



NWSCC NEWSLETTER AND CALENDAR SEPTEMBER 2006

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**Join us on September 20 for
the regular NWSCC meeting.
Guest speaker: Mt. Hood
Meadows.**

FREE PIZZA AND SOFT DRINKS!!!

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

SKI NOTES FROM THE PREZ ...

Skis, skiing, snow, winter, ski trips, ski racing, ski shows, snowboards, ski equipment. Funny, it's still summer to me, but my days are filled mostly with ski-related events!! I'm still soaking up the summer rays, but excitedly perusing my copy of Skiing Magazine "Gear Guide" and checking out all the options that might help me get down the slopes better, be it in form or fashion!

We took a month off and it felt good to have that break, but we're in full-on ski mode now - the ski season will be here before we know it. Club membership renewals are due, NW Skiers' Directory will debut soon, Warren Miller movie next month, Portland Ski Show in early Nov, followed by Ski Fair, and Seattle Ski Show in late November. I look forward to seeing many of you at our Council meetings and please plan to join us on October 18th for "Officers Night," where we'll meet at the Lucky Lab in Multnomah. One spot is still available on the FW SA Ski Week to Steamboat - sign up soon - you can also get on a waiting list!!

Hey clubs--want to promote your club membership? You can do so at the upcoming Sept 23rd Mt. Hood Heritage Day in Government Camp. Great stuff going on up there--Museum open house, booths, silent auction/raffle, buffet dinner, and lots of family fun.

Many thanks to Marilyn Sigler and Gary Stevenson for putting on the Council golf tournament in late July. And please welcome Barbara Bousum as our new Director of Travel. Debbi Kor has become our Director of Special Events.

The Challenge is on - SKI OREGON AND WASHINGTON CHALLENGE that is. Ski the resorts, gather up your lift tickets and win prizes!!!

Mary Olhausen, President

2006 SKI FAIR - November 6, 2006, Monarch Hotel,
12566 SE 93rd Avenue, Clackamas, OR (I-205 & Sunnyside
Road, Exit 14, West Side of 205)

Take advantage of this early opportunity to visit with snowsport industry reps, see new fashions, and visit other club members. Doors open at 6:00 pm. Admission is FREE and this event is open to the public—so invite all your co-workers, friends & neighbors. The show highlights ski/snowboard resorts, retailers and clubs. Also a fashion show, safety programs, racing programs, and helmet sales.

No host beverages available. The **SILENT AUCTION** will offer some awesome ski trips and equipment. For more information, please call 360-892-1814, omary52@comcast.net, www.nwskiers.org

DONATE - DONATE -

At SKI FAIR, we're having a **Silent Auction and Raffle** to benefit the many programs who receive NWSCC's support, including the new Mt. Hood Museum, Northwest Snowsport Foundation, Special Olympics, and many others. Any item you are willing to donate for this exciting and fun event will be appreciated! Items should be new—suggestions range from ski equipment/clothing; lift tickets; services such as restaurants/catering, sports, car repair, entertainment—just about anything you can think of!! In return for your support, you will be listed in our program with telephone numbers and/or web site information (if you wish), and we'll also display any promotional literature that you provide.

If you are interested in booth space, volunteering for this fun kick-off event, or donating items, please contact Mary Olhausen at omary52@comcast.net (360-892-1814).

2006 SKI & SNOWBOARD SHOWS

We have two ski shows coming up in November - one in Portland and one in Seattle. We will need volunteers for both shows.

PORTLAND SKIFEVER & SNOWBOARD SHOW

Portland Expo Center, 2060 North Marine Drive, Portland, OR 97217

Friday, November 3:	1:00 pm - 10:00 pm
Saturday, November 4:	10:00 am - 10:00 pm
Sunday, November 5:	10:00 am - 6:00 pm

WASHINGTON SKI & SNOWBOARD EXPO

Seattle Qwest Field Event Center, 1000 Occidental Avenue, S., Seattle, WA 98134

Friday, October 28:	12:00 pm - 10:00 pm
Saturday, October 29:	10:00 am - 8:00 pm
Sunday, October 30:	10:00 am - 6:00 pm

The ski shows are a great venue to showcase your club and its membership benefits. All clubs in NWSCC are welcome to display their brochures/photos. Please keep in mind that we all share one booth and one table. When volunteering to staff the booth, you will be representing all of NWSCC's member clubs and the Council as a whole. Clubs can set up starting the day before each of the shows. We have a 10x10 Booth, with an 8' skirted table, at each show.

For volunteering at the Portland show, you will receive FREE admittance to the Ski Show. Please contact Mary Olhausen at 360-892-1814 (omary52@comcast.net) to volunteer for a shift - typically two hours. The show is a lot of fun with all the major ski resorts & retailers showing their goods----it's also a great place to purchase new equipment!

SKI OREGON AND SKI WASHINGTON

CHALLENGES: Back for its second year is the NWSCC Ski Oregon Challenge. If you ski 9 out of 11 ski areas in Oregon during the 2006-07 ski season you could win equipment, services, lift tickets or a ten-time punch pass at Mt. Hood Meadows for the 2007-08 ski season. Extra credit will be given for the 2 optional areas: Spout Springs and Warner Canyon.

NWSCC is expanding its Ski Challenge to the 14 ski areas in the State of Washington. To meet the Challenge you have to ski/ride at least 10 of these during the ski season. If you ski 10 of the 14 ski areas in Washington during the 2006-07 ski season you could win equipment, services or lift tickets for Washington ski areas in the 2007-08 ski season. Extra credit

will be given for the 4 optional areas: Hurricane Ridge, Leavenworth, North Cascade Heli-Skiing and Cascade Powder Cats.

More information and the Ski Challenge rules are posted on our website at www.nwskiers.org. Contact Steve Coxen, email: stevecoxen@aol.com or phone: 503-679-9022.

CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES BY CLUBS:

Does your club do good deeds for your community and support charitable events? We want to hear from you!! Please let Mary Olhausen know of your club's support of such events so that we can share the information with other clubs and FWSA.

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

PACRAT RACING:

PACRAT race dates for next year are:

1st race	-	2nd Sunday in January (1-14-07)	Timberline
2nd race	-	4th Sunday in January (1-28-07)	Meadows
3rd race	-	3rd Sunday in February (2-18-07)	Ski Bowl
4th race	-	2nd Sunday in March (3-11-07)	Meadows
make-up	-	4th Sunday in March (3-25-07)	Meadows
5th race	-	1st Sunday in April (for 2007 only - Saturday, March 31st)	Bachelor/FWRA
Rat Attack	-	2nd Friday in April (4-13-07)	

Contact Jack Folliard (jfolliard@comcast.net) or 503-975-4488 (cell) for information, or check the PACRAT website at WWW.PACRATS.ORG.

CLUB INFORMATION:

The Mt. Hood Cultural Center and Museum will host its annual **Heritage Day Saturday, September 23, 2006, in Government Camp**. This is a fun one-day event, with a fabulous dinner and huge silent auction, and is also a great chance to see the improvements in Government Camp! One fundraising project right now is for an in-museum store to help cover operating expenses. The Museum needs volunteers to assist its many projects; for information, contact Sheri Parshall at cougskier@aol.com or 503-245-3782.

Schnee Vogeli Ski Club will have its annual **PRAY FOR SNOW DANCE** at Government Camp **November 11**. Once again tickets will be limited and will be sold by club members. They should also be available at NWSCC meetings in September and October.

Skiyente Ski Club is following up its highly successful "Kid's Trip" to Big White with an Amtrak train trip to **Big Mountain, Montana**, scheduled for **January 30-February 4, 2007**.

Details to follow. This trip will open up to other clubs later this summer, following a chance for their members to sign up.

Mountain High Snowsport Club is planning two trips for its members next year that may also be open to other Council club members. The first is a trip to **Eden, Utah, February 9-16** to ski both Snowbasin and Powder Mountain. As an experiment, the club is offering options of either a shorter 5 day trip, staying in hotel-type accommodations, or a week-long trip staying in condos. The second trip will be a St. Patrick's Day weekend trip (**March 16-19**) to ski **Mission Ridge and Stevens Pass, Washington**, with lodging in Leavenworth, Washington.

Bergfreunde is planning two major ski trips this coming season, one to Whistler and one to Utah (**February 3-10, 2007**), and they have a number of shorter trips as well. Their Utah "Winter Fun" trip will allow members to downhill, cross country ski, snowshoe and hike in many different places, from Brian Head, to Sundance, through the Cottonwood Canyons near Salt Lake, to Snowbasin near Ogden.

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.

FAR WEST SKI ASSOCIATION:

THE COUNCILMAN NEWSLETTER is available online at www.FWSA.org. Very few are being mailed, and this publication used to only go out to ski club and council officers. You can learn a lot by looking at this publication online, where you will have color pictures and links!

Panama Canal Cruise, October 29-November 11, 2006.

Sail from San Diego with stops in Acapulco and Huatulco in Mexico, Puntarenas in Costa Rica, then cruise the Panama Canal. In the Caribbean the cruise ship will stop at Oranjestad, Aruba before docking in San Juan, Puerto Rico. Prices range from \$1,218 pp to \$2,118 depending on the cabin berth selected. Prices do not include airfare to San Diego or from San Juan. \$450 deposit per person due April 4, 2006. To see the flyer and sign up sheet check the FWSA website. For additional information go to the webpage at www.fwsacruises.com.

FWSA Ski Week 2007 will be held at **Steamboat, Colorado January 27-February 3!** The cost is going to be \$1,215 with air from Portland, \$1,250 with air from Eugene, and includes a special sleigh ride/dinner for NWSCC participants. \$700 deposits are now due. Only 1 spot remains at the time of publishing this newsletter, but a waiting list will be established,

and there is a chance that you could still go! The trip captain is Rod Robinson of Altair Ski & Snowsport Club in Eugene. Contact Rod at rdrobinson@aol.com or 541-344-7170. See flier sent with this newsletter.

For racers who like to get started early, the **Keystone Nationals** sponsored by **Far West Racing Association** will be held **January 17-21, 2007** at Keystone, Colorado. This event is open to any club or council in the entire United States, and there is a NATIONAL winner!

FWSA INTERNATIONAL TRIPS

For information on all FWSA International trips go to www.FWSA.org or contact the new FWSA VP of International Travel, Norm Azevedo, by email fwsaitravel@sbcglobal.net or phone 925-944-9816. The 2007 FWSA International Trip has just been announced. It is to Bormio, Italy, from March 3-11, with a potential "post" trip to Florence and Rome. The base trip price is \$1,335-\$1,440 depending upon choice of lodging. See flier attached to this newsletter, or check out the FWSA website for up-to-the-minute information. Deposits should be made promptly, as the international European trips tend to sell out early!! \$200 deposits are required, and are nonrefundable.

FWSA has just announced that it is also offering a **15 to 21 day China/Tibet tour** departing **September 14, 2007**. The group will take a passenger train from Beijing to Lhasa, Tibet (altitude 13,000', oxygen provided in the railcar). Excursion options will include Beijing and Shanghai. Refundable \$200 deposits are being taken now - get yours in fast if you are interested!

Check out the FWSA website for other great information, including information on the **FWSA Athletic Scholarship**. Forms are available on the website.

Far West Racing Association has chosen **Mt. Bachelor, Oregon**, as the site of its 2007 Championships to be held **March 30-April 1, 2007!** If you are planning a trip for your club to Mt. Bachelor, make it this weekend and join us for a special party hosted by NWSCC to welcome all racers. PACRAT racers are automatically eligible as well! **The PACRAT board is working on plans to schedule the final 2007 PACRAT race at Mt. Bachelor on Saturday, March 31**, to make it easier for PACRAT racers to participate in this exciting event.

Plan early to qualify for these races - you will need to race in three qualifying races next season before the championships. PACRAT racers are automatically eligible; with advance notice non-PACRAT racers may be allowed to ski the PACRAT courses for qualifying times; and there are several other local races which qualify, including the Skiyente sponsored Masters Race.

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.

NWSA HOT NEWS FLASH: Forest Revision Plans

The USDA Forest Service is moving forward with its Forest Revision Plan. As the Forest Service considers rewriting the long-term regulations and guidelines for management of public forests and lands, all concerned citizens are urged to stay in contact with both their local forest office and the Region 6 headquarters. The USDA Forest Service needs to hear from the people who recreate on public lands, especially how, where and when you recreate, and, perhaps more importantly, what future plans you believe the Forest Service should be considering in its land use regulations and guidelines. For more information on the status of the Forest Revision Plan in your area, go to one of the websites below:

Colville, Okanogan, and Wenatchee National Forests:

www.fs.fed.us/r6/colville/cow

Umatilla, Wallowa-Whitman, and Malheur National

Forests: www.fs.fed.us/r6/uma/blue_mtn_planrevision/

Public Input Needed for Proposed Roadless Areas in

National Forests: Roadless areas are a hot topic, and some proposed roadless areas will impact multiple groups of forest users (alpine and cross-country skiers to snowmobilers and ATV riders). Those proposed roadless areas include potential lands that may be important for future ski area developments and expansions. Our message is simple. Roadless protections are good, but not within a ski area (management) boundary, not within a ski area's permit boundary, and not in any areas that have been allocated for ski area development (as a result of forest plan adoption). **Common sense** would tell you not to designate roadless areas within a ski area boundary perimeter ... but this has occurred at White Pass already. **Common sense** would tell you not to designated roadless areas in ski area permit areas ... but this has already occurred at Stevens Pass. **Common sense** would tell you not to designate roadless areas on forested lands where there is great ski area development potential ... but this just occurred at 49 Degrees North.

All comments must be received by October 13. There are workshops on **September 18** (Olympia) and **September 19** (Spokane). Written comments and public testimony is needed from the ski community. There are three ways to submit comments to Governor Gregoire's office in Olympia on how roadless areas should be protected:

1) Submit the "Washington Roadless Areas Comment Form" online by clicking on the "Protecting Roadless Areas Public Input" link on the Governor's website:

www.governor.wa.gov/roadless

2) You can download the "Washington Roadless Areas Comment Form" by clicking on the "Protecting Roadless Areas Public Input" link on the Governor's website: www.governor.wa.gov/roadless, fill in the form and mail to:

Roadless Areas Comments
Governor's Executive Policy Office
PO Box 43113
Olympia, WA 98504-3113

3) Attend one of the workshops in Olympia or Spokane and submit the comment form in person at the workshop. Please refer to the **Northwest Snowsports Advocates** web page at www.nwskiers.org for a list of talking points.

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 is constantly adding new benefits!**

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 **skiclub** and the password is **member**.

If you don't know if a place offers a discount or not, sometimes just showing your FWSA card and asking if they give a discount, saying that other places do, has sometimes resulted in a surprise discount for those who have tried it.

MISCELLANEOUS, BUT FUN, INFORMATION:

Recap of NWSCC Golf "4-Play" Tournament: The golfers had a great time on July 30th at Oregon City Golf course, at this 8th annual golf tournament. The seven teams consisted of one from Schnee Vogeli, two from Bergfreunde, two from Mt. High, and one mixed team. Schnee Vogeli took 1st Place!! Much thanks to Marilyn Sigler and Gary Stephenson for putting on the tournament.

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.

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2005-2006 NWSCC COMMERCIAL MEMBERS:

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)
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Ski Chalet, Portland, OR
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Cooper Spur Mountain Resort, OR
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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:

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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.

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, September 20, 2006

7:00 PM - COME EARLY TO SOCIALIZE

ROUND TABLE PIZZA

10070 SW BARBUR BLVD, PORTLAND

503-245-2211

**** DOOR PRIZES!! **
EVERYONE IS WELCOME!!**

**← NOTE
MEETING
LOCATION!!!**

Far West Ski Association Safety Slogan:

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

First With Safety Awareness!

The Northwest Ski Club Council is a member of:

Far West Ski Association: www.fwsa.org

National Ski Council Federation: www.skifederation.org