



NWSCC NEWSLETTER AND CALENDAR

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The regular July NWSCC meeting will be held at The Buffalo Gap Saloon & Eatery (6835 SW Macadam Ave, Portland, OR 97219), on July 15, 2009, starting at 6:00 pm! Note we will be in the room that is downstairs and to the right as you enter.

(No host bar; order off the regular menu)

NOTE that the August 19 NWSCC meeting will not be held at the Buffalo Gap; it will be "Appreciation Night" at Sheri Parshall's residence. Further details will be in the August newsletter and in the e-mail announcement/invitations sent out before the event.

VP MC - Gary Stevenson

Past Chair and Legal Counsel - Jack Folliard

Web Master - Emilio Trampuz

Race Director - Bruce Parshall

Chief Rat Patrol - Gordon Lusk

Rat Patrol - Sally Neidermeyer, Terry Walter, Greg Coulter

NEW: The PACRAT Sun Attack has been set for August 22 at Mt Hood Ski Bowl in the afternoon, contingent upon signups. Team Competitions and BBQ are open to non-PACRAT racers too! Contact Barbara Parshall for details: bparshall@equitygroup.com. If you want to combine the day with race training, there may be special race training days at Timberline each Saturday and Sunday morning for \$100, including a lift ticket. (Timberline passholders from last season, including spring pass holders, can get half price lift tickets.) Contact Sean Darris at Timberline at sdarris@timberlinelodge.com for more details on race training.

NWSCC ELECTIONS took place at the June meeting, and the following officers were elected:

President - Sheri Parshall

Vice President - Richard Rizk

Secretary - Sandi Shaub

Treasurer - David Schor

Two directors-at-large were elected: Barbara Bousum and Linda McGavin. Other directors will be appointed by the new Board. Anyone interested in a board position to assist the Council in its operations may contact Sheri Parshall.

The new **PACRAT board** was elected by acclamation, and is as follows:

Chief Rat - Barb Parshall

Vice Chief Rat - Sylvia Orefice

VP of Timing/Results - Dale Parshall

Treasurer - Colleen Stroeder

Secretary - Sheri Parshall

Party Chair - Diane Hicks

Special Events - Colleen Walter

LAST CHANCE - DIRECTORY COVER CONTEST - win a great prize!! Got some great ski shots from this season? There is a **cover contest for the Northwest Skiers' Directory** each year, with the prize being a 10-time pass donated by Mt. Hood Meadows. Submit photos *in vertical format* by July 15, 2009, to graphic designer Leslie Baird at leslieb@aracnet.com. Note that we *must* have the winning photo available in high resolution.

Last chance to sign up for NWSCC's annual Clubs-4-Play Golf Tournament is Monday, July 13. The tournament will be held Sunday, July 26, 2009, at Colwood National Golf Club, 7313 N.E. Columbia Blvd., Portland. See flier attached. Mixed teams are welcome. Note: to win the CLUB trophy, all team members must be from the same club.

RECAP OF JUNE NWSCC MEETING:

Our guest speaker was Kerri Scroggins of **World Cup Dreams, a fundraiser for the US National Ski Team to be held July 18-19, 2009**. The event was conceived of by US Ski Team members to help provide financial grants to the B and C teams, which are underfunded and need medical insurance and injury recovery support. Most of the men's and women's ski team members will be present, and will be giving personal coaching to groups of 8-10 skiers (100 maximum per day) on July 17 and 18 at Timberline. Everyone is welcome at these clinics, even children 8 years of age and older. The cost is \$350 for one day or \$600 for two days. This is a unique chance to meet and be coached by US Ski Team members!

On Saturday night (July 18) another fundraiser will take place: a **Dinner and Auction at the Multnomah Athletic Club** starting at 5:00 pm. In honor of the former Golden Rose events, the attire at the dinner will be Black Tie and Blue Jeans. Auction items include signed athlete memorabilia and items from their world travels; time at vacation homes in Vail, Sun Valley, the Cayman Islands, and more; crystal; tons of wine; ski, golf, and other sporting equipment; and much more! The event will be \$125 for adults and \$75 for youths 8-18 years old. **Note that donations of auction items are welcome, and volunteers are needed to help at the event.**

All proceeds from the weekend will benefit the World Cup Dreams Foundation, a 501(c)(3) organization created "by the athlete, for the athlete" to further the growth and development of the world's best skiers by helping them to attain their skiing goals and dreams through financial assistance and rehabilitation programs. Contact Willy Scroggins at info@worldcupdreams.org or 970-343-0872.

About a dozen entries were received for the NWSCC logo contest, and a winner will be picked soon. Watch for the new logo to debut within the next couple of months.

There was a wrapup of the recently-completed FWSA Convention, which was reported in detail in last month's newsletter. The **2010 FWSA Convention will be held June 10-13, 2010, at the Renaissance Esmeralda Resort in Indian Wells, California** (Palm Springs area). NWSCC will host the pool party, and there will be a talent show with each Council having an entry.

NWSCC will be hosting a special **30th Anniversary Party and Silent Auction on Saturday, September 19** with proceeds to benefit the Mt. Hood Cultural Center and Museum. It looks like our special guest will be **Phil Mahre**, and there will be special entertainment. Mark your calendar for a fantastic gala event! Volunteers will be needed! The event will be open to the public – invite all your friends!

Barbara Bousum reported that we have now received our lodging assignments for the **FWSA Ski Week in Keystone, Colorado, January 30-February 6, 2010**. Everyone will be staying in condos away from the base of Keystone, but with easy access by a short shuttle ride. Participants will book their own air, and ground transportation will be arranged. A 5-out-of-7 day lift ticket will be interchangeable among Keystone, Breckenridge, and Arapahoe Basin, and also includes 2 days good at Vail or Beaver Creek. If a 6th day of skiing is desired, it can be obtained for only \$30 if booked in advance, or \$60 on the trip. Of course the price will include the usual races, parties, and dinner. The banquet dinner will be held Thursday night instead of Friday so that it will be easier for people to pack for departure on Saturday. The ground package for NWSCC attendees will be \$1,079, including a Council night. A \$200 deposit is due now, with further payments each month until November 1. Cancellation penalties apply. Contact Barbara Bousum for more information at Bbousum@gmail.com or 503-224-3584. See flier attached.

The 5th Annual Keystone Nationals Race Challenge will be held just before FWSA Ski Week, from January 27-29, 2010. The event includes race competition open to club and council racers of all ability levels, with 11 different competition classes for both men and women. The event includes a hosted welcome party, 3 days of races, and a Cocktail Awards Reception and Awards Dinner Banquet, all for the price of \$195 (lodging and transportation not included, but packages are available). For further information check the website at www.Keystonenationals.com or contact Nancy at 775-338-3438 or keystonenationals@sbcglobal.net.

Watch for details on the NWSCC Ski Fair to be held November 9, and a NWSCC ski trip to be held in early December. The 2010 Bachelor Blitz trip will tentatively be planned for April 16-18, the weekend after the FWRA championships in Mammoth (April 9-11). The council will try to plan a trip to Mammoth for that event.

Elections were held as reported above, and club announcements followed.

Schnee Vogeli is having their annual raft trip and dinner at Maupin, and reports that the "Charlie pin" from Charlie's Mountain View is good at the Tygh Valley Bar.

Emilio Trampuz of **Mountain High** reported that about a dozen club members are becoming involved in backcountry skiing and hiking in the summer.

CLUB INFORMATION:

NWSCC member clubs are welcome to sign up with Sheri Parshall to present a brief history of their club at upcoming Council meetings. We are asking member clubs to start assembling their history for presentations, to consider preparing to enter FWSA's club history competition, and to think about possibly setting up a permanent record of your club at the Mt. Hood Museum and Cultural Center in Government Camp!

Club histories: NWSCC encourages all its member clubs to organize and prepare their club histories to help celebrate! We will provide display space at the anniversary party, and the Mt. Hood Cultural Center and Museum has a club history room where your club could maintain a permanent record of its history. Our **Council Historian Norvin Peer** will work with you on your submissions - contact Norvin at 1-360-430-4546, or send information to Norvin at 1510 Ocean Beach Highway, Longview, WA 98632.

Altair Ski & Sports Club in Eugene has a VERY active summer schedule, including golf, softball, hikes, rafting and camping, a picnic, a sold out Hawaiian Luau, card games, and weekly social events. In addition, they are continuing a "National Parks series" of trips with a week-long trip to the Olympic National Park September 20-27. See their newsletter on the club website: www.altairsports.org.

Cascade Prime Timers has a picnic at the end of July, and also has a campout, kayaking trips, hiking, and generally lots of activities.

Mountain High has weekly golf, a picnic scheduled for August 16 in Sellwood Park, preceded by a fun bike ride loop through Portland, and a rafting and camping trip August 20-22.

PACRAT RACING:

The next **FWRA Championships** will be held at **Mammoth Mountain the second weekend in April, 2010**. NWSCC should try to plan another trip to Mammoth at that time for racers and others who just want to ski there.

CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES BY CLUBS:

Does your club do good deeds for your community and support charitable events? Please let Sheri Parshall know so that we can share the information with other clubs and FWSA. **Two of our clubs were recognized at the recent FWSA Convention in Reno for their charitable activities: Schnee Vogeli and Skiyente.**

FWSA NEWS AND TRIPS:

Cruise Scandinavia and Russia with The Cruise Company

and FWSA September 13-23, 2009. **The Cruise Company is offering a temporary low rate at this time.** Pre-cruise Copenhagen September 10-13. Contact Norm Azevedo for more information: 925-944-9816 or fwsaitravel@sbcglobal.net.

FWSA's 2010 Ski Week will be at **Keystone Resort**, Colorado, January 30th to February 6th, 2010. This is the only Colorado resort with night skiing. NWSCC has requested 40 spots on this trip, and will take \$200 deposits to hold a spot for you at this time. The Tour Operator will be Rocky Mountain Tours. The newest details are listed above. This year people will be able to arrange their own air, as long as they connect with the shuttle bus, so you can use frequent flier miles or obtain your own discounts. Contact Barbara Bousum with questions: BBousum@gmail.com.

The **Keystone Nationals** will be held **January 27-29**, prior to the FWSA Ski Week. The cost will be \$195 for a welcome party, three races, and an awards banquet. See further details above. This is a national race event where all racers from all over the country are invited and welcome to participate in races with race classes based on ability, age and sex. Call Bob Ellis at 530-582-0566.

The 2010 FWSA Europe ski trip will be to Cortina, Italy, February 27-March 7, at a base cost of \$1,844 from SFO/LAX (plus airline fees & taxes of approximately \$303), with a **pre-trip February 24-28 to Venice** at an approximate cost of \$575, and a **post-trip extension March 7-14 to Vienna and Budapest** for approximately \$858. (Note you cannot go on the pre or post trips unless you are on the main trip!) See attached flier. **Space is limited to 130 participants, and if you are interested in this trip, you should contact Norm Azevedo immediately, as unassigned rooms were due to be released on July 1, 2009!** Rooms may be available at other nearby hotels for late signups on this trip.

Watch for details of a **Dive Trip to Mexico** to be scheduled in April or May of 2010!

FWSA Cruise in the fall of 2010 - Leaving Boston, visiting Portland, Maine; Bar Harbor, St. John, New Brunswick, Halifax, Nova Scotia, and Boston. The Cruise Company is putting together a package for this cruise. There will also be a package prior to the cruise to tour the Boston area. Pricing will be available for this trip at a later date.

FWSA offers one USA ski week, one European ski week (usually with pre and post-trip extensions), and a number of "adventure" trips. They have had cruises and a trip to Thailand, and are looking at possible future trips including a trip to Australia and/or New Zealand in August of 2011. For information on all FWSA International trips go to

www.FWSA.org or contact the FWSA VP of International Travel, Norm Azevedo, by email fwstravel@sbcglobal.net or phone 925-944-9816.

Check the FWSA website for other great information, including information on the **FWSA Athletic Scholarships**. Two young racers from the **Mt. Bachelor Sports Education Foundation** (Anton Hilts and Jordan Schweitzer) were among this year's recipients.

THE NORTHWEST SKI CHALLENGE: The winner(s) for 2008-09 will be announced at the August Appreciation Night.

NORTHWEST SNOWSPORTS ADVOCATES NEWS: NWSA informs the skiing public about ski area development issues in Oregon and Washington. This site also provides an opportunity for skiers to take an active role in helping ski areas get US Forest Service approval of their master plans. It's easy and your help is needed NOW! Sign up for the NW Advocates list serve. Visit www.nwskiers.org and click on Northwest Snowsports Advocates.

MEMBER BENEFITS AND 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. Note Debbi Kor is constantly adding new benefits!

As a member of Far West Ski Association you also belong to the National Ski Council Federation, made up of ski councils and clubs throughout the U.S. One of your member benefits is the ability to purchase ski equipment, clothing, goggles, gloves, etc. at a discount. A current list of NSCF benefits can be found at www.skifederation.org in the Members Only section. The user name is **skiclub** and the password is **member**.

MISCELLANEOUS, BUT FUN, INFORMATION:

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL MONTHLY MEETINGS ARE "OPEN," AND PARTICIPATION BY CLUB MEMBERS IS ENCOURAGED! MEETINGS ARE HELD THE 3RD WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH; THE LOCATION MAY VARY, SO CHECK THE NWSCC WEBSITE. BOARD MEETINGS ARE USUALLY HELD THE 4TH WEDNESDAY; CONTACT AN OFFICER IF YOU HAVE AN ITEM YOU WOULD LIKE TO HAVE CONSIDERED.

ITEMS FROM JUNE FWSA NEWS:

Did you know? Ski jumping is the only event in the Olympic Winter Games that does not allow women to compete. The exclusion of women ski jumpers in the 2010 Vancouver

Games has developed into a global fight for human rights and equality for women. Fifteen elite women jumpers from across the globe have a gender-discrimination case pending with the Supreme Court of British Columbia and are awaiting the judge's decision about the 2010 Games. At the 2009 FWSA Convention, the group unanimously passed a resolution in support of women's ski jumping at the 2010 Winter Olympics in Vancouver. Everyone is urged to read and signed the petition: **Let Women Ski Jump in 2010**. You can view this petition at: <http://www.thepetitionsite.com/tell-a-friend/4749128>. They have surpassed their goal of 10,000 signatures, but the more support is shown, the better! Women's Ski Jumping USA has launched a new website at www.wsjusa.com, with the capability to accept donations using PayPal. Donating directly to WSJUSA provides undiluted support directly to ski jumping by the world's top women athletes in jumping.

Some of the Businesses That Donated to the Far West Racing Association Silent Auction Held April 4, 2009 at Northstar, are as follows:

* Big Red Cats and the Red Shutter Inn, run by Paula and Kiernan Gaul, offer lodging and cat skiing adventures at Red Mountain, Rossland, BC. Fresh tracks, deep powder, and no lines - cat skiing and boarding at Big Red Cats provides all that and more, just 2.5 hours north of Spokane, WA. As the only snow cat skiing operation in BC to offer separate trips for expert, advanced, and intermediate skiers and riders, you can enjoy exploring the backcountry with others of a similar ability. Probably no surprise, but we now officially call the Shutter the Big Red Cats lodge. While BRC guests are welcome to stay elsewhere, and Red Shutter guests aren't obliged to go cat skiing, there are specially priced packages for those who combine the two, and the Shutter is the ideal place to stay, as it is the location of the morning briefing, offers an early breakfast, and is a great place to linger over coffee if you're doing multiple cat days and can skip the first part of the briefing after the first day. Big Red Cats Lodge offers 6 rooms with 2 beds per room making it an ideal location for a group of 12 cat-skiers, with a real wood stove, hot tub, sauna, dart board, and big cooked breakfast, make it an experience to repeat often!

- * Big Sky, Montana
- * Northstar-at-Tahoe
- * One Village Place Lodging, Northstar
- * Elite Feet, Northstar

NWSCC OFFICERS and COMMITTEES 2009-2010

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PACRAT WORLD HEADQUARTERS		www.pacrats.org	

2008-2009 NWSCC COMMERCIAL MEMBERS:

PLATINUM MEMBERS:

Mt. Bachelor Ski Area, OR

GOLD MEMBERS:

Joe's Sports & Outdoor, OR, WA, ID
Mammoth Mountain Ski Resort, CA
Mt. Hood Meadows Ski Resort, OR
Sun Valley Resort, ID

SILVER MEMBERS:

Carr Subaru NW
Resorts of the Canadian Rockies
(Fernie Alpine Resort and
Kimberley Alpine Resort)
Ski Banff/Lake Louise/Sunshine, AB, Canada
Ski Chalet, Portland, OR
Timberline Lodge, OR

BRONZE MEMBERS:

Big White Mountain Resort, BC, Canada
Brundage Mountain Resort, ID
Collins Lake Resort, Gov't Camp, OR
Cooper Spur Mountain Resort, OR
Crystal Mountain Resort, WA
Discover Sunriver Vacation Rentals, OR
Hillcrest Ski & Sports, Gresham, OR
Huckleberry Inn, Gov't Camp, OR
Jackson Hole Mountain Resort, WY
Mt. Hood Skibowl, OR
Mountain Shop, Portland, OR
Ogden Convention & Visitors Bureau (Powder
Mountain & Snowbasin, UT)
Red Mountain Resort, BC, Canada
Schweitzer Mountain Resort, ID
Signal Sports (in the Pearl District of Portland)
Silver Star Mountain Resort, BC, Canada
Sleeping Lady Mountain Retreat, Leavenworth, WA
The Lodge at Whitefish Lake, MT

HONORARY MEMBERS:

Barbara Parshall - Re/Max Equity Group
Grouse Mountain Lodge, Whitefish, MT
Mission Ridge Ski Area, WA
Mt. Ashland, Ski Area OR
Pacific NW Ski Areas Association

**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.

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.

Why not send this newsletter to all your club members? It's available in .pdf format, and can be sent to YOU upon request to then pass on to your members.

NORTHWEST SKI CLUB COUNCIL

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NEXT MEETING:

**Wednesday, July 15, 2009
6:00 PM**

**BUFFALO GAP SALOON & EATERY,
DOWNSTAIRS**

**6835 SW MACADAM AVE,
PORTLAND, OR 97219**

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!!

← NOTE

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