Mt. Hood Ski Patrol

Snojob

September 2012

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President's Message

By Steve Eversmeyer, President, HC 1170

As we get close to Labor Day and the official end of our ski season for 2011/12, we are already blocking out days for training and getting ready for the next season.

The NSP division convention in Springfield, OR Aug. 10 to 12, offered lots of opportunities to learn; in formal sessions and informally talking with patrollers from around the northwest. It's a great way to get ideas to better serve our patrollers and do the things we do to make the experience better for everyone involved: the public, patients, the areas and ourselves.

This Snojob is full of important information. Please read it, mark dates and get ready to have a fantastic season.

As always communication between us is critical. David's article lines out expectations for the coming year and if your life has thrown you a curve that makes it difficult to meet these expectations, please let him know.

Are you interested and willing to help to teach or lead? Work at becoming a better patroller, perhaps starting the senior program? Maybe your life is already full and it will be a season where you simply make your commitments and do your best every time you're up. All of these contribute to our patrol, to serving the public, helping ensure they and we have a good day on the mountain.

On a different note this seems like a good time to talk about your council members. We have had a couple of meetings, the budget is set for the coming year, we're working on ways to ensure our finances remain strong (the ski swap is our biggest fund raiser – dispatch if you have not already done so). We were all elected to one year terms that end May 31, other than the three trustees who rotate through junior, middle and senior positions over three years. Council members must have at least three years patrolling with MHSP before serving. All of the current council is term limited (except the host director) so you should be thinking about running for office, or looking for and identifying others you'd like to see run if you're new. My personal goal is for every office to have at least two people running for it.

If you've got questions, concerns or ideas to improve the way something is done on the patrol, talk to a council member. This is the best way to learn why we're doing something, and to get your ideas considered.

THANK YOU for all you've done this past season and for all I know we will do together in the coming season.

MT. HOOD SNOSPORTS SWAP

THE Swap

By Pat Stevens, HR Manager

First Things First

Whatever you are doing right now,
No matter how much you can't wait to read the rest of this article,
STOP!
Go directly to www.mhspdispatch.org/cgi-bin/swap/login.html**,**
NOW and
DISPATCH FOR THE MT HOOD SNOSPORT SWAP.

Dispatch even if you're not entirely sure of your schedule. Dispatch for what you think you can do. If things change there are still a three or four weeks to change your days. Looking at it from the other side, the Swap is just four weeks away – **DISPATCH NOW**, while Pat Stevens still has some hair left.

Changes

Moving on, there are some big changes for this year including:

- **New location**: Washington County Fairgrounds in Hillsboro
- **New dates**: September 20, 21, 22 & 23.
- **New schedule** with set up on Thursday, September 20 and public check-in from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM Thursday evening (as well as on Friday and Saturday, as in previous years). Please see below for the complete 2012 MHSS schedule.
- **New radio check out/in process**: all radios will be checked in & out at the HR table this year.
- **New alternative work opportunities**: see the next section

Alternative Work Opportunities

We have additional alternative work opportunities including rack building and MHSP promotional item tagging as well as the vendor tagging groups, flyering squads and yard sign teams from years past.

Rack building: sign up on the Swap dispatch for September 1 and 8 from 8:00am to 4:00pm at 9125 N Time Oil Rd, Portland (check your email for more information). Questions, contact Tom Payne, tompayne@craftsmanhomesgroup.com

Vendor tagging, flyering and yard sign teams: Contact Kimberly Granning, kgranning26@me.com. Due to the random nature of these projects we can't put them on the Swap dispatch. Kim schedules and tracks them by hand.

Viral Marketing

With the change in venues our grass roots marketing outreach is critical.

Word of mouth and social media are the most powerful tools we have and are what consistently bring people through the doors. We really need to make a lot of noise about the new location specifically and the swap in general.

- Download the swap flyer at: mhsss.com/flyers and post them where you work, play and shop.
- Download a $1 off admission coupon at: mhsss.com/flyers and give them to your friends and family.
- Post to Twitter and Facebook about how great the swap was last year; the great deals; what you're bringing this year; who you met last year; who you hope to meet this year...

Make some noise!

Swap Schedule

Dispatchable event shifts:

Thursday, September 20:	Shift 1 - 12:00 PM to 6:00 PM Shift 2 – 2:30 PM to 8:30 PM
Friday, September 21:	Shift 1 – 8:30 AM to 2:30 PM Shift 2 – 1:00 PM to 7:00 PM Shift 3 – 3:30 PM to 9:30 PM
Saturday, September 22:	Shift 1 – 8:30 AM to 2:30 PM Shift 2 – 11:00 AM to 5:00 PM Shift 3 – 1:00 PM to 7:00 PM
Sunday, September 23:	Shift 1 – 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Public equipment check-in and pick-up:

Thursday, September 20:	Equipment check-in – 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM
Friday, September 21:	Equipment check-in – 1:00 PM to 9:00 PM
Saturday, September 22:	Equipment check-in – 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM
Sunday, September 23:	Equipment pick-up – 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Retail Sales:

Friday, September 21:	4:00 PM to 9:00 PM
Saturday, September 22:	9:00 AM to 6:00 PM

If you just couldn't tear yourself away from my dulcet prose without reading to the end, then NOW is the time. Go, go NOW to: www.mhspdispatch.org/cgi-bin/swap/login.html and dispatch like crazy. Go NOW!

ADMINISTRATION

Patroller Commitments

By David Atkinson, Patrol Chief, HC 1239

MEMBERSHIP LEVELS

Membership levels have **changed** for the 2012-2013 season.

GOLD - 19 patrol days
SILVER - 16 patrol days
BRONZE - 11 patrol days

*One day for each level has to be a **Swap shift day***. You will get credit for one patrol day for each full six-hour Swap shift worked (yes that's shorter than last year). If you cannot commit to one of these levels, you must contact the Patrol Chief.

REQUIRED EVENTS

These are the **REQUIRED TRAINING DAYS** for the 2012-2013 season. Plan now! If you do not fulfill these five requirements, you will not be eligible to patrol until you have fulfilled them! If you have conflicts with these dates, you must notify the Patrol Chief.

2012 Required Training Dates

1. **OEC Refreshers**: Sept 29, Oct 6 and Nov 3 (must attend one).
2. **SnoSports Swap**: Sep 20-23 (must work **at least ONE** shift).
3. **Chair Evac Practice**: Sept 9 and Oct 13 (must attend one).
4. **CPR Refreshers**: Dates to be announced during the Summer/Fall. Must attend a full refresher every two years with a skill check-off at chair evac on the odd year.
5. **Avalanche Refresher**: Must attend one every three years. Dates will be on the dispatch site.

2013 Patroller and Host Dues

*By **Gina Malamphy, Treasurer, SS 90303***

It's that time again when you will be paying your dues at an OEC refresher or host orientation.

Dues are the same as last year

Patroller dues are $117 including National, Division, Region and MHSP dues. Host dues are $56.

NEW – Pay your Dues with a Credit Card

GOOD NEWS! MHSP will be accepting Visa/MasterCard at the upcoming OEC refreshers and host orientation to pay your dues. This service will also be available at monthly meetings to purchase your Snow-park permits and shop at our clothing committee. It won't be available for use at other classes (such as CPR and Avalanche) so you'll still need cash or a check for those. The process we have for dealing with personal checks isn't perfect so it can sometimes take a month or so before a check gets to

me and then on to the bank. Keep this in mind when you're paying for things like staying at the Govy Building or other class fees – cash is preferred.

We are on a one-year test to determine whether offering the use of credit cards is beneficial to both our membership and our bank account. We have only ONE credit card terminal so the most important thing to have when waiting in line to "charge it" is patience! Thank you!

Scholarships

MHSP has a scholarship program available again this year should you find yourself in a tough economic situation. All you need to do is email the treasurer, Gina Malamphy.

If you would like to make a tax-deductible contribution to this fund, please let me know. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Junior Trustee – Meetings

By John Malowney, Junior Trustee, SH 1153

Fellow MHSP members; Being your recently elected Junior Trustee I'd like to thank you for assisting me in making this great organization even better. I was fortunate enough to have served on the MHSP Council about ten years ago and one of my first thoughts upon being re-elected was, "my how our family has grown".

Today we have your basic and not so basic patrollers along with the Nordic, youth, and mountain hosts. We offer numerous ski & sled clinics, avalanche training, mountaineering and CPR classes along with volunteering our first aid skills at various public events such as the Vancouver marathon. To top things off, we've "gone global" with our ski swap and the list seems to go on and on. It makes a guy wonder when we have time to enjoy the sport we love so much.

Personally I feel very proud of being associated with the MHSP and it puts a gratifying smile on my face when I spot an MHSP decal on a car parked town down, or hear what a great job whomever did in assessing a first aid emergency whether it be on the slopes or on Hwy 26 on the way back from Central Oregon. I also get a chuckle out of hearing when someone besides myself crosses their tips and/or gets bit by a "snow snake" causing the general public ask; "Is that a cross on your back or a question mark?"

As part of MHSP's management team, we can only accomplish so much, all of which is at the direction of you the active member. We all know there is plenty of room for improvement and we've all got day time jobs, so if and when you feel the need for a change, I would hope that you would not only bring that to our attention, but also in proactive MHSP fashion, suggest a practical remedy. Any and all members are more than welcome to attend a council meeting and I strongly encourage each and every one of you to do so as the more involved you become, the more you'll get out of it.

Lastly, in an effort to bolster attendance at our regularly scheduled general membership meetings, I am more than open to suggestions, names of possible guest speakers along with whatever might motivate our fellow members to attend (e.g. Buzz Bowman doing the hokey pokey?).

Remember to eat dessert first and I look forward to seeing many of you at the upcoming OEC refreshers, chair evacuation, Ski Swap and of course at Charlie's once the snow flies.

Be safe!

NSP Pacific Northwest Division Conference

By James Schuler, Middle Trustee, AS 90481

The annual Pacific Northwest Division convention was held the weekend of August 11 in Springfield, Oregon.

For those that are not familiar with this event, it is the opportunity for Mt. Hood Ski Patrol to meet with other patrols in Oregon, Washington and Idaho. It's a great opportunity to exchange ideas and information. Members and advisors from NSP present information on the latest updates in training and policy and receive feedback from the patrols on what has been working and what needs to be improved.

Your representatives at this meeting were:

Jim Trett – Region Director
David Atkinson – Patrol Representative
Kathy Lee – Patrol Representative
Steve Eversmeyer – Patrol Representative
James Schuler – Patrol Representative
Cleo Howell – Patrol Representative
Brett McLane – Patrol Representative

There are some pretty big changes coming this year. The transition to our updated OEC 5th edition book has caused NSP to review other existing programs. Many of our disciplines and related manuals such as Mountain Travel and Rescue, avalanche, senior program and Young Adult Patrol are being updated, refined and reformatted at the national office. You can expect to see some good changes coming soon.

There is a very simple way for you to keep yourself informed of all these change. I would ask that you take the time to check your online account with the NSP. If you don't know how to get there, just go to: www.nsp.org. Log on with your NSP identification number (if you don't know it you can find it by your name in the MHSP Roster). Once on the site, verify your personal information is current and make any changes needed.

There is a lot of important and useful information on the Member's News page. Read up on recent news and events. Download the current copy of the P&P (Policy and Procedures) document and a copy of the NSP bylaws. Please take the time to read them. You'll also find a link titled RPA's. These are requests for amendments to these governing documents that you should be aware of. Some of these RPA's are creating controversy and I would draw your attention to them.

There is an annual election coming up for NSP board of directors. In the September issue of Ski Patrol magazine all candidates will be listed along with their biographical information. Read their background and make an informed decision on who you want to represent you. Voting begins in October and continues through December – plenty of time to make your voice heard. If you have questions, feel free to contact myself or any of the members listed above.

FIRST AID

First Aid Chief

By Cleo Howell, First Aid Chief, AS1444

OEC Refreshers

The OEC refreshers are just around the corner. The refreshers are designed to cover about 1/3 of the material from the basic OEC Course and they will be based on the OEC 5th Edition textbook. By now you should have received the Student Workbook for the Refresher. Please review the workbook and the related chapters in the OEC 5th edition textbook. The more you read and study prior to your refresher the more you will get out of the refresher.

If you have not purchased the OEC 5th edition please follow the www.nsp.org/about/OEC-Brady-Ordering-Inst.aspx to order. Make sure to enter the code NSPM to get the discount.

Refresher dates:

- September 29
- October 6
- November 3

All Refreshers will be at Meridian Park Hospital and will start at 08:00 sharp.

Keep NSP Informed of Your Mailing Address

As a member of the Mt. Hood Ski Patrol you are also a member of the National Ski Patrol (NSP). NSP periodically sends material to you such as your NSP membership card, OEC card, refresher workbook and the Ski Patrol magazine.

You must keep your mailing address current with NSP. You can do so by going to the NSP website www.nsp.org/public/Default.aspx and click on Update Member Profile/Password. Click on the Address button, then the Edit button. After making changes click on the Save button.

Ski and Mountain Trauma Conference

The annual Ski and Mountain Trauma Conference will be held November 1-3, 2012 in Sun Valley, Idaho. The conference is open to ski patrollers and it will include small hands-on sessions and simulations as well as presentations from national and regional experts. Some of our patrollers have attended the conference and gave it good reviews. For more information see the conference website www.saintalphonsus.org/outreach/skiandmountain.html.

SKI PATROL OPERATIONS

Patrol Chief

By David Atkinson, Patrol Chief, HC 1239

Sizzlin' Summer Activities!

I would like to thank MHSP members for your incredible dedication and commitment to the Mt. Hood Ski Patrol as demonstrated in your support of the areas summer activities. Both Timberline and Skibowl have had good turn-out on the weekends, and the areas are pleased with the support that we have given them. As most of the areas wind down their summer season, I ask that you maintain your health, rest to recover from any injuries and come back in the fall ready for another great season.

Membership Levels

See the Patroller Commitments article in the Administration section for information on minimum patrol days and required training.

Dispatch

Remember to dispatch for all of the training events. We want to make sure we have the appropriate number of trainers at each event. The dispatch has all the events listed and ready for you to sign up!

The Areas

Timberline: Timberline has a current closing date of Labor Day weekend. Continue to support them until they close. They will take all the help we can give them!

Skibowl: The summer mountain bike and adventure park season will run into September. They are happy to have your help any day of the week.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the training events and on the slopes this season! Let it snow!

Associate Director

By Kathy Lee, Associate Director, SS 90232

Hope everyone has been enjoying their summertime activities. It is already time to start thinking about the ski season to come and planning your patrol days. Check the membership levels article for details on commitment and benefits. If you find there are life changes that impact the amount of time you can commit to patrolling, please contact me, as well as David Atkinson, Patrol Chief.

New apprentices have been brought into the training program; sixteen of them are associate apprentices. You will see their smiling faces at upcoming patrol activities so be sure to introduce yourself and extend a warm welcome to them.

Uniforms

This season is the last season you may wear a navy blue uniform. If you haven't purchased a red parka yet you'll need it for the 2013/14. A couple local options to consider are High Gear (www.highgearllc.com) and Watershed (contact Eric Granning).

Supervisors

Mark your calendar for the hill captain/supervisor meeting on October 24. This will be a meeting to kick start the year for patrol leadership. David Atkinson and I will be working on an agenda and will send it prior to the meeting. Location to be determined – stay tuned!

As always, please feel free to contact me if you have any comments or suggestions about our patrol.

MOUNTAIN HOST OPERATIONS

Mountain Hosts

By Jan Silagi, Mountain Host Director, HS60054

Summer Hosting

Summer days are waning, but folks are still enjoying the slopes of our favorite mountain. At Mt. Hood Skibowl guests have been flying down the hill on mountain bikes, the Alpine Slide and zip lines all summer! This is the second summer season that mountain hosts have dispatched to the Mt. Hood Adventure Park and we have enjoyed the action! Following our summer orientation, several new hosts joined the fun. The Skibowl staff has been very welcoming and appreciative of our customer service efforts, and there were plenty of guests to keep us busy! The last shift is on Labor Day! A good time has been had by all and I thank those hosts who put in a summer shift!

Labor Day

On September 3rd, Timberline continues to celebrate their 75th anniversary with a day of events and performances called A Tribute to Tradition, and the mountain hosts are proud to be participating in the celebration. Hosts will be supporting the activities of the day, helping to set up venues in the morning, meeting and greeting guests, and dispensing information at both the MHSP booth and the Timberline booth during the event hours. If you don't have plans this weekend, come up the hill and enjoy the food and music. More information at www.timberlinelodge.com/visit/a-tribute-to-tradition/.

Mountain Host Orientation

Our annual orientation is scheduled for Saturday October 13, in the Barlow Room at Timberline. ***This is the only mandatory training for the mountain hosts and all active hosts expected to attend.***

Apprentices for the 2012-2013 year and supervisors should arrive at 8:30. The morning session will focus on a program overview and instruction in procedures. The general membership will join us at 12:30 for lunch. After lunch the apprentice class for the 2012-13 season will be presented to the membership, our new members will receive their uniforms and we will recognize recipients of the 20 Shift Pin. Following these recognitions, we will review our host manual, as well as changes in requirements and operations. Please mark your calendars for this date.

Hope you have all been enjoying your summer! I am looking forward to seeing our host membership at Timberline on October 13.

OTHER NEWS

In Memory of Ross Petrie

Ross Petrie (#157) passed away on July 24, just before his 86th birthday. Ross joined MHSP in 1948 and served as president in 1956-57.

Not only was Ross an active patroller for many years, he was part of a family prominent in MHSP heritage. Ross's brother, Keith Petrie (#109), preceded him on patrol. Ross's wife, Charlene Petrie (#273) and Keith's wife, Barb Petrie (#262), were among the early women hill patrollers and his nephews, Craig Petrie (#734) and Scott Petrie (#867), were also active patrollers.

Ross was one of the prominent climbers of his era and was recently unveiled as the character behind a legendary climbing prank on Mt. Hood.

A Mt. Hood Icon

You may not have met him personally, but if you patrol or host at Timberline you know Yosh. He is the guy with the drill setting gates on Bob Elmer every week. In 2000 the Skiyenti Ski Club recognized his contributions to skiing on Mt. Hood by naming him King Winter.

Check out this profile in Powder Magazine www.powdermag.com/stories/most-interesting-man/.

Is Yosh the only person still working on the mountain who is older than our own Buzz Bowman?

On the first ever Bluewood in 1984 Craig Petrie #734 and Al Webster #943 decided to show off the capabilities of the MHSP akjas.

Snojob Deadline is the Third Monday of the Month

Lisa Hargrave, Snojob Editor, HC 1053 and Barb Korsmo, Copy Editor, Alumni AP 90260

The deadline for Snojob articles and photos is the third Monday of each month (7 days after the general meeting). Send your submissions to snojobeditor@gmail.com.

Articles: Please submit as the body of your email rather than an attached document. If you have a long article covering several topics please break it into several articles covering one topic each.

Photos: Send as an attachment in JPG format. Be sure to identify who took the picture, where it is and who is in it.

CALENDAR

For the most current information and details check the online calendar at www.mhspdispatch.org.

September

3	Timberline Tribute
8	CPR Class
9	Chair Evac at Timberline
12	Council Meeting at PGE, Portland
15	OEC Instructor Refresher
17	Snojob Deadline
20-23	The Swap
29	OEC Refresher

October

1	Council Meeting
6	OEC Refresher
8	General Meeting
13	Chair Evac at Summit Host Orientation at Timberline
15	Dispatch Deadline for Nov-Dec Snojob Deadline
16	OEC Full Class Orientation
24	HC/AS Meeting
28	Apprentice Work Party
30	Alumni Luncheon

November

2-4	Ski Fever Show
3	OEC Refresher
12	General Meeting
13	Instructor Development
19	Snojob Deadline
26	Level 1 Avalanche begins
27	Instructor Development

December

4	Apprentice OEC Class begins
8	Make-up Chair Evac
10	General Meeting
12	Avalanche Awareness for Apprentices
13	Transfer Patroller Meeting
17	Snojob Deadline

A TRIBUTE TO TRADITION

COMMEMORATING SEVENTY - FIVE YEARS OF TIMBERLINE LODGE
A LABOR DAY HERITAGE FAIR & MUSICAL TRIBUTE TO WOODY GUTHRIE
IN THE OUTDOOR AMPHITHEATER - ALL ARE WELCOME - RAIN OR SHINE

SEPTEMBER THREE, TWO THOUSAND TWELVE

FEATURING

MOE DIXON 1PM
ELIZA GILKYSON & SLAID CLEAVES 2PM
SARAH LEE GUTHRIE & JOHNNY IRION 3PM
JIMMY LAFAVE 4:30PM
BRYAN BOWERS 5:30PM
MAIN FEATURE- "WALKING WOODY'S ROAD" 7 TO 9PM

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