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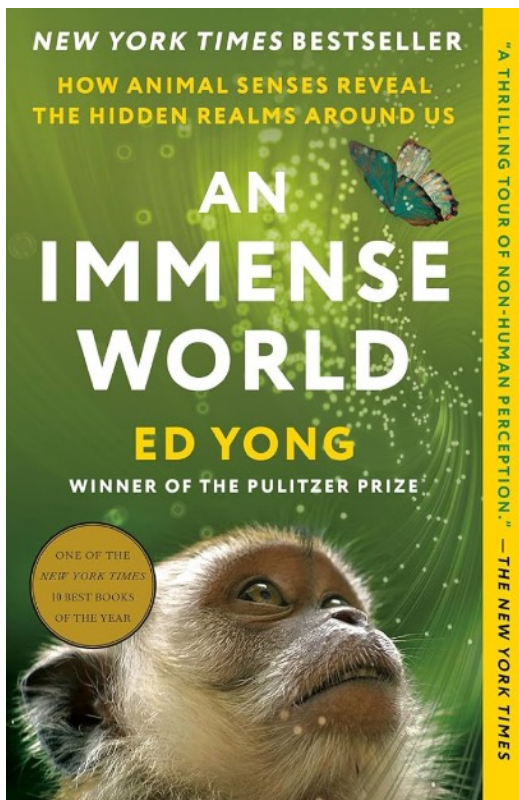


“The real voyage of discovery consists not in seeking new landscapes, but in having new eyes.”

-Marcel Proust

Book Broads with Carol Meeting will in late summer Get your book today!

We’ll be reading the New York Times best seller, “An Immense World - How Animal Senses Reveal The Hidden Realms Around us” by Pulitzer Prize winning author, Ed Yong. This book is a multi sensory exploration of the many ways in which animals perceive their environment. Some of these senses are familiar to us others are utterly alien, all of them reveal that the world humans perceive through their senses is only a slice of a much larger world. “An Immense World” is an argument for empathy according to oprahdaily.com.



Highlights from JUNE!



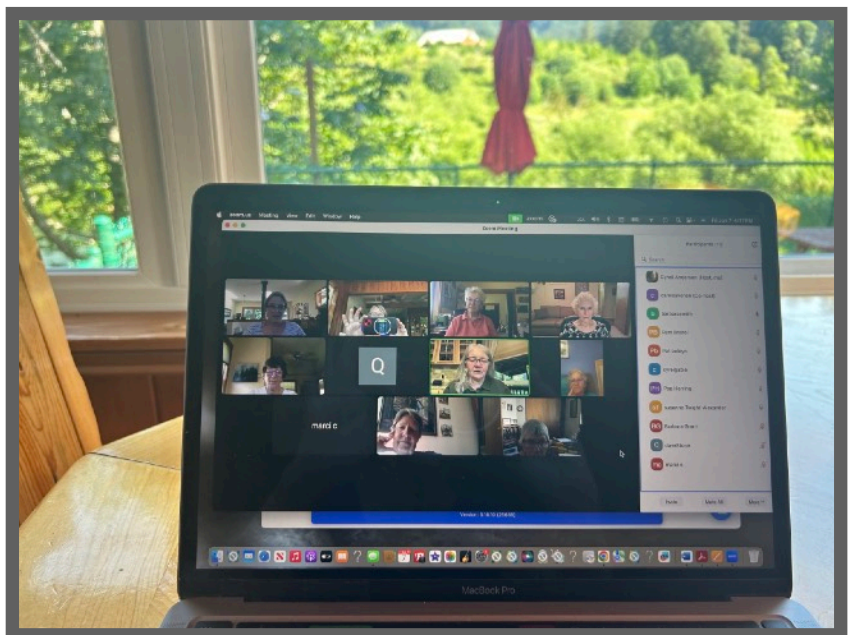
Lynn Humphrey, Pat Boleyn and Coleen McLaughlin look over the Horse Rock Ridge plant on their June 14th hike. Thank you to Marci Cutler for providing the list and to Pat Boleyn for leading the hike.



Forest Service plant ecologists Doug Glavich and Jane Kertis (retired) are pictured here with Broads for a tour of Marys Peak to learn about biophysical environments, from forest to meadow. Thank you Doug and Jane for a fabulous tour!

There were nothing but rave reviews for “Brave the Wild River - *The Untold Story of Two Women Who Mapped the Botany of the GRAND CANYON*” by Melissa L. Sevigny, for our last Book Broads with Carol read.

Seen here on Zoom during the June 7th meeting are Carol Savonen, Cyndi Anderson, Peg Herring, Cyrel Gable, Barbara Grant, Dave Stone, Barbara Smith, Pat Boleyn, Marci Cutler, Pam Bristol and Susanne Twight- Alexander.



- Another highlight from June with no photo to capture it was a **social gathering for Eugene area Broads on June 25th at Capitello Wines**. Joining Willamette Valley Broadband Co-leaders Chandra LeGue(Eugene) and Cyndi Anderson(Brownsville) for libations on the patio were Pat Boleyn(Springfield), Karyn Calloway(Crawfordsville), Mary Brown(Brownsville), Pat Fischer(Eugene), Marci Cutler(Eugene) Tish Hathaway (Vida) and Audrey Glendenning (Missoula, Montana). Audrey is the Grassroots Advocacy Manager for the Broads national organization. She flew in to participate in the Owyhee Monument demonstration described below and was able to join us for this fun event before heading home to Montana.

The Owyhee Monument Demonstration

Thanks to everyone who turned up to be a part of the statewide statement on June 24th in support of designating an Owyhee Canyonlands National Monument. Members of the Willamette Valley Broadband showed up at Senator Wyden’s offices in Salem and Eugene to demonstrate our support for protecting the Owyhee. If you haven't yet signed the petition you can do so [HERE](#).

We need to keep up the pressure to GET THIS DONE!

In Salem



Coleen McLaughlin, Elizabeth Lazaroth, Nancy Mauter, Laura Ouellette (wearing the sage grouse headdress she crocheted for the event) Janice Rosenberg and Sandy Riverman in front of the Capitol building .

In Eugene



Pat Fischer, Pat Boleyn, Karyn Calloway, Audrey Glendenning and Laura Duncan at the Lane County Courthouse

Beaver Protection Update



Sketch by Peg Herring

Despite written requests from many groups, including a compelling letter written by leadership team member Peg Herring representing our Broadband, the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission rejected the petition to close recreational beaver killing on the state's federally managed public lands. Instead, the Commission adopted rules to implement the "Beaver Bill" (HB 3464) that will remove beavers' designation as a predatory animal. The Bill, passed by the 2023 Oregon State Legislature, directs ODFW to manage beaver on private land and continue with a stakeholder work-group. They did not establish a timeline for this process or commit to future action. Peg states, "Some progress but not much."

- For those who are following the **OSU forest logging issue**, a recent article highlights a planned logging project in old forest near Peavy Arboretum. Find the Gazette Times article here:
Raising Alarm About Forest - [Part One](#), [Part Two](#))

Wilderness Monitoring 2024

Over 30 people are signed up for Wilderness Monitoring this year - what a great turnout!! Make sure to keep track of what day you've signed up for and on those days, go out and enjoy the wilderness as you monitor. When you get back from your trip, make sure to send your data in.

We had a great refresher training at Marion Lakes for those Broads and Bros who will be doing Recreation Sites Monitoring this year. Six Broads and Bros met with Troy Hall from OSU and five Forest Service employees to work out the intricacies of taking data for recreation sites. Thank you Lynn and Maya for another year of organizing this big project.

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And also of interest:

- On June 21, the US Forest Service released their draft Environmental Impact Statement for amending forest plans to protect old-growth trees and forests from logging. The Climate Forest Campaign is working on an analysis and materials to help the public weigh in during the public comment period (ending September 20). We'll share those and plan an advocacy night in August for this important opportunity. Find the draft EIS [HERE](#).

- Here's a list of [Oregon Wild's](#) Summer Hikes

Union Creek and Rogue Gorge, July 13

Three Pyramids, July 14

Twin Lakes on the North Umpqua, July 21

Grasshopper Project on Mount Hood, July 27

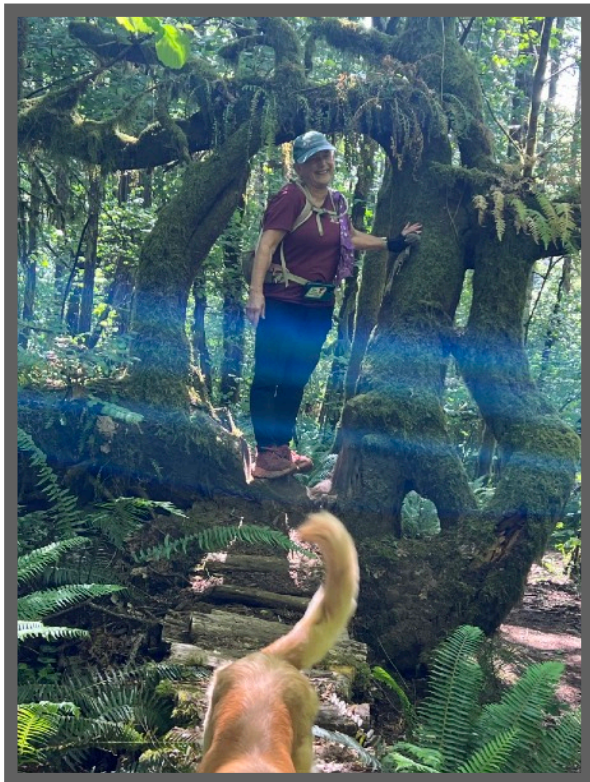
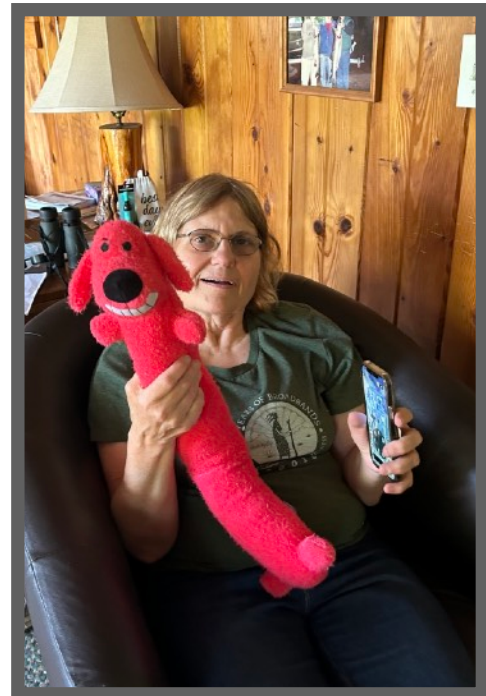
Fall River, July 27

Upper Middle Fork Willamette, July 28

Sign up or get more information [HERE](#).

Caption This & Win a Prize!

Send in a caption by replying to this email and have a chance to win Broads merchandise.



And last but not least...

We asked readers to caption this photo in our June Broadcast and had only one person get creative and send in an entry. Thank you Eileen Tokuda! You win the Broads merchandise of your choice for your fun captions. Call Maya Abels to claim your prize.

Watch and learn, human!
or
When your dog
shows you how it's done!

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that engages and inspires activism
to preserve and protect wilderness and wild lands.**

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Willamette Valley Broadband page is: <https://www.greatoldbroads.org/chapters/oregon-willamette-valley-broadband/>

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