



Mt. Hood Ski Patrol
Snojob
May 2015



Snow Ball May 9, 2015 at the Portland Airport Embassy Suites

It's been an interesting year and I think we are all ready to put it behind us and have a party! The apprentices have worked hard to get their training in, the Senior OEC candidates have practiced in the rain and the mud, and several patrollers put more days on their skis out of uniform at other areas than on Mt Hood this year.

We have a great menu planned with selections for everyone: Prime Rib, Salmon, Lemon Chicken, Vegetarian or other dietary restrictions if you let us know on your RSVP. The dinner is \$40 per person and in order to see all of your smiling faces there we do have grants available. Contact Jaye Miller for details on dinner grants. Get your RSVP in NOW for the banquet!

The cocktail hour starts at 6:00 PM with no host bar, photo booth, music, silent auction with lots of mixing and mingling. Dinner and awards will start at 7:00 PM with more music to follow. The Hotel has great rooms still available that come with the manager's happy hour (free drinks) and a made to order breakfast in the morning.

There will also be a container available to collect expired chits for the Troops Triumph program. Timberline honors these expired chits, to be used by veterans and the volunteers who assist them during this program.

ADMINISTRATION

Mt. Hood Ski Patrol Election results 2015-16

First, let us thank all of you who helped at the elections or in preparation for them, especially the new apprentices. Members, please be sure to thank all those who ran for positions, as it shows their willingness to serve us all.

President - Jaye Miller-Carlson
Vice President - Cleo Howell
Secretary - Gayle Maize Hall
Treasurer - Kevin Havre
Patrol Chief - Carl Gatzke
First Aid Chief - Cliff Leighton
Associate Director - Pete Campbell
Nordic Director - Jeff Hepler
Mountain Host Director - Mike Cullen
Junior Trustee - Lisa Wilberding Hargrave
Middle Trustee - Scott Collier

Bylaws change: Mountain Host Director may not serve more than two consecutive terms in the same office - Passed.

At the Swap

Mark your calendars for the 2015 Swap, scheduled for Oct. 1, 2, 3, and 4. Setup is Thursday and Friday, sales will be Friday evening and all day Saturday, with final teardown on Sunday.

Please open your schedule for the swap weekend. Every Patroller and Host must do at least one swap shift. We will be sending out more information later this spring. If you are interested in helping the Swap Committee please contact Pat Stevens. Pat@SDELtd.com

Many hands make the work lighter

By Cleo Howell, Incoming Vice President, AS 1444

The title for this article is a phrase that Jaye Miller has used for the last two years at least, maybe longer. I agree with that phrase and believe that it works, especially in a volunteer organization. The more help we have on the mountain the easier and more fun the job is. The same holds true for doing jobs away from the mountain. Listed below is a list of most of the committees within the Mt. Hood Ski Patrol. In future articles I will go into more detail about each committee or task that we must accomplish.

- Awards
- Banquet
- By-laws
- Computer systems
- Event Catering Committee
- Fundraising
- Public relations
- Recruitment
- Vision 2020

Another great way to help sustain the services that MHSP provides is to become an instructor or help at training events.

Thank you for your continued support of the Mt. Hood Ski Patrol.

OPERATIONS

Patrol Chief

By Doug Stanton, Patrol Chief, HC 995



It's Your Patrol

It's been an interesting two years as your Patrol Chief. A lot was accomplished but there is always more to be done. Managing an organization the size of MHSP is extremely challenging. The Patrol Chief shoulders a disproportionate workload compared to other members of your Council and as such receives the most criticism. One area has been bringing fun back to patrolling. Patrolling is fun but it's not one individual's responsibility, it is the entire membership's responsibility to create the environment that makes patrolling fun. Your involvement is key to the continued success of MHSP. So what have you done that has helped MHSP become a stronger, more efficient, and more fun organization? If you haven't been involved beyond dispatching for minimum days, then consider taking on additional responsibility and become more engaged, it's your patrol. There is a core group of patrollers that shoulder a disproportionate workload within our organization. These patrollers can only do so much, so help them out. If you feel something is wrong, please don't complain or suggest options for improving, take responsibility and champion a new initiative.

Council meetings are open to all patrollers. If you haven't attended a meeting, put it on your calendar for the coming year. Knowing how things work will help you become a better patroller and a stronger member of our esteemed organization.

In closing, it has been a pleasure and an honor to be your Patrol Chief. I personally committed to being the best I could in supporting the initiatives that our Council developed, that the resorts required and that were driven by the Pacific Northwest Division of NSP. Your new Patrol Chief needs your support to further what has already been started and will be forthcoming. See you on the mountain.

ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR

By Jodie Jeffers, Associate Director, AS 90526



An Interesting two years as AD

I want to thank everyone for their help and support these past two years to myself and the patrol. I know it has been difficult with weather and area closures as well as wondering will it happen for a third year – then what? Our patrol is a year round venture and even if the snow isn't being cooperative there is still a lot that can be done, however one may have to look at the non-traditional things as well. Have you considered helping out on a committee, become a coach, help out in a class, get ahead of the rush by getting in next season's days by dispatching for some summer shifts with an awesome time on bikes or practicing your OEC Skills? Please get to know your new council, attend a meeting, and make sure your voice is heard. The bottom line to all of this is COMMUNICATION. Please help Pete Campbell as our new AD and keep that line of communication open.

Please welcome our new apprentices and rookies by assisting them in area orientations and operations- they have not had the benefit of all areas being open, so be sure to lend them an extra hand by sharing your expertise. In turn, welcome their OEC knowledge being fresh to sharpen your own OEC skills that may not have had as many cases this past season. Remember, we are all a team with the same goal to help.

Here is hoping for a great summer and lots of snow in the new season.

Thank you again!

Mountain Host Director

By Mike Cullen, Mountain Host Director, HS 60009



Winter Season

The winter season will have ended by the time you read this article, unless we get a special request from one of the resorts to do an extension.

For all of those who did not come up as much as usual, I totally understand.

The conditions this year were well below average.

The choice that many made to stay home and wait for better conditions resulted in adjustments to our numbers each day that were appropriate for the number of guests.

We did have a sufficient number of hosts that came up, no matter what the weather, and gave great support to the resorts.

Timberline management has been complimentary about how our numbers reflected the conditions and the busy periods.

Looking Ahead

The summer season at Skibowl will be scheduled on dispatch as soon as we get the word from Skibowl management.

I have talked with several hosts that have done these shifts in previous years, and they are chomping at the bit and are ready to go.

More information to follow as it becomes available.

Nordic News

By Jeff Hepler, Nordic Director, 30006



Despite the lack of snow we had some great area skiing early in the year and strengthened relationships with Teacup Lake, the US Forest Service and the Hood River Sheriff. I'm looking forward to continuing this process next year and growing the Nordic team by another 5 patrollers. Please feel free to shoot an email, give a call or share a java or brew anytime this summer. I'd love to know what you think makes a great patrol and move in that direction. As always – and especially this year - thanks so much for your service.

OTHER NEWS

One Climb Fundraiser

Mt. Hood Ski Patrollers! It was great to see many of you again at elections night! The MHSP is the best all volunteer organization in Oregon! We are extending an invitation to participate in this year's first oneCLIMB to benefit The Knight Cancer Institute and Knight Cancer Challenge. Join your fellow patroller and Hill Captain Gordy Winterrowd and MHSP alum Chris Jaworski along with other climbers on June 6-7 and climb Mt. Hood in order to raise money for The Knight Cancer Challenge. We are raising \$100k for cancer research and need all the help we can get. Please go to the following video to learn more about this event

http://youtu.be/C35A_O1AICs and then link onto the following message

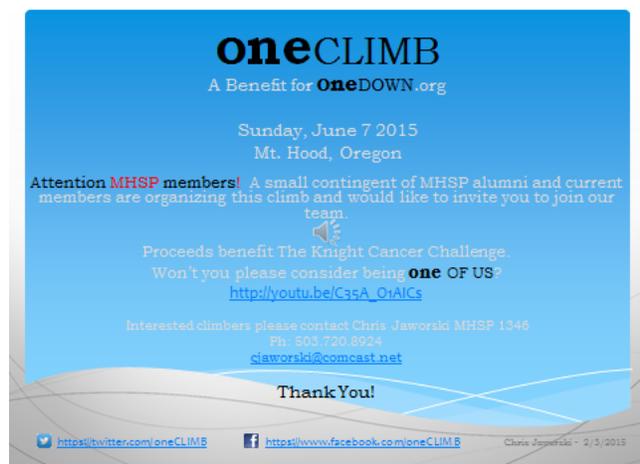
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SM7Kv9GXgBw>

We are in the midst of a building a legacy of giving to do whatever we can to eradicate cancer as we know it. Please consider joining our climb or donating to this once in a lifetime fundraising effort transpiring all over Oregon and beyond. Soon you will find us here <http://www.firstgiving.com/onedown> in order to donate to this very important cause. Please contact me with any questions you may have.

Thank you for your consideration.

Regards,

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oneCLIMB
A Benefit for **oneDOWN.org**

Sunday, June 7 2015
Mt. Hood, Oregon

Attention MHSP members! A small contingent of MHSP alumni and current members are organizing this climb and would like to invite you to join our team.

Proceeds benefit The Knight Cancer Challenge.
Won't you please consider being **one OF US**?
http://youtu.be/C35A_O1AICs

Interested climbers please contact Chris Jaworski MHSP 1346
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Thank You!

<https://twitter.com/oneCLIMB> <https://www.facebook.com/oneCLIMB> Chris Jaworski - 2/3/2015

CALENDAR

For a complete listing see the official MSHP calendar at www.mhspdispatch.org.

May

4 Council Meeting
9 Awards Banquet
20 Snojob Deadline

June

2 Council Meeting, St. Vincent, 7 PM
9 General Meeting
23 Snojob Deadline

July

28 Alumni Luncheon

MHSP Alumni Luncheons:

Last Tuesday of January, April, July, and October at 1:00 PM
Eastmoreland Golf Club Grill, 2425 SE Bybee Street, Portland, OR

2015 OEC Refreshers

Saturday, October 10
Saturday, October 24
Sunday, November 15

2015 Mt. Hood Snow Sports Swap

October 1-4, 2015