

# NWSCC NEWSLETTER AND CALENDAR JANUARY 2011

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# NWSCC IS GOING TO QUARTERLY MEETINGS - PLEASE JOIN US!

The next NWSCC meeting will be held March 16 at the Shanghai Noble House (5331 SW Macadam Ave, Portland, OR 97239), starting at 6:00 pm. The meeting will highlight the Season, the FWSA Convention, and Man and Woman of the Year.

(No host food - full menu - great food!)

The next meetings will be on the third Wednesdays of June (Elections) and September (Looking forward to the next Season). Appreciation Night will be held in the summer, TBA.

### **TIMELY ALERTS:**

The first PACRAT race will be held this coming Sunday, January 9, at Timberline.

Monday, January 17 (the MLK holiday) is the Rotary Ski Day at Mt. Hood Meadows. Request the day off, arrange for car-pooling, and go ski your heart out for just \$10, and for a good cause. This is the major fundraiser for the Hood River Rotary's community service projects. The \$10 MHM lift ticket is good from 2 pm-9 pm (night skiing). (Note that even season pass holders cannot ski after 4:00 pm without one of the special fundraiser tickets.) You'll find no host food and beverages in the Finish Line lounge from 7-10 pm. Buy the lift tickets from Rotarians in advance, or at Meadows ticket windows. You can purchase tickets in advance at Hillcrest Ski & Sports, 2506 SE Burnside Road, Gresham, Oregon. Cash only. For questions, call 503-665-4455.

E-mail: <a href="mailto:contact@nwskiers.org">contact@nwskiers.org</a>
Website: <a href="https://www.nwskiers.org">www.nwskiers.org</a>

Remember that **January 31** will be your **last chance** to get your **FREE Club Card** entitling you to buy **Mt**. **Bachelor** tickets for only \$49 apiece - see the last full page of this newsletter for full details, and follow the instructions EXACTLY!

NWSCC is selling awesome Port Authority Microfleece Vests. They are black with the new logo on the left chest. Men's are \$43.00 and women's are \$40.00, with payment due upon order. Send NWSCC a check made out to Dave Rasmussen with a piece of paper stating your name, club name, size wanted (S, M, L, XL, XXL), and telephone number where you can be reached. Vest pickup will be at council meetings. Clubs out of the Portland area can call Dave at 503-667-1839 to work out club orders. We'll get pictures on the website soon!

See the fliers on the website offering NWSCC clubs specials from **Discover Sunriver Vacation Rentals** and from **Collins Lake Resort**.

# 2011 BACHELOR BLAST TRIP!!

Attention, Clubs! The 2011 Bachelor Blast trip will be held April 7-8-9-10-11, 2011! The reason for the "extra" dates is that for the amazing base trip price of \$180 you will have a choice of an extra night lodging FREE (either Thursday night or Sunday night) added on to make your weekend extra special.

Yes, you heard right - \$180 for this trip will get you either two or **three** nights of lodging, **two** lift tickets to Mt. Bachelor, and **one** heavy hors d'oeuvres party on Saturday night! If you want to ski a third day you can get a discounted ticket — or else you can hang around and have a day to relax and unwind, shop, or enjoy access to the fantastic Mavericks recreation facility at Sunriver. See http://www.discoversunriver.com/site/2670/default.aspx

This year we are staying in Mountain View or Meadow House condos with **Discover Sunriver Vacation Rentals**, with 4-6 per condo, depending upon the layout. Trip leader Linda McGavin will work with your club to put your members into condos that fit your needs, if you wish to book a full condo.

Seniors and juniors will get extra discounts: Seniors 65-69 or Teens 13-18 can deduct \$15, and Super Seniors 70+ or Youths 6-12 can deduct \$30 from the basic trip price! Children are welcome on this trip as long as you fill a condo with the minimum number of people who agree to lodge together — we will not assign adults into a condo with children. As an added bonus, if you fill the minimum number of spots in a condo and there are extra bunks or sleeper sofas available, we will give you an additional discount for any further children, making this an extremely affordable family vacation.

The bad news: **We only have 52 spots available** at these incredible prices – so you'll need to book early and contact trip leader Linda McGavin to work out the best condo(s) for your club members. Like other trips, individual club members can sign up directly and will be assigned lodging if they don't have a preference of roommates. So sign up early! **Payment in full is required to hold your spot.** Our volunteer treasurer is a CPA, and at the time of the trip will be buried in tax returns.

And the good news: Your club or group can still participate even after all of our basic trip spots are sold (or even if you would rather stay in a luxury home), because Discover Sunriver Vacation Rentals is giving a special Bachelor Blast discount for ALL homes or condos booked directly with them for this trip — mention Bachelor Blast if you call, or use the code "BACHELORBLAST" if you book online. Everyone still gets a FREE extra night! An amenity package is available for those booking Discover Sunriver properties, starting at \$95 for 2 lift tickets and the party on Saturday night, again with further discounts for seniors and juniors!

Check out the flier and signup sheet, and get the word out to all your club members right away!

# **RECAP OF DECEMBER 15 MEETING:**

On a very bad traffic night about 50 people attended; wonderful treats were auctioned off to benefit the Oregon Food Bank (\$198 was raised!); LOTS of door prizes were given out; and eventually the PACRAT team captains got their bibs. In between we had three guest speakers:

Jared Montague came from Brundage Mountain, Idaho, to update us on what is happening at Brundage. Brundage is located just minutes outside of McCall, Idaho, 2 hours

from Boise, and only 460 miles and a 9 hour drive from Portland. Brundage has been expanding, and now offers 1,800 vertical feet of skiing with 5 lifts and 1,500 acres (and plans for quite a bit more expansion!). It has a wonderful family environment with no lift lines. The skiing includes both great groomers and gladed tree skiing. There is a "go with a pro program" with free guides around the mountain. For those wanting a special experience, snowcat skiing is offered on 19,000 permitted acres at a price starting at only \$239/day plus tax (reduced from \$299 last year!), and the entire snowcat can be rented for a group of up to 10 people for \$1,600 plus tax. There is lots of lodging available in McCall, including a KOA Campground which is open all year. Brundage's lodging partner is the Shore Lodge in McCall, which will offer package rates and has a shuttle to the mountain. The beautiful Lake Payette in McCall has been described as a "mini Lake Tahoe." Check their website at www.brundage.com for details on skiing, group rates, and specials. Thanks to Jared for bringing enough door prizes for about 1/4 of the meeting attendees!

Our next guest speaker was Kristen Lee representing Hope on the Slopes, a benefit for the American Cancer Society, which will be held at Mt. Hood Skibowl March 11 and 12, 2011. This is the third annual event in Oregon. The format is a vertical challenge to raise funds for the American Cancer Society. Individuals can sign up for \$35, or the team cost is \$150 for up to 10 members (early bird rates expired December 31). Lift tickets for participants are reduced to \$35 for the full event. It will be a great party with live bands all 24 hours, BBQ, fun activities, and a celebration of the fight against cancer! Emilio Trampuz will again be in charge of the Torchlight Parade, and will take names of people who want to participate. The number of participants in the parade will be limited by the number of torches available, so sign up early! The parade is an awe inspiring sight as it wends its way down the mountain and the torches are placed into the message "HOPE" at the bottom of the hill! Emilio may be contacted at Emilio2000@earthlink.net. On the official event page: www.oregonhopeontheslopes.org, you can either start your own team for the 24-hour challenge, or join one of the existing teams, or donate to one of the existing teams or individuals. Day-of-the-event volunteers who volunteer at least 4 hours will receive a FREE event lift ticket, good from March 11-12 (1pm-1pm). To volunteer, contact Kristen at Kristen.Lee@cancer.org. Volunteers are needed for 3 hour shifts in the following areas:

- \* staffing the registration table (on Friday),
- \* staffing the BBQ (selling food and drinks),
- \* punching cards in the lift line (to count the number of runs);
- \* set-up crew on Friday morning,
- \* clean-up crew on Saturday afternoon, and
- \* musicians willing to perform live.

Our third speaker was Nancy Chinn, the Executive Director of the Oregon Cancer Ski Out, which will hold its 23rd annual event March 6 and 7, 2011, at Mt. Hood Meadows. A full 97% of the funds raised at this event go directly to four local beneficiaries: OHSU Cancer Institute, Willamette Falls Hospice, Candlelighters, and Hospice of the Gorge, without any restrictions on how they use the donations. See the website at www.CancerSkiOut.org to see more about how these organizations make use of these funds. Over \$627,000 has been raised over the years by this wonderful organization; \$38,000 last year alone! Also on the website you will find all the information and forms necessary to sign up as a team for this year's event, to sign up as a sponsor, to donate, or to learn anything you might want to about the event. registration for a 5-person team is \$1,000 (the early bird price expired December 31). While this may seem like a large amount to some, the cost covers 2 days of skiing; your meals, including 2 breakfasts, 2 lunches, and a fantastic dinner and party at the Best Western Hood River; racing and coaching with a staff that includes Olympians (think the Mahre brothers!); silent and oral auction items; and "serious fun"! Best of all, you don't need to be a serious racer to enjoy this event - the winning team has scores based on the consistency of team race times between the two days of racing! Prizes are awarded to a number of the top teams. Teams and individual team members are also involved in fundraising, both in person and online, and those who raise the most money also win special prizes! Donations are welcome from anyone and may be made through the website, either to a team, individual, or directly to the event! Sponsors are extremely important to this event - all sponsors receive recognition and advertising in the program; sponsors of \$1,000 and over receive longtime recognition by being on the T-shirt given to all participants and volunteers; and lots of recognition, banner placement, etc., throughout the event for major sponsors. If anyone has contacts with potential sponsors for this very worthy event, send them on to Nancy Chinn through the website!!

# PACRAT INFORMATION:

Here are the current race dates:

- Jan 9 Race #1 Timberline
- Jan 23 Race #2 Mt. Hood Meadows
- Feb 6 Race #3 Mt. Hood Skibowl
- Feb 27 Race #4 Timberline
- Mar 13 Race #5 Mt. Hood Meadows
- Mar 20 Make Up Race (if necessary), Location TBD
- Apr 1-3 FWRA Championships, Alpine Meadows, CA
- Apr 15 End of Season Rat Attack Party, The Refectory

For additional information about PACRAT, contact NW SCC or a member club, visit <a href="www.PACRATs.org">www.PACRATs.org</a>, or contact Barb Pressentin at <a href="mailto:BP2Ski@Gmail.com">BP2Ski@Gmail.com</a> or 503-267-0522.

### **CLUB NEWS AND OPEN TRIPS:**

Bergfreunde's 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Lake Tahoe Sampler Trip February 27-March 5 is open to all other clubs - see flier attached on the newsletter web page.

The Mt. Hood Cultural Center and Museum in Government Camp will again be holding Aprés Ski Parties on the second Saturday of February and March from 3:00 to 5:00. HOST CLUBS ARE NEEDED! It's easy to host; all your club needs to do is to provide some appetizers (nothing fancy needed); the Museum arranges for a winery to pour wines. Contact Sheri Parshall at <a href="mailto:cougskier@aol.com">cougskier@aol.com</a> to volunteer your club and get the date of your choice!

S'no Joke Ski Club out of Seattle has a number of trips with spots available for other clubs. Go to the S'no Joke website at <a href="www.snojoke.org/Ski-Trips/SkiTrips.htm">www.snojoke.org/Ski-Trips/SkiTrips.htm</a> or contact Jay or Dorothy Hart at <a href="hart2hart8@hotmail.com">hart2hart8@hotmail.com</a>, and they will put you in touch with the appropriate trip captain.

- (1) Stevens Pass Jan. 21-23, Mountaineers Lodge at Stevens Pass. Why drive back and forth two days in a row for first tracks, when you can have inexpensive slope side lodging with your friends. \$60 includes lodging, 2 breakfasts, 1 dinner. 20 + participants qualifies for group lift ticket rates. Deadline Jan. 8<sup>th</sup>.
- (2) North Lake Tahoe (Squaw Valley, Northstar, Alpine Meadows) Feb. 8-13 If you can arrange your own transportation, you can get a ground package. The condos have been released, but hotel rooms are still available. New additions can sign up in pairs, or get on the waitlist for the condos. \*\*Note, there is one condo spot open for ONE FEMALE, but airfare needs to be self arranged.
- (3) Sun Valley, ID Feb. 17-21 One final two bedroom condo is being held for 4 people. Ground Package \$500; deadline Jan. 15. P.S. Rumor has it that a couple of airlines advertised some good rates straight into Sun Valley.
- (4) Copper Mountain, CO. Mar. 6-12 Have you ever skied Copper before? Now is as good as any time to get great group rates with an experienced Colorado trip leader. Sandra Tone has a group of 20 intermediate to advanced skiers with 3 remaining spots. The trip needs ONE MALE. This trip offers FREE Cat skiing plus a day at Keystone.
- (5) Brundage, ID Mar. 23-27 4 days of lodging and skiing for less than \$100 day. Sign-ups in January get in at the \$300 package price, Feb. sign-ups are packaged at \$325. ROADTRIPPPPPP!!!!!
- (6) Whistler, BC Apr. 14-17 Sign up for the traditional end of season pilgrimage to Whistler. This trip generally has in between 60 and 80 participants that just don't know



when to quit. This year's trip provides ski-in/ski out luxury at a bargain rate, care of the Whistler Hilton, just a hop, skip, and jump away from the main gondola. This is one of the few trips that have a few spots left.

Skiyente Ski Club's annual King Winter Dance and Coronation will be February 5, 2011 at Charlie's Mountain View in Government Camp. Tickets are \$10 and may be purchased from any Skiyente member, or at the door. The doors open at 7:00 with the crowning of the 2011 King at 8:00. Skiyente is pleased to announce that the 2011 King is Lloyd Musser, who is currently the curator at the Mt. Hood Museum and Cultural Center and a past Forest Service employee.

Skiyente and Schnee Vogeli jointly sponsor the Masters Mania Race Weekend March 5 and 6, 2011, at Mt. Hood Skibowl. The Turkey Slalom is on March 5 and the Memorial GS is on March 6. The race cost is \$30/day for PNSA/USSA members (with an additional \$25 membership fee if you are not a PNSA/USAA member). Contact Diane Hicks at <a href="mailto:snowwitch@earthlink.net">snowwitch@earthlink.net</a> or call 503-253-5086 for further information.

# NWSCC MAN/WOMAN COMPETITION

NWSCC is holding its annual Man and Woman of the Year competition. We are looking for a man and woman from each club who the club wishes to honor because they have done something special for their club - it's not a campaign or a popularity contest. NEW this year - any club member may directly nominate someone from ANY NWSCC club who they feel is deserving of being chosen as NWSCC's Man and Woman of the Year! You may submit your entries with a description of why the person deserves the honor by email to Colleen Walter at membership@nwskiers.org.

The NWSCC Board will review all Man and Woman of the year nominees and will choose one man and one woman to be NWSCC's 2010-2011 winners. In making their choice NWSCC will consider FWSA's criteria, which includes service not only to a person's club, but also to their Council, their Community, and FWSA. The persons selected will be required to fill out FWSA's forms to enter that competition; NWSCC pays the entry fees.

All the nominees will be recognized at an upcoming NWSCC special event. Those chosen as NWSCC's man and woman of the year are eligible to participate in the FWSA competition at the FWSA Convention in June. Council Men/Women of Year who attend the Convention receive a ski trip to Big White/Silver Star whether or not they are the FWSA winners. The deadline for clubs to submit nominations to NWSCC is March 16, 2011.

JUDGE NEEDED AT FWSA CONVENTION: Each Council in FWSA needs to provide a Judge to serve at the Convention for judging the Man/Woman of the Year competition. Please contact Sheri Parshall for more details and to volunteer for judging. This is a great way to meet other Council/Club members and contribute to FWSA programs.

# **FWSA NEWS AND TRIPS:**

This year's **FWSA Convention** will be held in Industry Hills, California (Los Angeles area) June 9-12, 2011. The Pacific Palms Golf Course (where the tournament will be held) is rated number one in the nation. It is apparently closer to the Ontario airport than the Los Angeles airport.

The **2012 Ski Week** will be in **Jackson Hole, Wyoming**, January 28-February 4, 2012! A \$100 deposit made out to NW SCC will hold your spot, and is fully refundable until July of 2011.

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 <a href="https://www.FWSA.org">www.FWSA.org</a> or contact the FWSA VP of International Travel, Norm Azevedo, by email <a href="mailto:fwsatravel@sbcglobal.net">fwsatravel@sbcglobal.net</a> or phone 925-944-9816.

Upside Down Skiing? Well, at least sking "down under." Be a Hobbit on skis; say hello to some sheep; most importantly, visit with the most wonderful, hospitable people in almost all the world, who live in what some have called paradise. Check out the flier for the FWSA trip to **New Zealand July 24-August 5, 2011** (\$2,891 from SFO/LAX), with a Pre-Trip to **Rarotonga** July 24-27 for only \$250, and a **Sydney/Cairns** post-trip extension August 5-12 starting at \$1,099!

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 would also give you more input into future ski weeks that FWSA plans.

THE NORTHWEST SKI CHALLENGE: Save your lift tickets or credit card receipts from your visits to a minimum of any 7 of the ski areas in Oregon, Washington, and Idaho 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 NWSCC at the end of the season; the winner is usually announced at Appreciation Night in the summer.

#### 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 always needed! See www.nwskiers.org/NWSA/NWSA.htm.

This year three Washington ski areas have new lifts: Crystal Mountain, The Summit at Snoqualmie, and White Pass, and we assisted all of them! Just announced January 7: The Forest Service has approved three projects as an amendment to Crystal Mountain's 2004 Master Development Plan. The projects include the replacement of the High Campbell chairlift, replacement of the wastewater treatment plant and various modifications to the Bullion Basin lift and trails. NWSCC provided favorable support and comments every step of the way.

#### MEMBER BENEFITS AND DISCOUNTS:

Look at the NWSCC website at <a href="www.nwskiers.org">www.nwskiers.org</a> to see an updated list of <a href="mailto:member benefits">member benefits</a> and discounts, and check out the FWSA website at <a href="www.fwsa.org">www.fwsa.org</a> under Membership to see the current discounts. Note Debbi Kor is constantly adding new benefits! <a href="Here's the two newest">Here's the two newest</a> benefits: <a href="Rack Attack">Rack Attack</a> is a full service sport rack company offering our members 15% off any purchase. They are located in the US (Oregon, Colorado, Minnesota, and Maine) and Ontario, Toronto and British Columbia, Canada. Also, we have another new lodging partner: <a href="Painted Buffalo Inn">Painted Buffalo Inn</a>, in Jackson Hole.

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 <a href="www.skifederation.org">www.skifederation.org</a> in the Members Only section. The user name is **skiclub** and the password is **member**. One benefit of note is some really good travel insurance.

Another benefit is Prepaid Legal and Identity Theft Shield (<a href="www.prepaidlegal.com">www.prepaidlegal.com</a>) - \$26.95 Membership (a portion will benefit the FWSA Athletic Scholarship Program). FWSA Members receive wills and estate planning, contracts reviewed, financial and business issues handled efficiently, personal rights protected, traffic tickets and accidents defended, IRS and tax issues covered, identity theft restored and more. Log in: farwest ski, password: WA98668

Closer to home, NWSCC club members can show their membership card at the ticket windows at **Crystal Mountain** on Sunday, **March 27, 2011**, to get **half price lift tickets!** 

### MISCELLANEOUS, BUT FUN, INFORMATION:

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL REGULAR NWSCC MEETINGS ARE "OPEN," AND PARTICIPATION BY CLUB MEMBERS IS ENCOURAGED! Meetings are held the 3rd Wednesday QUARTERLY; 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.

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

Note the attached flier for the **Oregon Cancer Ski Out** to be held at Mt. Hood Meadows **March 6 & 7, 2011**. This is a very fun event which benefits local cancer research and hospice organizations! Teams of 5 race to see which is the most CONSISTENT - you don't have to be a fast racer to help your team win!

#### ALL CLUB CALENDAR:

#### January 2011

14-17	Ridge Condos, Sunriver	Altair
14-17	Gourmet Dine & Ski Sunriver	Bergfreunde
14-18	Sun Peaks, BC, Canada	S'no Joke
14-23	Zermatt, Switzerland	SKIBACS
15-17	Belknap Hot Springs, OR	Bergfreunde
15-22	Sun Valley Reunion Week	Cascade PT
21-23	Silver Mountain, ID (bus)	Desert Ski Club
22-29	Sun Valley, ID	FWSA/All Clubs
23-30	Whistler/Blackcomb Cabin Trip	Mountain High
27-30	Leavenworth: Snoqualmie/	
	Mission Ridge/ Stevens Pass	Mountain High
29-2/6	BC Potpourri, Vancouver, BC	Bergfreunde
31-2/4	Yellowstone (XC, SS)	WIHSKI

### February 2011

4-6	49° North, WA (carpool)	Desert Ski Club
4-13	Zell Am See, Austria	S'no Joke
5	King Winter, Gov't Camp	Skiyente
6-11	Lake Tahoe (DH, XC, SS)	Cascade PT
6-12	Reno/Lake Tahoe	Skihawks
8-13	North Lake Tahoe	S'no Joke
10-14	Hickory Lane/Sunriver	Altair
12-17	Mammoth Mountain, CA	Skihawks
12-18	Sun Peaks, BC, Canada	SKIBACS
12-19	Aspen/Snowmass, CO	Cascade PT
17-21	Red Fir Lane, Sunriver	Bergfreunde
17-21	Sun Valley, ID	S'no Joke
18-20	Winterfest, Bend, OR	Mt. Bachelor
18-21	Snowmass, CO	Desert Ski Club
18-22	Sun Peaks, BC, Canada	WIHSKI
19	Crab Feed, Gov't Camp	Cascade

#### From the NATIONAL SKI CLUB NEWS:

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

A huge THANK YOU goes to Bob Wilbanks of the National Ski Club News for his timely alert (forwarded from Michael Hibbard, President of Sports America) on December 10 that American Airlines was planning to implement a policy of counting a ski bag and a boot bag as separate pieces of luggage, charging \$35 for one as the "second" bag and \$100 for the other as a "third" bag. I immediately sent it out to the entire NWSCC database, and due to prompt and eloquent objections from a wide variety of sources (including NW SCC and Jay Hart of S'no Joke Ski Club), by December 19 the following good news was received: "American Airlines reviewed a number of consumer comments from various ski councils, ski resorts, tour operators and even the National Ski Council Federation regarding their new bag policy. These organizations offered persuasive counter opinions to the new AA position. After a careful review American Airlines has decided to revert back to the original policy of a boot bag and a ski bag shall be considered one item. American will adhere to the more industry standard of a boot bag and a ski bag shall be considered as one bag.

"Please note that American Airlines as well as all other major airlines do not allow clothing, shoes, presents, etc., to be place in a ski or boot bag. (Delta may be an exception - as of today they do not expressly prohibit other items from being places in a boot bag.) If those items are placed in these bags, the bags will be checked as general purpose luggage. If the bags are classified as general luggage they will then be counted as two bags and people will be charged accordingly."

SQUAW VALLEY'S NEW FREE FIRST DAY PROGRAM Squaw Valley USA announces a great new deal where arriving guests can ski the afternoon and evening for free. Simply present a same-day commercial airline boarding pass with a matching photo ID at Squaw Valley's Season Passes & Tickets office and receive a complimentary lift ticket good for the rest of the day as well as night skiing.

Ski Club Trip Leaders - here is a link to current FAM trip offerings (you may need to copy and paste): http://marquimail.marqui.com/marqui/LandingPage.aspx?id=672402&p=1

#### **FROM FWSA NEWS:**

· Liftopia - Identify yourself as a FWSA member and receive discounted lift tickets. Liftopia partners directly with

ski resorts to bring you great lift ticket deals. Book online and save up to 60% at www.liftopia.com.

- Far West Racing Championships April 1-3, 2011 at Alpine Meadows; Special Lift Ticket and Lodging Pricing; Individual and Team Awards; Special Junior Racer Price Silent Auction and Banquet; Child Dinner \$15 (age 0-12).
- · Chamonix-Mont-Blanc, France has been chosen as the site of the 2012 Annual International Ski Week. Put this ski week on your 2012 planning calendar.
- · March 17, 2011 is the deadline for all history-related submittals Western Ski Heritage prize, Club/council History Recognition, Roll of Remembrance, nominations.
- · March 15 is the deadline to apply for the 2011 FWSA Charity and Community Service Recognition Program. The committee will take into consideration the size of the club, the number of charitable activities, and also for each separate activity the preparation time, the number of club participants, and the goal/result/benefit.
- · Far West Ski Foundation will soon launch new websites: http://FWSF.net\_and.http://FarWestSkiFoundation.org
- · The first digital edition of the FWSA Skier's Guide is now online:

www.nxtbook.com/nxtbooks/farwestskiersguide/2010-11

- · History Committee The committee is planning to produce FWSA ski history DVD's. The convention theme is Making History; content is available and can be edited and compiled, and volunteers are willing to provide the backbone for the production. Such DVD's would have long lives in Speakers Bureaus for club, council, and community organizations. Content should be ready for assembly not later than March 1 in order to produce and premiere in June at the Convention.
- · January is Learn to Ski and Snowboard Month A new website for Learn to Ski and Snowboard Month, SkiandSnowboardMonth.org, has been launched to support the January 2011 initiative. The site includes information aimed at consumers and links to individual resorts and state ski associations that are hosting Learn to Ski and Snowboard learning programs in January. Content on the site includes a listing of clubs that can help new members learn from the start and links to special ski area promotions and programs being offered as part of Learn to Ski and Snowboard Month 2011. Learn to Ski and Snowboard Month is an industry initiative organized by the Professional Ski Instructors of America, American Association of Snowboard Instructors, SnowSports Industries America, the National Ski Patrol, the National Ski Areas Association, numerous state and regional resort associations, rep associations, retailers and the snow sports media.

#### · Vail, Beaver Creek to Host Ski World Championships.

The best skiers in the world will converge at Beaver Creek for two weeks in 2015 from Feb 3-Feb 15. After a two-year campaign, Beaver Creek was awarded the 2015 Alpine skiing world championships Thursday at the International Ski Federation Congress in Antalya, Turkey. New facilities: Pending Forest Service approval, Beaver Creek will cut a new trail to host the women's downhill, skier's right of the Birds of Prey men's race course. A new finish stadium will be built at the bottom of Beaver Creek's Birds of Prey race course which would hold 8,000 people. There are also plans for a new Red Tail Camp restaurant at the Beav'. A "new, dramatic stadium" is planned for Vail Mountain, Vail Resorts reported.

· Forms and Guidelines Developed by ski clubs and ski industry — Here you can find an RFP (request for proposal) form developed by federation members along with industry. In addition there are sample by-laws, fam (familiarization trip) guidelines, budget guidelines, and job descriptions for various club offices. Attached on the NWSCC newsletter web page are a Standardized Request for Proposal and Fam Trip Guidelines. Also available from NSCF is a powerpoint Technology and Marketing Workshop Presentation.

CHECK THE NWSCC WEBSITE FREQUENTLY FOR THE LATEST INFORMATION!! You will find all the latest news, as well as informative articles that contain information your club can really use! As part of our P.I.E. program, Powerpoint presentations will be available for presentation at club meetings if desired.

Note: We have stopped mailing any copies of the NW SCC newsletter, as there were only 5 people who did not have email addresses ... sorry, guys!

# NWSCC BENEFIT: Mt. Bachelor will offer a FREE picture "Club Card" to NWSCC club members.

- 1. For the general public: Up until the lifts opened for the year Mt. Bachelor was offering a "club card" picture pass for \$29 that will allow purchase of \$50 non-holiday lift tickets online (excluded dates are 12/26/10-1/2/10; 1/15-16/10; 2/19-20/10).
- \* The \$29 Club Card offers members the ability to pre-purchase lift tickets at the lowest rate of \$50 non-holiday, regardless of whether it's a higher-priced day, offering a discount of up to \$20 per day!
- \* Club Cards are non-transferrable photo ID cards that allow members to bypass the lift ticket window and go straight to the lifts.
- \* Club Cards can be loaded with daily lift tickets in advance online through the Mt. Bachelor eStore
- \* New for 2010/11 members will Ski FREE on their 7th day! (following 6 paid days)
- 2. NWSCC club members can go to the Sports Desk at Bachelor up **through January 31** and get that same card for FREE by showing your NWSCC membership card and picture ID. (The card cannot be obtained for free at ski shows or other places Mt. Bachelor sells them.)
- 3. On the day you pick up the Club Card, you can "load" it with your credit card with multiples of \$50. In the future you can load it up any time online before arriving at the mountain. When you get to the mountain, you can go directly to the lifts and, as you pass through, \$50 will be deducted from your balance on the Club Card. Note that you can load the card in person at the Sports Desk only the first time. After that, you'll need to do it online, using a credit card.

Thanks, Mt. Bachelor, for this great benefit!!

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#### **NEXT MEETING:**

Wed., MARCH 16, 2011, 6:00 P.M.

SHANGHAI NOBLE HOUSE 5331 SW MACADAM AVE. PORTLAND, OR 97239 ← NOTE THERE IS NOT A MEETING THIS MONTH!

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