



NWSCC NEWSLETTER AND CALENDAR JANUARY 2006

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January 18 is the next NWSCC meeting! Join us for "Charities Night" - guest speakers will include local charitable organizations and Silver Member Carr Auto Group.

FREE PIZZA AND SOFT DRINKS!!!

ROUND TABLE PIZZA, 10070 SW BARBUR BLVD, PORTLAND, 503-245-2211

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 BY THE COUNCIL.

SKI NOTES FROM THE PREZ ...

Aren't we lucky???

I'm listening to the nightly news and it says lots of snow coming to the Cascades this week. I think I'll skip work and go skiing. Just like that!! How lucky most of us are to be able to ski on a whim, just about whenever we want!! However, there are many folks out there with disabilities who can only ski with the help of a charitable organization, such as Oregon Special Olympics. And there are kids who are not as fortunate as a lot of us, who only get a snowboarding experience with the help of Snow Days. And then there are those folks who may never ski again--they too need our help through Oregon Cancer Ski Out. Please join me on Jan 18th for our monthly NWSCC meeting and find out how you can help these organizations, help those in need!!! And, for you

NWSCC teams competing in the Oregon Cancer Ski Out (Mar 5-6), we give you a challenge!! We will present an award this year to the club team that raises the most \$\$ donations for this worthy cause. The award will be five all-day lift tickets at Mt. Hood Meadows to the five members of the winning team. Team members must be members of NWSCC clubs to qualify for the award. Get details at the Jan 18th meeting. Skiyente Ski Club is celebrating their 50th Anniversary at Mt. Hood Museum on Jan 28th---hope to see you there---silent auction, live music, lots of history stuff!! Do you need a ski trip to go on?? Lots to choose from--Big White with Skiyente; Brundage, Tamarack, & Anthony Lakes with Mt. High; Davos, Switzerland with SnoJokes, Mt. Bachelor with NWSCC & Altair; and Whistler-Blackcomb with NWSCC & SnoJokes. See all the details inside. Don't forget about discount ski days at Crystal and Stevens Pass. And while you're on all those ski trips, you can participate in the Ski Oregon Challenge.

Ski For A Cause This Season! (see list on back page for multiple opportunities)

Mary Olhausen, President

Our special guest speaker at the December Council meeting was **Dave Tragethon of Mt. Hood Meadows**, a NWSCC Silver commercial member and strong supporter of NWSCC for many years. Dave advised us of a number of promotions and specials going on at Meadows, which has embraced online specials in a big way! It pays to watch the Meadows website at www.skihood.com, as every week there has been different specials only available online. If you know anyone who has just moved to Portland, tell them to check out the midweek bus programs, starting in January (another in February). Also in January, a midweek stay at Cooper Spur Lodge (Sun-Wed, excluding MLK Sunday) will cost only \$75* for a lodge room for two, **including 2 lift tickets to Meadows!** The same room is only \$49-59* if you are a season pass holder and don't need a lift ticket (*plus lodging taxes). Gift cards and e-tickets are available online - your printed e-ticket at a \$48 price is good any day, so you can avoid the "peak season" \$5 extra charge. Other promotions

include the purchase of 10 gallons or more of gas at Shell gas stations, which will get you a certificate good for skiing at a number of ski areas on specified days - at Meadows it will be good on Wednesday evenings for a 2 for 1 lift ticket (only \$11 apiece). Another new feature popular with children is the "Groove Tube" built up between the lodge and the parking lot - \$5 lets your children tube for as long as they want to.

On Monday, **January 30**, the **Hood River Rotary Club** has their annual fundraising event at Mt. Hood Meadows. Your purchase of a special \$10 lift ticket will get you skiing from 1:00 to 9:00 pm, races, a live band, and FUN! Contact Kris Inman at 503-223-5023 for further information.

Our second guest speaker at the December meeting was **Randy Lew**, who reps the **Karbon Ski Wear** line for ski teams. FWSA and a number of its member clubs have participated in this program. Karbon produces an extremely high end ski clothing product, and Randy is able to order a minimum of 10 jackets of the same style and color (different sizes) at special team prices. Other products include pants, fleece, and speed suits. The team orders need to be placed with Randy by March 24 for shipping next fall. Contact Randy at 503-682-1563 (H), 530-304-0802 (Cell), or e-mail fwsa13randy@telis.org for further details.

2006 SKI OREGON CHALLENGE

New for 2005-06. Ski 9 out of 11 ski resorts in Oregon during the 2005-06 ski season and you could win equipment, services, 2006-07 lift tickets and a ten-time punch pass at Mt. Hood Meadows. The Northwest Council's contest is open to all skiers and boarders. Go to the Council website at www.nwskiers.org for complete details, including links to "lodging partners" offering lodging discounts at local ski areas.

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

Bend Ski Club is again sponsoring **NASTAR Races at Mt. Bachelor: January 15 & February 12, 2006!** The February 12 race is the Mike Puddy Memorial Race, and is the weekend of the Bend Winter Fest. These are the only NASTAR races to be held in the Pacific Northwest, and either or both races make it possible to qualify for the NASTAR National Championships which will be held at Steamboat, CO, March 24-26. Skiers and snowboarders welcome!! More information will be available on their website at www.bendskiclub.org. Go to www.NASTAR.com for complete NASTAR information.

Skiyente Ski Club's 50th Anniversary Open House will be held at the Mt. Hood Museum, Government Camp, **January 28, 2006** ("Winternacht at Mt. Hood Museum"). Open to the public from 3 PM until 7 PM; activities include a

silent auction, beer and wine (no host) and complimentary hors d'oeuvres. Lots of Skiyente history and history in the making (be a part of it!): commemorative posters, pins, and great apres ski fun. Come help them celebrate!

Mountain High Snowsport Club has a special trip over **Presidents' Day Weekend 2006** which will visit 3 ski areas: **Brundage Mountain and Tamarack in Idaho and Anthony Lakes in Oregon**. The price starts at \$250 for bus and 3 nights' lodging at Best Western motels in McCall, Idaho, and Baker City, Oregon. Lift tickets should be \$109 or less for all 3 ski areas. And the best part is that the trip price will go **DOWN** for each extra two people above a minimum of 30! This innovative pricing reflects the actual reduction in pricing as the bus cost is spread out among more people. All clubs are welcome; check the website at www.mthigh.org for details.

S'NO JOKE SKI CLUB has a trip to **DAVOS, SWITZERLAND February 17-25, 2006**. The price of \$1,840 pp/do (plus airport taxes estimated at \$175) includes round trip air between Seattle and Zurich, all transfers, 7 nights' lodging at a 4-star hotel (Morosani Posthotel), buffet breakfast and gourmet 4-course dinner daily, free use of local buses, and all local taxes. Contact Jerry Fitts, President of S'No Joke, at 206-226-0767 or jfitts@windermere.com.

Skiyente is also planning a **KFC* FAMILY BUS TRIP TO BIG WHITE, February 22-26, 2006** which will be open to all NWSCC clubs. The bus, 4 nights' lodging, 3 days of skiing, a family challenge race, a welcome party and a pizza party, will be offered for prices ranging from \$495 pp for adults to \$179 pp for small children (in the same room as the parents). This is a cheap way to get your kids on a real ski trip! An airfare option is being investigated for those who cannot see themselves on a bus for many hours with your children. Adult condos also available! There are still spots available for a few more people. Contact Sheri Parshall at 503-245-3782 or cougskier@aol.com to sign up or for further details. What does KFC stand for? Kids Fun in Canada!!

Skiyente is sponsoring its annual **Masters Race on February 11-12, 2006**, at Mt. Hood Meadows. There is a slalom one day and a GS the next day, and 50-60 racers come to this event from all across the northwest. Saturday Skiyente will put on a **Gumbo Feed** in Government Camp. Volunteers who work the races will receive a pass good for that day and another pass good any day.

BERGFREUNDE is sponsoring its 15th Annual **Lake Tahoe Sampler** February 26-March 4, 2006, in South Lake Tahoe, Nevada. The land package is only \$268 pp/do, and includes 6 nights' lodging, a group dinner, hospitality nights, and a dinner dance cruise on the M.S. Dixie II paddle wheeler. Participants either fly on their own or carpool. Contact trip captain Bob Burns, 503-524-5261 if interested.

Mark your calendars for the annual **King Winter Dance, March 4, 2006**, at Charlie's Mountain View in Government Camp. Skiyente sponsors this annual tribute to a person who has made significant contributions to skiing on Mt. Hood.

Of course, the dance is the night before the 18th Annual **Cancer Ski-Out** to be held **March 5-6** at Mt. Hood Meadows. This event has been very popular with our ski clubs, who furnish many of the teams and racers in the event. The winners of this event are not the fastest racers, but those who show the most consistency in their races on Sunday and Monday. Sunday night lodging and party will be held at the Best Western Hood River Inn (a NWSCC bronze commercial member). Call early for reservations - 1-800-828-7873 - they go fast! Everyone who attends speaks very highly of the fun aspects of this event, though the underlying fundraiser for cancer research is very serious. Check the website at www.cancerski.org for further details about this extremely worthy event. NWSCC will have its own team this year in support of our good friend Mike German of FWSA, who has been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. NWSCC will present an award this year to the the club team that raises the most \$\$ donations for this worthy cause. The award will be five all-day lift tickets at Mt. Hood Meadows to the five members of the winning team. Team members must be members of NWSCC clubs to qualify for the award. Contact Randy Lew at 503-682-1563 or fwsa13randy@comcast.net.

How about a really special summer trip? **Cascade Prime Timers** is again sponsoring a **Belgium & Holland by Bike & Barge Trip, July 7-21, 2006**. The barge is your hotel, restaurant and baggage carrier, and this is the only group on it! You are served gourmet breakfasts and dinners on the barge, and you make sandwiches to carry with you for lunch. The barge supplies a bicycle for everyone, with guided tours every day that meet the barge each evening at its new location. Bike rides are easy or moderate, or you can just stay on the barge. Each good-size cabin has 2 beds and a private bathroom. The estimated cost of \$2,395 does not include airfare to Brussels or train fare. This is the second year that Ellie Betts has run this trip; contact Ellie at 503-292-8236 or elliebetts@earthlink.net for further information or to join one of the 25 lucky people on this trip.

PACRAT RACING:

The first PACRAT race was held January 8. Results will be out soon; check the website. Other scheduled races are:

January 29	Mt. Hood Meadows
March 5	Mt. Hood Meadows
March 19	Mt. Hood Skibowl
March 26	(makeup race, ONLY if another race is canceled due to weather)
April 2	Mt. Hood Meadows
April 7	Rat Attack (end of season party)

PACRAT will communicate with its team captains and racers only through their website and e-mail. Your team start order and the race results will be published on the website. Don't be late for your start time, or you might not get to race; the course will be pulled when the last team has run, and you might be out of luck if you show up late. Contact Jack Folliard (jfolliard@comcast.net) or 503-975-4488 (cell) for information, or check the PACRAT website at WWW.PACRATS.ORG. Note that Special Olympics will again have a PACRAT team this year, to assist them in preparation for their big statewide races.

NWSCC TRAVEL:

Please contact our Director of Travel, Debbi Kor-Lew, at ijustwannarun@aol.com or 503-682-1563, 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.

2005-06 NWSCC SKI TRIPS

The following NWSCC ski trips are scheduled for this ski season:

Telluride (FWSA Ski Week)	Feb. 4-11, 2006
Mt. Bachelor (have your club join us!)	Mar. 17-19, 2006
Whistler/Blackcomb (w/Sno Joke)	April 6-9, 2006

Mt. Bachelor, March 17-19, 2006. This is a "casual trip," though we will celebrate St. Patrick's Day. Make your own arrangements at various lodging venues in Bend. Many are staying at the Marriott Fairfield Inn, 1626 NW Wall Street, Bend, OR (541-318-1747). Continental breakfast, big pool & hot tub, all for \$59 per night - Call before February 15 and mention the "NWSCC room block." A number of members from Altair Ski Club will be in attendance. NWSCC will host a party on Saturday afternoon at the mountain. The Seventh Mountain Inn has skier packages - see their website: www.seventhmountain.com. Also check out Mt. Bachelor's lodging partners.

Whistler/Blackcomb, April 6-9, 2006. This trip is open to all members of all clubs. While we won't be running a bus from Portland this year (it would add \$155 to the trip cost, and would need a minimum of 40 people), Whistler is still an easy day drive from Portland. Prices start at \$307 pp, with 4 in a 1-bedroom suite; to \$345 pp/do in a hotel room; to \$365 pp/do in a 1-bedroom suite. For this great price you get 3 nights' lodging at the Delta Inn in the North Village, daily in-room continental breakfast, 3 days' lift tickets, a welcome reception, buffet dinner at Buffalo Bills, one Fresh Tracks breakfast on Saturday, and much more! Payment in full is due NOW. Contact Debbi Kor-Lew at 503-682-1563 or ijustwannarun@aol.com if interested.

FAR WEST SKI ASSOCIATION /TRAVEL:

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

FWSA Ski Week 2007 will be held at **Steamboat, Colorado!** Deposits will be taken after the Telluride trip is over.

FWSA INTERNATIONAL TRIPS

For information on all FWSA International trips go to www.FWSA.org or contact Tucker Hoffmann, FWSA VP International Travel by email TravelFWSA@aol.com or phone 510-278-5900.

NORTHWEST SNOWSPORTS ADVOCATES NEWS:

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.

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.

Half Price Ski Days at Crystal Mountain (3/10/06) and Stevens Pass (3/26/06)!! Both require members to show their FWSA/NWSCC card; in addition, Stevens Pass is requesting preregistration to receive the \$25 price. Thanks to Maureen Richards of S'No Joke Ski Club for arranging for these discounts!

Still interested in purchasing a **Mt. Hood Meadows 10-time Punch Pass** at a discount? You can still do so by going to the Meadows sales office at 1975 S.W. First Avenue, Portland, and show your FWSA/NWSCC membership card. They will sell you a pass for the discounted price of \$295.

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**.

And don't forget our **fleet pricing at Carr Subaru!** It's not just on **Subaru**, but also on **new or used Chevrolet, GMC, and Cadillac vehicles!** Check the NWSCC website for the link; e-mail NWSCC for the sign in and password.

MISCELLANEOUS, BUT FUN, INFORMATION:

We have early notification this year: The **Subaru Race and Ace (ski and golf!)** is expanding to three events in 2006, and offers early-season pricing for those who register now. In addition to their signature **Central Oregon event on May 6, 2006**, the Subaru Race and Ace will debut in Washington at

Snoqualmie Summit and Newcastle Golf's Coal Creek Course on April 1st and at **Idaho's Tamarack Resort on May 20th**. North America's premier ski and golf competition is moving up another notch this year and hopes you'll join in the fun! Be sure to visit their new website for more information at www.raceandace.com.

NWSCC Clubs Support Charity Organizations Through Skiing/Snowboarding Events! Mark down these events and participate to help these worthy causes!

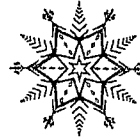
- * **COCANN Free Ski Day @ Mt. Bachelor**, Jan 27, 2006. Food drive for underserved in Bend, OR
- * **Bavarian Night @ Mt. Ashland**, Jan 28, 2006. Fundraiser for Ski Patrol.
- * **Rotary Club Ski Night @ Mt. Hood Meadows**, Jan 30, 2006. Hood River Rotary Club Scholarships.
- * **Pure Vertical Challenge @ Mt. Hood Skibowl**, Feb 12, 2006. Fundraiser for Cystic Fibrosis.
- * **Scotty Graham Memorial Extreme Competition @ Mt. Hood Skibowl**, Feb 17-19. Scholarships fundraiser.
- * **Jimmie Heuga Snow Express @ Crystal Mountain**, Feb 24-26, 2006. Fundraiser for Jimmie Heuga Ctr/MS.
- * **Winter Special Olympics Weekends @ Mt. Bachelor & Mission Ridge**.
- * **Oregon Cancer Ski Out @ Mt. Hood Meadows**, Mar 5-6, 2006. Benefit Hospice Program/Cancer Inst.
- * **Vegetate X @ Mt. Hood Meadows**, Mar 10-12, 2006. Snowboard & Ski for Native Wildflowers.
- * **Vertical Challenge @ White Pass**, Mar 11-12, 2006. Fundraiser for American Cancer Society.
- * **Vertical Challenge @ Anthony Lakes**, Mar 25, 2006. Fundraiser for American Cancer Society.
- * **Ski & Ride Against Hunger @ Mt. Ashland**, Apr 2, 2006. 5 cans of food for free lift ticket.
- * **Riders For The Cure @ Mt. Bachelor**, April 15, 2006. Supports Sarah Fisher Breast Health Project.
- * **Golden Rose Ski Classic @ Timberline**, Jun 3, 2006. Supports Mt. Hood Ski Education Foundation.

Looking for an unusual gift? **Skiyente** has published a great **cookbook: "Downhill Delights,"** with lots of pictures of skiers and Mt. Hood, with 150 time tested Skiyente recipes. It's a great gift item for only \$10.

NEWSLETTER: We are going to try to deliver as many newsletters as possible in PDF format. September was our first attempt, and of course we had a lot of bad addresses. We urge clubs to receive the newsletter in PDF format and forward on to all their club members - a great way to share what's new with the Council, member benefits, and trip information. If you start receiving a .pdf and would rather receive a mailed copy, please contact Linda McGavin at lindam@mcewengisvold.com or 503-412-3531.

SKIYENTE SKI CLUB 50TH ANNIVERSARY Mt. Hood Museum

JANUARY 28, 2006
3 P.M.-7 P.M.



Est. 1955



Est. 2005



You're Invited to Our Celebration !!

Afternoon apres ski party to feature:

- * Silent Auction (3-6:30 pm)
- * Cathedral Ridge Winery
in the historical ski room
(no host)
- * Display of Skiyente &
Mt. Hood History

- * Live Music
- * Ltd. Edition commemorative posters, pins, cookbooks
- * Women's Historical Ski-wear Display
- * Light hors d'oeuvres (complimentary)
- * Please, join us!



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

GOLD MEMBERS:
Mt. Hood Meadows Ski Area, OR
GI Joe's, OR & WA
Sun Valley, ID

SILVER MEMBERS:
Amtrak
BC Ski Country, Canada (Apex, Big White, Silver Star, Sun Peaks)
Big Sky Resort, MT
Carr Auto Group
Intrawest (Whistler/Blackcomb, Panorama, Tremblant, Copper, Winter Park, Squaw)
Moonlight Basin Ski Area, MT
Resorts of the Canadian Rockies (Fernie, Kimberley)
Seventh Mountain Resort, Bend, OR
Ski Big 3 (Banff, Lake Louise, Sunshine, Fairmont Hotels)
Ski Chalet, Portland, OR
Tamarack Resort, ID
Timberline Ski Area, OR

BRONZE MEMBERS:
Anthony Lakes, OR
Big Mountain, MT
Best Western Hood River Inn, OR
Brundage Mountain, ID
Cooper Spur Mountain Resort, OR
Hillcrest Ski & Sports, Gresham, OR
Huckleberry Inn, Gov't Camp, OR
Jackson Hole Mountain Resort, WY
Journal Graphics, Portland, OR
The Mountain Shop, Portland, OR
Mt. Hood Ski Bowl, OR
NA Charters
Schweitzer Mountain Resort, ID
Shopzilla.com (NEW!!)
Signal Sports (in the Pearl District - NEW!!)
Ski-Pak/Pacific NW Tours
Stay & Play Hood at Collins Lake Resort
Vail/Heavenly Ski Resorts

HONORARY MEMBERS:
Barbara Presentin-Parshall - Re/Max Equity Group
Best Western Hood River Inn, OR
Grouse Mountain Lodge, Whitefish, MT
Mt. Ashland, OR
Mission Ridge Ski Area, WA
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.

WWW.NWSKIERS.ORG - E-Groups:

E-Letter: General list subscription. This is not a chat room, and does not allow replies. Subscribers receive messages from NWSCC regarding trips, events, and benefits.

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.

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. This suggestion comes to you from Emilio Trampuz of Mountain High Snowsport Club, who has decided to do it rather than digest it for the club.

NORTHWEST SKI CLUB COUNCIL

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NEXT MEETING:

**Wednesday, January 18, 2006
7:00 PM - COME EARLY TO SOCIALIZE**

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EVERYONE IS WELCOME!!**

**← NOTE
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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