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PRESIDENT'S NOTES

Virtual Awards Ceremony
The Virtual Awards Ceremony was held on June 18th. An awards edition of The *Sweep* will come out soon. If you missed , you can watch it at: tinyurl.com/2021MHSPAwards.

Summer Operations
Summer operations are in full swing at Skibowl and Timberline. Both areas will appreciate your help. There are dispatch slots available for General Patrollers and for Bike Patrollers at Skibowl, and Hill and Associate patroller slots at Timberline. See article by Matt Rea for Skibowl details.

Bike Patrol
Speaking of Bike Patrol: On June 12th the Bike Patrol leaders, Steve Barnett and Glen Anderson, put on a training day at Skibowl. They dialed in perfect weather, as it rained the day before and the day after. The training consisted of orientation to the Bike Patroller program, skills testing, and demonstration of equipment and treatment used during summer operations at Skibowl.

A huge Thank You to Steve Barnett for all his work in developing the procedures for the Bike Patroller program. Steve has moved out of the area and Glen Anderson will take over the bike program.

The Bylaws amendment to create a Bike Patroller class has passed. Thank you. We have two Bike Patrol apprentices, Starr Edge and Laura Pike, who will be doing their on-mountain training this summer. They have completed the OEC Course.

Rescue Center
The Mt. Hood Ski Patrol has officially transferred ownership and liability of the Rescue Center at Skibowl to Skibowl. MHSP will continue to use the building as we always have.

We did this at the recommendation of Division and NSP attorneys that non-profit organizations should not own property that is used by for-profit companies. Over the past 10 years or so MHSP has divested itself of property and equipment, except for the building in Government Camp and training equipment. Please contact me if you have questions about this transfer.

OEC Refreshers
We will have in-person OEC Refreshers this Fall. The OEC workbook will not be mailed to you as in the past. The workbook and related materials are on the National Ski Patrol website. See article by First-Aid Chief Will Pardy for details.

APC of Records
All contacts regarding MHSP records on Troopiter should be sent to the APCRecords@mthoodskipatrol.org email address instead of emailing Wendy Stuart directly. Because this is a group email, it allows others to step in if she is unavailable. Please do not send communications directly to Wendy.

In most cases the Hill Captain or person in charge of a training event will let the APC of Records know who completed the patrol or training day. Check with the person in charge of that event in any case where you think there is a discrepancy.

Cleo Howell, MHSP Council President

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Patrolling Area Operations/Showtimes:

Skibowl:	Timberline:	Meadows: Closed	Summit: Closed	Teacup: Closed
Opens June 5th First-Aid and Bike Operations	Opens June 5th For Summer Ski Contact team leads TBD on Bike Park			

JULY MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Courtney Walsh, Council Secretary, HC 1833

Traditionally there are no General Membership Meetings June through August. We will continue with that tradition this year so there will be no General Membership Meeting in July.

MESSAGE FROM THE VP

Matt Wood, MHSP Vice President, HC/AP 1768

Bylaws - New Amendment Pending for Bike Patrollers

Thank you to all who cast their vote in the recent amendments to the Bylaws. Here are the results of the voting, with HUGE thanks to Michael Cummings #1837, our elections & voting coordinator!

As you will see below, 47.3% of eligible voters cast ballots, satisfying the 25% quorum requirement. The vote was opened on 6/15 and closed 6/25 20:00 PST.

	Number	**Percentage**
Eligible Voters	184	100%
Voting	87	47.3%

Question 1: Shall Mt. Hood Ski Patrol adopt the proposed revised Bylaws as submitted? If approved, the amendment will create the class of "Bike Patroller" and amend additional language in the Bylaws appropriate to the creation of this class. Section 1 of the Bylaws shall include the following: Bike Patroller is a Member elected to perform patroller duties in bike operations and events.

Yes	81	93.1%
No	6	6.9%
Comments	None	

Question 2: Shall Bike Patroller members be eligible for the office of Secretary of the Executive Council? If Vote #1 and this vote are approved, the section of the Secretary in the Bylaws shall be amended to read: The Secretary shall be a Hill Patroller, Associate Patroller, Nordic Patroller, Bike Patroller, or Mountain Host.

Yes	76	87.4%
No	11	12.6%
Comments	None	

Question 3: Shall Bike Patroller members be eligible for the office of Treasurer of the Executive Council? If Vote #1 and this vote are approved, the section of the Treasurer in the Bylaws shall be amended to read: The Treasurer shall be a Hill Patroller, Associate Patroller, Nordic Patroller, Bike Patroller, or Mountain Host.

Yes	75	86.2%
No	12	13.8%
Comments	None	

The MHSP Council will make the changes to the Bylaws documents and newly minted APC Bikes Glen Anderson can train his two bike-only candidates and get them their crosses this summer!

Thanks for your vote, however you voted!

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Policies & Procedures Updates
The Council will review and vote on updates to Chapter 9/Registration and Chapter 10/Communications at the July meeting on Monday July 12th. Anyone who wishes to attend is welcome – the Governance Committee can provide the chapter drafts upon request.

Clothing Committee Pop-Up 8/7/21
The Clothing Committee will have ALL patrol gear available for sale on Saturday August 7th - all remaining coats and pants, crosses/insignia, and lots and lots of tees and bike jerseys will be available!

Day: Saturday 8/7/21
Place: Revolution Hall, SE 14th & Stark
Site: Parking Lot on South Side of Revolution Hall
Time: 1100ish to 1500ish
Payment: Cash, check, Square, Venmo, or PayPal

As always – if you need patches or clothing, contact the VP at vicepresident@mthoodskipatrol.org to arrange a visit or pick-up on the hill one of these sunny weekends!

If you need new name tags, please advise us as to what name(s) you would like to be used and the arrangement of your name (i.e: first followed by last, or first over last). Lead-time for name tags is about 2 weeks and they are $7 apiece.

If you need a replacement MHSP member pin, they are $8 apiece (yes, just eight bucks, including engraving) and lead time is also about 2 weeks. HC/AS crosses are $55 (fifty-five) apiece and are available in limited supply.

MHSP Joining Nonprofit Association of Oregon
In the June Council meeting, the Council took the decision to formally join the Nonprofit Association of Oregon or NAO. As presented in our Town Hall, this is the principal nonprofit association in the state of Oregon and the Council and Governance Committee have used the NAO's "The Oregon Nonprofit Corporation Handbook - 5th Edition" extensively as we have reviewed the Bylaws and P&P.

Membership is *very* inexpensive, and we look forward to a better understanding of nonprofit governance and greater exposure to like-minded organizations through this membership.

A full list of NAO benefits is below, we encourage anyone who might be involved in volunteering in other nonprofits to give this a good look! https://nonprofitoregon.org/member-benefits

ASSOCIATE OPERATIONS

John Howard, Associate Director, AS 90227

Congratulations to all who made it through this past ski season.

I would like to congratulate all our new members. I would like to especially congratulate, welcome, and thank our new Associate members:

Paul Munn, Bob Blackington, David Hawbaker, Jae Kim, and Gretchen Stover.

Please welcome them as you see them through the summer and fall.

Congratulations to our Associate Award winners.
Kam Komeyli as **Associate of the Year**, and **Timberline Patroller of the Year**.
Gretchen Stover as **Apprentice Associate of the Year**,
Scott Chandler as **Associate Supervisor of the Year**.
Nick Johns as **Associate Coach of the Year**.

Check out the Awards Special Edition of *The Sweep* coming later in the month of July.

We have a new Associate Supervisor also. When you see him on the mountain this fall and winter, please give a hearty congratulations to Nick Johns as our new Associate Supervisor when you see him on the mountain this fall and winter.

Thank you to all patrollers who made this past season a success. It could not have been accomplished without you.

Please remember that if you are a team member there are summer commitments to be met. Lots of openings at Skibowl and Timberline.

Thank you all for the help this past season. Hope to see you this summer.

John

MOUNTAIN HOST OPERATIONS

Jan Silagi, Mountain Host Director, HS 60054

Annual Awards
It was so good to see many of you attend our Annual Awards Ceremony. With many of our members vaccinated, we had a couple of viewing parties online with us, which was fun!

Here's a recap of our three major recognitions.

Host Apprentice of the Year. This year we recognized James Lincoln. Several of our members, Hosts, Supervisors, and apprentices nominated James for his positive demeanor, his eagerness to learn and his sheer joy being on the mountain and helping people.

Congratulations James!

Host of the Year. Brian Ritacco is this year's recipient. Again, multiple nominations highlighted the amount of work he did, the number of times he added shifts to support Timberline and the Supervisor of the day, and always with a huge smile on his face!

He is the Host version of the "Unsinkable Molly Brown." Thank you Brian!

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And finally, our **Host Supervisor of the Year**. It was a delight to recognize Rick Anderson! He started the year at Timberline, slid down the hill to Skibowl as soon as the chairs were turning, and dispatched almost every Saturday this season.

Rick mentored apprentices, coached fellow Hosts, and supported the resorts to his fullest. Always patient and kind to fellow Hosts and the public. Rick exemplifies the positive approach we aim for.

Our thanks to Rick!

Summer Support
Our support to Skibowl has been in swing for several weeks now and we look forward to starting at Timberline on July 10th.

We will have foot duty shifts at Timberline for the first time this summer, as well as Bike Hosts supporting the bike park.

If you did not do 10 required shifts this winter, this would be a good opportunity to get a couple more shifts in.

Additionally, those of you who did not dispatch this past winter due to the pandemic may feel comfortable doing some summer shifts if you are vaccinated and/or comfortable with our COVID-19 Protocols and Procedures being eased up a bit.

Hosts wishing to dispatch to Timberline this summer will need to attend a Summer Host Orientation.

The first opportunity was on June 29th. The next opportunity will be Wednesday, July 7th at 1900: meet.google.com/wwm-sogw-ysi.

This will be a brief overview of procedures and our mission, as well as an opportunity for Q&A.

Bike Host
If you are interested in hosting on a bike at Timberline this summer, please reach out to Kim Desmarteau, our HDA - Bike Hosts. Her contact info is on Troopiter. Our training day for Bike Hosts at Timberline has been pushed out to Saturday, July 17th.

Any Hosts wishing to dispatch on bikes will need to attend that training day. Start time will be announced in a future correspondence.

Thank you!
Thanks to all of you who have been on the hill the past couple of weeks; your support has been much appreciated.

Skibowl and Timberline are increasingly busier each summer and they are grateful for our help! Hope you can all get up on the hill this summer and enjoy the beautiful surroundings.

Jan

FIRST-AID CHIEF UPDATE

Will Pardy, First-Aid Chief, HC/BP 1744

Two important topics from the First-Aid Chief!!!

1. 2021 Refresher - Need to take action on this now.
2. Welcome our new patrollers

2021 Refresher

First, **2021 Refresher - Cycle B** will consist of completing both the online portion and attending an in-person refresher, similar to previous years.

The online course also contains workbook exercises. You will find it helpful to have the workbook and the new OEC 6th Edition available as references while going through the online course.

Workbooks for the 2021 Refresher will NOT arrive in the mail this year, therefore you will have to download it:

1. Download a version of it from the OEC6 page on the NSP website
2. Check that your mailing address on the NSP website is correct

The Refresher Online course is available now on the NSP website. After logging in, click on:

1. **Member Resources**
2. **Online Learning**
3. **Online Learning Management System**
4. **Courses**. (*Important note: On this page carefully read the text below the button labeled "Courses")

After completing the online course, save or download a copy of the Certificate of Completion and email it to: **oecrefresher@mthoodskipatrol.org**

Do not send a link to the certificate - **email the actual certificate**.

As in past years, you will also need to register for the NSP refresher course to receive credit.

After logging into the NSP website:

1. Select **Course Schedule**
2. Enter course number **P053210003** (zeros, not the letter O)
3. Select **OEC Refresher B** - lists Kathy Lee as the Instructor.
4. Select **Register Myself**
5. Continue through the screens and Select **Submit Order**
6. You will receive an email to confirm your registration

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Welcome our new Patrollers

Second, we would like to congratulate the following graduates from OEC and their respected mountain disciplines. Below are the pictures of our new batch of patrollers that received their crosses at the Awards Ceremony.

The only folks missing here are our two new Bike Patrollers, Laura Pike and Starr Edge. Those two are finishing up their training this summer and will be receiving their crosses later this year.

At that point, they will be welcomed with their pictures. Stay tuned to a late summer edition of *The Sweep* to see their smiling faces.

It must be stated that this last "COVID-19" year presented serious challenges to these students. The OEC program started and stopped several times, schedules were cast aside, and this crew managed the chaos very well. Once again, congratulations, and thanks for hanging in there during one of the most difficult training years MHSP has ever experienced.

Bobby Blackington

Cory Tolzman

David Hawbacker

Derek Phillips

Derek Sluder

Gretchen Stover

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Jae Kim

Jordy Mallon

Rob Schiewe

Spencer Giles

Tesa Rykken

Tommy Yacoe

THE BUZZ BOWMAN 75TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Matt Rea, Trustee, HC/NP 1138

Mark your calendars!

On Sunday September 19th, MHSP will celebrate the 75th anniversary of Buzz Bowman joining our organization.

Buzz is currently a member of our alumni group but was an active patroller with MHSP for 73 years, a record of volunteer patrol service that is unmatched anywhere. Buzz has served MHSP in numerous capacities, including President, Patrol Chief, Coach, Trainer, and Mentor. Buzz coined the MHSP mantra "SPIF" (Ski Patrolling is Fun).

He remains an inspiration and an icon today for MHSP and the Mt. Hood Community.

We are inviting all active and alumni members and friends of MHSP to join us that day to help honor Buzz's legacy.

There will be a brief ceremony at our Government Camp building starting at 1100. That will be followed by a celebration at the Skibowl Westside events area with stories, toasts, and Buzz' specialty — bad jokes.

There will be a buffet lunch and no-host bar. We will ask participants to RSVP and pay $10 to help cover the cost of the food. More details will follow in the August edition of *The Sweep*.

We are, of course, hopeful that the COVID-19 pandemic will have subsided to the point that we can comfortably and safely participate in a group outdoor social gathering.

The past 16 month of pandemic caution have been difficult for us all. This will be our first large face-to-face gathering since the start of the pandemic.

We owe ourselves a party, and what better way to do that in honor of our longest-serving member.

Please plan on joining us there!

Buzz Bowman March 7th, 2020 at Timberline.
Photo by Gordy Winterrowd

Buzz Bowman in front of *The Mountain Shop*, Government Camp, OR 1948.

2021 PNWD CONVENTION

Joel Stevens, Wy'east Region Director

By now all MHSP Patrollers should have received an announcement from Shelley Urben about the PNWD (Pacific Northwest Division) Convention, August 13th-15th, in Boise.

This is a great opportunity to meet other patrollers in the Division and learn how others do things.

You can also meet officers and advisors from the PNWD and the National Office.

For program administrators and instructors, there will be breakout sessions for all disciplines, and often they qualify for Continuing Education Credit, so they help you meet your CET requirements as an instructor.

The Region will help with expenses for Patrol Directors and Program Administrators.

The Convention Website is at: https://www.pnwdcon.org/#/

You can register, reserve a room, and volunteer to assist at the convention from the website. Note that registering after July 18th will cost an additional $10.00.

To go to the Hotel Registration, you can use the link that comes up when you go to the Convention Registration and click on the PNWD logo.

Or you can use this link:

https://reservations.travelclick.com/76224?groupID=3234362#/guestsandrooms

Note that the Wy'east Region is hosting the PNWD Convention next year, so this would be a good time to see how a convention is run, for those who have not attended one in the past.

2022 PNWD CONVENTION PRESENTED BY MHSP

Margaret Usher, Junior Trustee, AS 1614

I am sure many of you have heard that the 2021 PNWD Convention is going to be in-person only this year.

Many people are still not ready to travel and mingle. But 2022 is going to be the year for everyone to come together again!!

Mt. Hood is hosting the 2022 Convention and I have again volunteered to be the Chairperson.

We will be hosting the convention at the newly renovated Sheraton Airport. We have used this venue in the past and they have been and will be great partners to once again welcome our PNWD ski family.

The dates will be August 11th - 14th, 2022.

There are many jobs before, during, and after the convention we will need assistance with, but I would really like to get ahead of the fundraising with the plan of offsetting the cost to attending patrollers.

As we are coming out of all things COVID-19 and getting back to more in-person events, I am looking for some early help in planning the 2022 PNWD Convention. We are positioned just right to get some very dynamic exposure for our industry vendor partners.

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Marketing
I feel we could strike while the iron is hot as companies are getting ready to open up their marketing budgets to let the industry know they are still in business. These patrollers would be assisting Matt Wood and Gordy Winterrowd in asking for dollars to help offset costs to put on the convention as well as donations.

Vendors

This could go hand-in-hand with the marketing/donations in exchange for booth space. Regardless, we need to also think outside the box in terms of Bike Patrol, Safety, and Basic Equipment for patrollers and area-specific equipment

Demos
We want to cover things like rock climbing, bike maintenance, selecting the right bike, injury prevention/recovery, safety equipment.

If you have an interest in helping to plan one of the best PNWD Conventions to date, please contact me.

Thank you,

Margaret (mcusher.portland@gmail.com)

CALENDAR

July

12 Council Meeting (virtual), 1900-2200; contact Courtney Walsh (secretary@mthoodskipatrol.org)

25 *The Sweep* Newsletter deadline, 1800

August

2 Council Meeting (virtual), 1900-2200; contact Courtney Walsh (secretary@mthoodskipatrol.org)

26 *The Sweep* Newsletter deadline, 1800

September

6 Council Meeting (virtual), 1900-2200; contact Courtney Walsh (secretary@mthoodskipatrol.org)

13 General Meeting (virtual), (http://tinyurl.com/MHSPGeneralMeeting)

19 Buzz Bowman 75th Anniversary Celebration, 1100 in Government Camp

25 *The Sweep* Newsletter deadline, 1800