

# NWSCC NEWSLETTER AND CALENDAR OCTOBER 2004

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# NEW MEETING LOCATION!!!

THE OCTOBER MEETING WILL BE HELD AT SYLVIA'S RESTAURANT, 5115 NE SANDY BOULEVARD, PORTLAND, 503-288-6828; OUR ROOM IS ON THE LEFT THROUGH THE LOUNGE - FREE PARKING IN REAR

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL MONTHLY MEETINGS ARE "OPEN," AND PARTICIPATION BY CLUB MEMBERS IS ENCOURAGED!

**[GOURMET STUFT PIZZA HAS CLOSED!!]** 

# SEPTEMBER GUEST SPEAKER DAVE TRAGETHON

brought us up to date on the goings-on at Mt. Hood Meadows. The biggest news is a new chairlift is going in the Vista Express - which will take people one mile up the mountain towards White River Canyon, opening up some wonderful terrain, especially beginner and intermediate terrain. Though it was snowing as Dave was talking to us, and it looks like an early winter, he assured us that they will get this lift in and running for this season!

Special pricing on regular and "4x4" (\$400) season passes will be available through the end of the Portland Ski Show - November 7. The 10-time passes will be on sale to the public for \$330, unless they buy in a group of ten, when the price drops to \$295. The \$295 price for the 10-time pass will also be valid for everyone purchasing that pass at the Ski Fair on November 9.

There has been some lodge remodeling over the summer: a demo center and repair shop has been added (the "Gear Box"); and the season pass lockers have been moved to the lowest level (an elevator is available). A new learning center called the "Epicenter" will be the central place for everyone desiring to improve their abilities. A new 2-hour class called the "Optimizer" will be offered at 10:00 and 1:00 daily for \$35 (minimum 3 people) which will help you learn on the prevailing conditions of the day - whether powder or the heavier version that sometimes prevails on our local

mountains. Participants can get a special deal on demo equipment with the lesson - a great way to learn how to use the newer equipment! Children's classes have been broken up into special programs called "Snow Monsters" for the 4-6 age group and "Snow Rangers" for 7-12 year olds. Sundays are "Ladies Day" with lessons and a glass of wine. Also new - if you have a daily lift ticket and want a quick lesson, you can get a group lesson for only \$20 for a 90-minute lesson.

Meadows has some new partnerships this year for specialized lessons: The **High Cascade Snowboard Camp**, which usually operates in the summertime, will be running snowboard lessons at Meadows this winter. For those interested in survival training, the **Northwest School of Survival** will have a base at Meadows for year round lessons.

Night skiing hours have changed this year, and will start at 3:00 on all days, giving the buyers an hour on the "regular" lifts before the "day" lifts close. Night skiing on Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Sundays will close at 9:00 p.m., but it will still run to 10:00 on Fridays and Saturdays. Lift tickets will be \$46 this year for "shift" tickets; \$51 for day/night tickets; and a \$4 surcharge for "peak" days. See <a href="https://www.skihood.com">www.skihood.com</a> for further details.

**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!

ANOTHER WIN FOR NORTHWEST SNOWSPORTS ADVOCATES! The Forest Service decision on Mt. Ashland has been received, and Mt. Ashland has been given approval to construct new base area guest service buildings, more parking spaces, a snow tubing area, and, most importantly, a new quad chairlift serving longer and easier ski runs, all within the Special Use Permit Area. 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 - they debut at the Ski Show this year.

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, but you need to pay for your own parking. Note the yellow MAX line goes to the Expo Center, if you want to avoid the parking hassle. 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) 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 available. We plan to again have the special sale on helmets - only \$12 for children's helmets and about half price on adult helmets - an unbeatable deal! Mt. Hood Meadows will sell their 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.) Mt. Bachelor will sell their 5-day Mini-Pass for \$179 (that's less than \$36 per day), with no blackouts, no restrictions, no consecutive day requirements. They will also sell their Express Pass for \$20, which offers direct-to-lift convenience. Mt. Hood Skibowl will sell their \$199 Season Pass good every day but Saturday and all days after March 1. They will also sell a 10-Time Night Pass for \$125 and a 10-Time Day/Night Pass for \$235.

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 <a href="mailto:contact@nwskiers.org">contact@nwskiers.org</a>, or check our website at <a href="https://www.nwskiers.org">www.nwskiers.org</a>.

### **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 <a href="mailto:omary@teleport.com">omary@teleport.com</a>.

**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 <a href="mailto:mrichard@windermere.com">mrichard@windermere.com</a>.

# 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 <a href="https://www.ebonyroseskiclub.com">www.ebonyroseskiclub.com</a> 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 (<a href="mailto:jfolliard@comcast.net">jfolliard@comcast.net</a>) or 503-296-0806; PACRAT will find a team for them!

# **NWSCC BENEFITS & 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. Debbi Kor, FWSA Director of Marketing, advises that Taos, Telluride, and Sun Peaks are all offering

specials this year! 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 **skigroup** and the password is **24councils**.

# **NWSCC TRAVEL:**

Please contact our President, Steve Coxen, at <a href="mailto:sacoxen@aol.com">sacoxen@aol.com</a> 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 <a href="mailto:sacoxen@aol.com">sacoxen@aol.com</a> 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! HOT NEWS FLASH: \$10 LIFT TICKETS at Mt. Bachelor on 3/18/05 with coupon from Wells Fargo Bank.

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.

RACE AND ACE, May 7, 2005, Mt. Bachelor/Sunriver. Ski and golf tournament; open to all.

# **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. Book now - 85% of the room block is already reserved!

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 <a href="mailto:sacoxen@aol.com">sacoxen@aol.com</a> or 503-679-9022.

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 <a href="mailto:ijustwannarun@aol.com">ijustwannarun@aol.com</a> 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 <a href="www.FWSA.org">www.FWSA.org</a> 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, aprés 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 <a href="mailto:ijustwannarun@aol.com">ijustwannarun@aol.com</a>. 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 <a href="mailto:travelfwsa@aol.com">travelfwsa@aol.com</a>.

**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!

Far West Racing Association Championships, Heavenly, California, March 18-20, 2005. A special package has been arranged at the Horizon resort (1-866-478-8463 ask for Carol), and the room block is already on hold. You don't need to be a racer to enjoy this event! [NOTE THIS IS A NEW PHONE NUMBER!]

**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 heliskiing locations in Western Canada. This is an early notification to reserve Wednesday evening, **November 17, 2004 (date changed from November 22)**, 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**.

Watch for the **2004-2005 Northwest Skiers' Directory** debut at the Portland Ski Show, followed by Ski Fair and the Seattle Ski Show! Clubs are encouraged to obtain boxes of Directories to distribute to their club members. Note the big benefit on the back cover: Mt. Bachelor not only gives a discount to NWSCC members for skiing, but also on other things at the ski area!

While you are enjoying the quality of the Northwest Skiers' Directory, I would like you to be aware that our wonderful **Graphic Designer**, **Leslie Baird**, is available for other projects. I have worked with Leslie for years now, and she is highly creative, loves her work, works flexible hours, charges reasonable rates (partly because she works out of her home), and has truly made this Directory what it is today. Leslie may be reached at 503-245-4368 or at <a href="mailto:leslie@egr.up.edu">leslie@egr.up.edu</a> - I encourage you to call her!

Linda McGavin, Editor

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# 2003-2004 NWSCC COMMERCIAL MEMBERS:

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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.

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

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

BILVER MICHOERS:
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

**GOLD MEMBERS:** 

SILVER MEMBERS:

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

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# **NEXT MEETING:**

Wednesday, October 20, 2004 Social Hour 6:00 - 7:00 PM, followed by meeting Speaker Mt. Bachelor & Inn o the Seventh Mountain SYLVIA'S RESTAURANT 5115 N.E. Sandy Boulevard Portland, OR (503) 288-6828 \*\* DOOR PRIZES!! \*\* **EVERYONE IS WELCOME!!** 

3 NOTE NEW **MEETING** LOCATION!!!

Far West Ski Association Safety Slogan: SKI WITH PRIDE, LET IT RIDE, WATCH ALL SIDES! First With Safety Awareness!

The Northwest Ski Club Council is a member of: Far West Ski Association: www.fwsa.org National Ski Council Federation: www.skifederation.org