



Lift Lines

= No. 274, October 2023 =

Mountain High Snowsport Club, PO Box 2182, Portland, OR 97208



From the Editor

Hi folks,

It's time for **action** on several fronts:

- 1. Renew your Mountain High club membership.** See our [Member Benefits page](#), and see instructions on how to renew either by mail or online. Also, you can renew in person at our upcoming Kickoff Party, on Monday, October 16, 2023.
- 2. Get your season pass.** Prices will only go up as we approach the start of the ski season. Consider purchasing the **Indy Pass**, which has just gone on sale again, Tuesday, October 10, 2023.
Also, remember that the **Fusion Pass** will first go up in price at the end of October, and then it will not be available at all after Nov. 26.
- 3. Join us for a social activity** - the Kickoff party on Oct. 16, or the Happy Hour on Oct. 24, or the Warren Miller movie on Nov. 2.
- 4. If you want to join us for the latest Warren Miller Entertainment movie** on Nov. 2, please note that you need to send in your ticket payment to Sandra Bush Smith by **October 20th**.
- 5. Sign up for a ski trip.** You can do it at the Kickoff party. We are not collecting any money, but our trip leader, Linda Mc Gavin would like to know who all is planning to come.

Note the color code.
Our club is blue.

2023/2024 CALENDAR

Blue: Mountain High events
Maroon: NWSCC / FWSA / Multi-club
Black: General interest events

OCTOBER 2023

- Oct. 4 (Wed.)** POW + Salomon Film Fest at Cinema 21
- Oct. 6 (Fri.)** Salmonberry Trail Hike a guided tour of new trail
- Oct. 16 (Mon.)** Mt. High Kickoff Party membership renewal, mini ski swap
- Oct. 18 (Wed)** NWSCC meeting with Greg Pack, Mt. Hood Meadows.
- Oct. 21 (Sat)** History Happy Hour Trivia Night.
- Oct. 24 (Tue)** Happy Hour at Stack 571 Burger & Whiskey Bar, Vancouver, WA
- Oct. 30 (Mon.)** Mt. High Board Meeting Round Table Pizza, Lake Oswego

NOVEMBER 2023

- Nov. 2 (Thur.)** Warren Miller's "All Time" at the Aladdin Theater
- Nov. 3 - 5** Snowvana at Expo Center Ski Show & Ski Swap
- Nov. 11 (Sat.)** Heritage Night at the Museum. Socializing, wine tasting, and an Auction

FEBRUARY 2024

- Feb. 11 - 15/16** McCall, Idaho ski trip Brundage Mt., Tamarack

MARCH 2024

- Mar. 1 or 2 to March 7 or 8** Indy Pass Washington Ski Safari Bluewood, 49° North, and Mission Ridge.

Let's Have Some Fun!



FWSA
 2005-2006
 Membership Card
 Expires September 30, 2006
 www.fwsa.org

Name Fun Skier
 Club MOUNTAIN HIGH SNOWSPORT CLUB
 Member ID _____

The bearer of this card is a member of Far West Ski Association
Renew your club membership
 (October starts the new season)



Come to the Kickoff Party
 Oct. 16 (pages 3 and 4)



Join us for the Warren Miller movie
 Nov. 2, See page 6.



Plan your ski trips
 (See pages 8 - 11)

Ski Area News

Mt. Hood Meadows is finalizing the installation of the new 6 passenger lift to replace the Mt. Hood Express lift. The new chairs are being mounted. Just in time for the upcoming season. Watch the videos of this project at: www.skihood.com/explore/The-Mountain/Mt-Hood-Express-Lift-Project

Remember that prices for season passes are dynamic. They increase the closer we get to the start of the season. There has already been one price increase near the end of September. So, if you want a Meadows pass, the sooner you buy it the better.

Timberline, Skibowl and Fusion Passes have been on sale Since September 2, 2023. Prices will increase after October 29. If you want one, buy it now. If you upload your own photo before the end of October, the pass will be mailed to you.

Mt. Ashland is celebrating its 60th anniversary. They are investing \$1 million in improvements, including purchasing 2 demo-used snow cat groomers in time for this season. Also, planning has begun for the installation of a new lift named "Lithia Chair" to serve beginner and intermediate terrain near and behind the lodge.

The Montana Snowbowl might not open this season depending on how quickly several chairlift issues can be fixed. They are finalizing the work on the chairlifts. Increased safety standards are also being implemented for this upcoming winter. Opening is scheduled for December 8th, if the Forest Service approves the resolution of the safety issues.

15 of the Biggest Ski Resorts in North America Just Sold. In most cases, skiers will not be impacted due to the change of ownership. The ski areas sold are: Brighton UT; Crested Butte CO, Cypress Mountain, B.C., Gatlinburg Sky Lift TN, Jiminy Peak MA, Loon Mt NH, Mt. Sunapee NH, Mountain High CA, Northstar-at-Tahoe CA, Okemo Mt. VT, Sierra-at-Tahoe CA, Stevens Pass WA, Sugarloaf ME, Summit-at-Snoqualmie WA, Sunday River ME.

Brundage Mountain, ID, Installes a New High Speed Quad to replace a much slower fixed triple chair. This will reduce the travel time from 16 minutes to just 6. Brundage is also installing new RFID technology to scan your lift ticket / pass.

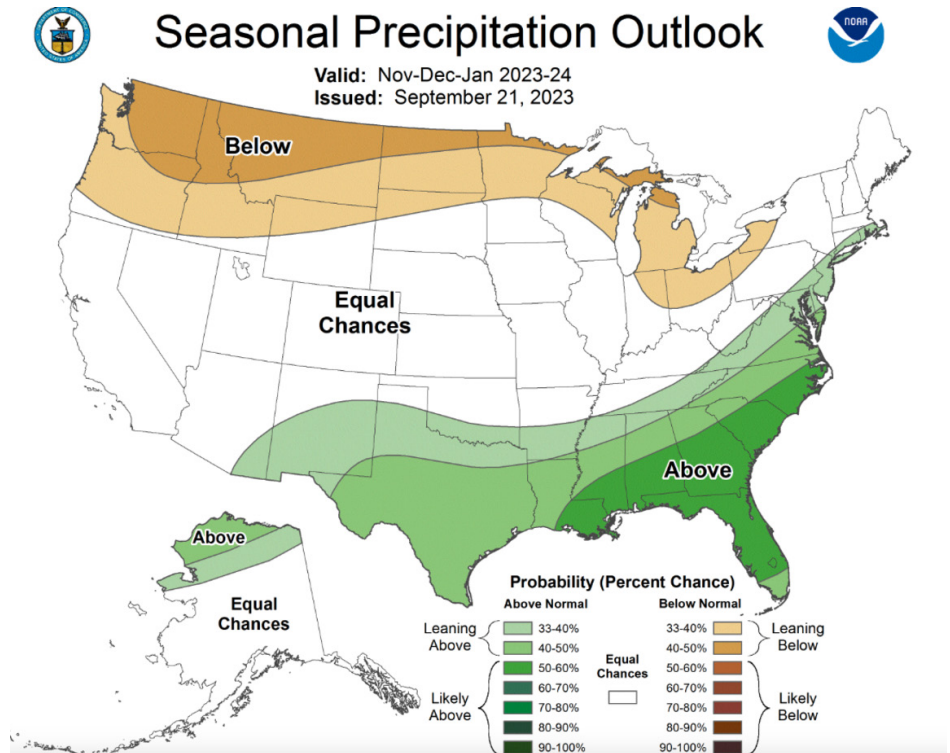
El Niño

El Niño weather pattern will bring us below average precipitation and somewhat warmer temperatures in the Northwest this winter.

Parts of New Mexico and Southern Arizona will see above average precipitation but more or less normal temperatures.

Maybe it's a good time to ski New Mexico this winter!

But also keep in mind that we are talking about averages here. Just one powerful snow storm could easily change everything.





You are invited
to the



MOUNTAIN HIGH

SNOWSPORT CLUB

Web site



Email us



Kickoff Party



Monday
Oct. 16, 2023
6:00 - 9:00 pm

**Lucky Lab
Public House**

7675 SW Capitol Hwy.
Portland, OR 97219



Everyone is welcome: old and new members, and prospective new members.

- * Join the club, or renew your membership, or just check us out!
- * New membership cards will be issued on the spot.
- * Sign up for **ski trips**.
- * Join a 10-person PACRAT **racing team**, and gain 9 instant ski buddies!
- * Win some door prizes!
- * Meet other members. Have a great time!



We'll have food and drinks. Visit with old friends, and meet new members. See what we are cooking up for the upcoming season. Be there or be square! Bring a friend!

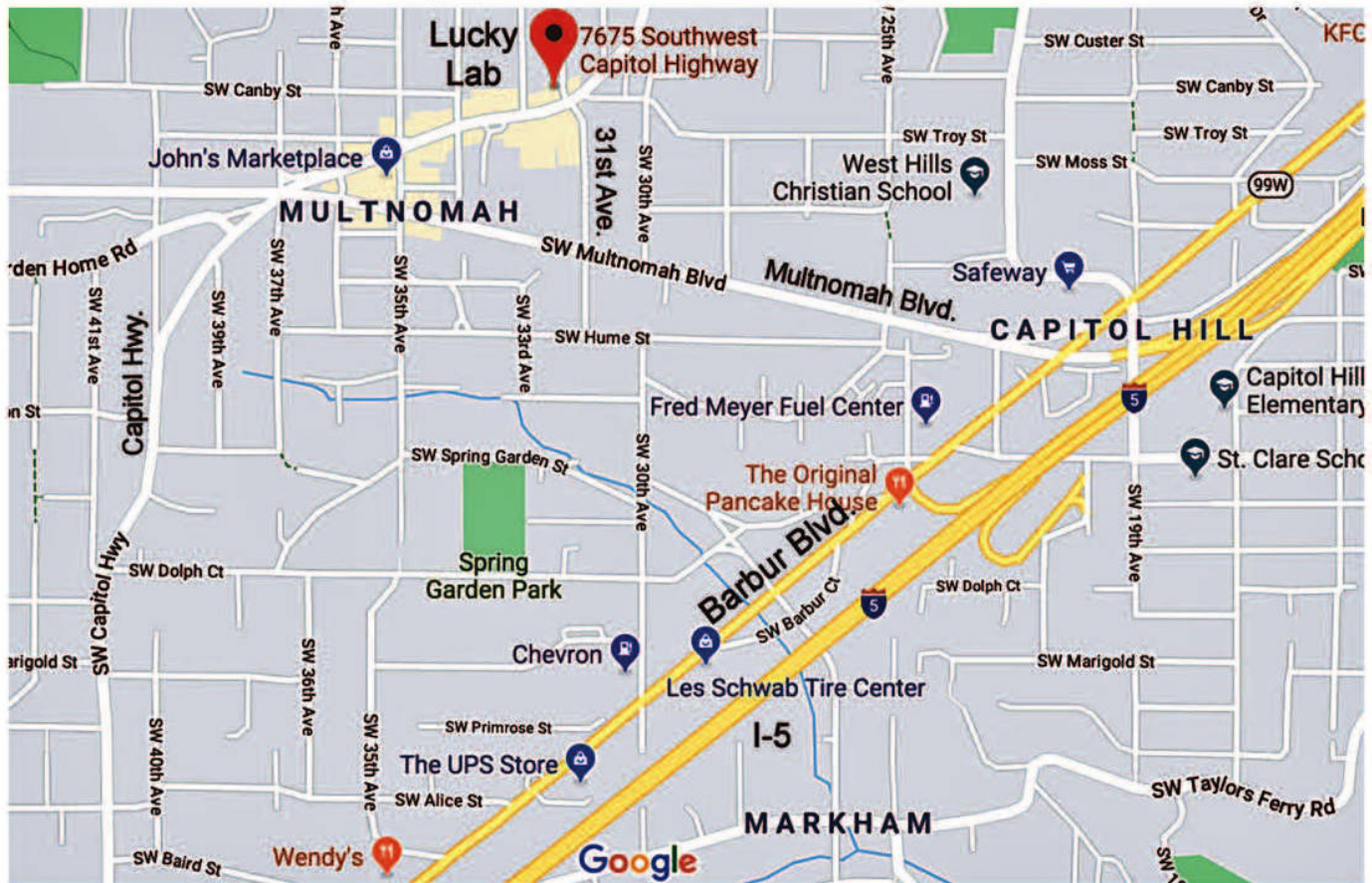
DOOR PRIZES ! FREE FOOD! GOOD COMPANY!

More info at: www.mthigh.org

Fun Facts about our club

- * We have approximately 200 members of all skiing abilities.
- * Our professions and backgrounds are varied. What unites us is our enjoyment of gliding effortlessly through a snowy landscape.
- * Almost half of our members are recreational racers (from beginners to experts). We have 8 teams of 10 racers.
- * Our membership dues are only \$30 for singles, \$50 for couples.
- * We are known as "the club that really skis"!

Map to the the Lucky Lab



Lucky Lab Public House
7675 SW Capitol Hwy.
Portland, OR 97219

DRIVING DIRECTIONS

From I-5 southbound :

- Take **exit 296B** to **Multnomah Blvd.**
- Turn **right** onto **NW 31st Ave.**
- After just one long block uphill, Lucky Lab will be in front of you, slightly to the left and diagonally across Capitol Hwy.

NOTE: If you miss the Multnomah Blvd. exit, stay on I-5 for another mile and take the Capitol Hwy. exit. After the circular exit, turn **LEFT** onto Capitol Hwy, which will take you directly to the Multnomah Village. Lucky Lab will be on your **LEFT**.

From I-5 northbound :

- Take **exit 294** to **Barbur Blvd.** (There is no Capitol Hwy. exit from the south.)
- Drive on Barbur Blvd north for about 1.3 miles.
- At the traffic light, turn **LEFT** onto **Capitol Hwy.** Follow it to the Multnomah Village. Lucky Lab will be on your **LEFT** after the downtown area.

PARKING: Street parking is limited. You can also park in the parking lot of the Multnomah Arts Center across the street, if they don't have an event going on. But please park in the parking lot **behind** the building, accessible from 31st Ave.

NWSCC Meeting - via Zoom

October 18, 2023, (Wednesday) - 7 pm.



Please join the meeting at 6:45 pm. Starts at 7:00 pm.

This meeting is attended by members of several ski clubs.

Topic: Back to Skiing!

Guest speaker: Greg Pack,

GM of Mt. Hood Meadows on

what's new, (especially the new 6 passenger chair-lift); and TBA

Let's talk about skiing.

Also, find out what else is going on in the Northwest skiing community. Join Zoom Meeting at:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/99392795595?pwd=c2xpSkJENE5GeVA1a3dBWThuZ0pYdz09>

Meeting ID: 993 9279 5595

Passcode: 448807

Trivia Night at Mt. Hood Museum

October 21, 2023 (Saturday.) 6:30 pm.

Test your knowledge and/or learn interesting details about Mt. Hood.

Topic: Trivia Night questions

Speaker: **Lloyd Musser**, Museum Curator

Be entertained and learn something new.



Doors open 6:30, presentations starts at 7 pm.

Wine, beer and soft drinks available for purchase. Enjoy your drink, sit back and enjoy the presentation.

The presentation is free. Donations of \$5 are requested for the Museum.

For more information about the lecture series, please call the museum at 503-272-3301.

Mt. High

Happy Hour

October 24, 2023, (Tuesday) - 7 pm.

4:30 pm. - 6:30 pm

Come join your ski buddies at a Happy hour at the Stack 571 Burger & Whiskey Bar,
670 Waterfront Way,
Vancouver, WA

<https://stack571.com/vancouver/>

RSVP to Bill King at President@mthigh.org or 614-371-4762 so we can ensure we have enough spots saved.



Mt. High Mt. High Board Meeting

October 30, 2023, (Monday) - 6:30 pm.

This is basically an organizational and planning meeting, attended mainly by Board members, trip leaders, etc., but it is open to all. Anyone wanting to get more involved with the club is welcome.

Location: Round Table Pizza, 16444 Boones Ferry Rd., Lake Grove, Lake Oswego, OR.

See [Google map](#).

Directions: If you are coming from the south, from Tualatin, on I-5 take exit 290 and go east on Boones Ferry Rd. for about 1.75 miles. Round Table Pizza will be on your RIGHT.

If you are coming from the north, on I-t take exit 292 and get on Kruse Way hading east, toward Lake Oswego. Follow Kruse way to the T-intersection with Boones Ferry Rd.. Turn right (south) and follow Boones Ferry Rd. for about 0.75 miles. Round Table Pizza will be on your LEFT.

Warren Miller Entertainment: "Alltime"**November 2, 2023, (Thursday) - 7:30 pm.**

We will be getting group tickets for the Thursday, November 2 showing at the Aladdin Theater.

Doors open at 6:30 pm and the movie starts at 7:30pm. Tickets are general admission so you'll need to get there early for the best seats.



Our group ticket price is \$25.75 each. If you buy a ticket on your own, it will cost you over \$30. Send your payment to Sandra, and she will mail you the tickets.

Deadline to get money in for tickets is Oct 20, so please contact Sandra right away for more info.

To get your ticket(s), contact trip captain **Sandra Busch Smith** at Sandra@pacifier.com. You can pay Sandra directly via PayPal ([paypal.me/sandyski](https://www.paypal.com/paypalme/sandyski)) or Zelle, or mail a check.

Movie info: <https://warrenmiller.com/film-tour>

Heritage Night at the Museum**November 11, 2023 (Saturday). 6 - 10 pm.**

A fun filled evening of socializing, eating, tasting local wine and beer and bidding in the auctions.



On the auction block will be a wide variety of donated items including art objects, home decor items, trips, ski passes, gift certificates and more.

If you have something you would like to **donate** for this Museum fundraiser, please call the Museum at 503-272-3301.

The annual Heritage Night is an annual silent auction fundraiser for the Mt. Hood Cultural Center and Museum. Wine and hors d'oeuvres. The event is free to members of the Museum.

An annual membership (\$20 per individual, \$40 per family) is your admission ticket. If you are not a Museum member, you can join that same evening.

Snowvana**November 3 - 5.** Friday - Sunday.

Location: Portland Expo Center,
2060 Marine Dr W, Portland, OR 9721
See Google Map.

Hours: Friday: 1pm – 8pm
Saturday: 11am – 7pm
Sunday: 11am – 4pm

A winter celebration with ski and snowboard films, local ski shops holding their annual sale event, live music, fun contests, and also a ski swap.

This is Snowvana's 7th season.

Explore the manufacturer's village, tune into the year's biggest ski movie premiere, pick up a free pair of Next Adventure kid's skis, and choose among a huge number of ways to engage and enjoy the show.

It also includes the Mt. Hood FilmFest.

Tickets: Single day ticket = \$12 + processing fees.
3-Day Pass \$25 + processing fees,
Kids 12 & under are FREE.

Sunday: 2-for-1 hero tickets for military, first responders, nurses and teachers..

Buy tickets [HERE](#).

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Want to get into Snowvana for free, or just help out your ski club council? Volunteer for a two-hour shift staffing the Northwest Ski Club Council booth. We have the following shifts available.

The number in parenthesis indicated how many people are needed.

Friday, November 3rd

2-4 PM (need 2 people)

4-6 (2)

6-8 (1)

Saturday, November 4th

11-1 (1)

1-3 (2)

3-5 (2)

5-7 (1)

Sunday, November 5th

11-1 (1)

1-3 (2)

Contact **Bill King** - willie2k@ymail.com

In case your preferred time is already taken, let Bill know your second choice.

There are many different season passes, such as the IKON, EPIC, and Mountain Collective. In past years, we have tried to offer a comprehensive listing of all the passes, but it is very hard to keep track of all of them. There are frequent changes in the number of ski areas covered and the prices change from month to month. So, it's almost impossible to keep the list up to date.

This year, let's just focus on a few passes that might be the most relevant to us this winter. And even then, this is just a brief overview. For details, please look at the corresponding website for each pass.

Please read the following information even if you already have a season pass.

Our Mountain High Club is organizing 2 ski trips to a total of 5 ski areas, all of which are on the Indy Pass. This means that with the Indy Pass you can get 2 free days at all 5 ski areas, for a total of 10 free ski days.

Indy Pass

This pass gives you 2 free ski days at **170 ski areas** in the US, Canada, and Japan. **50 more ski areas have just been added.** 37 of the ski areas are in the west. There are only 2 kinds of Indy Passes: The basic one for **\$399** has some black out dates (mainly some weekends and holidays) at some ski areas. The Indy Plus pass costs **\$499** and has no blackout dates. These prices are both \$80 more than they were in Spring.

On top of the 10 free days on our ski trips, Mt. Hood Meadows is also part of the Indy Pass, so if you don't have a Meadows Pass, but only the Indy Pass, you can get 2 free ski days at Meadows as well.

On top of that, there are several other ski areas in Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Utah that are part of the Indy Pass that you can visit these on your own. Powder Mountain, Utah is one of them.

There are also some "Allied" ski areas, where the skiing is not free, but you get a discount of 25% on weekends and 50% midweek. Among these Allied ski areas are: Loup Loup, WA, and Cherry Peak, Utah.

NOTE: The Indy Pass was not available for a while. It sold out fast in the Spring of this year. But there is a Waiting List. Sale will resume starting on October 10, but only for those on the waiting list.

Fusion Pass / Powder Alliance

Our local Fusion Pass gives you unlimited skiing at Timberline and Mt. Hood Skibowl. These two ski areas are part of the Powder Alliance, so the Fusion Pass gives you access to 20 other ski areas in the US, Canada, and New Zealand. 15 of these are in the west. And you get 3 free days at each. That's a total of 45 free ski days just in the US, without going to Canada. The Fusion Pass has been available for purchase since Sept. 2, 2023.

The Fusion Pass costs \$389 for seniors (65 - 70), or \$949 for adults (25 - 64). **Prices will go up by \$150 - \$200 after October 29. The Fusion Pass will NOT be available any more after November 26, 2023.**

Super-seniors (71 and over) have a dilemma. They must chose between two options:

- a) Pay only \$299 for a pass valid only on weekdays (except Peak Days (holidays), through March, when the pass becomes valid every day of the week. Or ...
- b) Pay the full Senior price of \$389 for an unlimited Fusion Pass.

Of the 5 ski areas our club plans to visit this winter, only Mission Ridge is also part of the Powder Alliance, so with the Fusion Pass, you can get 3 free days at Mission Ridge, as well as White Pass, Mt. Shasta, and others.

Mt. Hood Meadows Full Season Pass

If you purchase the full, unlimited season pass at Mt. Hood Meadows, you can then also purchase the Indy Pass as an **add-on** for just \$279 for the base add-on price, or \$379 for the Indy+ add-on with no blackout dates.

Mt. High Indy Pass ski trip McCall, Idaho Brundage Mountain & Tamarack

3 - 5 nights. 2 - 4 ski days. Travel by car, train, or plane.

February 11–15 or 16, 2024. -- Join us for a wonderful adventure. Up to 4 days skiing February 12-16 (Monday-Friday) Your choice, depending upon your free lift tickets and how many days you want to ski

START DATE: Sunday, Feb. 11 – Drive to McCall & check in. You can book as many as 5 nights at our group rate. Any other nights will be at the hotel's full rate – no discount.

This is a driving trip like the past few years.

1. Everyone will be driving their own car. We will NOT have a bus.
2. For lodging, you can select your own roommate (optional), or simply have a room to yourself. Your choice. We will not assign roommates.
3. This trip is designed to use the Indy Pass (2 free days at each ski area). If you do not have a pass we suggest you buy lift tickets online in advance to get the best price. We will not have enough people to get group lift tickets.

HOTEL - Book your own room under our group rate at the **Best Western Plus** in McCall, 211 S. 3rd Street, McCall, ID; **208-634-2230**.

Our group rate is **\$179.99 plus tax** (\$206.99 including tax) per night, per double queen room or king room (quantities limited).

To get this rate, just tell the hotel you are with the Mountain High club.

The hotel offers free parking, wireless internet, non-smoking spacious rooms, a 24-hour indoor swimming pool, oversized jacuzzi tub, spa, sauna and gym. Enjoy a daily, complimentary full hot buffet breakfast which includes freshly made breakfast burritos, breakfast sandwiches, cereal, fruit, yogurt, juice, pastries (and they will deliver to your room from 6:30 to 9:30 a.m.).

All rooms have High Speed Wireless Internet, Refrigerator, Microwave, DirectTV, Hairdryer, Iron/Ironing board, Desk, and Alarm Clock. The hotel also has an elevator.

Please book your hotel room early – we only have a certain number of rooms. After **January 15** our room block will expire, but you can still make reservations at our rate if there is space. There is no penalty for canceling up to one week before your arrival.

The hotel is located 11 miles from Brundage and 20 miles from Tamarack.

SKIING AT BRUNDAGE: Indy Passholders do not need to pre-schedule visits. Simply bring your valid photo ID to the on-mountain Guest Services office to redeem your ticket for the day. In addition to the two days included in the pass purchase, you may purchase a third day at 25% off. You can make that purchase the day of your visit. Like many ski areas these days, Brundage will sell tickets online in advance, at some kind of discount which is not known at this time.



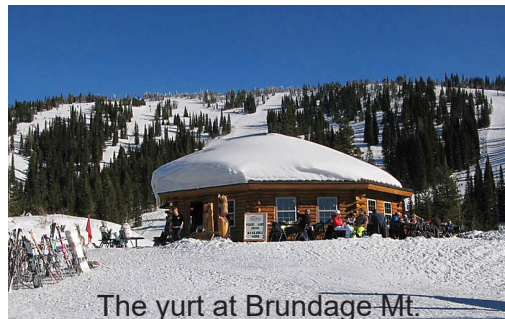
SKIING AT TAMARACK: 2 free days with the Indy Pass (you may purchase a third day at 25% off), or buy tickets online the night before.

KEEP OUR TRIP LEADER INFORMED

Everyone who signs up for this trip, please contact Linda McGavin and let her know the following:

- Did you make your hotel reservations, and for how many nights (2 or 3 or more)?
- Where do you expect to ski, and do you have an Indy Pass?

Trip leader: Linda McGavin, trips@mthigh.org, 503-652-2840.



The yurt at Brundage Mt.



Mt. High - Indy Pass Washington Ski Safari Trip

3 Locations in Washington!

Ski Bluewood, 49 Degrees North, and Mission Ridge

March 1 or 2 through March 7 or 8, 2024. -- Join us for a wonderful adventure!

Up to 6 days free skiing with your Indy Pass - your choice, depending upon how many days you want to ski.

This is a driving trip like the past few years.

1. Everyone will be driving their own car. We will NOT have a bus.
2. For lodging, you can select your own roommate (optional), or simply have a room to yourself. Your choice. We will not assign roommates.
3. This trip is designed to use the Indy Pass (2 free days at each ski area). If you do not have a pass we suggest you buy lift tickets online in advance (the day before) to get the best price. We will not have enough people to get group lift tickets.

SKI BLUEWOOD – March 1-3, 2024

Bluewood is located about half an hour past Dayton, Washington, east of Walla Walla. It has 2 lifts and 24 trails. When we have visited in the past, we have enjoyed the trails and tree skiing in powder snow.

If you want to ski Bluewood, you would drive to Walla Walla or Dayton on Friday or Saturday to ski one or two days before traveling on to Spokane on Sunday night.

There are two places to stay in Dayton, one a “dive” and other the Best Western Plus at about \$155/night.

There are less expensive motels in Walla Walla (similar motels for about \$149, a smaller motel for closer to \$100), but they are about an hour away from Bluewood.

While I have arranged for great prices at motels in Spokane and in Wenatchee, I did not feel comfortable signing a contract for a minimum number of rooms in Dayton or Walla Walla.

If you are interested in skiing Bluewood, please contact your trip leader ASAP to tell me how many nights you would stay and whether you would rather stay in Dayton or Walla Walla. I will not set up rooming until I know how many people are seriously interested.

SPOKANE – Ski 49° NORTH – March 3-5 or 6, 2024

It is about a 3-hour drive directly from Bluewood to our hotel in North Spokane, the Quality Inn Oakwood, 7919 N. Division Street, 509-467-4900. This hotel has king and double queen rooms with refrigerator and microwave, and free wifi. The hotel has a hot breakfast, indoor pool and hot tub, elevators, and a free electric vehicle charging station. Rooms will cost \$99/night (\$113.79 including all taxes and fees).

You are responsible for making your own reservations and guaranteeing them with your credit card. Either call the hotel directly at 509-467-4900 and ask for the “Mountain High Snowsport Club,” or use this booking link:

[Mountain High Snowsport Club March 2024 - Quality Inn Oakwood, Spokane, WA](#)

You must make reservations by Saturday, February 3, or the rooms will revert to their usual rate. The cancellation policy is one day prior to your trip without penalty. At the time of booking, you may change the number of nights you plan to stay. See CHOICE of REST DAY below.

49 Degrees North ski area offers 7 lifts (including 1 high speed quad, 1 quad, 4 double chairlifts, 1 conveyor) serving interesting terrain. Everyone likes the variety, which includes skiing the “Seven Deadly Sins,” Mahre’s Gold, Angel Peak, with 2 Ullr’s bells to ring for good luck (one at the top and one at the bottom of the ski area), plus lots of long cruisers and a variety of powder runs and glades. Everyone has loved skiing at this area! We plan to ski there Monday and Tuesday, March 4 and 5.

REST DAY. You have a CHOICE when booking your hotels of staying 3 nights in Spokane or booking just 2 nights and driving to Wenatchee directly after skiing on March 5. It depends upon whether you would like a rest day in Spokane. If you drive to Wenatchee that day, you could take a rest day the next day to visit the charming town of Leavenworth.

Continued on next page.

WENATCHEE – Ski MISSION RIDGE – March 5 or 6 through March 7 or 8

It is less than 4 hours to drive directly from 49 Degrees North to our hotel, The Cedars Inn, 80 9th Street NE, East Wenatchee, 509-886-8000. Our club stayed at this hotel in 2021 and found it very welcoming – they even carved Welcome Mountain High in a watermelon for us! The hotel has king and double queen rooms with refrigerator and microwave, free wifi, a hot breakfast, indoor pool and outdoor hot tub, and elevators. Emilio says it is the closest hotel to Mission Ridge.

The cost of a king room is \$84/night (\$94.50 with taxes) and a double queen room is \$94/night (\$105.75 including taxes).

You are responsible for making your own reservations and guaranteeing them with your credit card. Call the hotel directly at 509-886-8000 and mention Mountain High Snowsport Club to get your rate.

You must make reservations by Sunday, February 25, or the rooms will revert to the usual rate. You may cancel up to the day before arrival without penalty.

Mission Ridge is in central Washington, on the eastern side of the Cascades, where the air is drier, the powder is better, and there are fewer crowds. It has 1 high speed quad (with a bubble top), 3 double chair lifts, 2 rope tows, and 1 magic carpet.

Mission Ridge is known for its World War II bomber wing displayed on the side of one of the trails. It has excellent cruising terrain top to bottom – and its bomber cliffs and mogul runs for some challenging skiing.

Mission Ridge is on BOTH the **Indy Pass** (2 free days of skiing) AND the **Powder Alliance Pass** (3 free days of skiing), so you can ski here midweek for as many days as your pass will let you!

KEEP YOUR TRIP LEADER INFORMED

Everyone who signs up for this trip, please contact Linda McGavin and let her know the following:

- Would you like to go to Bluewood, if so for how many nights, and would you prefer to stay in Walla Walla or Dayton? No hotel has been set up yet, and I need your input!
- Did you make your hotel reservations for Spokane or Wenatchee, and if so which days and for how many nights at each place?
- Do you have an Indy Pass? Or a Fusion PAss (Powder Alliance)?

Trip leader: Linda McGavin, trips@mthigh.org, 503-781-5809.

NWSCC
Bachelor Blast
 4 nights, with 2 or 3 nights options

March 13 - 17, 2024.

Start: Wednesday, March 13, 2024, at 5:00 PM

End: Sunday, March 17, 2024, at 3:00 PM

Everyone from all NWSCC clubs is invited to join us!

Lodging: We are staying at the **Element by Westin**, 1526 NW Wall St., Bend, Oregon, just 3 blocks from downtown Bend. Sign up early. Rooms are limited. Prices go up February 1st, 2024. Price is per person, double occupancy. Find your own roommate or pay a single supplement.

Mt. Bachelor is on the IKON Pass. It offers 4,000 skiable acres and 3,365 vertical feet.

Questions? - Contact: Linda McGavin at editor@nwskiers.org / www.nwskiers.org

NOTE: This is a multi-club trip open to all Northwest ski clubs. It is organized by the NW Ski Club Council. Payments for this trip should be sent to the NWSCC; not to our club. Instead of the Dough Transmittal Form, please sign up directly with the NWSCC.

Details on the [NWSCC website HERE](#)





FWSA Ski Trips

The Far West Ski Association is organizing several ski trips this coming winter. These trips are open to all of us as well as to members of a lot of ski clubs in the West. See the TRIPS page on our club's website, or go directly to the TRIPS page of the FWSA website, www.fwsa.org.

Or click on one of the links to these FWSA trips:

1. Oct. 7 - 14, 2023: [FWSA 12th Annual Scuba Dive Trip to Little Cayman](#)
2. Jan. 26 - Feb. 3, 2024: [2024 FWSA Ski Week in Steamboat, CO](#)
3. Feb. 25 - Mar. 10, 2024: [FWSA International Ski Adventure - Madonna di Campiglio, Italy](#)
4. March 17 - 22, 2024: [2024 Mini Ski Week at Copper Mountain, CO](#)

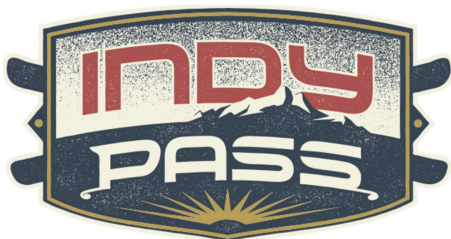
Sweepstakes for the Pacific NW Platinum Powder Pass - All Season Access to 25 PNW ski areas

This is not a pass you can buy. There is only one copy of it and someone will win it. The Pacific Northwest Ski Areas Association (PNSAA) is thrilled to introduce an online sweepstakes for the exclusive [Pacific NW Platinum Powder Pass](#). This unique pass offers all season access for the winner to 25 ski areas across Oregon, Washington, and Idaho, and beyond!

The funds raised will directly support PNSAA's extensive workforce education initiatives and the important work carried out by the Northwest Avalanche Center (NWAC).

To enter by November 12, 2023, click on the blue link above.

Contact: Dave Tragethon, (503) 680.2685 dave@tragethonconsulting.com



Indy Pass sold out, but Get on the Waiting List Now

People on the waiting list can buy a pass starting Oct. 10

So many people purchased the Indy Pass back in March and April that sales had to be stopped in order to not overwhelm the ski areas with too many skiers.

But there is a **waiting list** at this time, and it is highly recommended that you get on it. The Indy Pass goes on sale again starting Tuesday, October 10, and it will be a sale just for people on the waiting list..

Get on the waiting list at: <https://www.indyskipass.com/pricing>


The Indy Pass offers us 2 days of free skiing at 170 ski areas, of which at least 37 are in the West and several are in Japan. The number of ski areas keeps growing. Fifty new ski areas have just been added.

Note that most of our ski trips this coming winter will be to Indy Pass ski areas.



The basic pass (with some blackout dates) costs \$399, or \$499 for a pass with no blackout dates.

These are all independent ski areas, not part of some large corporation. See a film about them and their importance. It is called "In Pursuit of Soul". See it at: <https://tgrtv.tetongravity.com/apps/2645/108739/162037/32816199>

Reload a Web Page

If you have just recently checked the home page on our website or any other web page, chances are that your computer might show you the old page when you check it again. So, make sure to REFRESH or  RELOAD the page in order to see the latest version with the most recent changes.

How to reload the page might be slightly different in different browsers, but most internet browsers use the same method, such as one of the following:

- **Hit the F5 key.** On most computers, you need to press the Fn key first, and then F5. Or:
- Click your mouse on the REFRESH button shown in the upper left corner of your screen. The button looks like a circular arrow. 
- On an Android/Samsung smartphone browser: Click on the 3 dots in the bottom right corner of the screen. That will show you a menu with several options in plain English. But ignore all the English words. Instead, look at the very bottom of the menu, where there are several symbols (not words). The right-most of the symbols is the circular arrow . Tap on it.
- Not sure how to do it on an Apple iPhone, but it must be something very similar to the Android phone above.

After reloading the page, you will see the most recent, most up-to date version of the page.

Your Ski Jacket Zipper Quit Working?



You have a great ski jacket, or maybe a fleece jacket, but suddenly the zipper breaks or quits working. What do you do? Throw it away and buy a new one? But you really like this one.

Solution: Take your broken zipper to **Johann's Upholstery**, 12205 SW Hall Blvd. Tigard OR 97223. Or phone first at 503-620-1699. Or email: gary@johannsonline.com.

The location is just a minute or two away from I-217 and Pacific Highway. But the driveway from Hall Blvd. is easy to miss. So, when you leave Pacific Highway, drive slowly, ignore the cars honking at you, and watch for Johann's Upholstery driveway. It comes suddenly.

Johann's is just a business name. The proprietor is **Gary**, and he is an expert in all things to do with upholstery and sewing, whether it's your sofa, or your car seat, or a boat top or a pilot's cushion, or your ski jacket. He can handle both industrial and personal jobs.

So, don't throw away your jacket. Take it to Johann's, ... oops, I mean Gary's.

ALERT! The intersection of Pacific Highway and Hall Blvd. is a citation trap with cameras that record video. Make sure to come to a full stop even if everyone else has a red light, and even when it's obvious that you should have a green light that the city filed to install.

A Year in Review

We keep adding more pictures from our whole past year on our club's PHOTOS page. You can see our Chocolate party, our Picnic, the BBQ party, the Far West Convention, our Bowling night, and photos from our ski trips, including the Canada trip, the McCall, Idaho trip, the Ashland/Shasta trip, and the Bachelor Blast.

It's all on just one single but long web page.

Go to our website, www.mthigh.org, and click on the PHOTOS button in the menu. Or, go directly to: www.mthigh.org/Photos.htm

Then start scrolling down, or click on the specific event you'd like to see.

2023 Volunteer of the Year



Linda McGavin has been selected as our club's Volunteer of the Year. She will next be considered a candidate for Volunteer of the Year by the NW Ski Club Council, where she stands an excellent chance of winning since she has also been nominated by another local ski club as well - the Interlachen Ski Club.

The Far West Ski Association has discontinued the Man & Woman of the Year competition and replaced it with the Volunteer of the Year.

Mountain High Board Meeting

Usually last Monday of the month. Oct. 30 (Mon.): Open to all who want to get involved with the club. Gather at 6:30 pm. Start at 7:00 pm. Round Table Pizza, 16444 Boones Ferry Rd., Lake Grove, Lake Oswego, OR. See Google map.

Mountain High snowsport club contacts:

- President: Bill King H: 614-371-4762
Vice-President: Debbi Kor H: 503-314-7078
Secretary:
Treasurer: Nancy Pratt H: 503-593-9427
Past President: Kurt Krueger H: 503-625-1492
Membership Director: Karen Michels H: 503-984-9210
Racing Director: Alan Bean H: 503-849-8009
Newsletter Editor: Emilio Trampuz H: 1-503-378-0171
Social Activities: Debbi Kor H: 503-314-7078
Trips Director: Linda McGavin H: 503-652-2840

General info: info@mthigh.org
Web site: www.mthigh.org

DOUGH TRANSMITTAL FORM

Mail check payable to: Mountain High Snowsport Club, PO Box 2182, Portland, OR 97208.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY: [] New membership or [] Renewal

Name(s): _____ Birthday (MM/DD) _____

Address: _____

Phone (Hm): _____ Phone (Wk): _____

Email (Hm): _____ Email (Wk): _____

- Email Preferences: - Newsletter (once a month): [] yes, link only [] yes, complete file [] no
[] No changes - Club news & events (between newsletters): [] yes [] no
(same as last year) - Other ski news (NWSCC, FWSA, ski areas, trips...): [] yes [] no
- Is it OK to share your email address with other club members? [] Yes [] No

I certify that I am 21 years of age or more. I acknowledge that I am responsible for my own safety and conduct. I hereby agree to be bound by all Mountain High Snowsport Club bylaws and regulations, including the Trip Cancellation Policy. I hereby release Mountain High Snowsport Club, and any of their agents (officers, directors, trip captains, and any other Club representatives) from liability for personal injury, property damage, or any other liability of any kind connected with my participation in any club-related activity. Furthermore, I agree to indemnify and hold the Club and any of their agents harmless from any and all liabilities of any kind which may be incurred or asserted against the Club or any of their agents in any way relating to my negligence or willful misconduct connected with my participation in the club's activities.

Please take my money, and apply it toward the following Ski Club fun stuff: Deposit? Paid in full?

- Annual Membership (Oct. 1 - Sept. 30): Single (\$30); couple (\$50) \$ _____
Mountain High Cookbook: 34 pages of recipes from our members \$10 \$ _____
Other: _____ \$ _____
Total: \$ _____

Comments (For whom you are paying. Roommate requests,...): _____

Signature(s): _____ Date: _____

Signature(s): _____ Date: _____

See our Trips cancellation policy on our web site: http://www.mthigh.org/Documents/Trip-Cancellation-Policy.pdf

Checkmark all desired options.

Club membership = 177 Newsletter Distribution

The October 2023 issue is on our web site. Also:
204 copies sent via email (as PDF file)
0 paper printed copies sent via US Mail.
Copies are also sent to potential members, other clubs, the Mount Hood Museum, etc.

Mt. High Credit Card Payments



You can pay your membership fee and your trip payments by **credit card**. We are processing it through PayPal.

No need to have a PayPal account to make a payment by credit card. Just go to our new web page: "Signup & Pay" at: <http://www.mthigh.org/Signup-Pay.htm>

Count Your Ski Areas

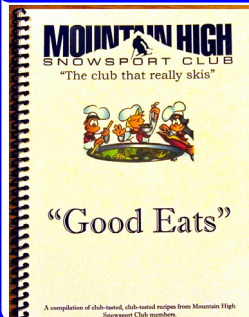
Set up your own counter of ski areas visited. Use a modified form of John and Jewel's spreadsheet with 3 added columns, for up to 3 more people. Make one of these your own. Enter a "1" for every ski area visited. See: <http://www.mthigh.org/Documents/North-American-Ski-Areas-2022-03-03.xls>

Stories from Skiing History Magazine

Find the Skiing History Magazine at: <https://www.skiinghistory.org/skiing-history-magazine>

- * [Majoring in Speed](#)
- * [The Innsbruck Inspiration](#)
- * [Skadi Man - Avalanche Transceivers](#)

Mt. High Cookbook



This 34 page cookbook is available for \$10. It has soups, salads, entrees, desserts, from our club members.
The cookbook includes recipes from the late Swiss chef Kurt Mezger. Contact Debbi Kor: ijustwannarun1@comcast.net , or call 503-314-7078.

Stories from Seniors Skiing

A good resource for skiers and riders of all ages. Check out: SeniorsSkiing.com . Subscribe to weekly or monthly emails from them. Click on the Community tab and select "Subscribe". Examples:

- * [Big Sky New Tram & Price Policy](#)
- * [Snow Sports Museum in California](#)
- * [Ageism in the Ski Pass Industry](#)



Emilio Trampuz
Mountain High Newsletter editor
4742 Liberty Rd. S., #296
Salem, OR 97302
Please check our web site,
www.mthigh.org
for updates.