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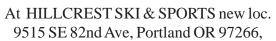
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Plaza/Edgeset Ski Club, PO Box 2182, Portland, OR 97208



Hillcrest Ski & Sports 2nd Annual Equipment Night

Race, performance & recreational equipment. Two days only: Thur. & Fri., **Oct. 14** and **15**, From 6:30-till your done??



on 82nd street between Johnson Creek Blvd and Krispey Kreme (Otto Rd)

Preview this year's state of the art skis, boots, and bindings at INCREDIBLE PRICES!!! Only on Thursday, 10/14/04, **MEET THE REPS** from:

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Club Hike to Falls Creek Falls



November 7. (Sunday) The lower Falls Creek Trail crosses a suspension footbridge over a mossy gorge on its way to a colossal, 200-foot waterfall! 3.4 miles round-trip, 650 feet elevation gain! It is so beautiful at the Falls!

Meet at 10:00am at GTC-Gateway Transit Center/NE 99th betw. Glisan & Halsey (Gateway exits, I-5/I-84 Portland). We'll leave GTC by 10:15 AM. Direction, cross the Bridge of the Gods, Carson, Wind River Road!

Hikers should bring a lunch and water! Good walking shoes. Tennis shoes are OK! We need a Forest Park permit to park our cars @ the trailhead! For questions, contact: **Elisabeth Fontaine** at 503-524-5774.

Pray for Snow Party



Our local ski clubs often cooperate, organize joint ski trips and jointly organize PACRAT racing. But, at this time of year, we join forces to pray for snow!

Schnee Vogeli Ski Club's **Pray for Snow** party is scheduled for Saturday night, **November 13** at Charlie's, in Government Camp. Tickets are \$10 and are being presold;

no ticket sales at the door. The tickets are going fast. If you want to go please contact your favorite Schnee Vogeli member ASAP for tickets or, if you don't have a favorite, contact: Dale Parshall <u>dale.parshall@usbank.com</u>, 503-245-3782, or Gordon Lusk <u>gordyski@comcast.net</u>, 503-804-8363.

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Note the color code.

Our club is blue.

2004 CALENDAR

Blue: Plaza/Edgeset events
Red: NWSCC/FWSA events

Black: General events

Oct. 14,15. (Thur./Fri) Equipment night

Oct. 16. (Sat.) Beer bottling & labeling

Oct. 21. (Thur.) Warren Miller movie

Nov. 1, Mon. Board meeting (see p.7)

Nov. 5-7.Ski Fever Show Expo Ctr.

Nov.7, Sun. Hike to Falls Creek Falls

Nov. 9, Tue. Ski Fair. Monarch Hotel.

Nov. 13, Sat. Pray for Snow party.

Nov. 16, Tue. Mt.High Membership Party at Mt. Park Rec. Ctr.

Nov. 27. (Sat.) **Wine Tour** (see p. 4)

Nov. 25-29: Ski Safari to Canada

Dec. 9-14. Beaver Creek & Vail trip

Jan. 14-16. Crystal Mtn. (WA) bus trip.

Jan.29 - Feb. 5. Aspen/Snowmass Far West Ski Week

Feb. 16-20. Big Mtn. (MT) train trip

Mar. 12-19. USRSA Ski Week in Bormio, Italy.

Mar. 18-20. Far West Championships Heavenly Valley, CA.

Warren Miller dinner/movie

October 21, (Thursday). Dinner at 6:00. Movie at 8:00 pm.

6:00 pm. Dinner at "**Madison's on Fifth**" restaurant. This is on the corner of Madison and 5th, inside the PacWest building.

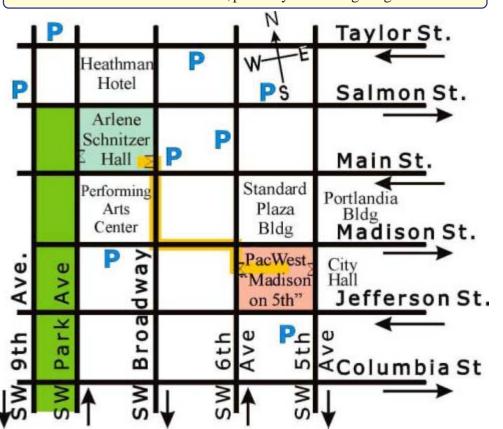
About 45 of us will be there. If you are planning to come, you must RSVP to Emilio, so we can reserve the appropriate number of tables. If you prepaid for the movie tickets, Emilio will have your ticket at the restaurant.

After dinner, we'll walk about 2 blocks to the Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall, to watch the latest Warren Miller movie, "Impact", starting at 8:00 pm.

Everyone attending the movie will receive the following free lift tickets:

- 1. Mt. Hood Meadows, Oregon (1 ticket good for April 2005)
- 2. **Schweitzer Mountain**, Idaho (1 ticket good till Dec. 20, 2004, or "2 for 1" after Feb. 1, 2005).
- 3. **Apex**, B.C., Canada (1 ticket good till 12/17/04, or 3/29/05 till closing).
- 4. **Big White**, B.C. (1 ticket good till 12/17/04 or 3/29/05 till closing).
- 5. **Silver Star**, B.C. (1 ticket good till 12/17/04 or 3/29/05 till closing).
- 6. **Sun Peaks**, B.C. (1 ticket good till 12/17/04 or 3/29/05 till closing).
- 7. **\$25 off at U.S. Outdoor Store** on items above \$100 (by 11/7/04).

During dinner, we can discuss plans to use these tickets in a **carpool/caravan/safari** to those **Canadian ski areas**, probably at Thanksgiving.



Winter Forecast

Good news!

The Oregon Climate Service at OSU has issued an early weather forecast for this winter, and it sounds great:

"We expect generally belowaverage temperatures during the first half of the season (Oct-Dec), with normal or somewhat above-average precipitation statewide. The second half of the year (Jan-Mar) should see above-average temperatures statewide and average or above-average precipitation (with western Oregon more likely to be above average)."

See www.ocs.oregonstate.edu

Our Web Site

Please check our web site, **www.mthigh.org**, frequently for the latest info on trips, upcoming events, PACRAT racing, and latest photos.

It gets updated often. For example, about a week after our Seafood Social and the Mt. Hood Heritage Day, photos of both events were posted on the web site. They are still there, under "Recent Photos".

Also, the **Events** page gets updated quite frequently.

During the winter, keep an eye on the **Trips** page, where daily outing to Mt. Hood will be posted.

All **membership** forms can be found on the Forms page.

Plaza ski club was founded in the Standard Plaza Building (between Main & Madison) in 1975.

Edgeset ski club was founded in the 1st National Bank (later 1st Interstate, now Wells Fargo), in the block just south of the PacWest building, around 1970. These two clubs merged in the Fall of 2000, and renamed **Mt. High** in the Fall fo 2003.

OPINION

How We Differ

by Emilio Trampuz

All we do on the mountain is make left and right turns, so you might think we are all alike. But, boy do we differ! And it's a good thing, because variety is the spice of life!

We differ in the choice of equipment: alpine, nordic, telemark, monoski, ski boards, snowboard, or horse-drawn sleigh!

We differ in the choice of companinship. Some prefer to ski **alone** and not worry about having to wait for others, or worse: having others wait for them! And yet others seek **company at all expense**. We have all seen intermediate skiers

get on slopes way beyond their comfort level, trying to keep up with a group of more advanced friends.

But, most of all, we differ in the **choice of terrain**. Just as terrain can be infinitely varied, there is a surprising number of different types of skiers and boarders.

There is the obvious difference between sticking around a half-pipe all day versus roaming the open slopes. Also, there are differences due to ability, such as chosing green, blue or black according to our own ability level.

But, let's look at the differences due to purely personal choice. A lot of us in the club are experienced skiers, with lots of mileage on the mountain. We can handle all kinds of terrain, but still we have our preferences.

<u>Challenging crud</u> vs. <u>virgin powder</u>. Most of us enjoy the sensation of cutting first tracks in fresh powder. But, when the powder gets cut up, our paths start diverging. Some of us continue attacking the same cut-up slope, and seek even steeper lines, while others prefer to look elsewhere for some remaining untouched snow, even if found on more mellow slopes.

Both of these groups are often referred to as "**powder**" skiers, but in reality, the first group is more into seeking **challenge**, while the second group seeks **novelty**, and that feeling of cutting a brand new trail, regardless of how steep or challenging it may or may not be.

Big skiing vs. **tight**. "Tight" sounds better than "small", the opposite of "big". You know, people often refer to making big turns, or skiing "big". Usually, that means skiing fast and making very few turns, making very wide-radius turns. Basically just zooming down the mountain as fast as you can. Maybe "big" is really "adicted to speed"?

By contrast, some of us prefer to enjoy every turn, making as many turns as possible within a given amount of vertical. These people believe the "big" group" is wasting vertical.

The September issue of Skiing Magazine has an article written by some Americans skiing in Europe, who were overtaken by an athletic Spaniard while climbing up to some untracked

powder. In the end, they got their revenge and satisfaction by noting that they only made 5 or 6 turns on the way down, while the Spaniard made like 30, 40 or 50 turns.

Hmm, ... I don't know. It seems to me that the Spaniard may have had more fun, but that may be because I belong to the group that subscribes to the

notion that small is beautiful and that every turn should be savored, rather than skiing it in a blur. But, hey, that's just my own bias.

Sightseeing vs. **Adrenalin pumping**. Sightseers want to explore the whole mountain and then some. Leave no corner untouched. They like the sensation of travelling on skis and want to see where the skis will take them. Even the flats can be enjoyable, as long as the skis keep moving.

The Adrenalin seekers don't feel any need to see everything. Why waste time on green or blue slopes? The blacks and double-blacks are the really exciting places. Better stay on the slopes that give you the full rush. This group will not willingly go far and wide, but if they do, and they find themselves on a long and winding road, they will mostly hate the traverse, regardless of how fast the skis may be moving along the road.

So, celebrate your uniqueness. And see how many more different types of skiers/riders you can identify on the slopes!

Let's Bottle & Label "The Brew"

(For the Membership Party)

DATE: Saturday, Oct. 16, 2004.

WHAT: Let's make it a "Kegger".

Mt. High's own special beer has been brewed, but it has to be bottled and labeled. Do I hear any volunteers to help? If so, contact the number below. We need at least four people, the more the merrier.

The club's BREWED BEER has become a TRADITION and is served at the membership party.

Depending on how many people help, the bottling should take from one to two hours.

TIME: 2:30 PM

WHERE: LET'S BREW CO.

9021 NE Killingsworth Portland, OR.

CONTACT: Jaxine Harris 503-699-3341

C - U - there!

Annual Membership Party

(Join, renew, meet everyone!)

DATE: Tuesday, **Nov. 16, 2004.**

WHAT: Renew your membership, sign up for trips, join a PACRAT racing team, and learn what's new. Meet other members.

Bring a friend and come hungry, as we will celebrate the new ski season with our traditional free food, non-alcoholic beverages, wine and our very own **MT. High Brewed Beer**.

Last, but not least, don't forget the door-prizes.

TIME: 6:30 - 9:30 PM

WHERE: Mt. Park Recreation center

#2 Jefferson Terrance Lake Oswego

DIRECTIONS: From I-5 and Hwy 217, go east on Kruse Way. Turn left on Westlake Dr., turn right onto Jefferson Pkwy, turn right onto Jefferson Terrace. Rec # 503-635 -3561

CONTACT: Jaxine Harris 503-699-3341 C - U - there!



DATE: Sat., Nov. 27, 2004

WHAT: The annual Mt. High wine tour! Thanksgiving celebrations would not be complete without partaking in this wonderful, wine-filled, festive day, Traditionally, all wineries have open-house this weekend, with tastings, appetizers, sometimes music, and lots of discounts. To purchase a special reserve or a new release, this is the weekend to do it. Most wineries have a tasting fee of \$5.00. Usually, the fee is waivered if you buy a bottle of wine. Some-times the tastings include the glass.

DETAILS: Details have been "bottled and corked" - your pleasure follows:

Wineries - Our destination is the Rickreal/Monmouth area. We'll taste at Arlie and Eola for sure and perhaps Kathken and or another one. **Munchies -** Bring your favorite apps and snacks to share.

Transportation: Raz mini coach! A 24 passenger coach with rest-rooms and bus driver will be our "magic carpet ride" to wine country.

Where to meet - Tigard! Meet at the park and ride at the Tigard cinemas. Address:

Time - get ready: 10:00 am, get set: 10:15 am, GO! - 10:30 am. Return: 5:30 pm.

Who - This wine tour is open to Mt. High members and guests, so call all your friends and join the party.

Cost - $\underline{\mathbf{Bus}}$ members = \$24.00, guests = \$29.00 (pay to club)

<u>Tasting fee</u> Plan on \$5.00 per winery. This fee is paid on your own at the winery.

RSVP - by Nov 24th wed. Jaxine 503 - 699-3341.

Payments - Make check payable to: Plaza/ Edgeset Ski Club.

Send payments to: Jaxine Harris, 668 Mc Vey #30, Lake Oswego, Ore 97034

Your hostesses: Debbie Kor 503-682-1563 and Jaxine Harris 503-699-3341



SKI TRIPS

All the trips have already been announced and described in our **August** and **September** issues (numbers 44 and 45). There has be no change in the trips schedule since then. So, in this issue, we are presenting just a quick overview. For details, see the previous issues. If you have misplaced your copy, you can download it from our web site, at www.mthigh.org/News. Also, check out our **Trips** page: www.mthigh.org/Trips.

Dec. 9 - 14, 2004. BEAVER CREEK & VAIL. NWSCC trip. 5 nights/ 3 days. \$735. Contact: **Steve Coxen.**

Jan. 14-16, 2005. CRYSTAL MOUNTAIN. Our annual bus trip. 2 nights/2 days. \$219 - \$244. Contact: Linda McGavin.

Jan. 29 - Feb. 5, 2005. FAR WEST SKI WEEK - ASPEN. FWSA trip 7 nights/ 5 days. \$1245 - \$1380. Contact: **Debbi Kor.**

Feb. 16 -21, 2005. BIG MOUNTAIN, MT. Mt. High train trip 3 nights/ 4 days. \$475. Contact: **Debbi Kor.**

Mar. 12 -19, 2005. USRSA NATION'S SKI WEEK, BORMIO, ITALY. 7 nights / 6 days. Contact: Jan Holman 775-972-9064.

Mar. 17 -20, 2005. MT. BACHELOR. Unstructured weekend. Several NWSCC clubs may participate. Inn at the 7th Mtn.

Mar. 18 -20, 2005. FAR WEST CHAMPIONSHIPS. Heavenly Valely, Lake Tahoe. 2 or 3 nights/2 or 3 days. Dale Parshall.

Apr. 17-23, 2005. SUNSHINE VILLAGE/BANFF. NWSCC trip. 6 nights/3 days. **\$810** Contact: **Linda McGavin**.

Remembering the Games in Sarajevo, 1984 (by Emilio)

Who would have imagined that **Debbie Armstrong** - the Olympic Gold medalist in GS at the Winter Games in Sarajevo, 1984 - would be hugging me as I was named Man of the Year at the FWSA Convention in Reno, in June 2004?

I remember Debbie from **1984**. I did not meet her then, but I skied in Sarajevo shortly before the Olympics. I don't have a photo of me in Sarajevo, but here's one from that period. Check out the safety straps on those skis, back in 1983!

My week in Sarajevo was memorable because I arrived at the tail end of a huge storm, and experienced real powder skiing for the first time in my life. A Canadian TV crew member was there, and took a day off to enjoy the powder. He gave me some pointers, when he saw me struggling. Told me to start by hopping up & down. Later that day, I was whooping and hollering through knee-deep snow!

The Canadian guy remarked how cheap the lift ticket was. He had paid less than a dollar! But, it wasn't really that cheap. At the counter, he had raised one finger, and they gave him a ticket valid for a single ride up! He skied all day on that ticket!

A month after the Olympic Games, I moved to the United States! Ah yes, 1984 was a good year for both Deebbi Armstrong, and for me!

PACRAT Racing

This is recreational racing. Anyone can do it. Give it a try. It is the best way to find 9 ski buddies to ski with during the whole season!

See www.mthigh.org/Racing

PACRAT racers and anyone wishing to try racing should contact one of our team captains, or our Race Director, Gordy Lusk, 503-804-8363, GordySki@comcast.net

Team captains, contact Gordy. Let him know how many team-mates you have.

2005 PACRAT Race Dates

1/9 Meadows

1/23 Timberline

2/13 Meadows

3/13 Ski Bowl

4/3 Meadows

4/10 make-up Meadows

4/22 Rat Attack party



Remember when we skied in sweaters?

Ski Fever & Snowboard Show

November 5-7 at the Portland Expo Center (2060 North Marine Drive, Portland, OR 97217). Show hours are:

Friday, Nov. 5: 1:00 pm - 10:00 pm Saturd., Nov. 6: 10:00 am - 10:00 pm Sunday, Nov 7: 10:00 am - 6:00 pm

All major ski resorts and retailers will be present. It's a great place to purchase new equipment at good prices.

Volunteers are needed to staff the NWSCC booth, where all NW clubs will be represented. We'll have some of our own club material on the table. But all volunteers are expected to represent all NWSCC affiliated clubs. Volunteer for a 3-hour shift, and receive free admitance to the show. Contact Mary Olhausen, 360-892-1814, or email: omary@teleport.com.





Ski Fair

Nov. 9 (Tuesday) at the Monarch Hotel, Clackamas, OR (I-205 & Sunnyside Road, exit 14). 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm.

Smaller than the Ski Show, but FREE! Come visit our own booth, meet other clubs, see what ski areas are offering this season. Get the Meadows 10-time pass for only \$295 (normally \$330), only if purchased at the Ski Fair! Other ski areas will have special prices too.

No host beverages and light food available. There will be a RAFFLE and a SILENT AUCTION. **Donations** of items, services or whatever for this would be greatly appreciated! If your business donates something, you will be listed in the program, and promotional literature can be displayed too.

Contact Mary Olhausen, 360-892-1814, oremail: omary@teleport.com.

Mountain High Shirts

Shirts with the Mt. High logo are available. We prepared them primarily to wear during the Mt. Hood Heritage day and the Ski Fair, at our booth. But, anyone who wants, can order a shirt for themselves. A small logo (1"x 4") is suitable for a left-chest (pocket size), and a large logo (2.25"x 9.75") for a full chest or full back print. To order, contact Emilio at 1-503-378-0171, Emilio 2000 @ Earthlink.net.

Unless otherwise stated, most shirts are 100% cotton. Peppercorn white is white with gray speckles adding texture. **Royal blue**, **red**, **navy**, & **black** are the main colors. Ask about other colors. Logo will be printed in contrasting color (white on dark colors; navy or black on light colors). On shirts with a trim (collar & sleeves), the logo will match the color of the trim (blue, jade or purple).

Shirt type	Price	Qty.	Shirt color	Shirt size S-2X	Logo color	Logo size S or L	Front Back or both
T-shirt (any color)	7.50						
Polo -short slv.100%	13.00						
Polo -long slv. 50/50	16.00						
Polo deluxe white w/navy trim	15.00						
Rollup tee -peppercorn white w/trim (blue, jade, or purple)	11.80						
Sweatshirt peppr white w/trim (blue, jade, or purple)	20.00		·				

Meadows 4Buy4 Season Pass

Until **Nov. 7** Purchase a season pass to Meadows for only \$400. You just need a total of 4 people to buy it together. Each person must have a unique email address and a credit card.

For details on the **4Buy4 season pass** go to **www.skihood.com**.

If you will ski only 12 times or less, it is better to buy a **10-time pass** for \$295, at the Ski Fair.

If you will ski only a few times, you'll get a better price if you buy the lift ticket ahead of time, at GI Joe's or Costco, or the Country Store at Hood River.

Timberline Pass

By Nov. 7 New this season, the Weekday Plus Pass sells for only \$149 and provides the pass holder with skiing any Monday through Friday (excluding holidays). Then (here's the Plus part) it turbo charges into a Spring Pass, and becomes good 7 days a week starting March 28th, including holidays! To purchase your Weekday Plus Pass or any other season pass, contact the Portland Sales Office at 503 219-3192. Unlimitted season pass is \$449.





FWSA Convention

Man & Woman of the Year:

Emilio with Deb Armstrong, and Billy Kidd with Marge Fons.

See article about 1984 Olympics in Sarajevo on page 5.



Plaza/Edgset Meeting

This time it's Monday, to avoid Election Day. Also: new location!!!

Nov. 1 (Mon.): Our Board meeting, open to all. Get involved with the club. Gather at 6:30 pm. From al part of the meeting starts at 7:00 pm.

Location: **Pizzicato,** 15180 SW Bangy Rd., Lake Oswego, OR. 503-670-8388.

Plaza / Edgset Ski Club Contacts

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NWSCC Rep: Debbi Kor, H: 503-682-1563, W: 988-5321 x 225, Ijustwannarun@aol.com

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Linda McGavin, H: 503-652-2840, W: 503-412-353 Trips3x@mthigh.org

Larry Bennett, H: 503-760-2360, BENNETT896@aol.com



DOUGH TRANSMITTAL FORM

Make check payable to our old name: "Plaza/Edgeset Ski Club"
Mail to: Mountain High Snowsport Club, PO Box 2182, Portland, OR 97208.

For Crystal Mtn, mail to: Linda McGavin, 1100 S.W. Sixth Avenue, Suite 1600, Portland, OR 97204. For Big Mountain, mail to: Debbi Kor, 27141 SW Aden Ave., Wilsonville, OR 97070.

Name(s):			
Address:			
Phone (Hm):	Phone (Wrk):		
Email (Hm):	Email (Wrk):		
Please take my money, and apply it toward the following Ski Club fun stuff:			Details
			<u>Deposit? Paid in full?</u>
■ Membership Dues	(for 2004/2005): Single (\$25) couple (\$40)	\$	
□ PACRAT Racing Total: \$85 Team name: \$\$		\$	
☐ Crystal Mtn. bus trip (Jan 14-16): Total: \$244 Deposit \$50 \$			
☐ Big Mountain (Feb 16-20): Total: \$475 Deposit \$50			
☐ Big Mountain train	sleeper (optional) Standard \$112pp. round t	trip \$	
Comments (For whom y	ou are paying. Roommate requests, etc.):		

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The October 2004 issue of "Lift Lines" is being distributed as follows:

145 copies electronically, via email (138 as HTML, 7 as plain text, but both have the PDF file attached) **48** paper printed copies sent via US Mail.

Some of these are sent to non-members (the NWSCC, FWSA, other clubs, etc.).

Please help us minimize the cost and labor involved in mailing out paper copies. Let me know if you have an email address Call Emilio at 1-503-378-0171 or email: Emilio2000@Earthlink.net.

Our Club in a Nutshell - on CD

Get a CD containing a PowerPoint slide presentation with several hundred photos of our club (including trips, parties, PACRAT racing, and humor). Show it to all your friends.



Only \$3. Contact Emilio.

New 15-month Far West Calendar

Great snow-related, Far West Ski Association calendar is now available for purchase, It covers 15 months, from October 2004 to December 2005. Only \$10.



You can get your copy from Debbi Kor. Contact her at: 503-682-1563, or email: ijustwannarun@aol.com.

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