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NWSCC NEWSLETTER AND CALENDAR SEPTEMBER 2004

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NOTE SEPTEMBER MEETING WILL BE HELD AT GOURMET STUFF PIZZA!!! PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL MONTHLY MEETINGS ARE "OPEN," AND PARTICIPATION BY CLUB MEMBERS IS ENCOURAGED!

AUGUST GUEST SPEAKER TAMMIE ANSTEDT of Vail Resorts (representing Vail, Beaver Creek, Breckenridge, Keystone, and Heavenly) spoke about what you can expect when you travel to Beaver Creek: SERVICE!!! Beaver Creek is famous for the extraordinary service you receive from all the workers, even from the bus drivers! You don't have to walk the 3 flights of stairs up to the ski area - you take an escalator! There is every kind of winter recreation activity you can imagine, including fantastic restaurants. Tammie urged people to sign up for the December joint NWSCC/San Diego Ski Council trip before October 1 so we don't have to release any air spots and people wouldn't be able to go!

Since Tammie also represents Heavenly, she also urged people to think about attending the Far West Racing Association Championships, to be held at Heavenly March 18-20, 2005. A special package has been arranged at the Horizon resort (1-800-648-3322), and the room block is already on hold. You don't need to be a racer to enjoy this event!

NWSCC DUES NOTICES have been sent out to the clubs. Upon payment of your dues, your club will receive the 2004-2005 FWSA-NWSCC membership cards which will entitle your club members to receive all the fabulous discounts listed on the FWSA and NWSCC websites! We also need your club proof back with changes and a listing of your club trips so that we can update club info in the Directory!

A WIN FOR NORTHWEST SNOWSPORTS ADVOCATES! Our input into **Crystal Mountain's Master Plan** assisted in the recent decision in favor of a great deal of development at Crystal Mountain, including a tram to the summit, a new chairlift in the North Country, a hotel, existing chairlift

upgrades, base facility renovations, employee housing, and wastewater facilities. For more information contact Stacy Schuster at 206-310-7242 or stacy@skicrystal.com.

The Forest Service decision on Mt. Ashland will be coming out within a week or two. The decision is certain to be appealed, and Mt. Ashland will need support from skiers. A call to action will be published on the Northwest Snowsports Advocates page on the NWSCC website, with a link to the Mt. Ashland website where specific information can be obtained. Every ski area is important; please help!!

The **2004 SKIFEVER & SNOWBOARD SHOW** takes place November 5-7 at the Portland Expo Center (2060 North Marine Drive, Portland, OR 97217). Show hours are:

Friday, November 5:	1:00 pm - 10:00 pm
Saturday, November 6:	10:00 am - 10:00 pm
Sunday, November 7:	10:00 am - 6:00 pm

This show is THE place 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. We will also pass out the newest Northwest Skiers Directories from the booth.

Clubs can set up on Thursday, November 4th, 8:00 am-12:00 midnight, or have your club rep bring materials when they show up to volunteer. We have a 10x10 Booth, with an 8' skirted table. (Note: NO helium balloons allowed in the Expo Center). **For volunteering, you will receive FREE admittance to the Ski Show.** Please contact Mary Olhausen at 360-892-1814 (omary@teleport.com) to volunteer for a shift. 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!!

2004 SKI FAIR, November 9th, Monarch Hotel, Clackamas, OR (I-205 & Sunnyside Road, Exit 14) 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. No host beverages and light food available. Mt. Hood Meadows will sell "10-Time Punch Pass" for \$295 to club members--this night only!!! (They will be \$330 to the general public and at the Portland Ski Show.) Other ski areas will offer special prices as well! The **SILENT AUCTION** will be a biggie this year---come and bid on some awesome ski trips and equipment. We're having a **RAFFLE** also--buy tickets (\$1.00 each) and try your chance at winning!!

For more information, please call 360-892-1814, e-mail contact@nwskiers.org, or check our website at www.nwskiers.org.

DONATE - DONATE - DONATE FOR SKI FAIR!!!

At SKI FAIR, we're having a Silent Auction and Raffle to benefit the many programs which receive NWSCC's support, including the new Mt. Hood Museum, Northwest Snowsports Foundation, and many others. Any prize 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 360-892-1814 or omary@teleport.com.

ATTENTION WASHINGTON CLUBS: NWSCC will be providing a booth for you at the **Seattle Ski Show**, November 12-14, 2004. Please contact Maureen Richards of S'no Joke Ski Club to volunteer for a time slot to help get the word out about Washington ski clubs! Maureen may be reached at mrichard@windermere.com.

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

Ebony Rose Ski Club will have a one-day "Ski 101" event on Saturday, October 23, 2004, from noon to 4:00 p.m., offering an overview on skiing and snowboarding. There will be exhibitors, videos, demonstrations, ski trip information, a fashion show, door prizes, Ebony Rose membership information, and more! This event is also geared towards children beginning skiing. Sponsors include Salomon, GI Joe's, Mt. Hood Meadows, Timberline, Mt. Bachelor, REI, Subaru, Oregon Scientific, Portland Parks & Recreation; 24 Hour Fitness, and more! The location is to be announced; check out www.ebonyroseskiclub.com for up-to-date information!

Schnee Vogeli's Pray for Snow Dance will be held at Charlie's Mountain View in Government Camp on Saturday, November 13, 2004. \$10 tickets can be bought from any Schnee Vogeli member, and will be available at NWSCC meetings. Only 250 tickets will be sold, so get yours early!

Bergfreunde Innsbruck Winter Tour; January 21-29, 2005; \$1,249 plus air taxes (not presently ascertainable) from Portland, Los Angeles, San Francisco, or Seattle, including airfare, transfers, 7 nights' lodging at the 4-star Hotel Maximilan in Old Town, breakfast daily and 2 dinners, including one special mountain hut Tyrolean party night; a Club Innsbruck card providing discounts; and local taxes. This trip needs a minimum of 15 persons to sign up by October 1, or it won't go. You don't have to be a skier; this trip will tour areas around Innsbruck. If you want to ski, you'll be able to ski on some world class terrain! Contact Bob Burns at 503-524-5261.

Bergfreunde Lake Tahoe Sampler; February 27-March 5, 2005. The price of \$264 includes six nights' lodging at the newly remodeled Bluelake Inn in South Lake Tahoe (2/room with 2 beds); Tuesday dinner; hospitality nights; a dinner/dance cruise on the M.S. Dixie II paddle wheeler; and a special trip souvenir. Lift tickets are not included, as they are free to take advantage of the many midweek specials offered by various areas around Lake Tahoe. Participants will carpool from Portland, or can fly on their own. There are 80 spots total; 25 are currently available. Contact Bob Burns at 503-524-5261.

S'no Joke Whistler Trip, April 7-10, 2005. Priced at \$325 if you drive or \$370 on the bus from the Seattle area. The Council is not doing a Whistler trip this spring, but S'no Joke Ski Club has opened their club trip to all NWSCC ski club members. Contact Sandra Breaux by phone 206-310-2431 or email slbreaux@aol.com for more information

PACRAT race dates set for 2005:

January 9	Mt. Hood Meadows
January 23	Timberline
February 13	Mt. Hood Meadows
March 13	Mt. Hood Skibowl
April 3	Mt. Hood Meadows
April 10	Mt. Hood Meadows (make up date)
April 22	Rat Attack

The individual racer fees will remain at \$85 (you still get over \$130 in value for that amount!), and information packets are now available. **If you end up with some club members who don't fit on a team, and they still want to race,** contact Jack Folliard (jfolliard@comcast.net) or 503-296-0806; PACRAT will find a team for them!

NWSCC BENEFITS & 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. 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**.

NWSCC TRAVEL:

Please contact our President, Steve Coxen, at sacoxen@aol.com or 503-679-9022, 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.

NWSCC'S TRIPS FOR NEXT YEAR:

BEAVER CREEK & VAIL, December 9-14, 2004. 5 nights' lodging at The Highlands (luxury 3 BR, 3 BA condos) at Beaver Creek; a 3-day lift ticket to either Vail or Beaver Creek, airfare and bus transfers from Seattle/Portland to Beaver Creek, all for an amazingly low price of \$735! This trip is limited to 48; contact Steve Coxen at 503-679-9022 or sacoxen@aol.com to sign up. This will be a joint trip with the San Diego Ski Council. Signup deadline October 1.

MT. BACHELOR, OREGON, March 17-20, 2005. We're working on details of a trip and a party sponsored by NWSCC! Your club is welcome to plan a trip to join us!

SUNSHINE/BANFF, CANADA, April 17-23 2005. Another late season trip, but we're going to an area that is famous for late spring snow, including some big powder dumps (your author skied in 10" of fresh powder two years ago at this time in April!). Plans call for 3 nights at Sunshine (ski-in, ski-out with 3 days of skiing), and 3 nights in Banff to enjoy whatever activities you may desire, including more skiing at either Lake Louise or Sunshine. Only \$810 including air; \$50 deposits due right away. See flier in this newsletter. This will be a joint trip with the Los Angeles Ski Council! Contact Linda McGavin at 503-412-3531 or lindam@mcewengisvold.com.

FAR WEST SKI ASSOCIATION /TRAVEL:

The FWSA Database is being updated for publication of next year's Far West Skiers' Guide. Please contact Mary Olhausen with your latest club information, especially if you have had elections recently! Mary will coordinate getting information for NWSCC clubs to FWSA so that information is presented in a consistent manner.

The **2005 FWSA Convention** will be FWSA's 75th, and will feature special ski history exhibits in which clubs are invited

to participate. The celebration will replace the traditional convention events with multi-media displays of the history of skiing, and many well known ski celebrities will be in attendance to share their stories and achievements in snow sports. The convention is scheduled June 9-12, 2005, at the Westin Benson in Long Beach, California, and it's not too early to book your rooms for this event - they will sell out early for this convention! Call 800-228-3000 to make your reservation, and mention you are with the FWSA convention to get the special room rate of \$129 plus tax. You can also reserve online by going through the FWSA website.

Clubs and Councils will be provided free display opportunities to highlight their histories, but your club must sign up for this space by the **September 15, 2004 deadline**. Contact Steve Coxen now if you have an interest in participating in this rare opportunity, at sacoxen@aol.com or 503-679-9022.

The **July Issue of THE COUNCILMAN NEWSLETTER** is available online at www.FWSA.org.

NEW 15-MONTH FWSA CALENDARS are now available for purchase from Debbi Kor, Director of Marketing for FWSA. The calendars run from October 2004 through December of 2005, and have pictures from many FWSA trips - if you have been there, YOU might be in this calendar!! The price is reduced to only \$10, and they are a fundraiser for FWSA. Contact Debbi at ijustwannarun@aol.com to order your calendar!

FWSA TRIP TO SCANDINAVIA, August 26-September 8, 2004. The Fjords, Copenhagen, Stockholm, Oslo, Bergen, and Helsinki are the destinations; cost is \$2,350 including RT airfare from NY. For more information go to www.FWSA.org or call Kathy Hoffmann, FWSA VP of International Travel, at 510-278-5900. [Waiting list only]

The **FWSA Ski Week 2005** will be held in **Aspen, Colorado**, January 29-February 4, 2005. The price of \$1,245 to \$1,380 includes 7 nights' lodging in luxury condos in either Aspen or Snowmass, 5 of 7 day lift ticket good for 4 ski areas, air and ground transportation from Portland or Seattle to Aspen; welcome party; farewell banquet, mountain picnic, après ski party, and optional racing! A \$600 deposit made out to NWSCC will hold your spot; penalties will apply for cancellation after September 1. For further details contact Debbi Kor at 503-682-1563 or ijustwannarun@aol.com. See flier in this newsletter for further details. [Only 10 spots available]

FWSA SKI JAPAN, February 19-27, 2005, priced at \$1,550. \$200 deposit due now. [Spots available] Contact travelfwsa@aol.com.

FWSA ST. MORITZ EUROPEAN SKI WEEK, March 12-19, 2005; \$1,360-1,450. \$200 deposit due. [Spots available] Contact travelfwsa@aol.com.

FWSA CHINA ADVENTURE TRIP, September, 2005. Priced at \$2,099 for 15 days or \$2,499 for 21 days [Waiting list for both options]. \$200 deposit due now. Contact travelfwsa@aol.com.

Watch for details on a proposed week-long **Hawaii Cruise in October of 2005**; keep track on the FWSA website and you might be one of the lucky ones to book early enough to assure yourself a spot!

OREGON SKI AREAS announce season pass and lift ticket pricing! **Mt. Hood Meadows** is again offering its special internet-only 4 x 4 pass, where 4 people can get season passes for \$400 each - only from September 1 through November 7! Lift tickets will be \$46 this year for "shift" tickets; \$51 for day/night tickets; and a \$4 surcharge for "peak" days. Meadows is installing a new lift this summer: the Vista Express, which will take people one mile up the mountain towards White River Canyon, opening up some wonderful terrain. See www.skihood.com for further details.

Timberline has also announced its season pass pricing; special bargain prices available until November 7 (\$449 for an adult season pass!); a blow out sale of high performance demo skis and snowboards, some being the latest models which will be sold in stores this fall; end of summer room deals at Timberline Lodge; a Labor Day Wine and Craft Fair held 11-5 all weekend; and the Timberline Acoustic Music Series on Wednesday evenings in October. Check out www.timberlinelodge.com for information. Sign up for their newsletter and you'll get all these details by e-mail, and keep up to date on all the fantastic events at Timberline all year long!

Mt. Hood Skibowl also offers special discounts on early season passes through November 1; go to their website, www.skibowl.com and click on the lower right to visit the "winter" site and download the application.

Mt. Bachelor is offering the lowest discounted pass rates during the month of September only on their website, www.mtbachelor.com. The discounted prices are made even better by pass holder benefits such as on-mountain discounts, half-price golf, and reciprocal skiing privileges at Alpine Meadows in California. Discounted Midweek and 10-Day passes with no holiday blackout periods are also available online during the month of September. Season ski or snowboard equipment rental packages are just \$149 for adults or \$99 for juniors for the whole season. Adult daily tickets will be only \$46, or \$49 during the holidays.

COOPER SPUR FALL HAPPENINGS:

First Annual Cooper Spur Oktoberfest, Winery and Craft Brewer's Fair, September 18-19: Another fun event, again featuring tastings from 3 local wineries, but also offering 12 different craft beers brewed by 6 different local craft brewers. Hours are noon-7:00 pm on Saturday and Noon-5 pm on Sunday. The Northwest's own HI-Five Band will headline the entertainment schedule, taking the stage from 1-4 pm both days. The HI-5 are known for their authentic German attire; including lederhosen and up-beat traditional German music complete with Tuba and Accordion. In between HI-5 performances, local singer/songwriters will be performing in an open-mike presentation, courtesy of Zeman's Music in Hood River and Columbia River Music in The Dalles. Contact either of those companies if you are interested in participating in the open mike segments. Cooper Spur will be serving Bratwursts with lots of sauerkraut or your choice of burger hotdog on the outdoor BBQ deck. The scenic chairlift will be running those days as well.

CALLING ALL CLUBS - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AS BEER POURERS FOR THE OKTOBERFEST! Those 12 craft beers won't get into people's cups without help, and you could have a lot of fun by volunteering for a 2 to 2-1/2 hour shift for this event! The volunteers will receive a limited edition T-shirt, a sampling mug, and chits or tokens for 2 beers or 4 tasters, plus lunch from the BBQ! Yum! Any volunteer who books a room that weekend at Cooper Spur gets 10% off the total room price. If you want to make a weekend of it and volunteer for a shift each day, you're more than welcome. Shifts are from Noon-2:30 and 2:30 to 5:00 both days, with an extra shift from 5:00 to 7:00 on Saturday. Interested volunteers are encouraged to contact Chris Huggett 1-800-754-4663, ext 192; or 503-287-5438 ext 192; or chuggett@skihood.com.

September 25-26, 2004, Cooper Spur will host a fundraiser for the Hood River School District. Raffle tickets may be purchased for lift rides and prizes, with the money going to the program you designate.

EVER THOUGHT OF HELI-SKIING? All club officers and members are invited to a **FREE** fun and informational evening presented by **CMH Heli-Skiing** to learn what to expect and how to plan a trip to one of their premier heli-skiing locations in Western Canada. This is an early notification to reserve Monday evening, **November 22, 2004**, for this event. RSVP's will be a **MUST** because hors d'oeuvres and beverages will be provided. **Fred Noble**, local representative for CMH, will provide more detail when a conference room is reserved. Fred may be reached at 503-254-5091 or e-mail at noblecmh@aol.com.

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2003-2004 NWSCC COMMERCIAL MEMBERS:

PLATINUM MEMBERS:

Mt. Bachelor Ski Area, Bend, OR
Gl Joe's, OR & WA

GOLD MEMBERS:

Big Mountain Resort, MT
Mt. Hood Meadows Ski Area, OR
Sun Valley Ski Area, ID
Precision Graphics, Tigard, OR

SILVER MEMBERS:

BC Ski Country, Canada
Apex Ski Area, BC, Canada
Big White Ski Area, BC, Canada
Silver Star Mountain, BC, Canada
Sun Peaks Ski Area, BC, Canada
Inn of the Seventh Mountain, Bend, OR
Ski Chalet, Portland, OR
Sunshine Village/Ski Area, Alberta, Canada
Timberline Ski Area, OR

BRONZE MEMBERS:

Alyeska Resort, AK
Anthony Lakes Ski Area/Geiser Grand Hotel, OR
Aspen Skiing Company, CO
Big Sky Resort, MT
Brundage Mountain, ID
Cooper Spur Mountain Resort, OR
Destination Snow, BC, Canada (& Whistler Trip!)
Fernie Ski Area, BC, Canada
Huckleberry Inn, Gov't Camp, OR
Jackson Hole Mountain Resort, WY
Kimberley Alpine Resort, BC, Canada
Lake Louise, Alberta, Canada
Mission Ridge Ski Area, WA
The Mountain Shop, Portland, OR
Mt. Hood Ski Bowl, OR
Red Mountain Ski Area, BC, Canada
The Resort at the Mountain, Welches, OR
Ski Pak (Travel Agency, WA)
Stevens Pass Ski Area, WA
Vail Resorts, CO / Heavenly Ski Area, CA/NV

HONORARY MEMBERS:

Grouse Mountain Lodge, Whitefish, MT
Pacific Northwest Ski Areas Association
Ski Ashland, OR

**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 regarding announcements from NWSCC, FWSA, and commercial members.

E-Reps is for NWSCC club reps to receive timely announcements to relay to their club membership.

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.

NORTHWEST SKI CLUB COUNCIL

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NEXT MEETING:

Wednesday, September 15, 2004

Social Hour 6:00 – 7:00 PM,

followed by meeting

Speaker Mt. Hood Meadows

The Gourmet Stuff Pizza

4200 Mercantile Dr.

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**** 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