# NWSCC May 2022 Newsletter, Industry News, FWSA News - SPECIAL OFFER FROM NEXT ADENTURE!

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## Northwest Ski Club Council

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PLEASE SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH YOUR CLUB MEMBERS! THERE IS A LOT OF INTERESTING AND TIMELY INFO IN THIS NEWSLETTER!!

#### **NEXT ADVENTURE SPECIAL OFFERS!**

At our April NWSCC meeting we had a wonderful presentation from Deek Heykamp, one of the two founders of **Next Adventure**. Starting from a small used equipment store 25 years ago, they have expanded to 4 physical locations and an online store, nextadventure.net. The Company Values and Community Partners tell you this is an exceptional local company. They offer practically every brand of skis and snowboards, and have the highest end ski tuning machine in Oregon, the Montana Challenge, at the Sandy location which can provide a specialized tune-up to suit any skier or boarder. And they are the largest kayak dealer in the Northwest at their Portland Paddle Sports Center, as well as the Scappoose Bay Paddle Center which has demos, rentals, and tours. **Hot tip:** look for products branded Next Adventure or their

"house brands" Wilderness Technology and Adventure Research for incredible value!

Next Adventure is offering exclusive deals to NWSCC members!

Our new Gold Level Industry Partner, Next Adventure, will be serving up some very special deals just for NWSCC members! Sign up HERE to join Next Adventure's NWSCC list to receive special deals throughout the year. Right now there are exclusive NWSCC offers including discount codes for 50% off all state-of-the-art tune services so your gear is ready to go when the snow flies next fall and a one-time 20% off coupon code that can be used at one of their four brick and mortar stores in the Portland area or anywhere/anytime at nextadventure.net. Next Adventure will also be sending exclusive offers to NWSCC members throughout the season. Welcome Next Adventure! (Note that if you have a popup blocker you may not see the special box next to the NWSCC logo to sign up for these emails. You will need to disable the popup blocker or use a different browser to get the box.)

#### FAR WEST SKI ASSOCIATION CONVENTION JUNE 9-12 IN PORTLAND!

Portland is the host council for this year's **Far West Ski Association Convention**, to be held at the Holiday Inn Portland - Columbia Riverfront June 9-12, 2022! Mark your calendar and be ready for this event! Check the FWSA page on the NWSCC website for details and forms for registration.

#### Deadlines:

May 10 is the deadline for early registration of \$179. The price will go up to \$189 on May 11, through May 19. After that, the fees go up to \$199, beginning May 20, until Convention. May 10 is also the deadline for submission of ALL event fees. There are some great activities planned for all the attendees, including the 25th Anniversary Pub Crawl, a Mount Hood Adventure, a Southwest Washington Wine Tour, and the "Not-Your Daddy's" Golf Tournament. There will be your usual Pool Party and Club Happy Hour on Friday, followed by the 36th Annual Trade Show & Silent Auction on Friday night. The Travel Expo will be incorporated into the Trade Show, so be prepared to present your Club Profiles, and take some extra time to chat with your favorite resorts to plan those future club and council trips. Saturday will be filled with panel sessions, Public Affairs Panels, and the annual Bid Presentations for future FWSA trips. Phil Mahre will be our Keynote Speaker following lunch, on Saturday. Be prepared to be Rockin' & Rollin on the River on Saturday night. The Awards Banquet will be followed by dancing and listening to the great sounds of "Thrillride". The General Meeting and Elections are set for Sunday morning, with a great Brunch mid-way in. Come early, stay late, and enjoy hiking, biking, and wine tasting in the beautiful Pacific Northwest.

Please submit all forms and payments to: FWSA Registrar, c/o Jean McCasey, 10635 Esmeraldas Dr., San Diego, CA 92124....or sign up online through the website.

Never been to a FWSA Convention and wondering what it's all about? Check out this Article: Convention 101, or everything you need to know about Convention!

Linked below you will find the registration materials for the Far West Ski Association's Convention, Thursday through Sunday, June 9-12, 2022 at Holiday Inn Portland – Columbia Riverfront, in Portland, Oregon.

#### **Economic Relief Program:**

Again, this year, FWSA offers an "economic relief" program to provide a ski club the opportunity to send more delegates to the Convention. For every six (6) delegates that have paid the full registration package by the registration deadline of May 10, the club will receive a rebate of one (1) paid registration after the Convention (limit of one rebate per club).

#### Make Your Hotel Reservations NOW!:

Lodging at our group rate (double occupancy) is available at The Holiday Inn, Portland – Columbia Riverfront. Per our contract, we have NO RESORT FEES, FREE IN-ROOM WI-FI, & PARKING. Refer to the enclosed flyer for the FWSA contracted room rates for our group. The Holiday Inn Portland – Columbia Riverfront is located at 909 N. Hayden Island Drive, Portland, Oregon, 97217. Make your reservations by calling 503-283-4466, and give them our Group Name: Far West Ski Association. You can also book your room reservations on-line at our special FWSA site at Far West Ski - Holiday Inn Reservations. Make your room reservations before May 12, when the room block is released. Once our room block is released, The Holiday Inn Portland – Columbia Riverfront will endeavor to take reservations for rooms after the cut-off date, but this will be subject to availability. Room reservations are welcome at the Convention rate of \$154 from May 6 - 14, 2022.

Delegate Welcome Letter
2022-FWSA-Convention-Flyer
2022 SCHEDULE of EVENTS
2022-FWSA-Convention-Delegate-Registration
2022-FWSA-Convention-Credentials-Form
2022-FWSA-Convention-Optional-Activities
Delegate Registration Instructions

If you have an interest in serving as an Officer or Trustee of FWSA, please contact Steve Coxen at pastpresident@fwsa.org or phone (503) 679-9022. For a copy of FWSA Qualifications for the positions of President, Treasurer, Trustee, VP of International Travel, and VP of North American Travel, please contact Steve Coxen.

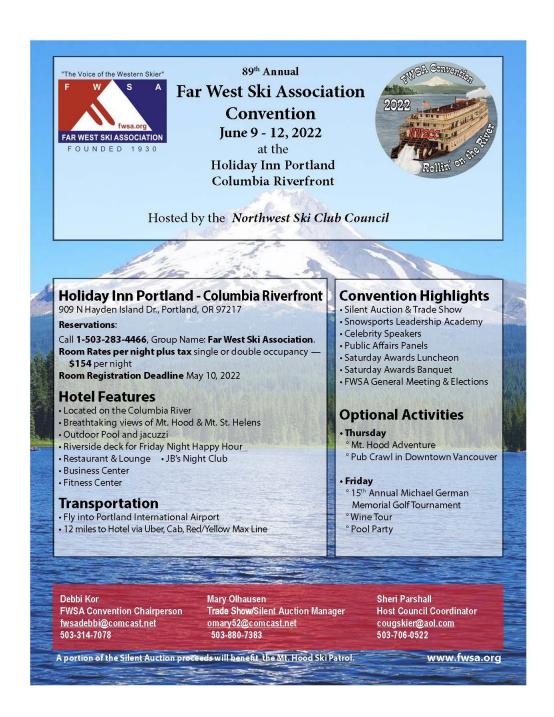
**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** We need your help to volunteer for many different jobs during the weekend. We're using SignUp.com (the leading online SignUp and reminder tool) to organize our upcoming SignUps. Here's how it works in 3 easy steps:

- 1) Click this link to see our SignUp on SignUp.com: https://signup.com/go/PzxDuJT
- 2) Review the options listed and choose the spot(s) you like.
- 3) Sign up! It's Easy you will NOT need to register an account or keep a password on SignUp.com.

Note: SignUp.com does not share your email address with anyone. If you prefer not to use your email address, please contact me and I can sign you up manually.

Thanks so much for helping NWSCC showing the true PNW hospitality.

NWSCC Clubs whose members volunteer to help with the Convention activities will share in the reimbursement after the event based upon their members' participation!



The next NWSCC Council meeting will be held May 25, 2022, via ZOOM!! Everyone is invited - please tell your club members!

Our Special Guest Speaker will be Oregon State Parks with some interesting information. We will also have some updated info about the FWSA Convention.

Date: May 25, 2022

Time: 6:45 pm PST call in; meeting starts at 7:00 pm

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83276275381?pwd=cjNkV1p6ZG84VXZrbl

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Meeting ID: 832 7627 5381

Passcode: SNOW

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Looking ahead: **NWSCC Elections** will be held at the June 15 NWSCC Council meeting! Everyone is encouraged to run for any position! WE WELCOME NEW BOARD MEMBERS!!! We are especially desirous of members to assist in the following areas: membership, travel, and Facebook and Meetup assistance. See Article for details.

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PACRAT

PACRAT had a highly successful season, with no canceled races, and announced the team and individual winners for the year at the Rat Attack Party on April 22. Details are on the PACRAT website.

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Are you looking to purchase one of the **multi-area ski passes** for the 2022-2023 season, or even from your favorite local NW ski area? Once again Marc Galt has put together a list of the passes which is a quickie breakdown of what to expect for the coming year. Note that this list is ever evolving, and some of the information may become outdated in a short time. He was unable to include all the various prices and deadlines, though for most of the passes they keep raising prices the longer they are offered. Some pricing deadlines have already passed, and you should quickly check out any passes you are interested in. Click HERE for a .pdf of Marc's presentation from the April 27 NWSCC Zoom meeting. And note that the **Indy Pass** has announced 5 new resorts, and prices will go up May 17!

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**NEW:** The **Spring 2022** issue of **The Councilman** is now complete and is available on the the FWSA website HERE.

#### **NWSCC INDUSTRY MEMBER NEWS**

#### NEXT ADVENTURE www.nextadventure.net

We believe in informing, outfitting, and exciting everyone about the great outdoors, on any budget.

Next Adventure was conceived by childhood friends Deek and Bryan in 1997 with a focus on selling used gear and closeouts, but has grown into a premier outdoor retailer with four locations offering classes, rentals and state-of theart tuning capabilities. Our flagship store is on SE Grand, close to our Paddle Sports Center location, both in Portland, OR. We also are proud to have our Scappoose Bay Paddling Center and Sandy Outdoor Store. You can shop online 24/7!

#### MT. HOOD MEADOWS www.skihood.com

Our sister resort, Cooper Spur, is offering a great deal: book any unit in May 2022 (Sundays and Mondays) and receive a 20% lodging discount and a \$29 restaurant voucher. Make sure to add the "Spring Discount & Dining Escape" promo at checkout!

2022-23 Season Passes are now available to purchase in our Online Store! We have a lot of info on passes in our blog post HERE, but here are a few quick, key details:

- We have made ALL our winter pass products available for purchase now... that
  means in addition to All Access and Value Passes, we also have 10 Time, 5
  Time, Night, Beginner Progression, and Nordic Passes available for purchase
- There is no longer a set purchase deadline -- all passes are subject to dynamic pricing, meaning prices may increase and sales may eventually be cut off entirely based on demand. We recommend purchasing early to get the best possible deal
- However, if you purchase an All Access or Value Pass by May 31, 2022, you will
  receive one free unrestricted lift ticket and one free Nordic ticket. Those who
  purchase a Nordic Season Pass by May 31 will also receive one free Nordic
  ticket. Additionally, all 2022-23 Season Pass purchasers get unlimited access to
  scenic chair rides this summer at Meadows

Again, we recommend reading our blog post at this link to get the complete lowdown on 2022-23 Season Passes.

The start of summer operations at Meadows is less than a couple months away, and we have a lot of great events and activities planned, including our Culinary Tours! Mt. Hood Meadows Executive Chef Matthew Grimsley and his Culinary Team will guide your taste buds on a tour of three different regions on three different dates: Polynesia (July 2), Mexico (August 13), and Italy (September 3). They'll be preparing dishes such as manapua, huachinango, tortellini in brodo, and many, many more! Select your tour(s) of choice, view the full menus, and save some money by purchasing online in advance at this link!

May 7: Sno-Kona Pond Skim

#### **SUMMER EVENTS**

June 3 & 4: Morel Mushroom and Brew Dinner featuring pFriem (both dates sold out)

June 25: Mountain Cleanup Day July 2: Polynesian Culinary Tour

July 8: Stargazer Dinner July 9: Stargazer Dinner

July 9. Stargazer Diffier July 9 & 10: Makers Market July 16 & 17: Wy'east Howl July 30: Balance Bike Race

August 6 & 7: Mt. Hood Trail Games

Sundays in August (7, 14, 21, 28) & Sept. 4: Mushroom Hunt Series

August 12: Stargazer Dinner

#### MT. HOOD SKIBOWL www.skibowl.com

#### **AMERICA'S LARGEST NIGHT SKI AREA**

This will be the last weekend of winter operations for Mt. Hood Skibowl - April 9-10.

PLAY, STAY AND PLAY SOME MORE Our sister property, Collins Lake Resort, is within walking distance from Mt. Hood Skibowl. The Resort offers 2, 3 and 4 bedroom condos, each furnished with its own custom charm and offers sleeping for six to ten guests comfortably. Choose between The Chalets, Grand Lodges or Golden Poles Chalets. During your stay you'll receive VIP rewards offering discounts on activities!

WE ARE HERE TO GET YOU OUT Mt. Hood Outfitters has everything you need to get you out for summer activities and tours, including watercraft rentals, non-motorized watercraft tours, hiking tours, and white water rafting.

EVERYTHING YOU NEED. RIGHT. HERE. Lake Simtustus Resort, located in Central Oregon, is situated on an 8 mile long lake reservoir and offers over 300 days of sun and desert warmth. The resort features new, customized Tiny Homes, RV rentals, and RV sites for camping.

#### TIMBERLINE www.timberlinelodge.com

At Timberline, we've received a whopping 11 feet of snowfall in the last month! This added several feet to our total base depth, setting us up for a strong finish to the season. And there's still almost a month left (through May 30) and even more snow in the forecast!

#### **SHOP ONLINE**

Visitors have been making memories at Timberline since 1937. Share your love of this iconic Mt. Hood landmark by shopping our new online store. Shop for meaningful gifts or treat yourself. Check back as we continue to add souvenirs and apparel! Click HERE.

#### **TILLIKUM PASSHOLDER PERK!**

Timberline and Fusion passholders can present their pass for \$5 off a pizza at our Portland outpost of Mt. Hood Brewing Co., valid daily 11am-4pm. Visit Tilikum Station for its cute train cars to dine in, crunchy-chewy wood-fired pizza, and classic Mt. Hood craft ales. See menu HERE.

#### SUMMER SNOW CAMPS ARE BACK AT TIMBERLINE

Get the home team advantage by signing yourself or your kids up for Timberline's Freestyle, Performance Youth Racing, or Adult Masters Race Camp. We're the only camp with slope-side lodging, a small coach-to-camper ratio, amazing afternoon activities, and year-round coaching professionals. For beginners through advanced skiers and snowboarders, Timberline Summer Camps are the perfect opportunity to focus on fundamentals and make improvements for the next season. LEARN MORE.

#### **SUMMER BIKE CAMPS**

Get a jump on your summer plans! Timberline is offering bike camps and clinics in August. LEARN MORE

**LODGING:** Stay in the historic Timberline Lodge, or in our CONDOS IN GOVERNMENT CAMP: Staying at Timberline's luxury condominiums—The Lodge At Government Camp—makes for a fun and unique mountain town experience for your next family vacation. Discover our condos.

**DIŃING AT TIMBERLINE:** Timberline Lodge and Mt. Hood Brewing Co. are open. Thank you for dining with us! Explore our restaurants. Note that holiday dinners are only available for hotel guests only.

We are excited that the border is again open between the US and Canada and we can visit Big White again!!

### KANDAHAR LODGE, Whitefish, MT www.kandaharlodge.com

See specials on NWSCC website for 15% off!

See the National Ski Council Federation April 2022 NEWSBEAT for some awesome articles! Topics include climate change, the end of the paper trail map, ski resorts donating to Ukraine, and more!

See this just-published Article about **Utah's newest ski resort** near Park City!!

Also read this great Article about The Challenge of Getting Younger Generations Engaged with Skiing.

# Excerpts from Far West News F I a s h APRIL 2022 Far West Ski Association

**VAIL NEWS:** Vail Resorts announced their rollout of a new incremental annual \$175 million investment in its employees that includes a \$20 per hour starting wage, a commitment to "aggressively" expand affordable employee housing, and the hiring of more centralized HR staff. The shifts include the \$20 per hour starting rate for employees across all of its 37 North American properties and corporate, effective winter 2022-23. There will also be increases for hourly employees with compression adjustments based on "career stage and leadership differentials." On top of all this, Vail Resorts plans to add to the roughly 7,000 affordable housing beds it provides across its mountain resorts. GREAT news for those wanting to work at Vail Resorts!

TIMBERLINE (OR) PURSUES NEW EFFORTS TO INTEGRATE SUMMIT PASS: A new master plan from Timberline owners R.L.K. and Company outlines details to further integrate Summit Pass (formerly Summit Ski Area) with Timberline Ski Area. This plan includes a two-stage gondola that would provide direct, aerial access from the Summit Pass base area to Timberline, upgraded Summit Pass facilities and parking, and a new midstation. The plan is part of a strategy to address transportation issues such as a lack of parking on the mountain, access challenges, and traffic congestion. Summit Pass sits directly below Timberline on the south slopes of Mt. Hood. Acquired by R.L.K and Company in 2018, it merged with the upper mountain in July 2021 to offer a combined 4,540 vertical feet, the longest in the United States. There is currently no lift connection between the two ski areas, though. The proposed 10-passenger gondola, with an hourly capacity of 1,800 people per hour, would include a mid-station with access to an area of beginner terrain with surface lifts as well as a potential tubing area. The plan would remove some parking from the Timberline Lodge and add 500 to 600 parking spaces at Summit Pass. A new 20,000-square-foot lodge at Summit Pass would include restaurant service and seating, ticketing, ski school, retail, restrooms, a daycare center for guests and employees, and a deck with additional seating and direct access to the planned gondola and the Summit Pass chairlift.

**INDY PASS OFFERS SOMETHING NEW:** The Indy pass announces a major expansion into cross-country skiing that gives passholders two trail passes to some of the best XC resorts in North America. In addition, the new Indy XC Pass is on sale now for \$69 for adults and \$29 for kids 12-and-under, providing two trail passes at each resort. 10% of the sale price will be donated to the Cross Country Ski Areas Association (CCSAA). Most of these

locations are in the Eastern part of the United States. However, CCSAA said that they expect more than 30 areas to commit to the pass for the 2022-23 season. Check your local Indy Pass area for more information.

#### **FAR WEST TRAVEL**

FWSA INSIDE PASSAGE CRUISE 2022: There's still time to sign up for the *Denali Tour and Alaska Cruise*. Participants can sign up for the *Denali Tour*, **June 21–25**, **2022** or *Alaska Inside Passage Cruise*, **June 25-July 2**, **2022**, or for the combined two trips. The Denali Trip starts with two days in Fairbanks, AK, followed by two days in Denali, and ends in Anchorage for those doing this portion only. The Inside passage Alaska Cruise starts in Whittier and travels southward with stops in Skagway, Juneau, and Ketchikan before docking in Vancouver, BC. Trip information and registration available on the FWSA.org website or contact Nancy Ellis, VP North American Travel, fwsatravelnancy@sbcglobal.net; (530) 414-8261.

**FWSA INTERNATIONAL "ADVENTURE TRIP"**: Far West's Trip to *Croatia* will be **September 2-11, 2022**.

Departure date from the U.S. will be September 1<sup>st</sup>. Right now, we have a **waiting list**, but for further information, contact Debbie Stewart, VP of International Travel: fwsaintltravel@prodigy.net.

**FWSA 2022 DIVE TRIP:** The FWSA 2022 dive trip to *Cozumel* is now open for registration! We will be staying at Iberostar Cozumel Resort in their standard bungalow style rooms from *October 8 – 15, 2022*. All meals, alcoholic & non-alcoholic beverages, 5 days of 2 tank dives including 2 Cenote dives, and a night dive. Iberostar Cozumel is located on the Southwest side of the island and is close to the best dive sites. Dressel Divers, a PADI 5-Star Instructor Development Center dive operation is located on the property. The information is now available on the FWSA website at Dive 2022 Cozumel - Far West Ski Association (fwsa.org)

## INDUSTRY MEMBERS

NWSCC would like to thank our Industry Members for their generous support. Without their help, it would be impossible for NWSCC to accomplish our goals of supporting ski clubs and the ski industry. Please visit these businesses that support NWSCC.

NWSCC is always accepting memberships at all levels. If you are interested, or know a business that is, please contact <a href="mailto:IndustryMember@nwskiers.org">IndustryMember@nwskiers.org</a>.

Next Adventure - https://www.nextadventure.net/
Check out ALL their stores:
Grand Avenue Outdoor Store, 426 SE Grand Avenue, Portland, OR
Portland Paddle Sports Center, 624 SE 7th Avenue, Portland, OR
Scappoose Bay Paddling Center, 57420 Old Portland Road, Warren, OR
and their NEW store at 38454 Pioneer Boulevard, Sandy, OR



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