a shower for a cousin of Evelyn Rock's where it was decided a regular gathering of local women could focus on community services.

And what a lot has been accomplished over the past 83 years! From giving silver cups to newborn babies to donating over \$25,000 from our successful "Cancer Fund Teas," we've come a long way. Back in the 90's, The Nesko Club met not only for socializing, but also especially for welcoming new women into the community and providing food and Christmas gifts for needy families in our county each year. Now in the 21st century, the Nesko Women's Club boasts 77 members within the communities of Neskowin, Cloverdale, Pacific City, Lincoln City, Otis and Neotsu.

On a monthly basis, each club member donates items like food, personal hygiene products and clothes to the South County Good Neighbor program to help those in need throughout the year. We also prepare Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets for over 150 families each year.

Our club schedules entertaining and educational speakers for our monthly meetings held every 3rd Friday (except the months of June, July, and August) and our yearly dues are \$20 per member. Throughout the year we accept books for our annual Fourth of July Book & Bake Sale. Evie Harris has volunteered to accept books at her house in Neskowin, or for those ladies who are members of the club, you can simply bring them to the monthly meetings.

If you are interested in attending meetings or joining our club, please call Joann Feigner, 503-965-7069.

A Message from Gordon McCraw

Director, Emergency Management, TillamookCounty

"As we once again approach the winter season, it is an appropriate time for thinking about Emergency Preparedness. I hope this season will not be as active as the previous two, but we must be prepared nonetheless. Tillamook County Emergency Management's webpage <http://www.co.tillamook.or.us/gov/EMGMGNT/> offers many good real time and planning links of value to people in our area. It also offers maps showing the expected inundation zones for areas including the Neskowin area. After looking over the site, if you have any questions, feel free to call or send email to gmccraw@co.tillamook.or.us. THANKS!"

The Unique Beauty of the Dragonfly

And Its Value to Our Community

By Nancy Nagel

We have all seen them drifting over our gardens with brightly colored bodies of green, blue and red. They are dragonflies, extraordinary insects, beautifully graceful, and fun to watch.

What exactly is a dragonfly and how did it get its name?

Dragonflies are insects belonging to the order Odonata, (from the greek odon-o, meaning tooth) which is characterized by large multifaceted eyes, two pairs of strong transparent wings, and an elongated body ranging in length from 1 to 4 inches. The "dragon" portion of their name comes from their fierce jaws that they use to catch their flying prey. The "fly" portion of the name is due to their speed. They are the world's fastest insects, capable of reaching speeds of up to 60 mph. They have other descriptive names such as "mosquito hawks" because they catch and eat so many mosquitos, and "devil's darning needle" from their unique body shape.

In addition to mosquitos, dragonflies consume other insects such as gnats, midges, flies, butterflies, moths, and even other dragonflies. Near water, they will eat anything small enough that moves such as water beetles, salamander larvae, and dragonfly larvae. They can in turn become a meal for birds, lizards, frogs, spiders, fish, and other dragonflies. With exceptional vision and agile and speedy flight, they generally manage to stay ahead of their attackers.

When we observe flying insects, we usually can only see their wings when they land and rest, with folded wings tucked against their bodies. Dragonflies are quite different in that respect as their double set of wings stay outstretched even at rest.

They also have excellent eyesight because of their unique eye structure...their eyes have up to 30,000 facets! Each facet is a separate light-sensing organ arranged to give nearly a 360-degree field of vision, thereby enabling them to detect even the slightest movement.

Dragonflies lay their eggs near water, sometimes next to the waterline and sometimes under it. The larvae of some species may change to insect form in a matter of months, but most spend at least a year or longer as aquatic larvae.

As we think about the health of the water system within our community, protection of the dragonfly habitat is yet another reason for our careful oversight. After all, who wouldn't want to protect this marvelous insect which is so adroit at reducing the mosquito population?

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Neskowin Community Association

PO Box 820
Neskowin, OR 97149

NCA Meetings
May 24, 2009 4:00 PM
September 6, 2009 4:00 PM

Web: www.neskowincommunity.org
Password: fish

Mark your Calendars for 2009

Saturday, May 23

Sign Painting
Swap Meet and Dumpster
Bake Sale
Burn Pile
Food Drive

Sunday, May 24

NCA Community Meeting at the Fire Hall, 4:00 PM

Saturday, July 4

Nesko Club Book and Bake Sale
Parade
Flag Raising and Sing-a-Long
Castles and Kites on the Beach

Sunday, July 5

Beach Clean-Up

Weekend of August 28, 29, 30

NCA Golf Scramble

Sunday, September 6

NCA Community Meeting at the Fire Hall, 4:00 PM

Join the Fireworks Dialogue

By Nancy Nagel

When the NCA board sent out a survey last year with questions about community concerns and activities, the majority of responses supported the tradition of a 4th of July fireworks display.

For several reasons the cost has increased from \$3,500 in 2007 to \$5,500 in 2008, and it appears the cost for fireworks next year will again be in the \$5,500 range or more. In light of this significant cost increase, the board is again asking NCA members whether they want to continue to support a fireworks display.

During a recent meeting, the board discussed the idea of putting a cap on the amount coming from the general budget, which would require the balance to be made up through donations.

Please weigh in with your thoughts and ideas.

Submit your comments to me:

Nancy Nagel at nancy@nwpalate.com

Or you can contact board president

Christi Clark at cclark@oregoncoast.com

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