



Northwest Ski Club Council

NWSCC April 2021 Newsletter Meeting Notice FWSA March News Flash Industry News

PLEASE SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH YOUR CLUB MEMBERS!

The April 21 NWSCC Council meeting will be held via ZOOM!!

Everyone is invited - please tell your club members! Peter Dodd, President of PACRAT, will fill us in on the racing season just concluded. NWSCC Washington Representative Marc Galt will be our main speaker, comparing the varieties of group season passes offered by Epic, Ikon, Mountain Collective, etc., to help you decide which one might be right for you for next season.

Date: April 21, 2021 Time: 6:45 pm PDT call in; meeting starts at 7:00 pm
Zoom Information:
Meeting ID: 810 0375 4078
Passcode: 544525

Have an idea on something we should be discussing? Please let us know. Know of a good speaker in the ski industry that you would like to hear from, let us know that as well. We're open to new speakers and ideas.

PACRAT Racing has completed its official season!! We need to give a great big shout out to the PACRAT Board, as they are the only recreational league in the US, or at least in FWSA, that has figured out how to do racing with all of the Covid restrictions.

However, PACRAT has one final race this year "Laura Green Memorial/Mt Hood Ski Patrol Fundraiser" being held this coming Sunday, April 11. See below.

FWSA Ski Week 2022 Aspen/Snowmass registration is now open - sign up NOW! As we are getting vaccinated for COVID and dreaming of new fun adventures, please consider joining us for what is sure to be an exciting Aspen/Snowmass group ski adventure in 2022. FWSA's 2022 Aspen/Snowmass Ski Week is open for registration. The trip dates are

January 29-February 5, 2022. See NWSCC website for details; click on the flier and the registration links on the NWSCC home page and/or the [Trips](#) page. Note: the cancellation policy has changed from prior years. Be sure you read it. Contact Rod Robinson at rdrobinsonskier@gmail.com with questions.

For many interesting articles, including tons of information on how ski areas across the country are dealing with Covid, Indy pass additions, invention of the ski lift, folding skis, cross country skiing, and MORE, check out the **National Ski Council Federation's March 2021 Newsbeat** [HERE](#). Find out what's happening at Keystone, Sundance, Loveland, and Tamarack. Also check out interesting articles on the NSCF website including [What Fully Vaccinated Travelers Need to Know Before Planning a Trip](#) and [What Are Vaccine Passports—And How Would They Work?](#)

Other recent articles include:

- * [U.S. Ski and Snowboard Hall of Fame](#)
- * [The Socialist Case for Skiing](#)
- * [VIDEO: Jeremy Jones Rides Insane 21,500-Foot, 68-Degree Himalayan Spines](#)
- * [Whistler-Blackcomb Identified as COVID Hotspot; Closes for the Season](#)
- * [Vail's latest move helps make skiing more affordable than ever...is that a good thing?](#)

NWSCC Board of Directors Volunteers Needed:

NWSCC is currently looking to fill the Council Secretary position. Jeanne Reinhardt has served as our NWSCC Secretary for the last three years and is wanting to step down. Please step up and let us know if you are interested. Contact Chris Ciardi at president@nwskiers.org. Not ready to be an officer, but willing to get involved, please contact Chris, there are several other tasks that could use help. Have an idea of something we need to cover? Contact us!

NWSCC and Social Media:

Beyond the informative monthly newsletter from NWSCC and other notices distributed by email, we continue to spread helpful and interesting news and ski world articles by Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/NWSkiers> Be sure to like our page, join our facebook group and stay informed throughout the month.

Another important source of information is [Northwest Snowsports Advocates](#), follow them on Facebook and learn the latest in the ski industry world. The latest posts include the proposed Valemount Glacier Destination Resort, which is expected to be the largest year-round ski resort in North America with the third tallest vertical drop out of any ski area on earth, and the Aspen Skiing Co.'s coal mine methane-capture plant. Check it out!!!



Ski Patrol fundraising

**A Fun Race open to the public
The Laura Green Memorial Race
Sunday, April 11, 2021
at Timberline**

Coach Greg Dilger says:

For the last 5 years I have put on a season ending race **to raise funds for Mt. Hood Ski Patrol**. Last year because of the Pandemic we had to do it virtually, but still managed to raise over \$3,000! My goal this year is \$3,500.

This year we will again be able to have the race, and **Timberline** has agreed to allow us to race there. Of course we will do all the proper Covid protocols, **See the race flyer below**.

There are two ways I am asking you to help:

One, please promote this to your membership as participation is key.

Two, consider buying a block of race entries. A block of 10 would be \$250 and will help us reach our goal.

For those that donate individually their donation will be matched dollar for dollar. Ski Patrol is a vital part of our community and I urge your support.

Thank you

Greg Dilger,
Coach Mt. Hood Adult Race Club,
PACRAT race director,
Avalanche Express racer



Laura Green Memorial Ski & Snowboard Fundraiser Race Benefiting the Mt Hood Ski Patrol

Presented by PACRAT Racing & Mt Hood Adult Race Club

Sunday, April 11th, 2021 @ Timberline

Open to the public - All ages welcome*

Parent/guardian permission and signature required for all racers under 18

Event Location: Timberline - Magic Mile Chairlift (alternate: Jeff's Flood Chairlift)

Race Course Location: Otto Lange (alternate: Uncle Johns)

Racer Registration: 8:00-10:00am in the Wy'East Day Lodge - 3rd floor

Racer Liability Waiver: Will be required at registration

Race Start Time: 10:00am

Race Finish Time: 1:30pm

Race Start Order: Every participant will start on a first-come/first-served basis

Participants will be asked to slip race course to maintain safe racing conditions

Race Donation: \$25 minimum donation for as many runs as you can make until the courses are pulled - all proceeds will be donated to the Mt Hood Ski Patrol

Additional Information & Race Results available at: www.pacrats.org



participate.

Anyone can

NWSCC INDUSTRY MEMBER NEWS

MT. HOOD MEADOWS www.skihood.com

We hope you've enjoyed this incredible La Niña winter on the mountain, and as we head into our final few weeks of operations at Mt. Hood Meadows, our thoughts are beginning to turn toward preparing for next

season. You can get a jump on next season too and purchase your 2021-22 Value Pass, All Access Pass, or Nordic Season Pass today -- all of which are currently available in our Online Store! Purchase now, and you'll get some great benefits:

- * Best pricing: Prices on passes will increase after May 31
- * All Access add-on option: We may limit the number of All Access Passes available next season, as we did this season, to help manage our peak day experience
- * One free lift ticket: Your pass will include one free unrestricted lift ticket that you can use for yourself or give to a friend
- * One free Nordic track fee: Your pass will include one free day down at our Nordic Center
- * Free scenic chairlift rides for Summer 2021

Head to our [blog](#) to learn more, then click [HERE](#) to purchase your 2021-22 Season Pass! Also, if you prefer to purchase in person and are in the Portland metro area, you can get your pass at Meadows PDX, located at 1639 NW Northrup!

U.S. OUTDOOR STORE usoutdoor.com

Check their website NOW for the End of Season Clearance, sales on 2021 skis, and more! Free shipping on orders over \$49 and in-store or curbside pickup available.

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Sign up for our mailing list (at the bottom of our website) to be kept in the loop with the latest updates.

Show your NWSCC membership card to get a 10% discount on full price items!

KANDAHAR LODGE, Whitefish, MT www.kandaharlodge.com

See [specials](#) on NWSCC website for 15% off!



March 2021 Excerpts *Far West Ski Association* WHO & WHAT'S NEW FOR 2021

FAR WEST CONVENTION – DATES CHANGED TO OCTOBER 7-10, 2021: The San Diego Council of Ski Clubs is busy, busy with plans for the *88th Annual Far West Convention*. Please change your calendars to these new dates! We want to see you all in San Diego October 7-10, 2021 for some outstanding Snowsports Leadership sessions, informative Public Affairs Sessions, a great Silent Auction and Trade Show, as well as some fun outside activities including: biking on Coronado, Sailing in San Diego Harbor,

golfing, kayaking and paddle boarding and an Oktoberfest-themed Pub Crawl. Room reservations will be available soon. See Flier [HERE!](#)

All FWSA board positions will be open for election at the Convention. See [FWSA page](#) on the NWSCC website for details.

This also changes the due dates for submission for awards (including the Environmental Award, Safety Award, among others), Club and Council Newsletter and Website awards, and the Charity Recognition Program to July 18, 2021. See [FWSA website](#) for details about all awards! Note there are some WONDERFUL prizes for the [Safety Person of the Year](#) (4 nights lodging with 3 day lift pass to Mammoth Mountain Ski Area for two), [Western Ski Heritage Prize](#) (5-day ski/board package for two at Steamboat), and [Environment Award](#) (5-night ski/board package for two at Aspen/Snowmass, including air!). Look at the requirements, and nominate yourself or someone you know who is deserving!

Recognition Awards

The deadline for submissions for Recognition Awards is July 18, 2021. Click on name of Committee Chair to send emails.

- Council's Man & Woman of the Year ([Sheri Parshall](#))
 - Sponsored by Big White Ski Resort, Canada
- Western Ski Heritage Prize ([Fran Long](#))
 - Sponsored by Steamboat Ski Resort, Colorado
- Richard Lubin Safety Person of the Year ([Fran Long](#)) & ([Kat Severin](#))
 - Sponsored by Mammoth Mountain Ski Area, California
- Environment ([Fran Long](#))
 - Sponsored by Aspen/Snowmass, The Gant, Crestwood Condominiums
- Charity & Community Service ([Sigrid Noack](#))
- Club/Council History Recognition ([John Watson](#))
- Historic Ski Club ([John Watson](#))

A NEW "EARLY BIRD" SPECIAL: "Have Vaccine, Will Travel". People over the age of 65 have been among the first in line to receive Covid-19 vaccinations. And they are leading a wave in new travel bookings. Across the United States, older people have been among the first in line to receive their Covid-19 vaccinations. And among hotels, cruise lines and tour operators, the data is clear: Older travelers are leading a wave in new travel bookings. Americans over 65, who have had priority access to inoculations, are now ready to go! Older people are more eager to travel in 2021 than other age groups, and also more likely to link the timing of their travel to when they receive their vaccinations, according to a January survey conducted by the travel agency network [Virtuoso](#). While some older adults are focusing on short distances and Covid-19 precautions at their destinations when it comes to post-pandemic travel, others are enthusiastically planning to just go big. The 65-plus demographic is losing out on their golden years and they're understandably eager to get back out there. Most of them say they've been vaccinated, and they're comfortable now traveling to a destination. The vaccination gives them the confidence to travel to a remote spot. So....go for it. Go big or go home!!

TOP TEN CHAIRLIFTS OF THE WEST: *Mt. Baker* – is the snowiest. *Chair 8* has the "best gravity train" in the nation. *Whistler Blackcomb* – the largest resort in North America. Their *Peak Express* opens to 5,000 acres of terrain, and the *Glacier Express*, the highest chair on Blackcomb Mountain, accesses extensive terrain covering thousands of acres. *Crystal Mountain* - the biggest ski resort in Washington state, with *Chair 6*, being the best. *Mammoth Mountain Ski Area* – *Chair 23* – gives you access to "beast mode" terrain. *Mt. Bachelor* – *Northwest Express* – 400+ acres of the best ungroomed powder, chutes, and "good-time" terrain. *Alpine Meadows* – *Summit Six* – Keyhole run is a 55 degree drop of pure exhilaration! *Squaw* – *KT22 Express* – gateway to "experts nirvana" on the Fingers and McConkeys. *Mt. Hood* – *Timberline* – the Palmer Lift provides the longest ski season in North America. (The U.S. Ski Team does summer training there). *Kirkwood* – *Cornice Express* – the last run to get skied out.

2020-2021 FAR WEST SKIER'S' GUIDE: The Far West Skier's Guide - 33rd Annual Edition - is available on the NWSCC website, from the picture of the 2020-2021 cover on the right side of the page. An outstanding publication that helps puts Far West Ski

Association on the map. The 90th Anniversary booklet (80 pages) is located between pages 40 and 41 of the *2020-2021 Far West Skier's Guide* issue.

FAR WEST TRAVEL

FAR WEST 2021 DIVE TRIP: *Coming Up!* The 2021 Dive Trip will be October 9-16, 2021 to the wonderful *Anthony's Key Resort* in *Roatan, Honduras*. We have great pricing for their top-of-the-line Key Deluxe lodging, meals, and 6 days of 3 tank boat dives. The registration forms and additional information are available on the [FWSA website](#) or contacting Randy Lew at divetrips@fwsa.org

FWSA SKI WEEEK 2022: *Aspen/Snowmass Resort* will be the destination for the annual Far West Ski Week. **NEW DATES: January 29-February 5, 2022** We will be staying in Snowmass Resort and participants have a choice of ski in/ski out lodging or units a short walk to the ski hill. The Snowmass base area has many new restaurants, lodging, and activities such as a climbing wall and ice rink. The *Alpine "Breath-taker" Mountain Coaster* now traverses the mountain slopes. Sign up information is now available through your Council - see NWSCC home page or [Trips](#) page.

Stay safe! Stay healthy!

INDUSTRY MEMBERS

NWSCC would like to thank our Industry Members for their generous support. Without their help, it would be impossible for NWSCC to accomplish our goals of supporting ski clubs and the ski industry. Please visit these businesses that support NWSCC.

NWSCC is always accepting memberships at all levels. If you are interested, or know a business that is, please contact IndustryMember@nwskiers.org.

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[Cooper Spur Mountain Resort, Mt. Hood, Oregon](#)

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