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The next NWSCC meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 21 2015, at HILLCREST SPORTS, 2506 SE Burnside, Gresham, Oregon, starting with a meet and greet from 6:00-6:30 pm, followed by the meeting. COME EARLY AND SHOP to get special discounts available to our attendees that night! Pizza and non-alcoholic beverages will be provided.

Brundage Mountain Resort and Dexter Hill will be our main guest speakers. Come learn the latest about what NWSCC is doing!

NWSCC will have quarterly meetings this coming year, presently scheduled for October, December, March, and June.

# **TIMELY ALERTS:**

**RETRACTION:** Participation in the Portland Ski Fever and Snowboard show has been canceled for this year. We presently plan to have a booth next year. We're sorry for any confusion this has caused. We encourage everyone to go and see what is going on this year. Sylvia Kearns, President

#### **SEATTLE SKI SHOW:**

(Opportunity for free publicity for your club!)

Seattle Ski Dazzle, Century Link Field Event Center,

Seattle, WA See www.skidazzle.com/seattle.htm

Friday, November 6: 3:00 pm - 9:00 pm Saturday, November 7: 10:00 am - 9:00 pm Sunday, November 8: 10:00 am - 6:00 pm

The ski show is a great venue to showcase your club and its membership benefits. All clubs in NWSCC are welcome to display their brochures/photos at the NWSCC booth, but

no large club banners or posters will be allowed. 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 the show. We have a 10x10 Booth, with an 8' skirted table, with some NWSCC materials promoting clubs.

Website:

For volunteering to work at the NWSCC booth, you will receive FREE admittance to the Ski Show. To volunteer for a shift at the Seattle Ski Show, please contact William Shadbolt at <a href="Washclubs@nwskiers.org">Washclubs@nwskiers.org</a>. William will be setting up SignUp Genius for online signups, and will add your name to be notified so you can access the site. If you volunteered last year you are automatically on that list.

The Portland Skifever and Snowboard Show will be held November 6-8 at the Portland Expo Center. Even though we aren't having a booth this year, we encourage you to attend. Check out <a href="www.portlandskifever.com">www.portlandskifever.com</a> for details and to print out a \$3 off admission coupon.

The ski shows are a lot of fun, with all the major ski resorts and retailers showing their goods--it's also a great place to purchase new equipment--save up to 70% on ski and snowboard gear at both shows! Volunteer to work the booth and you can spend some time afterwards shopping!

#### **NWSCC SKI FAIR:**

NWSCC's Ski Fair event is scheduled for Monday, November 9, 2015, and will be held at the Columbia Conference Center in the separate building to the right as you enter the Holiday Inn Airport, 8439 NE Columbia Boulevard, Portland, Oregon 97220. The doors open at 6:00 pm. Take advantage of this early opportunity to visit with snowsport industry reps, see new fashions, and visit other club members. Discounted ski passes will be available.

Admission is FREE for Ski Fair 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, as well as safety programs and racing programs. No host beverages are available. There will be some very special prizes this year!

The SILENT AUCTION at Ski Fair will offer some awesome ski trips and equipment, and the "brown bags" give you a chance to buy tickets and put them into the bags of items you want to win. NWSCC is back bigger and better! Among many other ski-related items and trips, this year's silent auction items will include one Sun Valley 5-out-of-7 lift ticket, 2 pairs of Deviation skis (locally made and endorsed by the Mt. Hood Ski Patrol, and two 2-out-of-3-day tickets to Mt. Bachelor.

Remember that NWSCC supports its clubs by providing FREE booth space to show off what you are all about! If you are interested in booth space, volunteering for this fun kick-off event, or donating items to auction or for the "brown bag" items, please contact Mary Olhausen at 503-880-7383 or <a href="SkiFair@nwskiers.org">SkiFair@nwskiers.org</a>, or our President, Sylvia Kearns, at <a href="President@nwskiers.org">President@nwskiers.org</a>.

# **NORTHWEST SNOWSPORTS GUIDE/WEBSITE:**

If you're eagerly awaiting publication of this year's Northwest Snowsports Directory, you won't find it under that name: we have renamed our annual publication the Northwest Snowsports Guide! We feel this will better reflect the scope of our coverage and articles - we're not just for skiers any more! This year's Cover Contest was won by Bruce Parshall, and features a PACRAT race course on Mt. Hood on a beautiful sunny day.

NWSCC is working on revamping its website to bring it more up to date, and hopes to unveil the new website some time in November. In the meantime, we apologize for outdated information on our current website. You can always contact a council officer for the latest information.

# **SUE'S SAFETY REPORT:**

Vice President Sue Rimkeit has been busy trying to keep up with the newest in safety for skiers and snowboarders. As a result NWSCC has developed a "Whistle Program." To support the use of carrying a whistle on your coat or in your pocket, the council has ordered a supply. Please look for your whistle at Ski Fair, and know that with this small item you could signal for help when out of visible sight when you are in trouble - no matter what sport you are participating in outdoors.

# **COMMERCIAL MEMBER NEWS:**

NWSCC appreciates ALL of its commercial members - see the list on the last page of this newsletter and be sure to check out the fliers on the right hand side of the Newsletter page on the website for specials as they are announced.

#### PACRAT NEWS:

Incoming President Andy Hobart has been keeping the new board busy with with planning meetings. Past President Greg Dilger is diligently working with the ski areas on the race schedule. Due to last year's



conditions, scheduling races has been challenging. We all understand that high school racing and other programs may take precedence.

PACRAT will have a booth at Ski Fair promoting racing. Last year's racers: For a chance to win FREE race registration for the coming year, be sure to attend Ski Fair (limited to returning 2014-2015 racers). www.pacrats.org

#### **CLUB NEWS:**

Spotlight on Charitable Associate Member: The Outdoors for All Foundation transforms lives through outdoor recreation. Founded in 1979 in the Pacific Northwest, Outdoors for All is a national leader in delivering adaptive and therapeutic recreation for children and adults with disabilities. Each year more than 2,400 individuals exercise their abilities thanks to the training and support of more than 700 volunteers. Outdoors for All enriches the lives of individuals with disabilities and families and helps them to get out and enjoy the great outdoors. Outdoors for All's programs includes snowboarding, snowshoeing, cross country and downhill skiing, cycling, hiking, river rafting, kayaking, day camps, rock-climbing, camping and custom events.

Their biggest fundraiser is the Ski Ball Gala Auction to be held October 24, 2016, starting at 5:00 pm at the Seattle Marriott-Waterfront, 2100 Alaskan Way, Seattle, WA 98121. This year's event has a Mardi Gras theme, so come with your ski, biking, or swim goggles or any other outdoor eye wear with masquerade flair! Guests will enjoy bidding on exciting experiences and excursions and awesome gear. Proceeds of the event help provide life transforming experiences for over 2,400 children and adults with disabilities. For further details on tickets or how to donate auction items, go to: https://outdoorsforall.org/events/gala-auction.

The Mt. Hood Cultural Center and Museum is holding its annual Heritage Night at the Museum November 7, 2015, starting at 6:00 PM. This annual members' event includes food, libations, awards, silent and oral auctions, all to benefit the Museum. Memberships are available at the door.

Hope On The Slopes is hosting its second annual "Ride the Net" program. "Ride the Net" is a season long virtual vertical/fundraising challenge for skiers and boarders from September 1, 2015 through April 30, 2016. Participants ski or

board while tracking their vertical at any ski resort/area supported by the FREE Trace Up app. (1) Register for the virtual vertical tracking program by making your \$30.00 tax deductible donation to HOTS; (2) download the FREE Trace Up app on your smart phone; (3) ski or board as an individual or form a team; and (4) begin tracking your vertical and raising funds this season when you visit any North America ski resort or area. There will be prizes awarded for most vertical tracked and most funds raised in a variety of categories. Cancer touches us all directly or indirectly. Make this skiing/boarding season extra meaningful by participating in the "Ride the Net" program. Every dollar counts! Rally your friends, family, coworkers, or ski club members to support your passion and commitment to save lives and fight cancer.

Skiyente Ski Club will be celebrating its 60th anniversary with a series of events this coming year!

#### **NORTHWEST SKI CHALLENGE:**

To enter the Ski Challenge, mail in your used lift tickets (or copies of reusable passes) from at least 7 or more listed resorts you skied last season to NWSCC at the address on top of this newsletter. You can include the form found on our website at <a href="mailto:nwskiers.org/Challenge/Challenge.html">nwskiers.org/Challenge/Challenge.html</a>. (It doesn't matter that the years mentioned are not up to date; we're working on an updated website.) The more areas you skied or rode, the greater the chances and the level of prizes. The winners in the drawing will be announced in the fall of 2015; the grand prize will be awarded to the skier or boarder who visited the most ski areas during the season.

#### NORTHWEST SNOWSPORTS ADVOCATES NEWS:

Northwest Snowsports Advocates has its own Facebook page. Keep current on news about what is going on in the Pacific Northwest with ski area development, roads, and environmental issues by joining our Facebook Group. You will have an opportunity to take an active role in helping ski areas get US Forest Service approval of their master plans. Every skier or snowboarder in the Pacific Northwest should join this page! Let's get the "Fan Base" WAY up there! Become a FAN today!!!!! (please cut and paste the link if it isn't working):

https://www.facebook.com/pages/Northwest-Snowsports-Advocates/174195539354385

#### **FWSA NEWS AND TRIPS:**

Far West Ski Week 2016: Telluride Ski Resort is the location for the Far West Ski Week trip January 30-

February 6, 2016, and NWSCC still has some spots available. Payment in full is due by October 15. NWSCC will have ski in/ski out lodging in condos at Bear Creek



Lodge. The package price for 2 bedroom condos is \$1,340 pp/do; and for either 3 or 4 bedroom condos the price will be \$1,210 pp/do! These prices are for land only (no air or transfers), but include 7 nights' lodging, Welcome Party, Pub Crawl, Council Night Dinner, Mountain Picnic (not accessible to non-skiers, due to location), Après Ski Party, Races, a Banquet with dancing, and 6 of 7 day Lift Ticket (no senior discount). For further information contact Barbara Bousum at <a href="mailto:Bbousum@gmail.com">Bbousum@gmail.com</a> or 503-224-3584 OR Chris Ciardi at <a href="mailto:com">c2blondie@hotmail.com</a> or 503-297-5351. See NEW flier on the newsletter page with signup forms. NWSCC has 44 spots, so be sure to sign up early!

Far West International Trip 2016: This trip is to Cortina d'Ampezzo, with an extension trip to Florence and Rome, Italy. The optional extension trip will be to the Tuscany region: 3 nights in Florence with day tours to Sienna and San Gimignano, and 4 nights in Rome. New this year: If one chooses to not go to Cortina, we will fly you from the US to join us for the extension trip – we call this the "Stand Alone" trip. Prices start from \$1,354 (without air) for the base ski week. See the FWSA website under Travel: <a href="www.fwsa.org">www.fwsa.org</a>. Contact Debbie Stewart for more information: <a href="www.fwsa.org">FWSAintltrvl@prodigy.net</a>.

Far West Mini Ski Week 2016: This trip to Crested Butte Mountain Resort, March 21-26, 2016, includes 5 nights lodging at the Grand Lodge, 3-4 day lift tickets, a Welcome Party and Farewell Party. Plenty of optional activities are available as well, including Snowmobiling, Snowbiking, Zipline Tours, a Sleigh Ride Dinner and much more. Senior and Adult package prices range from \$580 to \$775 (without transportation). Contact Gloria Raminha for more information: <a href="mailto:garski2011@gmail.com">garski2011@gmail.com</a>. Payment may be made by credit card.

Far West Annual Ski Week 2017: Ski Week 2017 has been set, and will be in beautiful Breckenridge, Colorado, January 28-February 4, 2017. The town of Breckenridge has a colorful history full of gold mining, saloons, booms, and busts. There is much to do to keep skiers and non-skiers busy for the week. There are historical tours, shopping, spas, pubs, and plenty of restaurants. Gold Runner Alpine Coaster and Starlight Mountain Top Dinners are included. We have lots of slopeside lodging with many close to town. Council trip leaders will begin promoting this trip in Spring 2016.

Far West Mini Ski Week 2017: Nancy Greene's Cahilty Lodge at Sun Peaks Resort is our destination for the 2017 Mini Ski Week. Sun Peaks Resort is located in Southern British Columbia, 40 minutes from Kamloops, and serviced by airports in Kamloops, Kelowna, and Vancouver, British Columbia. Cahilty Lodge is located in the heart of the village, just steps from the ski hill. Watch for more information on

this fun trip on the FWSA website.

FWSA offers one USA ski week, one mini US ski week, one European ski week (usually with pre and post-trip extensions), and a number of "adventure" trips. 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, Debbie Stewart, by email <a href="mailto:fwsaIntlTrvl@prodigy.net">fwsaIntlTrvl@prodigy.net</a> or phone 559-734-9294. For information about North American/domestic trips, contact Nancy Ellis at <a href="mailto:fwsaIntlTvl@prodigy.net">fwsaIntlTrvl@prodigy.net</a> or phone 559-734-9294. For information about North American/domestic trips, contact Nancy Ellis at <a href="mailto:fwsaIntlTvl@prodigy.net">fwsaIntlTvl@prodigy.net</a> or 530-414-8261.

#### 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. Debbi Kor is frequently adding new benefits!

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. User name: **skiclub** - password: **member**.

#### MISCELLANEOUS AND FUN INFORMATION:

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL REGULAR NWSCC MEETINGS ARE "OPEN," AND PARTICIPATION BY CLUB MEMBERS IS ENCOURAGED! The meeting location may vary, so check the NWSCC website or contact President Sylvia Kearns at President@nwskiers.org. Board meetings are usually held the 4th Wednesday of each month; contact an officer if you have a topic 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-to-date on all our events and activities.

Subscribe to SKI OREGON's notifications and receive the latest about skiing and snowsports in Oregon, as well as powder alerts: www.skioregon.org

Emilio Trampuz of Mountain High Snowsport Club annually prepares a **summary of lift ticket and season pass pricing** of interest to Portland area skiers. Emilio has authorized me to share this unique table with you. See the attachment to the NWSCC newsletter page. Thanks for all your hard

## **Excerpts from the FAR WEST SKI NEWS:**

Far West Ski Foundation Website: The Far West Ski Foundation has a new, BIG, beautiful, entertaining and

educational website. Designed by Crissymarie King, the site is designed to show details of the four principal missions of the Foundation, and provides a way to make tax deductible contributions to support these missions. Each program – alpine racing, adaptive skiing, women's ski jumping, and legacy preservation - has at least one gallery of images on the site. FWSA Scholarship winners and the national jumping team members will be updated annually. Scholarship sponsors and partners are recognized here. Legacy preservation features the Mt. Hood Museum and Cultural Center and the latest news on the Squaw Valley Olympic Museum and Winter Sports Heritage Center. Check it out: http://farwestskifoundation.org.

Northwest Ski Area News from the 10/6/15 PACIFIC NORTHWEST SKI AREAS ASSOCIATION Press Release: John Gifford, President of PNSAA, told us what's happening at our local resorts:

#### **OREGON**

Mt Hood Meadows: is guaranteeing unlimited passholders at least 100 days this season, as a result of industry leading snow harvesting capabilities, thorough brush cutting and summer slope maintenance. Mt Hood Meadows opened Altitude - a mountain lifestyle store in Portland's Pearl District, in its continuing effort to connect with and bring the mountain experience to Portland area outdoor recreation enthusiasts. Meadows is diversifying its recreational offerings, adding scenic snowshoe touring, fat bikes and randonee events to its spring offerings, and expanding summer scenic chairlift and hiking operations.

**Mt Ashland:** performed trail grooming, lift ramp work and will be maximizing its snow harvesting efforts to enable opening in lower snow conditions. Mt Ashland will also have more healthy food options in the Café.

#### WASHINGTON

49 Degrees North Mountain Resort: added two SMI snowmaking fan guns plus 10 acres of snowmaking to improve coverage at the base area, beginner slopes and teaching area. In preparation for the 2016-17 season an additional 30 acres of snowmaking on 3 major runs will be added as a new well system. The Sunrise Basin area of the resort has also seen lots of action this summer with the development of a new base area. For 2015-2016 there will be two new runs in the Sunrise Basin and, until a permanent lodge can be completed, a pair of cozy yurts connected by a deck at the base of the Sunrise Quad. In addition, construction of a new parking lot with capacity for 50 additional cars will be adjacent to the Yurts.

**Stevens Pass Mountain Resort:** completed multiple slopeside and base area improvements with the intent to create a better, season long snow surface. Stevens Pass has

upgraded their learning program with the "Learn-In-3 Guarantee." The Ski and Snowboard School guarantees guests will be ready for intermediate slopes in three lessons or enjoy unlimited lesson packages until skiers/riders reach an intermediate level and complete the program. Each day includes lesson, equipment rental (including helmet) and a beginner lift ticket. Additionally, package participants will receive four any day, any time lift tickets, a voucher to purchase a 2016-17 Everyday Season Pass for just \$199 and other perks upon graduation.

**Ski Bluewood:** is offering an unprecedented price cut for lift tickets – for example, this season a full-day adult lift ticket at Bluewood will cost \$39, including tax, compared to last season price of \$47.56, including tax. Bluewood has also added eight bonus ski days with a Wednesday through Sunday operating schedule during the months of January and February.

Mt. Spokane Ski & Snowboard Park: with state funding of \$1.5 million from the last legislative session, a great deal of work has been completed to repair and update the lodges and move forward with plans to construct a new guest services building at the resort. The Main Lodge features a new roof and flooring throughout the main level. Lodge 1, which is open to the public on weekends and holidays, has undergone a complete overhaul with new entrances allowing for improved access from the parking lot, and new restrooms on the lower level. New flooring, energy-efficient windows, and other updates have modernized the entire building. Lodge 1 serves as home base for Spokane Parks & Recreation's Therapeutic skiing program, as well as the Spokane Ski Racing Association.

## **IDAHO**

Schweitzer Mountain Resort: began construction of a new summit lodge in July 2015. The 13,000 sq. ft., 3 story summit lodge will offer a venue for on-mountain dining and relaxation with a full service restaurant & bar, cafeteria, lodging accommodations, space for group functions and a new home for ski patrol dispatch. Completion is anticipated for the fall of 2016. A completely new fleet of adult Alpine rental equipment with brand new Rossignol Experience skis is ready for this upcoming season. The trail crew has completed brush cutting in the Outback Bowl with work being done on G3, Lakeside Chutes run-out, lower Snow Ghost, and Quicksilver runs.

**Silver Mountain Resort:** extensive brush cutting and increased snowmaking capabilities to help open during low snow conditions. On the mountain a fresh remodel of Mogul's lounge at the Mountain House lodge. The terrain based teaching techniques continue to be added to the ski school to make it easier to learn how to ski or snowboard.

The Flexible 5 day learn to ski or board package – rental package, lift ticket and lesson – is offered any 5 days between January 4, 2016 and March 18, 2016. Upon completion the guest receives a season pass for the rest of the year and 50% off the following season. The progression terrain park continues to be expanded to help introduce young and adventuresome riders to the joy of rails and air time. The Rental Shop has added new skis, snowboards and boots to the fleet. Daily operations are planned for the 15/16 season.

#### **MONTANA**

Whitefish Mountain Resort: completion of the Summit House remodel including the addition of a mezzanine level with 1,600 square feet adding approximately 135 seats and new windows providing northwestern views. Restrooms have been added to the main floor as well as an expansion of the main entry. All of the windows were replaced, and a remodel of the entire exterior including new siding, stonework, trim and lighting brings the building into a new era. As the only mountaintop restaurant in the state of Montana, the Summit House is known for its panoramic views of Glacier National Park and the Flathead Valley. Also for this season is the completion of a new Ski Patrol Headquarters building. At 800-square feet the new building is more than four times the size of the old cabin and will enable patrollers to treat minor injuries on-site instead of transporting to the clinic in the Base Area.

#### **NEW! World's Largest Ski and Snowboard Lessons**

Many of the Pacific Northwest ski resorts will be joining an industry wide effort to have the largest multi-venue ski lesson and the largest multi-venue snowboard lesson. The event is on Friday, January 8, 2016 as part of the Learn to Ski and Snowboard Month.

#### Washington State Ski & Snowboard Museum Open

More than four years in the making, Washington's Ski and Snowboard Museum (WSSSM) is open to the community. Take a journey through time via various artifacts and exhibits and reminisce about the characters, places, and gear of the past. WSSSM will be a "story-telling" museum together with artifact displays to supplement these stories. The museum is open Wednesday through Sunday and is located at the top of Snoqualmie Pass—Exit 52 Eastbound and Exit 53 Westbound – in The Pass Life development.

For additional information on these exciting developments in the mountains, please visit your favorite mountain's website or call the resort directly.

#### **Excerpts from the NATIONAL SKI CLUB NEWS:**

Vail Spends \$110 Million on Improvements. Vail Resorts, which owns 10 resorts in the US as well as Perisher, Australia's biggest ski resort, has announced it is spending \$110 million on resort upgrades across its resorts ahead of next winter. Around half of this has gone to the inter-connection of Park City Mountain and The Canyons resorts in Utah to create the largest ski area in the US, but they're also spending on a new six-passenger chairlift, the Avanti Express, at their home mountain of Vail. The Avanti Express is a key access lift on the front side of Vail Mountain, serving intermediate and advanced terrain, dispersing skiers and snowboarders from the Lionshead area to mid-mountain so upgrading the lift should reduce wait times and improve reliability.

Breck to Vote on Lift Ticket Tax. Breckenridge residents will vote on November 3 on whether to impose a new 4.5 percent tax on lift tickets to pay for long-term funding for parking and transit projects. The agreement provides that Vail Resorts will guarantee that, if passed, the tax will raise at least \$3.5 million per year for the town, with the annual amount to be increased each year with inflation. Breckenridge officials compared the tax to the 4 percent parking tax the Town of Vail imposes on lift ticket sales.

**Telluride Gets More Non-stop Air Service**. The Telluride/Montrose Airport will have new nonstop service from Las Vegas and New York, as well as additional routes from Los Angeles and Chicago and expanded service from Dallas and Phoenix; along with continued direct flights this winter from Denver, Chicago, Houston, Newark, Atlanta and San Francisco with 14 nonstop flight programs from 11 major cities.

Cherry Peak Opens in Utah. After a false start last winter, Utah's newest ski area, Cherry Peak Resort, is opening this season in Northern Utah. Located near the Idaho border just 15 miles from the city of Logan, the resort features three triple chairlifts, a comprehensive snowmaking infrastructure, and a 1.25 mile-long run.

**Brighton Is 80 Years Old**. Brighton, near Salt Lake City, celebrates its 80th year in the business this season. Located just 35 minutes from the SLC airport, Brighton is Utah's only resort that serves 100 percent of its terrain via high-speed lifts.

Whistler Is 50 Years Old. Originally opened for skiing in the winter of 1966, Whistler Blackcomb is kicking off its 50th anniversary season with 50 Years Of Going Beyond, a movie five decades in the making. Check o u t the Official Movie Trailer: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UigSB4TLWI4

**Expanded Terrain for Silver Star.** Silver Star ski resort in British Columbia, Canada, will add over 100 acres of additional ski terrain, a new race center, and expanded winter sports options with gladed tree skiing at the intermediate and expert levels being expanded by more than 90 acres.

Chamonix Joins Mountain Collective. Chamonix Mont-Blanc Valley has joined the Mountain Collective™ as the newest global affiliate for the 2015-2016 winter season. Chamonix is the first destination in Europe to be included in the Mountain Collective. All passes for the 2015-2016 season will include two days of skiing and riding at Chamonix. The iconic European winter resort becomes the fourth global destination in The Mountain Collective outside of North America, joining Thredbo, Australia; Hakuba Valley, Japan and Valle Nevado, Chile.

2022 Winter Olympics Decision. The 2022 Winter Olympics will be held in Beijing, which will be the first city to host a winter and summer Olympic Games. Unusually there were only two candidates: Beijing in China and Almaty, Kazakhstan, meaning that the decision was guaranteed to see the third Olympic Games in Asia in a row, after the next winter Olympics in 2018 ion Pyeongchang, South Korea, and the 2020 Summer Games in Tokyo. The lack of interest among European and North American countries in staging a Winter Olympics is a concern for the IOC. Four different candidates from Europe which had originally expressed interest in staging the 2022 Games all dropped out, in several cases as a result of public referenda on whether to stage the Games, largely due to perceived costs and some excessive IOC demands. Both 2022 candidates have very short winter sports histories in terms of Alpine events. China has rapidly expanded its ski infrastructure over the last 15 years, whereas in Kazakhstan it is more like five years.

# CHECK THE NWSCC WEBSITE FREQUENTLY FOR THE LATEST INFORMATION!!

Did you notice the highlights on some of the headings in this newsletter? Here's the key:

TURQUOISE = NWSCC news and events
PURPLE = FWSA news and events
YELLOW = Clubs news and events
GREEN = Other news and events

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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.

Why not send this newsletter to all your club members? It's available in .pdf format on the website, and the link can easily be passed on to your members.

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### **NEXT MEETING:**

Wed., October 21, 6:00 P.M.

LOCATION: HILLCREST SPORTS
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