

NWSCC NEWSLETTER AND CALENDAR JANUARY 2005

Editor: Linda McGavin

NWSCC, P.O. Box 1915, Portland, OR 97207

E-mail: contact@nwskiers.org
Website: www.nwskiers.org

JANUARY MEETING LOCATION: SYLVIA'S!!!

THE JANUARY 19 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!

OUR FEATURED SPEAKER AT THE DECEMBER MEETING WAS MT. HOOD SKIBOWL, COLLINS LAKE RESORT, AND "STAY AND PLAY HOOD" - ALL IN ONE!

If you haven't driven through Government Camp and seen the gorgeous development taking shape between Highway 26 and the town of Government Camp, you are really missing something! And then, you also need to drive in to Mt. Hood Skibowl to see all the changes. Lastly, "Skibowl East," on the Multorpor side, has turned into a family wonderland!!

Robb Hutson filled us in about the status of the Collins Lake Resort and their future plans. Twenty-eight of the 3-story townhomes are completed and the owners have moved in; 58 units will be finished soon, and 49 more will begin construction in the spring. All of these units are presold, and there is a waiting list for future units. The "Lodge" phase will also begin construction this spring. As opposed to the 3-story townhomes, the Lodge units will be one level, 2000 to 2400 square feet, with elevators in the building. There will be 16 penthouse units with lofts and vaulted ceilings, and possibly hot tubs on private decks. Starting next summer, the "Village Center" phase should begin, which will include a condo hotel. as well as retail, restaurant, and meeting space. Planning is under way for a Gondola Station which will take guests across Highway 26 to Ski Bowl, and plans are also being considered to have a gondola up to Timberline as well!

(Imagine not having to put on chains to go up the Timberline road!) Collins Lake (yes, there really is a lake there) is going to be reclaimed and dredged to what it used to be. There will be a 1-mile trail around the lake; people can rent snowshoes this winter and explore the trail. Right under our noses, a destination resort is developing on private land at Government Camp - a development which has the approval of everyone!

Even if you haven't jumped on buying one of the units being built, almost half of the current owners have their units in a rental pool, and you can "Stay and Play Hood" in style. Stay from Sunday through Thursday nights and get free midweek skiing at Mt. Hood Skibowl. In summertime, packages for Skibowl's adventure park will be available.

Chesua Patte, with Group Sales at Mt. Hood Skibowl, gave us an update on improvements made over the summer at Skibowl. How about heated stairs, new cedar siding, inlaid slate floors, a new deck, a new patio on the Multorpor side, new artwork, and upgraded menus in the restaurants? The slopes have had a lot of work as well, with rock and brush removal which will enable Skibowl to open for skiing with far less snow base than ever before. (Unfortunately, this winter has tested everyone's patience waiting for snow!) The TIF District at Government Camp has helped pay for improvements and a facelift in Government Camp, as well as Skibowl, which now has a snowmaking machine which will be initially used to get the tubing hill going.

Skibowl is very boarder-friendly, and has a new park with beginner rails, walls, etc., which can get newer snow riders into the tricks. Pro boarders will be available to help teach the children safely. Day care will be available for ages 6 months and up at Ski Bowl West. And you won't believe all there is to do at the Skibowl East Snow Tube and Adventure Park: two lift served tubing hills, Mini-Z snowmobiles, a Super Play Zone (indoor, with a kids bouldering wall), Zipline, Snow Bikes, Horse Drawn Sleigh Rides, and the Mogul Busters Children's Ski School!

Tuesday is Ladies' Night at Skibowl, with tickets only \$7 (except on holidays) for skiing or boarding from 3:00 to 10:00. Group rates have gone down, and groups receive one free ticket for every 15 people in the group.

Watch for Highway 26 road changes over the next few years, with a right hand turn directly into the Multorpor side, as well as a new bridge over Highway 26 from Government Camp. Also in the works for the future is a high speed quad chair that will go from the bottom to the top of Skibowl West, with a possible restaurant on top.

Watch for more great things out of Skibowl and Collins Lake Resort in the future!

MEMBER BENEFITS:

Keep in mind that all NWSCC members (Oregon and Washington) have access to SPECIAL FLEET PRICING on Subaru, Chevrolet, or Suzuki vehicles 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." Washington and other outside-of- Portland club members please note that your desired vehicle can be delivered to a dealer near your home! You may be asked to show your NWSCC card as proof of membership in a NWSCC club.

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

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

S'no Joke Whistler Trip, April 7-10, 2005. Priced at \$325 if you drive or \$370 on the bus from the Seattle area. The Council is not doing a Whistler trip this spring, but S'no Joke Ski Club has opened their club trip to all NWSCC ski club members. Contact Sandra Breaux by phone 206-310-2431 or email slbreaux@aol.com for more information.

CLUB NEWS:

Mt. Hood Museum and Cultural Center (Government Camp) has joined NWSCC, with Sheri Parshall as its representative. The Museum is located right in the center of Government Camp, and is a treasure trove of skiing history. They accept donations of old photographs and skiing-related items for their displays. Once they are able to raise \$750,000 to put an elevator into their building, it will comply with ADA requirements and they will be able to host special events and weddings. One of their fundraisers is the "Ski the Glade Trail Day," to be held this year on March 5. For \$125 you receive breakfast, skiing, tours, lunch, shuttles, and a wine and cheese celebration, as well as helping the Museum!

PACRAT RACING:

PACRAT has formed a partnership with Special Olympics-Oregon (SOOR) to assist in training their athletes who will be going to Nagano for the World Games!! PACRAT will host a SOOR team consisting of the athletes and their coaches at no charge in the PACRAT race program this season! Please welcome these world class athletes to our program!

PACRAT race dates set for 2005:

January 9 Mt. Hood Meadows

January 23 Timberline

February 13 Mt. Hood Meadows March 13 Mt. Hood Skibowl April 3 Mt. Hood Meadows

April 10 Mt. Hood Meadows (make up date)

April 22 Rat Attack

The individual racer fees remain at \$85 (you still get over \$130 in value for that amount!). If you need some more racers or have too many to fit on your club team, and they still want to race, contact Jack Folliard (jfolliard@comcast.net) or 503-296-0806; PACRAT will find a team for them!

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 for NWSCC club members at Stevens Pass, Washington, on February 27, 2005. Show your NWSCC member card at the ticket window to receive the discounted lift ticket. Still checking on Crystal Mountain.

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.

SUN VALLEY, EXCLUSIVE NWSCC PACKAGE, January 8-15, 2005. Rates are only \$94.50 per person, per night (double occupancy) for lodging and lift ticket. Lodging choices are Sun Valley Lodge or Sun Valley Inn. Airfare is also available from either Seattle or Portland for as low as \$190 including transfers. Call Ski-Pak at 1-800-446-4688 and mention the *NWSCC Exclusive Sun Valley Package*.

MOUNTAIN TRAVEL SYMPOSIUM, April 6-10, 2005, Aspen, Colorado. If your club takes at least 20 members on out-of-state ski trips of 5+ days, your club president may receive an invitation to send a club representative to this fantastic event, at which you will meet sales representatives from numerous ski areas who make appointments with you to offer you their best specials. It is a very exciting event offered at an unbelievable price to qualified club presidents. Steve Coxen will be in touch with NWSCC clubs which qualify, and if you're invited, be sure to book EARLY, as there are only 125 spots available, and they will go fast!

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.

NWSCC'S TRIPS FOR 2005:

MT. BACHELOR, OREGON, March 17-20, 2005. We're working on details of a trip and a party sponsored by NWSCC! Your club is welcome to plan a trip to join us! HOT NEWS FLASH: \$10 LIFT TICKETS at Mt. Bachelor on 3/18/05 with coupon from Wells Fargo Bank.

SUNSHINE/BANFF, CANADA, April 17-23 2005. Another late season trip, but we're going to an area that is famous for late spring snow, including some big powder dumps (your author skied in 10" of fresh powder two years ago at this time in April!). Plans call for 3 nights at Sunshine (ski-in, ski-out with 3 days of skiing), and 3 nights in Banff to enjoy whatever activities you may desire, including more skiing at either Lake Louise or Sunshine. Only \$810 including air; \$300 deposits due right away. See flier in this newsletter. This will be a joint trip with the Los Angeles Ski Council! Contact Linda McGavin at 503-412-3531 or lindam@mcewengisvold.com.

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

FAR WEST SKI ASSOCIATION /TRAVEL:

The 2005 FWSA Convention will be FWSA's 75th Anniversary, and will feature special ski history exhibits in which clubs are invited to participate. The date was extended until January 15 to register your club to participate (tri-fold displays or power point requested)!! The celebration will replace the traditional convention events with multi-media displays of the history of skiing, and many well known ski celebrities will be in attendance to share their stories and achievements in snow sports. The convention is scheduled June 9-12, 2005, at the Westin Benson in Long Beach, California, and it's not too early to book your rooms for this event - they will sell out early for this convention! Call

800-228-3000 to make your reservation, and mention you are with the FWSA convention to get the special room rate of \$129 plus tax. You can also reserve online by going through the FWSA website. **Book now - 85% of the room block is already reserved!**

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

NEW 15-MONTH FWSA CALENDARS are now 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 2005** will be held in **Aspen, Colorado**, January 29-February 4, 2005. Contact Debbi Kor at 503-682-1563 or <u>ijustwannarun@aol.com</u> to see if there are any last-minute spots available..

The following 3 FWSA trips are presently full, but you can get on a waiting list and maybe still go! Contact travelfwsa@aol.com for further details or to get on the waiting list.

FWSA SKI JAPAN, February 19-27, 2005, priced at \$1,550. **FWSA ST. MORITZ EUROPEAN SKI WEEK**, March 12-19, 2005; \$1,360-1,450.

FWSA CHINA ADVENTURE TRIP, September, 2005. Priced at \$2,099 for 15 days or \$2,499 for 21 days.

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

Far West Racing Association Championships, Heavenly, California, March 18-20, 2005. A special package has been arranged at the Horizon resort (1-866-478-8463 ask for Carol). You don't need to be a racer to enjoy this event! NWSCC plans to host a room party for any NWSCC club members attending these races. Contact Sheri Parshall at 503-245-3782 or cougskier@aol.com for further details.

MISCELLANEOUS:

The Jimmie Heuga Snow Express has been revised to open it up to more participants. It has been renamed the **Jimmie Heuga Vertical Express**. It will be held February 12th at 20 ski resorts including Crystal Mountain and Schweitzer. For more information go to their website at www.heuga.org.

Mt. Ashland still needs letters of support with regard to their approved expansion, as the Forest Service has received 30 appeals. For more information on how you can help go to our website at www.nwskiers.org or contact Steve Coxen at 503-679-9022 or email at sacoxen@aol.com.

NWSCC OFFICERS and COMMITTEES 2004 - 2005

(503) 679-9022 (C) President Steve Coxen sacoxen@aol.com John Reinhardt (503) 590-6901 (H) johnoreinhardt@hotmail.com Vice President Secretary Sylvia Kearns (360) 260-7169 (H) slvviakearns@hotmail.com (503) 679-6425 (C) (503) 412-3531 (W) Linda Coxen snowmidget@comcast.net Treasurer Director, Communications lindam@mcewengisvold.com Linda McGavin Director, Membership (& Web Site Coordinator) (360) 892-1814 (H) Mary Olhausen omary@teleport.com Director, Racing (PACRAT Chair) Jack Folliard (503) 296-0806 (H) jfolliard@comcast.net Past President Sheri Parshall (503) 245-3782 (H) cougskier@aol.com Commercial Membership Program/Advertising Barb Parshall (503) 267-9522 (Cell) bparshall@equitygroup.com PACRAT WORLD HEADQUARTERS (503) 796-1112 (24 hr)

PLATINUM MEMBERS: Mt. Bachelor Ski Area, Bend, OR GI 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: 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

2004-2005 NWSCC COMMERCIAL MEMBERS:
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:
HONORARY ME PLEASE PATRONIZE AND **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.

-PACRATs is for PACRAT announcements.

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

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

NORTHWEST SKI CLUB COUNCIL P.O. Box 1915

Portland, OR 97207 WEB SITE: www.nwskiers.org E-MAIL: contact@nwskiers.org

NEXT MEETING:

Wednesday, January 19, 2005 Social Hour 6:00 - 7:00 PM, followed by meeting Speakers TBA SYLVIA'S RESTAURANT 5115 N.E. Sandy Boulevard Portland, OR (503) 288-6828 ** DOOR PRIZES!! ** **EVERYONE IS WELCOME!!**

NOTE NEW 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