

# NWSCC NEWSLETTER AND CALENDAR JUNE 2007

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Join us on June 20 for the regular NWSCC meeting - ELECTIONS; Presentation of Awards to Ski Oregon & Ski Washington Challenge Winners

## SKI NOTES FROM THE PREZ ...

Golfing, rafting, hiking, biking - bring on the sunshine and let the summer activities begin! OH, but wait, I can still ski here in Oregon all summer. Too many choices! And while we're busy soaking up the sun, ski trip captains are busy making winter plans for us. It'll be another great season of ski trips. If you want a trip that offers fabulous skiing, shopping, and dining, then sign up for 2008 SKI WEEK at Whistler Blackcomb. The Village is overwhelming with so much to see and do. There's great accommodations and lots of apres' ski activities on this trip. I hope to see many of you at the Clubs-4-Play Golf Tournament on July 29th. The winning team gets \$100 donated to the charity of their choice. Elections are this month - step up and help steer the Council!! FWSA Convention just took place - 17 from NWSCC attended and we scored in the awards section. Way to go NWSCC clubs!! See separate report for all the details. OK--go out and enjoy the great outdoors and sunshine - ski season will be here before you know it!!!!

Mary Olhausen, President

## NWSCC ELECTIONS!!!

NW SCC is taking names of people who want to run for office in this great organization we have. Elections will be held at the June 20 NW SCC meeting, and we encourage all clubs to have their representatives available at the meeting to VOTE! Nominations will be accepted for President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer, as well as two Board of Directors

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positions. The Board positions are "open" and people don't run for a specific director position. Following the election the President, with the assistance of the elected Board members, will assign duties to the elected directors and appoint persons to the remaining director positions. Please contact Steve Coxen at <a href="mailto:sacoxen@aol.com">sacoxen@aol.com</a> or 503-635-0974 if you are interested in running for office. Please note that several officers will NOT be running again, and we need YOU to join us in running the BEST ski club council in the United States!! Board members attend two meetings a month and perform other duties as necessary.

The NWSCC president runs meetings, chairs the Executive Board, and represents NWSCC at FWSA board meetings and the National Ski Council Federation.

The Vice President assumes the duties of the president when needed, and performs other duties as assigned.

The Treasurer maintains Council finances. Experience with bookkeeping software is necessary; the Council currently uses Quickbooks. We are in urgent need of a treasurer, as Linda Coxen is stepping down after many years.

The Secretary records council meeting minutes and Board minutes and handles correspondence as needed.

Please note that PACRAT also has elections, and that Jack Folliard is stepping down as PACRAT Chair.

## CLUBS 4 PLAY GOLF TOURNAMENT: 7/29/07!!

Send in your money and application NOW to be able to join NWSCC in this totally-for-fun tournament! July 10 is the absolute deadline for signups. The \$50 entry fee includes golf, a light breakfast, lunch, snacks and prizes! This is the 9th annual tournament, and will again be held at the Oregon City Golf Course. The winning club will receive a \$100 donation to the charity of their choice; other prizes will be awarded. Contact Marilyn Sigler at 360-883-6937 or marski@teleport.com, or else Mary Olhausen at omary52@comcast.net. See attached flier for mailing information for teams.

## NORTHWEST SKIERS' DIRECTORY COVER CONTEST: PHOTOS BEING ACCEPTED NOW! The

prize is a ten-time pass to Mt. Hood Meadows. Photos should be sent to our graphic designer, Leslie Baird, at <a href="mailto:leslieb@aracnet.com">leslieb@aracnet.com</a>. The photos should be capable of being cropped to a vertical format for our cover (but don't crop them yourself). Leslie will want them in high resolution if they are a good candidate for the cover contest. The deadline is July 31; prospective covers will be submitted for voting at the August Council meeting.

Note that photos of all types of club activities are also needed for the body of the Directory - there isn't a prize, but you will get to see your name credit next to your picture!

## 2007 SKI OREGON AND SKI WASHINGTON CHALLENGES

Prizes will be awarded at the June NWSCC meeting to thosewho completed the 2007 Ski Oregon and Washington Challenges. Go to the Council website at <a href="https://www.nwskiers.org">www.nwskiers.org</a> for complete details and to read about the experiences of these participants.

## 2007 FAR WEST SKI ASSOCIATION CONVENTION:

As usual, Convention was a blast!! From the Pub Crawl, to Friday activities, to the Silent Auction, to the Travel Expo, to the media presentation, to Sat night awards banquet & dance, to the eye opener and general meeting - all 17 of us had a fantastic time and I think everyone came away with something useful to share with their clubs. NWSCC clubs can really give themselves a pat on the back - we had Rod and Becki Robinson from Altair Ski Club representing us as Man & Woman of The Year (they each received a 2-day trip to Big White!). Skiyente Ski Club took first place in the Charities Recognition Award (\$100 to charity of choice). Emilo Trampus of Mt. High Ski Club won the Safety Person of The Year award (he wins a week at Steamboat for two). The following awards are competed in according to size of club: Outstanding Web Site Award went to Bergfreunde Ski Club-1st Place and NW Council-1st Place. Outstanding Newsletter Award went to Bergfreunde Ski Club-1st Place and NW Council-3rd Place. Outstanding Club Awards in their separate classes went to Bergfreunde Ski Club-3rd Place; Mountain High-1st Place; Skiyente Ski Club-2nd Place. And Jeanne Reinhardt won the grand prize, a trip to FWSA 2008 Ski Week, for participating in Travel Expo - she had her "passport" completed and it was the lucky one drawn for this prize. This year Debbi Kor-Lew and Mary Olhausen stepped up to the plate and took over the Sponsorships and Silent Auction for FWSA. Huge shoes to fill, but they did it!!! For their efforts, they were both awarded the "Presidents Award" from FWSA President, Randy Lew. Both jobs, while very challenging, were a very rewarding experience, for Debbi and Mary. And the good news is they've both signed up for 2008! Speaking of 2008 Convention--we are excited to be going to Bellevue, WA where the Seattle-based clubs will be assisting with lots of the details. Join us June 5-8 at the Meydenbauer Center in Bellevue.

## RECAP, MAY NWSCC MEETING:

Without a guest speaker, we had general discussions of the Far West Ski Association Convention and what to expect.

NWSCC will be the host of the 2008 FWSA Convention to be held in Bellevue, Washington, June 5-8, 2008.

Mark your calenders now so as not to miss this event!

Debbi Kor-Lew told about a **Big Sky** trip being planned for Mountain High Snowsport Club for February 20-25, 2008, in conjunction with the Scottsdale Ski Club out of Arizona. She is working on pricing with Snow Tours. The trip will be open to members of other clubs.

Barbara Bousum, NWSCC's Director of Travel, and John Reinhardt, our Vice President, are planning a trip to Silver Star, BC, Canada, for NWSCC's annual December trip. Details to follow.

Emilio Trampuz of Mountain High Snowsport Club spoke about his plans for a "different" Ski Safari in early December. For a number of years club members have done a driving trip to use the free ski tickets that come with attendance at the Warren Miller movie, going to central British Columbia and visiting Apex Mountain, Big White, Silver Star, and Sun Peaks. If anyone wants to do that type of Ski Safari, enough details are posted on the Mountain High website (www.mthigh.org) to plan your own trip. Ever the adventurer, Emilio wants to expand this annual trip to visit some new ground: Revelstoke Mountain Resort is a brand new resort that is just opening, but has plans that will give it the largest amount of vertical skiing in North America. Emilio also plans to visit Kicking Horse and possibly Panorama, Kimberley, Fernie, and possibly Mission Ridge or Loup Loup in Washington, and possibly Schweitzer Mountain in Idaho.

Debbi Kor-Lew and Mary Olhausen are planning a summer event up in the Seattle area to meet with our clubs up North.

Other club's activities announced at the meeting included Cabernet Ski & Sail Club, which is planning a sailing trip to the Greek Isles in September of 2007, and Mountain High's rafting trip (see below for further details).

#### PACRAT NEWS:

Congratulations to PACRAT for winning the overall FWRA Championships in Bend April 1, at Mt. Bachelor. PACRAT came away with first place overall, and first place for the Giant Slalom Race. Also congrats to Rattitudes as the 2007 PACRAT Champs.

## **CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES BY CLUBS:**

Does your club do good deeds for your community and support charitable events? Please let Mary Olhausen know 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:

Mountain High Snowsport Club has a Rafting Trip on the Deschutes River July 13-14, which is OPEN to other club's members. This trip offers twice as much rafting for the money as other trips, as trip leader Gordy Lusk, who has been running trips on this river for many years, starts out at the midpoint and rafts the lower part of the river run while the crowds are putting in at Maupin, and then trucks the rafts back to Maupin for an afternoon run down a now-uncrowded river back to the campground. The price for the full weekend with 3 nights of camping (Thursday-Saturday) and Friday-Saturday rafting is only \$75 for members and \$100 for non-members. For further details see the club's website at <a href="www.mthigh.org">www.mthigh.org</a>, or contact Gordy at 503-804-8363 or <a href="gordylusk@hotmail.com">gordylusk@hotmail.com</a>. Money to attend MUST be received by July 1, 2007.

Altair Ski & Sports Club out of Eugene has a full calendar of activities, some of which may be open to other clubs. On July 13-15 they offer an Upmqua Campout and Rafting Trip; on July 21-28 they have a San Juan Islands Bike Trip, and September 9-15 they have a trip to the Wallowas and Hells Canyon! Check out their website at <a href="https://www.altairsports.org">www.altairsports.org</a> for further details!

Other clubs should be aware that **Cascade Ski Club** with their lodge at Government Camp (and probably **Boeing SkiBacs** with their lodge at Crystal Mountain AND **Seattle Ski Club** with their lodge at Snoqualmie Pass) have lighter usage at their lodge in late spring (until late May when the ski camps come into Government Camp) and in the fall, and that these are the best times for other clubs to make arrangements to use these club facilities. Visit the club websites for further details.

The Mt. Hood Cultural Center and Museum will have its annual Heritage Day on September 22, 2007, with many exciting offerings, including an old time car show, hikes, a fabulous silent auction, and a wonderful dinner. This event just gets better every year!

All members of all clubs in Far West Ski Association - and their children - are invited to attend **Skiyente Ski Club's third annual family ski trip**, which this year will be an "arrange your own transportation" trip to **Sun Valley**, **Idaho**, **February 6-10**, **2008**! Watch for further details as they become available. There will be LOTS of room in Sun Valley on this trip!

## **FWSA TRIPS**

SKI WEEK 2008: FWSA is going to Whistler, BC, Canada, January 19-26, 2008! The trip price will be \$999 for condos or \$1,059 for hotel for 7 nights of luxury lodging (double occupancy), a 6-day lift ticket good at both Whistler and Blackcomb, Welcome Party, Apres Ski Party, Mountain Picnics, a Council Night event, 3 optional races, and a Farewell Party. If you want to fly, the cost is approximately \$355 from Portland and \$433 from Eugene. NWSCC is also arranging for bus transportation, which would take a minimum of 20 people from Eugene at a cost of \$160-200 each, and a minimum of 22 people from Portland at a cost of \$120-135 each (all depending upon the number of people on the bus - the fuller the bus, the cheaper the cost!). \$100 deposits are being taken now; note that you need to make your deposit before July 1, as that's when we need to turn back spots to FWSA that have not been spoken for (and other councils are always ready to take them!). See attached/included flier for further details. Note after July 1 the deposit will be \$450, as the second payment will be due. Be sure to arrange for your passport well in advance; they are REQUIRED; and make sure you have adequate medical insurance. Contact Barbara Bousum at 503-224-3584 or BBousum@gmail.com.

FWSA has just announced its **2008 European Ski Week** will be at **Les Trois Vallees**, **France**, from **March 7-15**, **2008**, at a cost of \$1,390 per person including air from LAX, SFO, and SEA. Lodging will be at a ski-in, ski-out hotel located between Meribel and Courchevel. There will be a post-trip extension of 3 nights at Aix-en-Provence and 4 nights in Paris at a cost of \$895 per person. A \$200 deposit is required for EACH of these two trips, which is fully refundable until July 1, 2007. See attached flier for further details, or contact Norm Azevedo at 1-925-944-9816, or e-mail **fwsatravel@sbcglobal.net**.

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 to the Greek Isles in Spring of 2008, a Barbados dive trip in 2009, a Mediterranean cruise, and even a trip to Australia and/or New Zealand.

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:fwsaitravel@sbcglobal.net">fwsaitravel@sbcglobal.net</a> or phone 925-944-9816.

Check the FWSA website for other great information, including information on the FWSA Athletic Scholarship.

## 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 <a href="www.nwskiers.org">www.nwskiers.org</a> or contact Steve Coxen at 503-679-9022 or email at <a href="mailto:sacoxen@aol.com">sacoxen@aol.com</a>.

## **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 member benefits 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 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 <a href="https://www.skifederation.org">www.skifederation.org</a> in the Members Only section. The user name is <a href="https://www.skifederation.org">skiclub</a> and the password is <a href="https://www.skifederation.org">member</a>.

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.

If you ever have a problem obtaining a discount which has been offered to NWSCC members, please report it to us with your name, if possible the name of the employee who turned you down, the date, and a description of the problem.

## 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.

#### NWSCC OFFICERS and COMMITTEES 2006-2007

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## 2006-2007 NWSCC COMMERCIAL MEMBERS:

**PLATINUM MEMBERS:** 

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PACRAT WORLD HEADQUARTERS

**GOLD MEMBERS:** 

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

SILVER MEMBERS:

Carr Auto Group Intrawest (Whistler/Blackcomb, Panorama, Tremblant, Copper, Winter Park, Squaw)
Moonlight Basin Ski Area, MT
Resorts of the Canadian Rockies (Fernie, Kimberley) Ski Banff (Banff, Lake Louise, Sunshine, Fairmont

Hotels) Ski Chalet, Portland, OR Tamarack Resort, ID Timberline Ski Area, OR **BRONZE MEMBERS:** 

Anthony Lakes, OR BC Ski Country, Canada (Apex, Big White, Silver Star, Sun Peaks) Big Mountain, MT Collins Lake Resort, Gov't Camp, OR Cooper Spur Mountain Resort, OR 49° North Mountain Resort, WA 49° North Mountain Resort, WA
Hillcrest Ski & Sports, Gresham, OR
Huckleberry Inn, Gov't Camp, OR
Jackson Hole Mountain Resort, WY
The Mountain Shop, Portland, OR
Mt. Hood Ski Bowl, OR
Ogden Convention & Visitors Bureau (Powder
Mountain & Snowbasin, UT) Schweitzer Mountain Resort, ID Signal Sports (in the Pearl District of Portland) Sleeping Lady Mountain Retreat, Leavenworth, WA Vail Resorts, Inc. HONORARY MEMBERS:

Barbara Parshall - Re/Max Equity Group Grouse Mountain Lodge, Whitefish, MT Mission Ridge Ski Area, WA Mt. Ashland, OR
Pacific NW Ski Areas Association Ski Big White (Lodging facility, BC, Canada)

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.

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**NEXT MEETING:** 

Wednesday, June 20, 2007 7:00 PM - COME EARLY TO SOCIALIZE

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

> \*\* DOOR PRIZES!! \*\* **EVERYONE IS WELCOME!!**

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