



# Lift Lines

== No. 71, November 2006 ==

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



## Membership Renewal

Please renew your membership:

1. At our **Membership Party**, Tuesday, Nov. 14.
2. If you can't come to the party, print the **Membership signup form** (page 11) or from our web site [www.mthigh.org](http://www.mthigh.org). Go to the **Forms** page, print the form, and then mail it with your check to Mountain High, PO Box, 2182, Portland, OR 97208.

Please make checks payable to **Mountain High Snowsport Club**.



There are no crowds at Silver Star (British Columbia).

Come join us on the Canadian ski safari, one of our least expensive trips, since we share the cost of gas & lodging.

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Note the color code.  
Our club is blue.

## 2006 CALENDAR

**Blue:** Mountain High events  
**Red:** NWSCC / FWSA events  
**Black:** Generalevents

- Nov. 3-5: Ski Fever Show @ Expo Ctr.**  
**Nov. 6 (Mon) Ski Fair , Monarch Hotel**  
**Nov. 14 (Tue.) Membership Party**  
**Nov. 25 (Sat.) Mt. High Wine Tour**  
**Dec. 2-6 Canadian Ski Safari 5-day**  
**Dec. 5 (Tue) Mt. High Board mtg.**  
**Dec. 2-9 Canadian Ski Safari 8-day**

## 2007

- Jan. 5-7 or 19-21: Southern Oregon ski safari** (Mt. Ashland, Warner Canyon, Hoodoo)  
**Jan. 13 (Sat.) Mt. High Race Clinic**  
**Jan. 14 (Sun) PACRAT race** Timber.  
**Jan. 27 (Sat.) Mt. High Race Clinic**  
**Jan. 28 (Sun) PACRAT race** Meadows  
**Jan.27 - Feb.3 FWSA Ski Week, Steamboat, Colorado.**  
**Jan.30 - Feb.4 Big Mt. (Skiyente)**  
**Feb. 9-16 Utah: Powder Mt/Snowbasin**  
**Feb. 18 (Sun) PACRAT race** Ski Bowl  
**Mar. 3-4 Cascade Lodge weekend**  
**Mar. 3-11 FWSA trip: Bormio, Italy**  
**Mar. 10 (Sat.) Mt. High Race Clinic**  
**Mar.11 (Sun) PACRAT race** Meadows  
**Mar. 16-18: Bus trip: Mission Ridge & Stevens Pass** (Leavenworth, WA)  
**Mar.30-Apr.1 Mt. Bachelor weekend:**  
**Far West Championships + PACRAT**

Mt. High

## Annual Membership Party

Mt. High

**DATE:** Tuesday, Nov. 14, 2006.  
**TIME:** 6:30 - 9:30 PM  
**WHERE:** Mt. Park Recreation Ctr.  
#2 Jefferson Terrance  
Lake Oswego

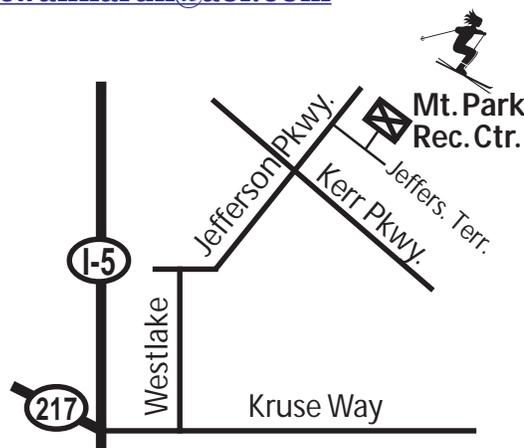
**WHAT :** Renew your membership, sign up for winter trips, join a PACRAT racing team, and learn what's new. Meet other members. Find out what makes them tick (or what makes them ski).

Bring a friend , mingle, celebrate the new ski season. There will be free food and beverages. Also, door-prizes!

**Contact: Debbi Kor, [ijustwannarun@aol.com](mailto:ijustwannarun@aol.com)**

### DIRECTIONS:

(See better map on page 3)  
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. Ctr. 503-635-3561.



Mt. High

Mt. High Halloween Party

October 28, 2006. (Saturday)

We spent a few bewitching hours at the home of Meg Gadler and her family. Many famous characters showed up, including a pirate with a parrot on his shoulder, Freddie Krueger, Dr Gray (from "Gray's Anatomy"), Spiderman, and more!

Best of all, we made all kinds of plans, for the Canadian ski safari, for PACRAT racing, and the Utah trip. Even dreamed up plans for the season after next! Our hosts, the Gadlers, were very warm and friendly. Everybody had a great time. See more photos on on the web site, on the [Recent Photos](#) page.



Ski Show

NWSCC



Michelle (a Bergie), Emilio & Kurt

Nov. 3-5, 2006. Several of us from different ski clubs took turns staffing the NWSCC booth at the Ski Show.



Ellie Betts, Linda & Steve Coxen

Ski Fair

Mt. High



At the Ski Fair, we had our own club booth. That's **Emilio, Deirdre** and **Sue**, with **Alan** visiting the booth. Many others helped set up the booth, including **Terry, Larry, Kurt, & Chuck**. A few new people joined the club.

The NWSCC had a **raffle** where you could win hats, goggles or gloves for just a dollar!

The **Silent Auction** offered many excellent deals on travel, gear, and lift tickets. We were able to get lift tickets for **49° North** for only \$15 (to be used as part of the Ski Washington Challenge). Even better, we got several lift tickets to **Mt. Ashland** (part of our Southern Oregon ski safari) for only \$13.33 per ticket! Why? Because nobody outbid us!

### Mt. High Membership Party

**November 14 (Tuesday)  
6:30 - 9:30 pm**

Our biggest party of the year! All you have to do is show up! Find out what is going on in the club. See what other members are planning this winter.

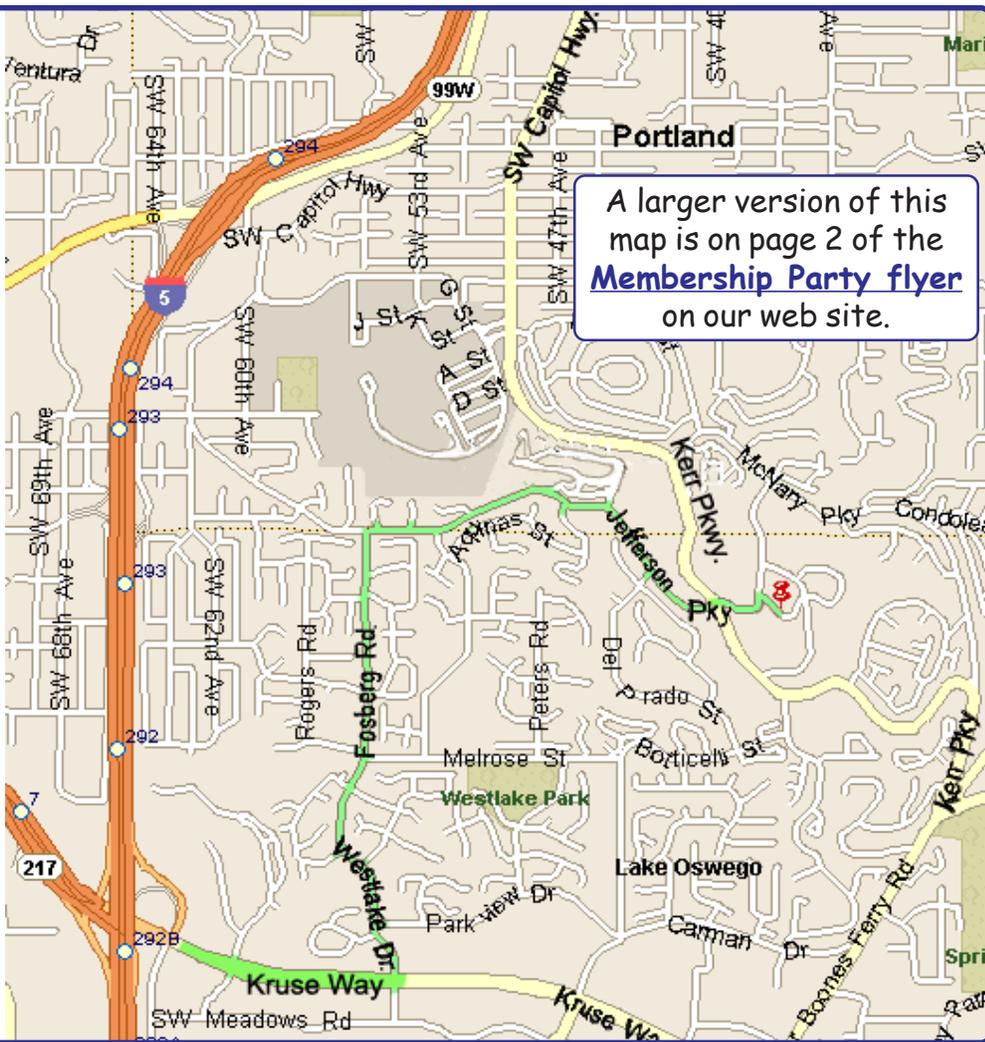
Make the most of your membership. Join something. Sign up for something.

Try racing. It's fun, purely recreational, and non-threatening. We'll find you a team.

Or sign up for a ski trip. Go see & ski places!

Bring your friends! Everyone interested in our club is welcome.

**Location:** Mt. Park Recreation Center, 2 Jefferson Terrace, Lake Oswego. The parking lot fills up quickly. Additional parking on the street (Jefferson Parkway).



### Mt. High Wine Tour

**Nov. 25, 2006 (Saturday)**

Our 6th annual wine tour is coming up! We'll have an 11-passenger van with a designated driver. We'll meet at Fred Meyer in Tigard, and have a good time! To sign up, contact Debbi Kor, at: [ijustwannarun@aol.com](mailto:ijustwannarun@aol.com).



### Pray for new road to Meadows!

Heavy rain has washed out highway 35 in 4 places, on both sides of Mt.Hood Meadows. The road is closed from both Government Camp and from Hood River. There might be a forest road bypass. Crews are working hard to fix the road. For updates, check Dave's blog : <http://skihood.com/cs/blogs/home.aspx?App=daveriley&AspxAutoDetectCookieSupport=1>



Clark Creek

## The Snow is Coming!

### Ski Resorts Opening Soon!

The storms that brought us rain and flooding also brought snow to the mountains, and more snow is on the way, including much colder temperatures around Nov. 15. So, many ski areas are planning to open within the next week or two. Opening dates:

1. **Crystal Mountain (WA).** November 15 (Wed.) There's 14" - 19" of snow on the ground already (as of Nov. 11), and much more snow is expected soon.
2. **Mt. Baker (WA)** Nov. 16 (Thursday). Received two feet of snow Nov. 10, for a base of over 3 feet. Another 2 feet of snow expected this week. Mt. Baker rules!!!
3. **Timberline.** Probably November 17 or 18 (Fri/Sat.) Currently, on Nov. 11, there's 23" of snow at the lodge.
4. **Mt. Bachelor.** Projecting: November 18 (Sat.) Based on forecast. So far (Nov. 11): only 12 inches.
4. **Canadian ski areas (Whistler/Blackcomb, Apex, Big White, Silver Star, Sun Peaks).** Scheduled opening Nov. 23 (Thur). Silver Star has a foot of snow in the village and 17 inches on the hill. More snow expected this week. Whistler is expecting 2-3 feet this weekend.
5. **Hoodoo:** Planned opening: Nov. 24-26.

Crystal Mountain (WA) webcam, Nov. 11, 2006



Mt. Baker, Nov. 10

P.S. Remember, Mt. Baker is on our itinerary on the Canada Ski Safari, in abt. 20 days.



Silver Star, early Nov. 2006

### Canadian Ski Safari

**Dec. 1 - 6 or 8, 2005.** Minimum: 5 days.   
(Or, it could be done later, in April 2007)

A very affordable trip! 5 days for about \$200 - \$275 (for lodging and gas). The skiing is mostly free.

Totally informal. No reservations. No deposits. But if we are carpooling, let's coordinate. Let [Emilio](#) know.

We'll break the long 10-11 hour drive into two segments, with some extra skiing in between. Driving up, we'll ski at **Mt. Baker**, before driving on to **Sun Peaks**.

On the way back, you can be back home at the end of day 5 (Wednesday) if you only ski half a day at Apex and then drive straight home. For a **6-day** alternative, stop for one more day at **Stevens Pass** or **White Pass**.

Emilio proposes some of us extend the trip to 8 days. After Apex, go east along Canadian Hwy. 3, and then hit the following ski areas: **Red Mountain**, **49° North**, and **Mt. Spokane** (for a total of 8 days).



More info on the TRIPS page on our web site [www.mthigh.org](http://www.mthigh.org)

**Ski Oregon / Washington Challenge**

Winter 2006/2007. **NWSCC** 

The NWSCC, in cooperation with the local ski industry is expanding its ski challenge to the State of Washington.

Washington has 14 ski areas. To meet the Challenge, you will need to ski/ride at least 10 of these in a single winter season. Extra credit will be given for the 4 optional ski areas: Hurricane Ridge, Leavenworth, North Cascade Heli-Skiing and Cascade Powder Cats.

It helps that the Mt. High club has a trip to 2 of these ski areas: Mission Ridge and Stevens Pass. Also, we'll hit a few on the way to Canada.

The **Ski Oregon Challenge** will continue too! Ski 9 of 11 Oregon areas.

These two are separate challenges. You don't need to do both.

More info on our web site, and the [NWskiers.com](http://NWskiers.com) web site. Contact **Steve Coxen**, 503-679-9022, email: [sacoxen@aol.com](mailto:sacoxen@aol.com).



**Mt. High Sunny Southern Oregon ski safari** 

Jan. 5 - 7, 2007.

Backup date (if no snow):  
**Jan. 19-21**

As a result of the Ski Oregon Challenge, we discovered Warner Canyon is an excellent place for powder skiing, especially since it is closed Monday - Friday, so there's untouched powder on Saturdays! Let's make this a really fun 3-day weekend:

- Thursday evening**, after work, drive to Ashland (Oregon).
- Friday:** Ski **Mt. Ashland**, then drive to Lakeview.
- Saturday:** Ski **Warner Canyon**, then drive to Eugene.
- Sunday:** Ski **Hoodoo**, then drive home.

This will be totally informal. It's not an official "trip", but a simple road trip, either carpooling or caravanning down there. If there is enough interest, we might hire a bus.

If you are interested, please contact [Emilio](mailto:Emilio), [info@mthigh.org](mailto:info@mthigh.org) 503-378-0171. We need to start planning how we will carpool.



**FWSA FWSA 2007 Ski Week** 

**Steamboat Colorado**

Jan. 27-Feb. 3

The biggest trip of the year, with clubs from all far Western States participating. The 36 spots reserved for Northwest skiers are full. There is a waiting list. For each additional condo, we need a foursome.

**Price:** \$850 plus \$365 for airfare. Price includes 7 nights lodging (dbl occ.), 5 days' lift tickets, Welcome party, Mountain Picnic, 3 races, Farewell Party, and much, much more. Third deposit due now. If you haven't sent any yet, a total of \$700 is due.

See details on our web site and in previous issues of Lift Lines..

**Contact: Rod Robinson**, 1- 541-344-7170, [rdrobinson@aol.com](mailto:rdrobinson@aol.com)

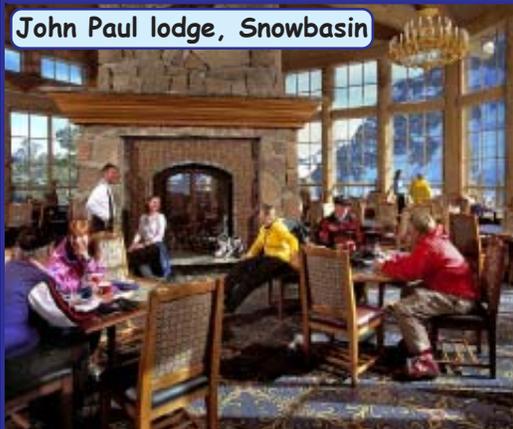


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## Utah: Powder Mt. &amp; Snowbasin



John Paul lodge, Snowbasin

**4-DAY TRIP: Feb. 9-13** (Fri. - Tue.)**7-DAY TRIP: Feb. 9-16** (Fri. - Fri.)

Two simultaneous trips, 4 or 7 days. Both groups will ski together the first 4 days. We'll leave Portland together, on a Southwest flight at 6:40 pm.

We'll ski all 4 days (or all 7 days) and return home on Tuesday night (after skiing), or Friday night, 6:20 pm.

We'll stay in Eden, just 15 mins. from

**Powder Mt.**, 20 mins. from **Snowbasin** and 10 mins from **Wolf Mountain** (night skiing!). About 80 minutes away are Park City, Deer Valley, and The Canyons. Some of us will ski at **Sundance** (the Robert Redforsd ski area) on day 4.

The **4-day trip costs \$520, and includes:**

- \* 4 nights in Red Moose Lodge (hotel rooms)
- \* Continental breakfast buffet
- \* 1 lift ticket to Powder Mt. + 1 to Snowbasin
- \* Renting an SUV for each 4 people

The **7-day trip costs: \$750, and includes:**

- \* 7 nights in Moose Hollow Condos (2 bd/2ba; **must** have 4 people per condo)
- \* No breakfast, but there is a breakfast restaurant + a supermarket
- \* 2 lift tickets to Powder Mt. + 2 to Snowbasin
- \* Renting an SUV for each 4 people (for the whole week)

**Buy your own airline tickets.** Southwest has great internet fares, \$176 RT.

## 4-DAY TRIP:

Feb. 9 (Fri.): Depart PDX on flight 1985, at 6:50 pm. Arrive SLC at 9:35 pm.

Feb 13 (Tue): Depart SLC on flight 499, at 6:25 pm. Arrive PDX at 7:25 pm.

## 7-DAY TRIP:

Feb. 9 (Fri.): Depart PDX on flight 1985, at 6:50 pm. Arrive SLC at 9:35 pm.

Feb 16 (Fri): Depart SLC on flight 499, at 6:25 pm. Arrive PDX at 7:25 pm.

Only 2 (or only 4) lift tickets are included in the price of the trip, to give everyone more flexibility in deciding where to ski the remaining days. Additional lift tickets for Powder Mt. or Snowbasin can be purchased for \$48.

If you don't need to join in the car rental, subtract **\$130**, and let us know.

Emilio & Linda are working on this together. Emilio for the shorter trip, Linda for the longer one. Linda is the overall trip leader. Contacts:

**Emilio:** 1-503-378-0171 or email: [info@mthigh.org](mailto:info@mthigh.org).

**Linda:** 503-412-3531, or email: [Trips@mthigh.org](mailto:Trips@mthigh.org).

To reserve your spot, send a **\$250** deposit, made out to **Mountain High Snowsport Club**, and mail it to Mountain High Snowsport Club, PO Box 2182, Portland, OR 97208. Use the form on page 11.

Tell us which trip: 4 or 7 days, and whether you are flying with us.

**All deposits are due now! Final payment by Dec. 10, 2006.**

## Skiyente Big Mt. (MT)



**Jan. 30 - Feb. 4.** A train trip. We've been to Big Mountain two seasons ago, but some of you missed that trip. So, here's your chance to see Big Mt.

The **Skiyente** (all female) ski club is organizing a trip to **Big Mountain**, Jan 30 - Feb. 4, 2007, and we are all invited to join in. **Details are on our web site.** For more info, contact: Colleen Walter, at [colleenski2002@yahoo.com](mailto:colleenski2002@yahoo.com).

## FWSA Bormio, Italy, 2007

**March 3-11**

7 nights/7 days with breakfast and dinner! Round trip air-fare on



Delta airlines. Join a group of skiers from a variety of Far West ski clubs.

**Price: \$1,335 - \$1,440** for food, lodging and transportation. It doesn't include lift tickets. Also, add approx. \$80 pp in taxes, plus a \$150 fuel surcharge.

Optional **post-trip** to Switzerland & **pre-trip** to Rome & Florence.

Details in **flyers** on our web site.

**Deposit: \$200** to Far West Ski Association, c/o Norm Azevedo, 901 Sousa Dr., Walnut Creek, CA 94597-2922.

**Contact** Norm at 1-925-944-9816 or [fwsatravel@sbcglobal.net](mailto:fwsatravel@sbcglobal.net).

**Powder Mt.:** 2,000' vertical, and 5,500 acres (the largest in the U.S.)  
1 Express Quad, 1 Fixed Quad, 1 Triple, 1 Double. Snowcat ride: \$8.

**Snowbasin:** 2,959' vertical, and 2,800 acres. 1 Tram, 2 Gondolas, 1 Quad, 4 Triples, 1 Double.

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## Cascade Lodge weekend

March 3-4

2days/ 1night  
at the friendly  
CascadeLodge  
in Government. Camp.



This is the weekend of the **Or-  
egon Cancer SkiOut**, and the  
**Winter Games of Oregon!** We'll  
ski both Saturday and Sunday.

In the evening, we can party at  
Charlie's (just across the street)!

**Price:** Only \$17 for lodging Sat-  
urday night (in bunk beds). This  
is a special introductory guest rate  
just for our club for this weekend.

Dinner & breakfast will be avail-  
able for a good price. Let us know  
if you'll have some, so enough  
can be prepared.

We need to have a head-count by  
December 15. So, please put this  
weekend on your calendar, and  
let us know you are coming.

**Contact** Emilio Trampuz, 1-503-  
378-0171 or [info@mthigh.org](mailto:info@mthigh.org).



Ski Bowl has the best views of Mt. Hood!  
And great powder in the upper bowl!

Check our web site for trip updates  
[www.mthigh.org/Trips.htm](http://www.mthigh.org/Trips.htm).

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## Leavenworth "Say WA" bus trip



## Mission Ridge &amp; Stevens Pass

"Say WA" is  
Washington's  
new slogan.

March 16-18.

2 days/ 2 nights. The bus trips are usually our club's best and most fun  
events. You don't have to miss any work days, as this is just a weekend.

We leave Friday around 5 pm, and return Sunday night. We'll visit:

1. **Mission Ridge**, with a new ex-  
press lift installed last season.  
You can ski by a World War II  
bomber that crashed on the  
mountain! 2,200' vertical.  
1 Express Quad, 3 Doubles.
2. **Stevens Pass**, lots of tree skiing,  
front and back + lots of cruis-  
ers! 1,800' vertical, served by 3  
Quads, 4 Triples, 3 Doubles.



Harry at  
Mission Ridge

**Lodging:** Both nights, we'll stay in the charming town of Leavenworth.  
We have booked almost the entire Obertal Inn, just for us! Most rooms  
have 2 queen beds, some have 1 king bed. There are also 2 Fireplace  
Suites and 2 Jacuzzi Suites. If a couple wants to book one of those  
suites, each **person** would pay an extra \$42 for a Fireplace Suite or \$64  
each for a Jacuzzi Suite. First come, first served. Reserve your's soon!

An "expanded continental breakfast" is included.

**Price:** Only \$200 for lodging and transportation, plus approx. \$38 per  
lift ticket. We'll get discounted lift tickets at the hotel.

The trip price is based on 26 people. For each 2 people that sign up over  
that number, **the price for everyone will go down by \$4**. (For example,  
at 32 people it would cost \$188 each, and at 42 people it would cost only  
\$168 each!) So, let's make sure everyone goes on this trip!

Contact: [Linda McGavin](#) (trip leader) or [Emilio Trampuz](#) (co-captain).

Reservations: Send a \$100 deposit made out to **Mountain High  
Snowsport Club**, and mail it to Mountain High Snowsport Club, PO  
Box 2182, Portland, OR 97208.

Remember to specify if you want one of the special rooms.

**NOTE: Only 44 spots available at the standard rate. After those 44 spots get filled,  
you'll only be able to sign up for the more expensive rooms (double occupancy only).**

## Mt. Bachelor Weekend / FWSA Championships



Many will come to  
Bend just for fun!

**Mar. 30 - Apr. 1.** Multiple events. Our last  
PACRAT race of the season on Sunday. The  
Far West Championships will have a Slalom  
on Saturday and a GS on Sunday. All  
PACRAT racers can enter both races. We'll  
all drive to Bend. Activities at the Riverhouse.  
Info: MaryOlhausen: [omary52@comcast.net](mailto:omary52@comcast.net)

## Welcome New Members



A warm welcome to new members who have joined us since May 2006, when we last reported on the membership.

*(Listed by first name)*

Dean Roberts  
Ginny Santorufo  
Jack Clifton  
Jennifer James  
John Wittmayer  
Kevin Marsh

Laury Riley  
Rich Achterberg  
Suzanne Richards  
Ted Young  
Trish Ezell  
Tony Martinez

Note: Rich Achterberg is the winner of the free membership raffle at the Ski Fair! Congratulations!



## Sonnet for Seven (2006/07)

(by Mark Moore)

Found on the NOAA forecast for Timberline at  
<http://www.nwac.us/~nwac/products/SABNW>

I look all around me and know that it's fall,  
But I'm not yet concerned there's no snow at all.  
(hardly any)

Whatever the weather, El Niño or not,  
Don't fret just yet about the cool gear you bought.

For blocking ridges and split flows may not last,  
And the winter ahead could still be a blast.  
For we have had deep powder during El Niños you know,  
And all have marveled at the depth of the snow.

But this isn't my forecast for winter to be,  
As it could make me enemies for eternity.  
It's a plea to relax, be patient and wait,  
For soon snow may cover the entire state.

It's just that El Niños skew the odds toward drier,  
With temps slightly warmer but not in the fryer.  
Odds are high that you'll find some good snow,  
But you'll have to be crafty and stay in the know.

Hopefully you won't have to travel too far,  
Or fly to a country that for a prez has a czar.  
Know that there will be snow closer to home,  
Just get ready to drive, hike and roam.



## Mt. High Letters

**Q** For the last couple of years, we've been calling our club a *snowsport club* instead of *ski club*, to be more inclusive, but in *Lift Lines* we mainly see references to skiing. Why?

**A** Mainly for practical reasons. We often struggle to compress as much text as possible into a limited amount of space. For example, when writing about the Canadian Ski Safari, the phrase: "Ski at Silver Star, then drive to Big White" is easier to fit on a single line than any other alternative expression.

No disrespect to snowboarders. It's just simpler to say "ski", when in reality we mean to include all types of snow-riding. We use the word "ski" in its widest, most generic sense, not tied to any specific gear, but to the general act of having fun on the snow. Think of the term **SKI** as an acronym. Which do you like best?

### SKI

- \* Snowriding on all Known Implements
- \* Snow-gear that Keeps Improving
- \* Snowplay Kontraptions International
- \* Super Keen Ice-carvers
- \* Snow Kissed Invigorators
- \* So much fun it should be Kept Illegal
- \* Slopeside Know-how Intended
- \* Snow-bound Killer Inventions
- \* Skis and Kindred Items



**Q** Oh great one, can you tell us when Meadows will open. What does the crystal ball show?  
- Steve Shaw

**A** The weather experts at the National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) predicted a mild "El Niño" year, a few months ago. This means **drier and warmer** conditions in the Northwest. More recently, they changed that to a very mild, almost negligible, "El Niño", resulting in an **average** winter.

Meanwhile, the **Farmers' Almanac** folks were predicting a colder and wetter winter all along. Looks like they were right this time, judging by the huge amounts of precipitation we received so far.

Most ski areas seem poised to open within a week, around November 15 - 23. See page 4 for details.

As for **Meadows**, with **Hwy.35** destroyed in 4 places, it will take a lot of sweat and tears to rebuild it quickly. Still, Dave Riley is positive. He says he sees nothing "that a bunch of big yellow equipment can't fix."

The great one will stick his neck out and predict Meadows opening mid-December, by Christmas at the latest.

## PACRAT Racing Dates



The PACRAT race dates for next season have been confirmed. Also, **for all future years**, we'll try to keep the same weekends, so we'll always know when the races are, and can thus plan our ski trips around it.

These are all standard dates. Only the 5th race at Mt. Bachelor is an exception this year.

Race	Weekend	Date	Place
1.	2nd Sunday in January	1-14-07	Timberline
2.	4th Sunday in January	1-28-07	Meadows
3.	3rd Sunday in February	2-18-07	Ski Bowl
4.	2nd Sunday in March	3-11-07	Meadows
<b>M.</b>	4th Sunday in March	2-25-07	Meadows
5.	1st Sunday in April	3-31-07*	Bachelor*
<b>R.</b>	2nd Friday in April	4-13-07	

**M** = Makeup race (only if another one is cancelled).

**R** = Rat Attack (the Awards party)

\* **Exception:** This year, the 5th race will exceptionally be held on **Saturday, March 31, 2007**, at Mt. Bachelor, because it will be combined with the Far West Championships. Most other years, the 5th race will be held on the 1st Sunday in April, at **Mt. Hood Meadows**.

The final and most accurate dates will always be posted on the PACRAT web site at:

[www.pacrats.org](http://www.pacrats.org).



## Racing Director



**Gary Stevenson** (our Prez) will also be acting as our Racing Director, at least during the team signup period.

So, team captains, please contact Gary to let him know how many people you have on your team, and if you need any more. If you have more than 10 racers, Gary

can help you find another team for them.

Contact Gary at 503-257-6368.

## Join a team

Wanna meet 9 ski buddies for the winter season? Join a PACRAT team. It's fun. We'll find you a spot on a 10-person team. We need racers of all ages (over 21) and abilities, including total beginners! Almost half of our members participate in racing.

We'll ski together, run some gates, maybe win some prizes, and a party is included at the end of every race day. 5 races per season. Only \$85 per person.

Our web site [Racing](#) page has a list of team captains.

At the **Membership party**, team captains who still need people will wear a **racing bib**. Talk to them.

## Race clinics

Three race clinics are being planned for the upcoming season. Always a day before a race. All the clinics will be at **Mt. Hood Meadows** on **Saturdays**, regardless of where the race will be held the next day.

The clinic dates are: January 13 (Sat.)

January 27 (Sat.)

March 10 (Saturday)



Mt. High race clinic

**Far West Ski Association**



Remember, we are all part of the Far West Ski Association, which unites most ski clubs in the West (Arizona, California, Nevada, Oregon, Washington).

FWSA organizes at least 2 big trips each winter:

- a) A **National Ski Week** - this year to **Steamboat**, Colorado, January 27 - February 3, 2007. See more info in the next column on this page.
- b) A **European trip** - this year to **Bormio**, Italy, March 3 - 11, 2007. See page 6.

**FAR WEST RACING ASSOCIATION**

FWRA is the racing arm of FWSA. Every winter, it organizes at least 2 major racing events:

- a) **Three races** (a qualifier, a slalom, & a GS) during the **Far West Ski Week** (this year in Steamboat).
- b) **The Far West Championships**, usually in April, and most often held at Lake Tahoe ski areas, but this coming season, the Championships will be held at **Mt. Bachelor**, March 30 - April 1, 2007. All our PACRAT racers automatically qualify for the Far West races, if they wish to participate.

More info on the FWSA web site: [www.fwsa.org](http://www.fwsa.org).

**NWSCC Member Benefits**

Our club is affiliated with the NW Ski Club Council, so you are entitled to all the membership benefits of this organization, which unites and represents most of the ski clubs in Oregon and Washington.

Look at the NWSCC website at [www.nwskiers.org](http://www.nwskiers.org) to see a list of member benefits and discounts.

Also, check out the FWSA website at [www.fwsa.org](http://www.fwsa.org) under Membership to see the current discounts across the western United States and Canada.

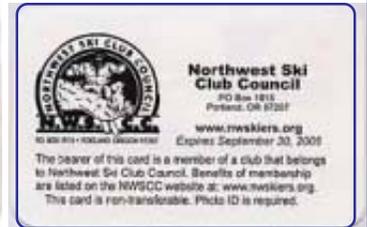
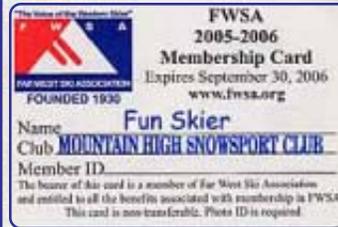
NWSCC members can also obtain benefits through the National Ski Council Federation. A current list of NSCF benefits can be found at [www.skifederation.org](http://www.skifederation.org) in the Members Only section. The user name is **skigroup** and the password is **24councils**.

**FWSA Mt. High Membership Cards NWSCC**

Your club membership card pulls triple duty. It shows you are not only a Mountain High club member, but also a member of the Far West Ski Association and the NW Ski Club Council.

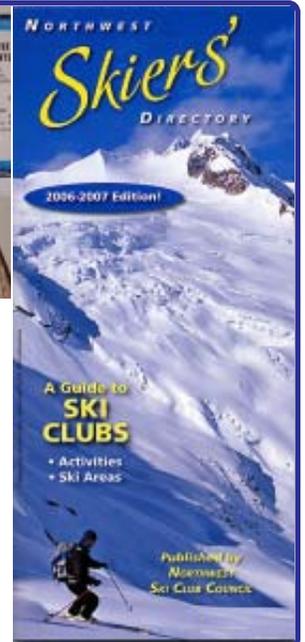
Front of the card:

Back of the card:



**Skiers' Directory**

Our very own **Linda McGavin** edits this annual NWSCC publication. Pick one up at the Membership party.



**Mt. High Membership Party**



**Nov. 14** (Tue.) 6:30 - 9:30 pm.  
 The big annual party. Bring all your friends! Meet other club members. Sign up for a race team or a fun trip!  
 There will be free food and drinks (soft, beer, wine). Come see what we are cooking up for this season!

Location: the Mt. Park Rec. Center, Lake Oswego. See map on page 3.

**Mountain High Meeting**

*First Tuesday of the month.*

**Dec. 5 (Tues.):** Open to all who want to get more involved with the club. This is an organizational meeting to plan future events.

Gather at 6:30 pm. Start at 7 pm.  
 Location: **Round Table Pizza**, 10070 SW Barbur Blvd., Portland, near Capitol Hwy.

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**DOUGH TRANSMITTAL FORM**

*For all Mt. High trips, make check payable to: "Mountain High Snowsport Club"*  
 Mail to: Mountain High Snowsport Club, PO Box 2182, Portland, OR 97208.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY:  New membership  Renewal

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

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

Whereas the Mountain High Snowsport Club ("Club") is an organization of fun loving ADULTS whose events are organized by members who volunteer their efforts for the enjoyment of their fellow members and friends, please remember when I participate in Club events I do so at my own risk. Sporting activities, indeed, any activity, includes inherent risks. I will evaluate my own abilities and responsibilities and join in the Club fun as a responsible and considerate adult. I will not hold the Club or any Club officer liable for the consequences of my decisions and my behavior. The bottom line is, stuff just happens sometimes and the club volunteers are not to be blamed for helping us have fun. Besides, the Club has no assets, except for a leftover banner, some balloons, or a couple of empty beer bottles with the Club's name on them.

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

- Membership Dues (for 2006/2007):** Single (\$25) couple (\$40) \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- PACRAT Racing** Total: \$85 Team name: \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- Utah 4-day** (Feb. 9 - 13, 2007) Total \$520 Deposit: \$250 \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- Utah 7-day** (Feb. 9 - 16, 2007) Total \$750 Deposit: \$250 \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- Cascade Lodge weekend** (March 3-4) Total \$17 \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- Washington bus trip** (Mar. 16 - 18, 2007) Total \$200 Deposit: \$100 \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- Other:** \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

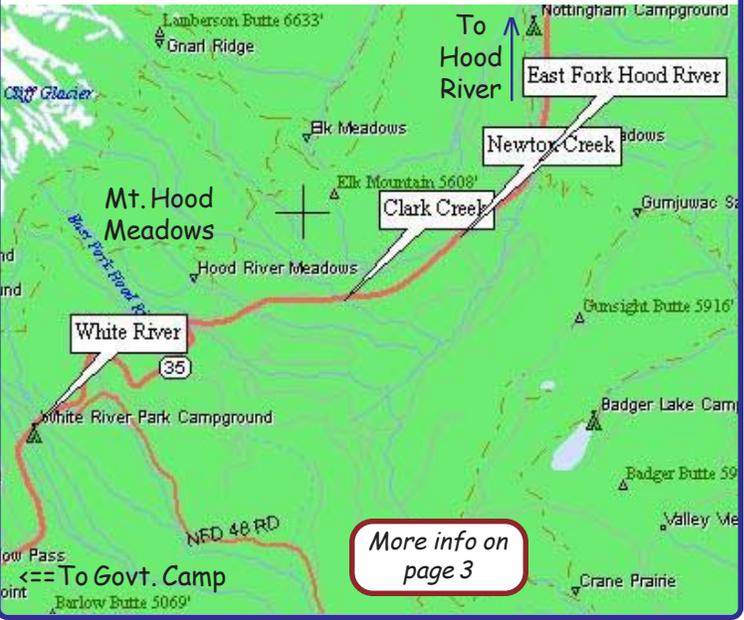
Comments (For whom you are paying. Roommate requests,...): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Club membership = 210 Newsletter Distribution**

The November issue is posted on our web site, and also:  
246 copies via email  
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**Please help us minimize the cost of mailing paper copies.**  
Send your email address to: [info@mthigh.org](mailto:info@mthigh.org).

**Hwy. 35 to Meadows damaged in 4 places!**



**How to Renew Your Membership**

It's time to renew your membership, as well as send in your various trip deposits. Here's how:

Simply fill out a [Membership Signup Form](#), or a **Dough Transmittal form**. These two are now one and the same.

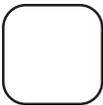
You can find this form on **page 11** of this newsletter. Or, even better, find the form on our web site, on the [Forms](#) or [Member Benefits](#) page. Print it out, fill it in, and mail it to the club's address: PO Box 2182, Portland, OR 97208.

Enclose a check to **Mountain High**. You can combine your membership fee, PACRAT racing fee, and trip deposits into a single payment. Indicate on the form what the payment is for.

Also, indicate your newsletter and email preferences.

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**NOTE:** Check the club's web site for updates. See [www.mthigh.org](http://www.mthigh.org).



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