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NWSCC NEWSLETTER AND CALENDAR

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APRIL MEETING LOCATION: SYLVIA'S!!!

THE APRIL 20 MEETING WILL BE HELD AT SYLVIA'S RESTAURANT, 5115 NE SANDY BOULEVARD, PORTLAND, 503-288-6828; OUR ROOM IS ON THE LEFT THROUGH THE LOUNGE - FREE PARKING IN REAR

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL MONTHLY MEETINGS ARE "OPEN," AND PARTICIPATION BY CLUB MEMBERS IS ENCOURAGED!

URGENT NOTICE: You may not be receiving important e-mails from NWSCC any more - Outlook "lost" Mary Olhausen's entire address book, including the group lists that you may have been on for NWSCC news items!! We cannot depend upon one manually maintained source any more - the only way to ensure that you receive important NWSCC news is to sign up for the ListServ. Please see the last page of this newsletter with your address label for instructions!

ATTENTION SKIERS: TIMBERLINE NEEDS YOUR HELP NOW (DEADLINE MAY 9, 2005)!!!

The Forest Service has released the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for Timberline's proposed "Timberline Express" chairlift and Ski Trail Network. The proposed chair is located in the lower portion of the mountain between the Pucci and Stormin' Norman chairlifts, and would provide 4 new intermediate and advanced trails that would provide protected skiing when weather conditions shut down the upper mountain. Night skiing would be expanded, as half the terrain would be lighted for night skiing. This chairlift proposal will improve guest experiences in the following ways: shorter lift lines throughout Timberline Ski Area; more

terrain available when the upper mountain closes due to inclement weather, more intermediate and advanced intermediate terrain (including tree skiing!), a better night skiing product, and less crowding during special events like ski racing and halfpipe competitions. A brief synopsis, with pictures, is available at www.timberlinelodge.com.

The full text of the DEIS is available for public viewing on the Mt. Hood National Forest website at www.fs.fed.us/r6/mthood, under "Projects and Plans." Please take a look and send favorable comments to Paul Koehler, Zigzag Ranger District, 70220 E. Highway 26, Zigzag, OR 97049, or e-mail comments to: comments-pacificnorthwest-mthood@fs.fed.us. It is extremely important for positive comments to be received from as many ski area users as possible, because it is well known that the highly organized environmental groups will flood the Forest Service with adverse comments to anything proposed by any ski area - and most of their people commenting have never set foot on Mt. Hood! The Forest Service prefers substantive comments (based on supportive data) rather than comments like "Build it and they will come." First-hand experience, and personal knowledge of the ski area, will add credibility to your comment letter. PLEASE SHOW THEM THAT SKIERS AND SNOWBOARDERS CARE ABOUT EXPANSION AND IMPROVEMENT OF OUR SKI AREAS!

MAN AND WOMAN OF THE YEAR AWARDS: Sylvia Kearns will be responsible for receiving names of candidates from NWSCC's member clubs. Every club should individually choose its own Man and Woman of the Year, who may then be entered into the NWSCC competition. A panel will decide upon NWSCC's winners. Please note that if the NWSCC winners attend the FWSA Convention in June (to be held in Long Beach, California this year), each of them will win a prize whether or not they win the FWSA competition. Last year each participant received a 2-night trip for 2 people to Big White in Canada (transportation not included), and the FWSA winners received a number of prizes, including a trip. Our own Emilio Trampuz of Mountain High Snowsport Club was the winner of FWSA's



Man of the Year, and won a 5-day trip for two to Big White, Canada! Mary Olhausen was NWSCC's Woman of the Year for 2003, and the picture shows her and Sylvia Kearns (her invited guest) on the 2-day trip that she won!

FAR WEST SKI ASSOCIATION CONVENTION: June 9-12, 2005. Far West Ski Association (FWSA) will hold its 75th Annual Convention June 9-12, 2005, at Long Beach, California, at the Westin Long Beach Hotel. Come join the fun and celebrate the 75th anniversary of FWSA with ski history exhibits, ski history reunion/reception, and celebrity guest speakers. The Convention will hold its usual fun activities (Thursday Mardi Gras Pub Crawl, Friday Golf, Tennis, Aquarium of the Pacific, The Queen Mary, and Kayaking through Alamitos Bay), as well as the Friday night Silent Auction, Saturday Travel Expo, and Awards Dinner & Dance, and Sunday Eye Opener Reception, Brunch, and FWSA Business meeting.

Lodging is at The Westin Long Beach (333 East Ocean Blvd, Long Beach, CA 90802). The special room rate is \$129 before May 15, 2005. Call 800-228-3000 or 562-436-3000, and say you're with Far West Ski Association. Room rates are available three days before or after the convention dates. Rooms are filling up fast---make your reservation NOW!!! You can also book your room online by using the website listed at the bottom of this article. The FWSA room block will end on May 15th.

Don't forget, Long Beach is close to major attractions--Catalina Island, Disneyland and California Adventure Park, Knott's Berry Farm, Universal Studios, Beverly Hills and Hollywood.

Forms are available for downloading from the convention website at <http://www.fwsa2005celebration.org/Registration/RegistrationDelegate.htm>. May 15, 2005 is the deadline for early registration and submitting fees for the fun activities. You can register individually or all together as a club. Club Presidents should complete the FWSA Credential Form (found on the website) so as to advise FWSA of the number of voting delegates from each club who will attend the Convention.

For more information please contact Mary Olhausen at omary52@comcast.net or contact@nwskiers.org, or phone her at 360-892-1814. She will be happy to send you a complete registration packet. **IMPORTANT: To coordinate NW Ski Club Council activities while at the convention, PLEASE let Mary Olhausen know if you plan to attend.**

Also, visit www.fwsa2005celebration.org or contact Catherine Ohl, Convention Chair, at ohl@acatmeowz.com or 858-467-9469.

NWSCC ELECTIONS!!!

NWSCC is taking names of people who want to run for office in this great organization we have. Elections will be held at the June 15 NWSCC meeting, and we encourage all clubs to

have their representatives available at the meeting to VOTE! Nominations will be accepted for President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer, as well as two Board of Directors positions. The Board positions are "open" and people don't run for a specific director position. Following the election the President, with the assistance of the elected Board members, will assign duties to the elected directors and appoint persons to the remaining director positions. The nominations committee includes Steve Coxen (who will not be running for President again), Barbara Parshall, Diane Hicks, and Shawn Storey.

MEMBER BENEFITS:

Keep in mind that ALL NWSCC members (Oregon and Washington) have access to **SPECIAL FLEET PRICING at Carr Auto Group!!** Click onto the link on the NWSCC website and go to the Carr fleet website (www.carrautofleet.com), where you will access a drop-down menu to select NWSCC pricing. The login is "skiclub" and the password is "downhill."

And don't forget to flash your card at **Mt. Bachelor for \$6 off an adult, non-holiday lift ticket - ending soon!**

SKI CLUB TRIPS / EVENTS OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS OF NWSCC AND FWSA CLUBS:

RACE AND ACE, May 7, 2005, Mt. Bachelor/Sunriver. Ski and golf tournament; open to all.

The **Golden Rose Ski Classic** will be held June 4, 2005, at Timberline - many of our club members participate.

Mark your calendar NOW for this summer's annual **CLUBS 4-PLAY GOLF TOURNAMENT**, to be held July 24, 2005, at the Oregon City Golf Course at Lone Oak (Beavercreek Road). Contact Marilyn Sigler at marski@teleport.com for further information or to volunteer to assist with this fun event! Watch for further details!

NWSCC BENEFITS & DISCOUNTS!!!!

Look at the NWSCC website at www.nwskiers.org to see an updated list of member benefits and discounts, and check out the FWSA website at www.fwsa.org under Membership to see the current discounts across the western United States and Canada. Debbi Kor, FWSA Director of Marketing, advises that **Telluride and Sun Peaks are offering special discounts** this year, and that you will find discounts on ski shops, clothing, and rentals!

Maureen Richards of S'No Joke Ski Club has arranged a **half price ski day at Crystal Mountain, Washington on April 9, 2005!** Show your NWSCC member card at the ticket window to receive the discounted lift ticket. THANKS, MAUREEN!!!

NWSCC members can also obtain benefits through the National Ski Council Federation. A current list of NSCF benefits can be found at www.skifederation.org in the Members Only section. The user name is **skigroup** and the password is **24councils**.

PACRAT RACING:

The third race of the season was held April 3; results will be released if there is a race on April 10; if not, results will be held for the Rat Attack party. **NOTE: BRAND NEW WEBSITE: WWW.PACRATS.ORG!!! SOON THE TELEPHONE ANSWERING SERVICE WILL BE DISCONTINUED.**

TEAM STANDINGS - RACE 2

Place	Team Name	Club Name	Points
1	Rocket Dawgs	Mt. High	88
2	Rude Dawgs	Bergfreunde	87
3	Frozen Assets	Cascade	85
3	Rat Chic	Skiyente	85
5	Mt. Hoodlums	Mt. High	82
6	Tasmanian Ski Devils	Bergfreunde	79
6	Avalanche Express	Mt. High	79
8	Rattitudes	Bergfreunde	73
9	Pronto Pups	Mt. High	64
9	Racy Brat	Skiyente	64
11	Dragon Bottom	Mt. High	63
12	Ruttin' Rats	Schnee Vogeli	62
13	Drunken Losers	Free Riders	56
14	Drooling Moose Rats	Mt. High	54
15	River Rats	Free Riders	44
16	Vertical Chaos	PDX Ski Club	40
17	Mixed Nuts	Bergfreunde	31
18	Northern Exposures	Vancouver	11
19	SOOR	Special Olympics 2	

Remaining PACRAT race dates set for 2005:

April 10 Mt. Hood Meadows
April 15 Rat Attack (**NEW DATE!**)

Contact Jack Folliard (jfolliard@comcast.net) or 503-975-4488 (cell) for further information. Race results (when we get some) will be posted on NWSCC's website.

NWSCC TRAVEL:

Please contact our President, Steve Coxen, at sacoxen@aol.com or 503-679-9022, regarding where your club plans to or would like to travel next year; perhaps we can assist you in getting more than one club together for group discounts, etc.

FAR WEST SKI ASSOCIATION /TRAVEL:

THE COUNCILMAN NEWSLETTER is available online at www.FWSA.org.

15-MONTH FWSA CALENDARS are available for purchase from Debbi Kor, Director of Marketing for FWSA. The calendars run from October 2004 through December of 2005, and have pictures from many FWSA trips - if you have been there, YOU might be in this calendar!! The price is reduced to only \$10, and they are a fundraiser for FWSA. Contact Debbi at ijustwannarun@aol.com to order your calendar!

The **FWSA Ski Week 2006** will be held in **Telluride, Colorado**, February 4-11, 2006. A \$100 deposit will hold a spot for you. Contact Debbi Kor at 503-682-1563 or ijustwannarun@aol.com - this trip will sell out fast! See flier in this newsletter.

FWSA CHINA ADVENTURE TRIP, September, 2005. Priced at \$2,099 for 15 days or \$2,499 for 21 days. This trip is full, but names are being taken for a waiting list.

Hawaii Cruise, October 9-16, 2005, AVAILABLE!!! 7 days and 4 islands. Contact Montrose Travel directly at groups@montrosetravel.com or call 800-301-9673.

NORTHWEST SNOWSPORTS ADVOCATES NEWS:

Please see page 1 for important information on how to assist Timberline Lodge with their plans!

For more information on how you can help support our Northwest ski areas with their expansion plans, go to our website at www.nwskiers.org or contact Steve Coxen at 503-679-9022 or email at sacoxen@aol.com.

MISCELLANEOUS:

If you're interested in touring a **brand new ski area** in Idaho as a potential trip for your club, contact John Williams of **Tamarack Resort** near McCall, Idaho, at 208-325-1022 or jwilliams@tamarackidaho.com for details. He promises free skiing, a mountain tour, and discounted lodging for a representative from NWSCC member clubs. This may be arranged for early next year.

Hot News: Mission Ridge Ski Area Purchases Detachable Quad Lift! Despite a winter that left Northwestern ski resorts reeling financially, Mission Ridge Ski Area showed its pluck with its recent purchase of the Summit Express lift from Winter Park, CO. The detachable quad lift will replace Mission Ridge's Chair #2, and will nearly double the capacity and halve the ride time. Chair #2 serves a vast amount of terrain, including the resort's primary groomed cruisers, the B.2.4 Terrain Park, and many of its backcountry bowls and chutes. The old double chair, installed in 1966, was a primary complaint among modern skiers who expect fast lifts. Mission Ridge will also start the first phase of its snowmaking expansion this summer. Once completed, Mission Ridge will possess the most extensive snowmaking system in Washington State. The improvements were both part of the resort's 2003 Master Development Plan and will be an investment of over 2.5 million dollars.

Located well east of the Cascade crest, Mission Ridge (located just 12 miles from Wenatchee) is known for its fair weather and cold snow. no other ski hill in Washington matches its nearby amenities or its bed base. Normal winter operations run from mid-December through early April. In summer, the resort accommodates meetings, weddings, and receptions. For more information, visit www.missionridge.com.

NWSCC OFFICERS and COMMITTEES 2004 - 2005

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PLATINUM MEMBERS:

Mt. Bachelor Ski Area, Bend, OR
Gl Joe's, OR & WA

GOLD MEMBERS:

Mt. Hood Meadows Ski Area, OR
Barbara Parshall, RE/MAX Equity Group
Sun Valley Ski Area, ID

SILVER MEMBERS:

BC Ski Country, Canada
Apex Ski Area, BC, Canada
Big White Ski Area, BC, Canada
Silver Star Mountain, BC, Canada
Sun Peaks Ski Area, BC, Canada
Inn of the Seventh Mountain, Bend, OR
Resorts of the Canadian Rockies
Fernie Ski Area, BC, Canada
Kimberley Alpine Resort, BC, Canada
Ski Big 3 (Banff, Lake Louise, Sunshine, Fairmont)
Ski Chalet, Portland, OR
Timberline Ski Area, OR

BRONZE MEMBERS:

Anthony Lakes Ski Area/Geiser Grand Hotel, OR
Aspen/Snowmass, CO
Big Sky Resort, MT
Brundage Mountain, ID
Carr Subaru (Fleet Pricing to NWSCC Members!)
Collins Lake Resort, Government Camp, OR
Cooper Spur Mountain Resort, OR
Hillcrest Ski & Sports, Portland, OR
Huckleberry Inn, Gov't Camp, OR
Jackson Hole Mountain Resort, WY
Journal Graphics, Portland, OR (Directory printer!)
The Mountain Shop, Portland, OR
Mt. Hood Ski Bowl, OR
The Resort at the Mountain, Welches, OR
Schweitzer Mountain Resort, ID
Ski Pak/Pacific NW Tours (Travel Agency, WA)
Stevens Pass Ski Area, WA
Vail Resorts, CO / Heavenly Ski Area, CA/NV
Whistler/Blackcomb, BC, Canada

HONORARY MEMBERS:

Big Mountain Resort, MT
Grouse Mountain Lodge, Whitefish, MT
Mission Ridge Ski Area, WA
Pacific Northwest Ski Areas Association
Prudential Financial, Tracy Chosa
Silver Mountain, ID
Ski Ashland, OR

**PLEASE PATRONIZE AND
SUPPORT THESE
COMMERCIAL MEMBERS
AND LET THEM KNOW
YOU'RE WITH NWSCC!!**

NWSCC MEMBER CLUBS - NWSCC REPRESENTATIVES

Please check www.nwskiers.org or the NWSCC's Northwest Skiers' Directory for a complete list of member clubs as well as contacts and their phone numbers and/or email addresses. Or, you may contact any of the board members listed above.

WWW.NWSKIERS.ORG - E-Groups:

E-Letter: General list subscription. This is not a chat room, and does not allow replies. Subscribers receive messages regarding announcements from NWSCC, FWSA, and commercial members.

E-Reps is for NWSCC club reps to receive timely announcements to relay to their club membership.

E-PACRATs is for PACRAT announcements.

NWskiers-Advocates is for updates on development plans at Northwest Ski resorts.

Calendar:

Have an event open to all NWSCC members or the public? Post it on www.nwskiers.org, Event Calendar, and then Add An Event. Types of events listed in the calendar include club sponsored events open to NWSCC members and/or the public, NWSCC events, FWSA events, and announcements from ski/snowboard related non-profit groups and vendors.

NORTHWEST SKI CLUB COUNCIL

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NEXT MEETING:

Wednesday, April 20, 2005

Social Hour 6:00 – 7:00 PM,

followed by meeting

Speaker: TBA

SYLVIA'S RESTAURANT

5115 N.E. Sandy Boulevard, Portland

(503) 288-6828

** DOOR PRIZES!! **

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!!

**3 NOTE
MEETING
LOCATION!!!**

Far West Ski Association Safety Slogan:

SKI WITH PRIDE, LET IT RIDE, WATCH ALL SIDES!

First With Safety Awareness!

The Northwest Ski Club Council is a member of:

Far West Ski Association: www.fwsa.org

National Ski Council Federation: www.skifederation.org