



# NWSCC NEWSLETTER AND CALENDAR MARCH-APRIL 2013

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*The next NWSCC meeting will be held April 17 at **ROUND TABLE PIZZA** (10070 SW Barbur Blvd, Portland, OR), starting with a Happy Half Hour from 6:00-6:30 pm, followed by the meeting. Pizza and soft drinks will be provided.*

*Guest speakers may include some of NWSCC's commercial members from Portland - come hear what's new with them! The meeting will also feature the **Man and Woman of the Year, FWSA Convention & Awards Program, Charitable Events.***

*Further 2013 meetings will be held on June 19 (Elections, Ski Challenge Entries, Travel), August 21 (Appreciation of Club/Council Supporters), October 16 (Get Ready to Ski, Ski Fair, Ski Shows, Club Membership), and December 18 (Bib Pickup; PIE Auction, Safety, Learn to Ski). Meeting locations will vary, so watch for meeting notices!!*

## TIMELY ALERTS:

**NWSCC is pleased to announce that its 2013 Man of the Year is Dale Parshall of Schnee Vogeli and PACRAT, and its Woman of the Year is Louise DuFrense of Skiyente! They will be honored at the April NWSCC meeting.**

**The second annual Mt. Bachelor Springtacular BLAST has been postponed to 2014 due to lack of timely signups. Next year sign up EARLY so you don't miss out!**

The 2013 Clubs-4-Play golf tournament has been canceled.

## **NOW IS THE TIME to sign up for the 2013 FWSA Convention!**

The lowest price for registration (\$149) expires on May 10, and the specially priced rooms in the hotel block will be released on that date. See inside or <http://www.fwsa.org/Conventions/FW-2013Conv/FW-2013Conv.html> for complete information and to download registration forms. There is even a slide show available under the tab "About the Convention" if you don't know what it's all about and want to learn more. Reno is an easy and fun place to get to, and you could learn about how the convention goes in preparation for NWSCC hosting the 2014 Convention in Bend!

There is still time to submit nominees for several of the FWSA awards: Safety Person of the Year award by April 19, Far West Historical Recognition award by April 25, and Western Ski Heritage award by April 26. See inside for further details.

This year's **Northwest Skiers' Directory** is available at Certified Folder Display locations throughout sports locations in the Northwest! But it's truly cool to look at it online, on the home page of NWSCC's website. You can turn the pages and hit links that take you directly to the clubs or commercial members' websites!

## **GUEST SPEAKERS AT FEBRUARY NWSCC MEETING:**

Camille Greenslade, accompanied by golf pro Bryce, came from the **Resort at the Mountain** in Welches to update us on this upscale resort. They had a full remodel in 2009, and the Resort has all the amenities expected at a first class facility, including guest rooms, suites, and villas; conference facilities; fine dining; Spa; 27-hole championship golf course; and every kind of recreation possible, located in a gorgeous setting at the base of Mt. Hood. In winter they shuttle guests to the ski areas (Timberline and Skibowl). Specials are always available, and group rates midweek start at \$99. The Resort is a perfect place to plan a "ski and golf" outing, or to stop for a meal on the way down from the mountain. They could easily handle a large group for dinner, including a

PACRAT post-race party. The restaurant specializes in locally sourced ingredients, including prime rib, trout, and salmon, and there is even a Buffalo burger on the pub menu. Check out all the Resort at the Mountain has to offer at their website at [www.theresort.com](http://www.theresort.com).

**Andy Hobart**, the Communications Director of **PACRAT** this year, spoke about his ideas for increasing membership in clubs through racing. PACRAT racers have to be club members, but some clubs have declining memberships. Andy feels that by getting the public involved in and hooked on racing that it will benefit clubs. PACRAT's sponsorship of NASTAR races that are open to the public is a great way to get the public involved. Andy asked for volunteers to help steer the public to the NASTAR course by greeting them outside the lodge at Skibowl for the scheduled March 2 race, telling them about the race, and encouraging them to sign up. PACRAT racers would also greet the public at the top of the race course, and would help keep the course safe by slipping. NASTAR has been absent from Mt. Hood for some years, and PACRAT is bringing it back. Gordy Lusk, president of PACRAT, thanked Andy for his enthusiasm and new ideas.

**Sylvia Orefice**, our Director of Safety, introduced **Mark Kelsey**, who has had 40 years of mountain experience, including years as a pro patroller and 18 years with Mountain Rescue. Mark teaches courses in avalanche awareness and sheltering techniques to military and corporate groups. Mark has summited Mt. Hood over 456 times, and is an expert on survival skills, yet he recently found himself in a situation where he and two women had to be rescued on Christmas eve (in a snowstorm). He gave us a fascinating talk on how things can go wrong even with the best skills. Mark was the navigator and was helping the women get to a Cascade Hut below Highway 35, where they were to spend the night. However, neither Mark's maps nor his GPS were updated with the damage that had occurred with the massive flooding of White River Canyon several years ago. The path had been washed out in places, and there were steep cuts that had to be hiked around. It took many extra hours, and got into darkness. He was forced to make a debris shelter in a tree well. The next morning a cell phone worked, and they called for help. Mark gave the rescuers their exact GPS coordinates, and they were rescued by people he knew.

Sylvia asked Mark what you should always carry with you on a wilderness outing, and Mark said at the minimum food, water, a compass, GPS, whistle, shovel, stuff to make a fire, fire starter, a lighter, 12-hour candles, tin foil (which can form a bowl), a butt pad, and a small tarp or space blanket. Wind and weather conditions could destroy you. If lost, stay where you are and shelter from the

weather. Mark gave an extremely informative talk!

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## **NWSCC SKI DAYS REPORT**

Two buses from Portland went to White Pass, Washington, on March 16 to take advantage of special pricing, and other club members arrived on their own. The participants were pleased with new snow and enjoyed the new terrain opened up by the mountain's expansion a couple of years ago. Special thanks to Longview Ski Club members for acting as hosts to show off their home mountain!

Crystal Mountain's half priced ski day on March 25 saw 67 ski club members taking advantage of this annual special offer.

Mission Ridge offered NWSCC members special discounts for the entire month of March!

Watch for announcements next year of special discounts - you might save more than your club membership by utilizing the discounts available by being a member of a NWSCC club!

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## **NWSCC MOVIE NIGHT REPORT**

Everyone attending the special presentation of "Ready to Fly" on March 20 was very impressed and moved by the fight for our young women to have women's ski jumping included as an Olympic sport. They finally won, and will participate in the 2014 Olympics! NWSCC raised \$606 after expenses, which will be donated to the VISA Women's Ski Jumping Team. Further donations will be accepted at the April NWSCC meeting to add to the donation. In addition, 30 pounds of food were collected at this event and donated to the Oregon Food Bank.

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## **CLUB INFORMATION:**

**Schnee Vogeli Ski Club** is sponsoring a new spring party called "Thanks for Snow" (very much like Pray for Snow, but in the Spring) to be held **April 27, 2013**, at the Multitorpor Lodge at Mt. Hood Skibowl. The Lloyd Jones Blues Band will be playing during the party. Doors open at 6:00 pm. Door prizes galore! Tickets are \$15 and are being presold by SVSC club membes. If tickets are sold out prior to the event, there won't be any available at the door, so see your favorite SVSC club member for tickets NOW!

**Skiyente's King Winter** this year was **Fred Noble**, legendary local skier who has been suffering from ALS for a couple of years now and who is the honorary chairman of the Ski to Defeat ALS event. Fred was elated and danced in his wheelchair!

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## **PACRAT INFORMATION:**

Only one race this season was canceled due to weather (unless the April 7 race didn't run), and the results from the

fourth race have now been posted on the PACRAT website at [pacrats.org/racers.html](http://pacrats.org/racers.html).

The Rat Attack party will be held April 19, 2013, at the German American Society Building in Portland, located at NE 57th and Sandy. A fantastic catered dinner will be included, which is FREE for PACRAT racers! Guests will be \$25; check the PACRAT website for further details.

Check the PACRAT website at [www.pacrats.org](http://www.pacrats.org) for all current information and lots of FUN stuff!

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### **NORTHWEST SKI CHALLENGE:**

You still have a little bit of time to visit 7 or more of the ski areas in Oregon, Washington, Idaho, and NEW THIS YEAR, to Western Canada or Alaska, to be eligible for a prize! The more ski areas you ski, the better your chances of a bigger prize! Tickets will be turned in to NWSAC at the end of the season and winners will be announced in October (when we know what prizes are available). Not everyone will be guaranteed a prize; if there are a large number of entries next year we will need to have a drawing for prizes.

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### **NORTHWEST SNOWSPORTS ADVOCATES NEWS:**

**Mt. Ashland needs YOUR help - financially this time.** Mt. Ashland received a ruling this summer allowing it to proceed with the construction of two ski lifts, new runs, and expanding the parking area, but first it needs to raise money to finance the improvements. As a nonprofit, a successful capital campaign is essential to the success of the project.

Mt. Ashland will celebrate its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary during the 2013-14 ski season with improvements that will add 90 new parking spaces and make the ski area more user friendly for beginning skiers and snowboarders. This project will mark the first physical improvements to the ski area since 1987 when the Sonnet and Comer chairlifts were installed. With an estimated cost of \$250,000, the improvements will primarily be funded through donations to the ski area. As of April 1, 2013, the ski area has raised \$137,200 in private donations for this project. Your help is needed!

Here is a link to their website: [www.indiegogo.com/projects/mt-ashland-improvement-project](http://www.indiegogo.com/projects/mt-ashland-improvement-project). **Please consider including Mt. Ashland in your charitable giving this year! This is a tax deductible contribution!!** Click this link to make a donation: <https://www.indiegogo.com/projects/mt-ashland-improvement-project/contributions/new>. Contact Rick Saul, Development Director, at 541-482-2897 x203 or [rsaul@mtashland.com](mailto:rsaul@mtashland.com).

### **US 26 MOUNT HOOD HIGHWAY SAFETY PROJECT**

The Oregon Department of Transportation is in the early stages of developing a project to improve safety on the Mt. Hood Highway (U.S. 26) just east of Rhododendron and west of Oregon Highway 35. Go to the online open house at [www.us26mthoodsafetyopenhouse.org](http://www.us26mthoodsafetyopenhouse.org). This interactive tool includes a series of stations where you can learn more about the project. At the end of the open house you will have opportunities to provide comments. **YOUR INPUT CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!!** Thank you for participating!!

Northwest Snowsports Advocates has its own Facebook page. Keep current on news about what is going on in the Pacific NW with ski area development, roads, and environmental issues by joining our Facebook Group. You will have an opportunity to take an active role in helping ski areas get US Forest Service approval of their master plans. Every skier or snowboarder in the Pacific Northwest should join this page! Let's get the "Fan Base" WAY up there! Become a FAN today!!!!

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Northwest-Snowsports-Advocates/174195539354385>.

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### **COMMERCIAL MEMBER NEWS:**

NWSAC appreciates ALL of its commercial members - see the list on the last page of this newsletter and be sure to check out the fliers on the right hand side of the Newsletter page on the website for specials.

Don't forget that your NWSAC membership card gets you no hassle **FLEET PRICING at Carr Subaru!** Contact Vijay Chitnis at [beavertonsubaru@gmail.com](mailto:beavertonsubaru@gmail.com). Watch for a potential future "Friends and Family" Special Sale at Carr Subaru!

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### **FWSA NEWS AND TRIPS:**

**Far West Elections:** Elections of officers will occur at the FWSA Annual Meeting & Convention June 6-9, 2013 at the Grand Sierra Resort & Casino in Reno, Nevada. Delegates will elect their President, Secretary and Treasurer for one-year terms and two Trustee positions for two-year terms. In addition, the following functional Vice Presidents will be elected for two-year terms: VP of North American Travel, VP of Council Services, and VP of Public Affairs. If you are interested in running for any of the above positions, please contact Linda Westlund, Nominating Committee Chairman, by email: [skierwesty@aol.com](mailto:skierwesty@aol.com). Nominations for any of the open positions will be accepted up to the date and time of elections. Additional information on elections will follow.

**Delegate Registration is now officially open for the FWSA Convention hosted by the Bay Area Snow Sports Council in Reno June 6-9, 2013!** All forms and flyers are available for downloading; please visit the FWSA website at [www.fwsa.org](http://www.fwsa.org) with a link right on the home page.

There are special incentives to boost club attendance at this convention! **For every six club delegates who sign up for the full registration package, the club will get a rebate for one paid registration after the convention!!**

Convention Chairperson Jane Wyckoff has announced Special "passkey" reservation pricing is available at the Grand Sierra Resort & Casino where the Convention will be held – \$79 for a Standard Room, or \$104 for a newly refurbished Summit Suites Grand II Room with a microwave and mini-fridge. You will want to book the upgraded rooms EARLY, as they are likely to sell out. Also new to Convention this year, the Grand Sierra has an adjacent RV Park and invites you to book with them at rates of \$35-\$45 per night. These special rates will not be available for long, as the RV park tends to fill up, so book early! See instructions for booking hotel rooms or RV spots on the attached fliers. For further information contact Jane Wyckoff at [jnewyckoff1@cox.net](mailto:jnewyckoff1@cox.net) or 949-933-9607.

If you do not belong to a ski club, you are still welcome to attend the Convention. See the FWSA website for detailed registration information for direct members.

For additional information, contact Jane Wyckoff, FWSA Convention Chair, [jnewyckoff1@cox.net](mailto:jnewyckoff1@cox.net), 949-933-9607; or Linda Indreboe, BAC Host Council Convention Coordinator, [bac.publicaffairs@skibac.org](mailto:bac.publicaffairs@skibac.org), 408-248-8426. Industry members please contact Mary Olhausen, [omary52@comcast.net](mailto:omary52@comcast.net), 503-880-7383.

**SAFETY PERSON OF THE YEAR AWARD: DEADLINE April 19, 2013**

**RECOGNITION:** Since 1998 Aspen/Snowmass, The Gant and Crestwood have donated a 6-night ski package for two with lodging, lift tickets, rentals, half-day group lessons, on-mountain tour, transfers, air transportation and TV Interview with Plum TV.

**CONTACT:** Richard Lubin DC, FWSA Safety Chair, 925-828-7454, [botaboardr@comcast.net](mailto:botaboardr@comcast.net)

**DESCRIPTION:** The FWSA is a proponent of safety in skiing and snowboarding. Every year we hear about tragic deaths and injuries that happen during our favorite winter activities that remind us of the great importance of safety. We have a number of ways in which we promote safety and one of our more viable ways is through the Safety Award. The award is for the individual, within the association, that has done the most to promote safety through a number of criteria. These include articles on slope safety, and other ways to raise safety consciousness. The link to detailed information and entry form is: <http://fwsa.org/MemberCorner/Programs/program-safety.html>

**WESTERN SKI HERITAGE AWARD: DEADLINE: April 26**

**RECOGNITION:** Since 2000, Steamboat has donated a 5-night ski package for two with lodging, lift tickets, rentals, on-mountain tour, half-day lessons and a lunch at Ragnar's Restaurant.

**CONTACT:** John Watson, FWSA History Committee Chair, 760-723-6539, [geospace@pacbell.net](mailto:geospace@pacbell.net)

**DESCRIPTION:** The Far West Western Ski Heritage program annually recognizes the best effort in the prior year that communicates the contributions of snowsports to the community at large. The purpose of the Far West Western Ski Heritage program is to raise the awareness of snowsports participants and non-participants alike of the contributions made by individuals, groups and companies to all aspects of snowsports – competitive as well as that of outdoor winter recreation and fitness. A parallel purpose is to convey the positive role snowsports has had in its contributions to the communities in the West. It recognizes outstanding effort in the area of snowsports history to find, preserve, document and share the history of snowsports in the West. The Award is open to an individual or a group leader (it is not restricted to Far West membership) and can be self-nominated or nominated by a club or club member. Materials and history programs will be evaluated against the objectives of the program by individuals selected for their knowledge of the history of Western snowsports and that of the Association. The link with information and entry form is: <http://fwsa.org/MemberCorner/Programs/program-wsh.html>

**FAR WEST HISTORICAL RECOGNITION PROGRAM: DEADLINE: April 25, 2013**

**RECOGNITION:** Certificate suitable for framing.

**CONTACT:** John Watson, FWSA History Committee Chair, 760-723-6539, [geospace@pacbell.net](mailto:geospace@pacbell.net)

**DESCRIPTION:** The FWSA launched the Historical Recognition Program in 2008 to develop club, league and council histories. The objective of the annual program is to capture important information about skiing from the skier's perspective and especially that of the club skier. Selection for the award is based on digital (preferable) or mailed presentation of club or council history according to a set of weighted criteria and judged by knowledgeable ski historians. The History Recognition is not for outstanding club or council, although it is anticipated that material may be common to both types of presentations. Think of these histories as museum or library reference resources. The link to detailed information and entry form is: <http://fwsa.org/MemberCorner/Programs/program-historical.html>

June 27-30 is the FWSA Summer Fun Adventure at Mammoth Mountain. More details for the trip will be posted on the FWSA website soon.



In October or November of 2013, FWSA is planning a Caribbean cruise. Details, along with dates and pricing, will be available on their website soon.

The 4th annual **FWSA Scuba Dive Trip** will be September 7 –14, 2013, to the wonderful island of Ambergris Caye in Belize, and includes seven nights lodging at Ramon's Village (double occupancy), 6 days of 2-tank boat dives, full breakfast daily, plus airport transfers. The cost is \$1,159 per person for divers and \$879 per person for non-divers, excluding airfare. Contact Randy Lew 530-304-0802 or [fwsa13randy@telis.org](mailto:fwsa13randy@telis.org).

**Far West Ski Week 2014 will be in Beaver Creek, Colorado.** The dates will be January 25 to February 1, 2014. We now have our lodging assignments, and the first flier is attached. The price is \$1,229 pp including 7 nights' lodging, a 5 out of 7 day lift pass, and the FWSA amenities package. A \$100 deposit will hold your place on this trip!

FWSA offers one USA ski week, one European ski week (usually with pre and post-trip extensions), and a number of "adventure" trips. For information on all FWSA International trips go to [www.FWSA.org](http://www.FWSA.org) or contact the FWSA VP of International Travel, Debbi Stewart, by email [fwsaIntlTrvl@prodigy.net](mailto:fwsaIntlTrvl@prodigy.net) or phone 559-734-9294.

**Far West International Ski Week 2014:** The RFP has been sent out to seven tour operator companies for FWSA's 2014 International Ski Trip to Zermatt, Switzerland with an extension to Spain and/or Portugal. The last time FWSA went to Zermatt was in 2004, and it's time to return. We are looking at March, 2014. The exact details will be provided once a bid decision has been made.

**Far West International Adventure Trip:** The RFP has been submitted for bids for an African Safari in the fall of 2014. This trip will be an experience of a lifetime, one you will not want to miss! Destination and details to come.

**WOULD YOUR CLUB LIKE TO EARN A COMP ON ANY FWSA SKI TRIP?** All you need to do is to bring 30 people, and the comp is yours to do with as you please. This might be shared if more than one club with in-club trip leaders has a total of 30 participants. This would also give you more input into future ski weeks that FWSA plans.

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### **MEMBER BENEFITS AND DISCOUNTS:**

Look at the NWSCC website at [www.nwskiers.org](http://www.nwskiers.org) to see an updated list of **member benefits and discounts**, and check out the FWSA website at [www.fwsa.org](http://www.fwsa.org) under Membership to see the current discounts. Note Debbi Kor is constantly adding new benefits!

As a member of FWSA, you also belong to the **National Ski Council Federation**, made up of ski councils and

clubs throughout the U.S. A current list of NSCF benefits can be found at [www.skifederation.org](http://www.skifederation.org) in the Members Only section. User name: **skiclub** - password: **member**.

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### **MISCELLANEOUS AND FUN INFORMATION:**

**PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL REGULAR NWSCC MEETINGS ARE "OPEN," AND PARTICIPATION BY CLUB MEMBERS IS ENCOURAGED!** Starting in 2013, **NWSCC meetings will be held bi-monthly (February, April, June, August, October, December); the location may vary, so check the NWSCC website or contact President Mary Olhausen at [President@nwskiers.org](mailto:President@nwskiers.org). Board meetings are usually held the 4th Wednesday; contact an officer if you have an item you would like to have considered.**

Did you know that the **NWSCC has a Facebook page?** You can reach this page from the NWSCC website, and you can keep up-to-date on all our events and activities.

**SAFETY:** See the attached article on how your cell phone could save your life in the wilderness!

### **FROM FWSA NEWS:**

**Google Adds 38 Ski Slopes to Google Maps Apps:** Forget squinting at faded ski-slope signs or fumbling around with wet, faded and torn resort trail maps. The new Google app marks green, blue and black runs on the screen as solid colored lines. Ski lifts are shown as red dotted lines. The app can help you plan your runs for the day, or assist you in getting your bearings if you are lost.

**Utah Governor to Honor Sarah Hendrickson:** The 2nd Annual Governor's State of Sport Awards: Utah native ski jumper Sarah Hendrickson will be honored with the "Olympian of the Year" award on April 16th, 2013. The awards ceremony will honor individuals and groups that have made significant contributions to sport in Utah in 2012. In celebration of Utah's Olympic Legacy, Governor Herbert and the Utah Sports Commission will present this year's award to Sarah to recognize her excellence and achievement in Olympic Sport. "Utah is proud of its Olympic legacy and the success of our Olympic athletes that live and train here," said Governor Herbert. "Our world class venues, athlete training and hosting of major sporting events has helped to create successful Olympians like Sarah Hendrickson."

Sarah grew up not far from the Utah Olympic Park in Park City. She has established herself as one of ski jumping's biggest stars, winning the 2012 FIS Ski Jumping World Cup title. She is a member of the US Women's Ski Jumping Team who will be competing in Sochi I 2014. "Since I was born and raised in this wonderful state of Utah, it is such an honor to receive an award from the Governor himself," said Hendrickson. "Having an award given to an athlete just

shows how much pride the state puts in its athletes and sport programs. I am very honored."

**FAR WEST SKI FOUNDATION:** The American Taxpayer Relief Act extends the rules for charitable contributions from IRAs or Roth IRAs to December 31, 2013. Individuals over 70½ years of age may transfer funds directly to a charity from their IRAs without it being counted as income. The Far West Ski Foundation can receive your Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) and if desired, direct it to one of the Foundation's funds, such as the Far West Athletic Scholarship, the Westlund Fund (rehab through snow sports), Women's Ski Jumping, or Snowsports History and Museums. Send your QCD to President, FWSF, Box 861, Fallbrook CA 92088, or to John Reinhardt, Treasurer, FWSF, 6105 SW Sheridan Street, Portland 97225.

The National Ski Council Federation also provides a host of benefits as well, so don't forget to check them out. The link can be found at the bottom of the Benefits page. The benefits are updated as we get new partners, so check in frequently to see what's new!

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**From the NATIONAL SKI CLUB NEWS:**

**MOUNTAIN COLLECTIVE PASSES OFFER VALUE AT SIX DESTINATIONS** - This year's Mountain Collective passes are \$349, for two days of skiing at each of six destinations: Alta/Snowbird, Aspen/Snowmass, Jackson Hole, Mammoth Mountain, Squaw Valley/Alpine Meadows, and Whistler Blackcomb. The card also comes with a 50% discount on all additional days with no blackout dates.

**VAIL RESORTS ADDS ELDORA TO EPIC PASS** - Vail Resorts has added Eldora Mountain Resort to the Epic Pass for the 2013-2014 ski season, giving Colorado skiers and snowboarders unlimited, unrestricted access. The Epic Pass now features nine resorts across three states and access to 25,080 acres, 35 bowls, and 33 terrain parks at Vail, Beaver Creek, Breckenridge, Keystone, Arapahoe Basin, and Eldora in Colorado; and Heavenly, Northstar, and Kirkwood in California and Nevada at \$689 for adults and \$359 for children (ages 5-12). New this year, Vail Resorts will offer the "Keystone A-Basin Pass," which features unlimited access to two of the closest mountain resorts to the Front Range and some of the best terrain at \$279 for adults and \$199 for children (with limited holiday restrictions). That's only \$100 more than the cost of a four-pack ticket!

**FREE CAT SKIING AT LOVELAND** - Loveland Ski Area provides free cat skiing access to the North Side of the Ridge on a first-come, first-served basis. When operating, the Ridge Cat will pick up a new group of skiers and riders just beyond the Gate 1 North off Chair 9. Snowcats will

drop skiers and riders off at Gate 4 North. This ski terrain is only accessible by foot or snowcat; there is no lift access here. Ridge Cat tours may be offered when conditions are suitable and to coincide with open terrain north along the ridge from Chair 9, above Chair 4, and toward Marmot. To access the Loveland Ridge Cat, you must have a valid 2012-2013 Season Pass/Lift Ticket and a 2012-2013 Loveland Ridge Cat Access Pass. Pick up a Loveland Ridge Cat Access Passes at no charge at the Loveland Basin Season Pass Office seven days a week 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Guests need to read and sign the Loveland Ridge Cat Access waiver.

**NEW TERRAIN, LIFTS, AND SUMMER ACTIVITIES COMING TO VAIL RESORTS** - Vail Resort has announced a new six-pack chairlift at Vail, a new on-mountain restaurant at Beaver Creek, and 543 acres of additional ski terrain and two new chairlifts at Breckenridge. They will also spend \$25 million for the first phase of Epic Discovery at all resorts. That's the company's summer activities plan enabled by federal legislation in 2012. The resort will get new zip lines, ropes courses, climbing walls, Forest Flyers (alpine coasters), summer tubing, education centers, and expanded hiking and mountain biking trails at Vail, Beaver Creek, Breckenridge, Keystone, Heavenly and Northstar. The company will also spend \$10 million each on Afton Alps near Minneapolis, Minnesota, and Mt. Brighton near Detroit, Michigan.

**CHECK ONLINE FOR SKI EQUIPMENT/LUGGAGE TRAVEL FEES** - Thanks to Richard Davidson of Ski Europe for sending us a link to check out bag fees: Check it out at [www.snowpak.com/news/toolkit/skiandsnowboardbagfees.html](http://www.snowpak.com/news/toolkit/skiandsnowboardbagfees.html).

**SUMMIT AT SNOQUALMIE CELEBRATES 75 YEARS** - The Summit at Snoqualmie celebrated its 75th anniversary on Sunday, March 24, 2013.

**BRECKENRIDGE EXPANDS TERRAIN** - Breckenridge will open Peak 6, a 543-acre ski expansion that includes two new chairlifts. The expansion will increase Breck's skiable terrain by 23%.

To subscribe to the National Ski Club News, go to <http://marquimail.marqui.com/marqui/Subscribe.aspx?m=4704>.

**NOTICE: CREDIT CARD POLICY!!**

***NWSCC will now accept credit cards for all events and trips, but a 3% charge will be added to all credit card transactions to cover our costs. This will include debit cards run as credit. Credit cards will be accepted for all events, trips, club member dues, commercial member dues, clothing, and Ski Fair Silent Auction***

Did you notice the highlights on some of the headings in this newsletter? Here's the key:

**TURQUOISE** = NWSCC news and events  
**PURPLE** = FWSA news and events  
**YELLOW** = Clubs news and events  
**GREEN** = Other news and events

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**CHECK THE NWSCC WEBSITE FREQUENTLY FOR THE LATEST INFORMATION!!**

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**ALL CLUB CALENDAR:**

**April 2013**

8-14	Ski Heritage Week, Vail, CO	Open to All
11-14	Bluewood Bash, WA	Desert Ski Club
11-14	Whistler/Blackcomb	S'no Joke
13	Ski to Defeat ALS, Mt. Hood Meadows	Open to All
16-20	Mt. Bachelor/Sunriver, OR	Cascade PT
18-21	Mountain Travel Symposium, Aspen, CO	Invitation

**May 2013**

4	Wine Tour (Bus)	Desert Ski Club
18	MBSEF/US Bank Pole Pedal Paddle, Mt. Bachelor, OR	Open to All

**June 2013**

6-9	FWSA Convention, Reno, NV	FWSA/All Clubs
19	NWSCC Meeting, Elections, Tubby's Deli, Portland	Open to All
27-30	Mammoth Family Trip	FWSA/Open

**August 2013**

24-9/6	Bike & Barge Amsterdam- Antwerp-Bruges	Cascade PT/Open
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## NWSCC OFFICERS and COMMITTEES 2012-2013

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

#### NWSCC MEMBER CLUBS - NWSCC REPRESENTATIVES

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**Why not send this newsletter to all your club members? It's available in .pdf format on the website, and the link can easily be passed on to your members.**

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#### NEXT MEETING:

Wed., **APRIL 17, 6:00 P.M.**

LOCATION: ROUND TABLE PIZZA

10070 SW Barbur Blvd,

Portland, OR

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME!!**

← **NOTE THERE IS A MEETING THIS MONTH!**

Far West Ski Association Safety Slogan:

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

**First With Safety Awareness!**

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