



# Mt. Hood Ski Patrol

## Snojob

October 2009



### General Meeting

The first General Meeting of the Year will be Monday, October 12.

Clothing Committee opens at 6:30.

Meeting begins at 7:00.

Post-meeting social at The Corner Saloon after 9:00.

Athey Creek Middle School  
2900 SW Borland Rd.  
West Linn, OR

### President's Message

*By John Gastineau, President, HC1393*



We all have our favorite tasks as patrollers. Some patrollers love to take a pulse and comfort a scared kid in the FAR, while others relish getting out in the wind to make sure a run is safe, with rope lines and fences in perfect shape. Some like to wrestle a sled down Cliffhanger, and others like to show the newbies how to do it. Then there's digging snow pits and being sure you can find a buried beacon in seconds. Maybe it is working to bring new patrollers into the team. Or, it could be fund raising.

Fund raising? It's not patrolling, is it? I know it's not what I signed up for. But, unless we want to buy all those cravats and sleds with money from ever increasing dues, it is a necessary thing. The ski swap, if it grows the way we expect, could let us reduce dues at some point. If that's to happen, however, it will take some effort from us all.

This year the swap is poised to be a lot bigger and better than last year, with more and better gear from the shops. Publicity is way better, so we expect good crowds. The ski areas will be present to sell passes. One thing is the same, though. We need everyone's help to make this work.

There are many jobs you can take on, from set up or tear down, to running checkout, to just wandering the floor and helping people select gear. No job is terribly difficult, and the team leads will show you just what to do. We just need you to dispatch and work a shift--or two or three if you can. Check the other columns in this issue for more details. Did I say you should dispatch? Do it now. That way the team leaders can do better planning.

The swap is a once-a-year event. Find the time slots you can work, and find your part. If you can't commit to the swap, please give me a call to discuss. We need to know why.

There is every reason to believe that the swap will grow into a Portland institution, and MHSP will have its much-needed stable funding source. There's work to be done in the meantime, though. Thanks for dispatching, working the swap, and being a member of this team.

John Gastineau  
[John@gastineau.org](mailto:John@gastineau.org)

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## Patrol Chief

*By Jeffrey Weitz, Patrol Chief, HC1236*

Fall has arrived and our 2009-2010 season is about to begin. This is the time of year when our training begins anew and our thoughts turn toward the mountain and the areas and public we so diligently serve.



## Welcome New Patrollers

The Council approved 18 new patrollers at our last meeting to bring our total MHSP volunteer patrollers to over 260. You are an amazing group of dedicated individuals with a vast array of talents and interests. For both the old and new patrollers, make an effort to introduce yourself, make a new friend, share your wisdom, experience and dedication to the greatest patrol on earth!

## MHSP New Patroller Program

This season we will be introducing the "New Patroller Program" for all freshly minted first year hill patrollers. This has been a long time in the planning and has finally been formalized with the guidance and assistance of Training Director Tom Payne. New patrollers will be required to be first responder to a minimum of 5 on-hill cases as well as well as skiing the Glade and Alpine trails during the course of the season. The hill captains will be pairing the new patrollers up with more experienced patrollers each and every time they patrol to afford them a variety of input and history from the many experienced and dedicated patrollers. Please welcome the new patrollers on the hill when you see them and share your expertise with them.

*(Editor's note: There will be a corresponding first year program for new associate patrollers too. More information soon, watch your email and the SnoJob.)*

## Dispatch

It is time to give serious thought to your commitment levels for the coming season. The dispatch should be up and running soon for you to sign-up for your patrol days.

The Council appointed a committee to review the needs of the areas for the coming season. The four ski areas we serve require over 3,000 patrol days to cover the area requirements for the coming season. I would like to thank the committee for their hours of tireless work in simplifying and organizing the required days and benefits.

The results of their work was incorporated into the membership levels for this season. The details of this program will be found elsewhere in this newsletter. Please review it and feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

We, the MHSP Council and general patrol, appreciate all the dedicated work of all the volunteers. In our patrol everyone counts, every effort greatly appreciated, every rescue and hour we train makes us stronger. Thank you for all you do. Whether you can put in 1 day or 100 we need everyone to work as team and fulfill their commitments to the best of their abilities.

## **Training and Clinics**

We are planning many opportunities to for patrollers to sharpen their skills on the slopes this season. Whether it be through a skier enhancement seminar, a women's toboggan clinic, MTR training, avalanche training, Senior S & T, Senior EMM, Nuts and Bolts, coaches calibration – please make an effort to raise your own bar by participating in one of these great opportunities to be the best you can be, on or off the slopes! If you are interested in teaching, coaching, seniors or any other skill enhancement please feel free to contact me and let me know what your interests are.

## **Other Benefits**

We are finalizing this season benefits with the areas as this Snojob goes to press. You can check on the WIKI as we will be updating the benefits by area as they are locked down.

The clothing committee is focusing on organizing many of the other benefits we enjoy as patrollers like Pro-Form Deals, Clothing discounts, Ski Shop discounts etc.. stay tuned for that soon.

If you will be traveling to other ski resorts this winter many offer discounts to NSP members in good standing but you will need a letter from me to take with you. Just let me know when you will be going and request a letter and I will get one out to you.

If you know of an organization or business that would offer benefits to the MHSP please forward that information to myself or to Andrew Degner on the Clothing Committee. The More the Merrier!

## **Communication**

It is a pleasure to begin to get to know all the dedicated volunteers on our patrol and I look forward to meeting and patrolling with each of you soon. If you have any issues that come up during the season regarding your ability to patrol or make your commitments please feel free to call or e-mail me so we can discuss those issues.

Good communication makes us a stronger patrol!

Let it Snow! SKI CZY  
Jeffrey Weitz, MHSP Patrol Chief.

## 2009-2010 Membership Levels

By The Executive Council

### Clearing up Past Confusion

While patrollers have generally liked the three-tiered membership program, there has been a lot of confusion about exactly how many days a patroller needs to serve. In an effort to clarify this we are defining the types of activities more specifically and have adjusted the minimum patrol days for each level accordingly.

Patrollers will have 3 separate service requirements for membership:

1. All patrollers will be required to put in the following training days: annual OEC Refresher, annual Lift Evacuation, and triennial Avalanche Refresher.
2. Patrollers will sign up to do 18, 15, or 9 Patrol Days with a certain number of days required in each module. These numbers correspond to the Gold, Silver and Bronze levels and are consistent with the requirements of previous years.
3. In addition, all patrollers are asked to work at least the equivalent of one shift in support of the SnoSports Swap (either at the swap or in a pre-swap work party).

### What is a Patrol Day?

Patrol Days are primarily days spent patrolling, but also include days spent *delivering* training. This includes teaching OEC, teaching avalanche classes, doing sled coaching or other apprentice training, and instructing FRT.

Patrol Days are not days where the patroller receives training. Again, days spent *receiving* instruction do not count as Patrol Days, but days spent *delivering* training do count. This recognizes that our patrol could not exist without the contributions of our instructors.

Other activities with MHSP will be called Service Days for which there is no minimum requirement.

2009-2010 Minimum Pre-dispatched Patrol Days					
	Sept-Dec	Jan-Feb	Mar-May	June-Aug	Annual Minimum
Gold	3	4	5	2	18
Silver	3	3	4	1	15
Bronze	2	3	2	0	9

**Note:** The minimums shown for each module do not add up to the total Patrol Days in a year. This allows you more flexibility in arranging your schedule. Still, the minimum days for the entire year and for each module must be met by each of us if the patrol is to provide adequate coverage throughout the season.

## **We need to know who is coming to the party**

There will be a few other tweaks to policies this year.

Although we are volunteers, the ski areas are businesses. We will be as realistic as we can in promising volunteers to work at the areas. At the same time members must observe certain proprieties just as you would in your day job. You have a schedule; you show up or find a substitute if you can't make it. If you're sick you let your boss know as soon as possible. If you have the day off, you don't show up for work and expect to be paid.

**Predispatch:** In that light, if you want to patrol certain days, be sure you dispatch for them. If you show up as a walk-on, you will be welcome to patrol, and even get a guest pass or other benefit as they are available to you, but the day won't count as a Patrol Day (instead it will be a Service Day).

Why would we do this? The ski areas look at our dispatch numbers, and plan their paid staff appropriately. Imagine their frustration if they see a short volunteer day, pay their staff to show up, and then find a room full of volunteers.

**Caps:** In order to do the best job we can in serving the ski areas, we will have caps on the number of patrollers pre-dispatched at any area or activity. Otherwise, we use up our "inventory" of Patrol Days by overstaffing on some days, risking being short on other days.

## **What if I can't commit or pre-dispatch?**

Contact the Patrol Chief to work out a plan. We do recognize that life happens, and sometimes a patroller may be unable to commit to a traditional number of days. If life circumstances require that you take a sabbatical year, this can be arranged. Some patrollers have no control over their work schedule and can only pre-dispatch at the last minute – this, too can be accommodated. Contact the Patrol Chief as early as possible to do this. If you are injured, or have a temporary conflict that keeps you from patrolling, again, contact the Patrol Chief to work out a plan. If we know what you can do in advance, then we can give the areas realistic information.

Being a volunteer patroller is a privilege and an obligation. We get to do one of the best jobs in the world, but we need to work with the ski areas to be sure that our efforts are made at the time and place needed. That means pre-dispatching, and fulfilling that promise.

## **Benefits for the 09/10 Season**

Benefits for the 09/10 season will be based on the commitment you make this Fall.

Starting next season and going forward, your benefits will be based on your Patrol Days the preceding year. Patrols across the country use this approach and are very satisfied with it. For first-year patrollers, patrollers coming off sabbatical, and patrollers who were injured for part of the prior season, we'll take your current season commitment on good faith.

The specific details on benefits will be related as soon as the ski areas confirm them. We know that some patrollers are anxious to know all the details but they are simply not locked down at this time. It was not long ago that the only benefit any patroller got was a guest pass on the day they worked. This is a time of change and that breeds a little uncertainty.

In general:

- Gold is for patrollers with families.
- Silver is for individuals who want vouchers or passes.
- Bronze is for patrollers who do not meet one of the higher levels and does not receive any benefits beyond a single guest pass on the day they patrol.
- If you want to ski at no cost on a non-patrol day then Silver or Gold is the level for you.
- Whatever season pass benefits turn out to be available, only Gold and Silver members will be eligible. Also there will likely be a requirement to patrol a minimum number of days at that specific ski area to get a pass.

## Questions

If you have any questions about requirements or benefits please contact either John Gastineau, President, or Jeffrey Weitz, Patrol Chief.

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*Trillium Lake by Brett McLane*

## Pre-dispatch

*The Executive Council*

### **The pre-dispatch deadline for November-December is October 15<sup>th</sup>.**

**Remember, only pre-dispatched and instructor days count toward your minimum Patrol Days.** All walk-on days are considered Service Days and do not count toward your minimum membership commitment. Dispatch early to get your preferred days. If you have special circumstances that prevent you from pre-dispatching you must contact the Patrol Chief to make arrangements.

### **Double Credit Days**

The following are the ONLY double credit days for the 2009-2010 season:

- Thanksgiving (11/26)
- Day after Thanksgiving (11/27)
- Christmas Day (12/25)
- New Year's Day (1/1)
- Day after the banquet (Tentatively 5/9)

### **Do I get credit if my pre-dispatched ski area is not open?**

The short answer is no.

If you are pre-dispatched to patrol at an area it is your responsibility to determine if the ski area will be open for operations. We will use the 6 AM ski area snow report as the definition of "open".

- If the 6 AM snow report says the ski area is not opening you will not get Patrol Day credit.
- If the 6 AM snow report says the area will be open for skiing, you must drive to the mountain prepared to patrol. If the area later chooses not to open that day for weather or other reasons you will get Patrol Day credit because you showed up to patrol. This applies even if you didn't actually make it to the area because the Hill Captain called your cell phone to turn you around. If you were excused for sickness or other reason you will not get credit because you would not have patrolled if the area did open.
- If your ski area is not open you are welcome to try for a walk-on spot at an open ski area if there is space available. We will not overload a ski area with patrollers so there is a possibility that you would not be able to patrol. If you are accepted as a walk-on at another area the day will count as a Service Day, not a Patrol Day counting toward your minimum.

### **What if I don't get to work all my pre-dispatched days in a module?**

If you don't manage to actually work 2-3 Patrol Days by the end of December you will want to pre-dispatch (or teach) an extra day in one of the other modules. Remember, only pre-dispatched or instructor days count toward your minimum membership commitment.

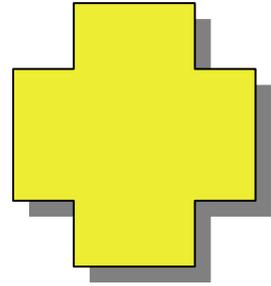
## Hill Captains & Associate Supervisors

ALL Hill Captains and Associate Supervisors are asked to attend this year's Hill Captains and Associate Supervisors Meeting. There are many changes this year that you will need to understand in order to do the excellent job you are all known for.

Date: October 19, 2009

Time: 7 PM – 9 PM

Location: Lucky Lab, Multnomah Village, 7675 SW Capitol Hwy., upstairs



Bring paper and pen. Pizza and other snacks will be provided. Bar is no-host.

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## MHSP Meadows Teams are Looking for a Few Good People

*By Eric Pool, APC Meadows, HC1269*

The Mt. Hood Meadows teams have a few remaining slots open for both Associate and Hill Patrollers this upcoming season. If you think that you are interested please talk to one of the current Meadows team members to get an idea of whether Meadows is a good fit for your patrolling interests.

Folks like Kat Moore, myself, Matt Dindia, Jeff Ezzell, Matt Hickok, Roger Meier, the Barkers, Jim Kitchin, Jerry Knowlton among many others can give you a good synopsis of the great terrain, describe a typical great day of patrolling, etc.

I will also be at the General Meeting on the 12th if you want to ask more about it then.

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### Need to find another OEC Refresher?

*By Jodie Jeffers, First Aid Chief*

If you cannot attend one of the OEC Refreshers taught by the MHSP or want to see how other patrols do theirs, then find another Patrol's Refresher course from NSP.

How do you find other NSP registered courses? Paste this link:

[http://www.nsp.org/nsp2002/edu\\_template.asp?mode=course\\_schedule](http://www.nsp.org/nsp2002/edu_template.asp?mode=course_schedule) Then select Pacific Northwest for the division, and choose OEC Refresher Cycle B (2009) for the latest postings.

Make sure you contact the Instructor to register and any other needs – they don't take drop-ins either! Don't forget to take your Refresher Guide so the Instructor of Record signs the Completion Record form and return the completed form to me. This is how you get credit for attending! Please share your experiences with us if you do attend another refresher. We are always on the lookout for good ideas.

## One Degree – Just One Degree Makes All The Difference

*By Jodie Jeffers, First Aid Chief, AS526*

There was an awesome talk by Dan Miller at the PNWD Convention in Wilsonville this past August that really got me thinking. Just one degree, what a difference it can make in our work, family, patrolling and life all together.

- Did you know that just one degree is equal to 90 feet per mile? That one degree can really add up if looking for a lost skier or climber or doing an avy probe line. 90 feet is a lot!
- Just one degree in a fracture to the spine can make the difference between a patient walking or confinement to a wheelchair for the rest of their life.
- One Degree Difference: 211 degrees is hot but just add 1 degree and it becomes 212 degrees or 1.069 btu's = STEAM! Now that locomotive can move, where before it was stuck.

I'm not suggesting that you memorize the OEC Book; read it cover to cover; practice from sunup to sundown; patrol 75 days a season, etc.

What I am challenging each of us to do is this: One degree forward on your first aid practice and giving to the patrol.

One degree can make a difference. Think about it.

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## Instructor Development (Not just for instructors)

*By Kathy Lee, SS232*

Instructor Development is a "how to teach" course that is not just useful for teaching ski patrol topics but can benefit you in your work and personal life. Instructor Development is required for all members wanting to coach or instruct. If you are not sure you want to teach for MHSP, you are still welcome to check out the class. It might help you make up your mind.

The course will be scheduled to take place in November and will be posted on the patrol calendar when dates are finalized. For more information, contact Kathy Lee, [leek@ohsu.edu](mailto:leek@ohsu.edu).

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## Annual CPR Skill Check

*By Jodie Jeffers, First Aid Chief*

NSP requires every patroller to demonstrate their CPR skills each year. We will do this again at the chair evac training. But remember, this is for practice and demonstration only, not recertification for a new card!

Now is the time to find a class if your CPR card is expired or is going to expire during the 2009/10 Ski Season! **Remember, you must have a valid CPR Card by the OEC Refresher you attend to be considered an active patroller and eligible for benefits.** M1's must have their CPR card prior to fall training as outlined in your Welcome Letter.

Many options are available for getting an acceptable CPR card.

National Ski Patrol recognizes the following organizations for CPR certification:

- American Heart Association
- American Red Cross
- National Safety Council
- American Safety and Health Institute
- Medic First Aid

Each entity has its own names for the courses. To be accepted by MHSP the course must cover the following components for the professional rescuer:

- Choking and 1 & 2 person rescue CPR for Adults, Children, Infants,
- Automatic External Defibrillator (AED)
- Use of pocket mask and bag valve mask.

Your local Fire Department, nearby Hospital, American Heart Association, and the American Red Cross are just a few places to try for CPR classes. Legacy Health Hospitals in Portland/Vancouver offer classes for about \$35.00. See the website at [http://www.legacyhealth.org/documents/Nursing\\_Education/BLS2009schedule.pdf](http://www.legacyhealth.org/documents/Nursing_Education/BLS2009schedule.pdf). Several of our patrollers offer recertification or may know of others that can help. Some include James Schuler, Harold Crawford, Carol Gleason, and Diane Kindall.

Please contact me if you have any questions or need any help.

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[tailwaggin1@me.com](mailto:tailwaggin1@me.com)



## Mt. Hood SnoSports Swap

By Pat Stevens, Archangel

Thanks to all of you who have signed up for the Mt. Hood SnoSport Swap!

We still need more help, so those of you who haven't dispatched, please do so right away on the Swap Dispatch site [www.mhspdispatch.org/swap](http://www.mhspdispatch.org/swap) . The log in is the same as your log in on the MHSP dispatch site. From there, it is just like the MHSP site except you will be signing up for a specific job rather than a ski area. If you have questions contact Pat Stevens, [pat@sdeltd.com](mailto:pat@sdeltd.com).



If you want to sign up a friend or family member to work the Swap, email Pat and she will put them in the Swap Roster and email you their ID number and pass word. Then you will be able to dispatch them just like you dispatch. Be sure to give Pat your full name and patrol number so you will get credit for their work.

### Hours –

Note there is an overlap on shifts – that is so we can get the afternoon workers checked in and oriented before the morning shift checks out.

Friday AM shift	7:00 to 2:30
Friday PM shift	2:00 to 10:00
Saturday AM shift	7:30 to 2:30
Saturday PM shift	2:00 to 10:00
Sunday shift	8:00 to 4:00

### Abbreviations on the Swap Dispatch Site –

Most of you will be signing up as TM – if you feel you have the qualifications in a particular area to sign up as a TL, send me an email and let's talk! Sign your kids up as SM so we know they are not adults.

GM	General Manager
CC	Committee Chair
TL	Team Lead
TM	Team Member
SL	Student Leader (adult for West Linn Snowboard Team)
SM	Student Member (any one not an adult working the Swap)

How do you bring items to sell and other frequently asked questions – check out the website – [www.mhsss.com](http://www.mhsss.com) . If there are any questions that the website doesn't answer, email Pat Stevens.

### Final instructions –

Around the end of September, we will be sending out detailed instructions on parking, what to wear, what to bring, what to leave home, how to sign in/out and anything else we can think of to help this operation run smoothly for you!

And remember, Think Swap Then Snow!

## Timberline New Winter Entrance

*By Bill Johnson, Host Director, HS001*

The new and vastly improved Winter Entrance should be in place the first week of October. It promises to be an excellent addition to Timberline Lodge. Ribbon cutting ceremony will be October 3.



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## Mountain Host News

*By Bill Johnson, Host Director, HS001*

### Recruitment

Host interviews for this Season's apprentice group were held September 12, 2009. We have 20 great new folks with super attitudes and a high commitment level.

### Dates to Remember

#### **Mt. Hood SnoSports Swap:**

October 9, 10 and 11

Check out dispatch and pick-up shifts West Linn HS

#### **Host Orientation:**

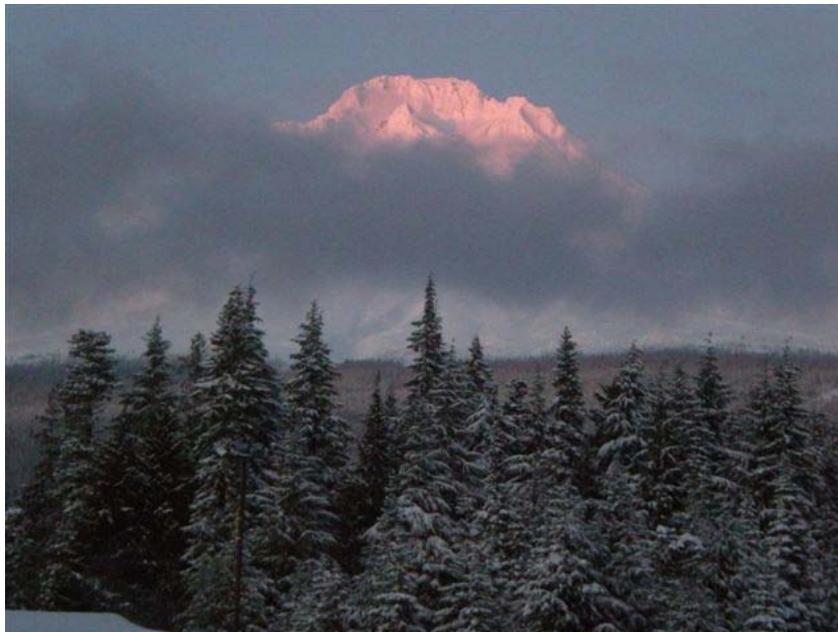
October 17

8:30am breakfast

Timberline Market Cafe'

If there are any questions or comments, please contact me.

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*View from Skibowl by Corey Schneider*

## Avalanche

By Justin Zucconi, Avalanche Advisor, P1478

For planning purposes we are asking all patrollers who require avalanche training this upcoming season to look at their calendars NOW and pre-dispatch accordingly. A table will be set up at the OEC refreshers to verify that you have pre-dispatched for any necessary avalanche training. Your OEC refresher "check-out" will not be considered complete until you do so.



1. Determine whether you require Level 1 Avalanche training or a Basic Avalanche Refresher. Do this by checking the spreadsheet sent out via email earlier this season or contact me.
2. If you require a Basic Avalanche Refresher, please dispatch for ONE of the following dates:

February 6, 2010  
February 20, 2010  
March 7, 2010  
April 11, 2010

3. If you require the Level 1 Avalanche training, please dispatch for EITHER of the two following packages:

Group A:

December 2, 2009 (night)  
January 6, 2010 (night)  
February 3, 2010 (night)  
February 21, 2010 (day)  
March 14, 2010 (day)

Group B:

December 16, 2009 (night)  
January 20, 2010 (night)  
February 17, 2010 (night)  
March 6, 2010 (day)  
April 3, 2010 (day)

4. If you are a new apprentice please dispatch for ONE of the following Avalanche Awareness nights:

November 4, 2009 (night)  
November 18, 2009 (night)

5. A Level II Avalanche class will be offered only if there is enough interest. Please contact Justin Zucconi or Matt Hickok ASAP if you are interested and have completed Level I.

Thank you so much for your cooperation and see you at the OEC refresher.

Justin Zucconi  
MHSP Avalanche Adviser  
[jzucconi@gmail.com](mailto:jzucconi@gmail.com)



## **NSP Senior Program**

*By Kathy Lee, SS232*



National Ski Patrol has a Senior Program designed for patrollers to enhance patrolling skills and improve management and leadership skills. It also offers a number of fun opportunities to meet and train with fellow patrollers from other Oregon patrols.

Certification as a Senior patroller involves both required and elective components, one of which is Senior Emergency Management Module (EMM). Senior EMM focuses on decision-making, problem management, and leadership, using OEC multiple patient scenarios as a framework for training and evaluation.

Another required component for Hill Patrollers is Senior Ski and Toboggan (S&T). Patrollers improve skiing skills using PSIA standards and continue to hone and improve toboggan skills with new equipment and methods.

Check out the Wiki for a brief overview of what the Senior Program requires. Training dates will be finalized soon and posted on the patrol calendar.

All patrollers interested in Senior EMM are encouraged to contact Kathy Lee, [leek@ohsu.edu](mailto:leek@ohsu.edu), 503-494-2630.

All patrollers interested in Senior S&T are encouraged to contact Jeffrey Weitz, [jweitz@northrimpx.com](mailto:jweitz@northrimpx.com), 503-525-1925.

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## **Recruitment**

*By Lisa Hargrave, Recruitment Director, SH1053*

We have room for about 20 more hill or associate apprentices this winter. If you have a friend, coworker or relative who is interested in patrol have them register with the recruitment committee via the website or by sending their name, email and phone number to [mhsp@onebox.com](mailto:mhsp@onebox.com)

Tryouts will be held Sunday, December 6th (snow permitting). Pre-registration will be required to ensure that we have enough interviewers and ski or snowboard testers.

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## **Portland Ski Fever and Snowboard Show**

*By Lisa Hargrave, Recruitment Director, SH1053*

It's time again for the Ski Fever show at the Expo Center, one of our best sources for future members. This year the show will be November 6-8.

As in prior years we will be staffing a booth at the show and need volunteers who would like to talk to the public about joining MHSP. Benefits include free admission to the show and ½ Service Day credit per shift.

Contact Lisa Hargrave, [lisa@philhargrave.net](mailto:lisa@philhargrave.net) to sign up for a shift. We are limited to 3 people per shift. First come, first served.

#### Shifts

Friday: 1:00 pm - 5:30 pm  
Friday: 5:30 pm - 10:00 pm  
Saturday: 10:00 am - 2:00 pm  
Saturday: 2:00 pm - 6:00 pm  
Saturday: 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm  
Sunday: 10:00 am - 2:00 pm  
Sunday: 2:00 pm - 6:00 pm



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## Portland to Coast Walk Relay August 2009

*By Kathy Lee, SS232*

The Mt Hood Ski Patrol Hoodlums crossed the finish line at Seaside, with a great crowd to cheer us on. After 26 hours of pounding the pavement, we were still upright with all body parts intact. It was a great race, posting a finish time that was only two minutes slower than last year. The team placed 27<sup>th</sup> overall out of 400 teams and 6<sup>th</sup> in the Masters Division.

Once again, fellow patroller Ike Anunciado and 360 Degree Therapy generously donated a significant portion of the registration fee. Thanks to Margaret Usher's efforts, Blue Star Transportation provided two vans that carried us to Seaside. A huge THANK YOU for their support!

This is a terrific team effort by everyone – volunteers, drivers and walkers. Our volunteers are so important that without them, the team would be disqualified. Thank you Tonya Drayden, Pam Louie, and Judy Madsen! Our drivers, James Schuler and John Howard, did an awesome job getting us safely to Seaside.

Congratulations to the walkers for a great effort in the 127-mile leap frog journey – Lori Bennett, Chuck Cahill, Larry Cahill, Bill High, Linda High, Susan Horky (who travelled from New Mexico to join us), Gerry Johnson, Diane Kindall, Felice Leonhardt, Steve Potter and Craig Savage.

An outstanding team!

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## Important Phone Numbers

Here are a couple of phone numbers you might want to program into your cell phone. They might come in handy when you are at Timberline or come on an injury out in the world.

AMR	503-231-6300
Life Flight	503-413-5433

## Pro Night at Hillcrest Ski and Sports

Hillcrest Ski and Sports is holding their annual Pro Night October 15, 6:00-9:00 PM. Pro Night features special discounts for ski industry professionals. Various manufacturers' representatives will be present to answer your equipment questions and to talk about the latest offerings.

In addition to the regular sale items, there will be professional discounts available on a special order basis. Active ski patrollers, hosts and instructors are eligible for professional discounts and must provide proof of status (membership card). Sorry, Apprentices are not eligible for professional discounts at this event.

Hillcrest Ski and Sports  
2506 SE Burnside Ave  
Gresham, Or. 97080

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## In Memoriam

Tom Ruedy, #912, passed away September 10<sup>th</sup> at the age of 52. Tom had been a Hill Patroller until he was paralyzed in a swimming accident in the mid-80's. In the years after his accident, Tom never lost his love for the outdoors—inventing, and continually refining, a hiking chair that could carry paraplegic and quadriplegic hikers on the trails. Tom loved the patrol and was known to show up to a meeting or Fun Day to keep in touch. Farewell, Tom.

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*Mt. Hood from Hwy 35 by Lisa Hargrave*

## Calendar

For the most current information and event details check the online calendar on the dispatch website [mhspdispatch.org](http://mhspdispatch.org), right after you log in, or at [calendar.google.com](http://calendar.google.com) (free account required).

### October

- 3 Lift Evacuation and BBQ
- 5 Executive Council Meeting
- 9-10 Mt. Hood SnoSports Swap
- 12 General Meeting
- 15 Snojob Deadline
- 15 Module 2 (Nov-Dec) PREDISPATCH DEADLINE
- 17 Mt. Host Orientation
- 18 OEC Refresher (pre-dispatch required)
- 19 Hill Captain/Associate Supervisors Meeting
- 25 OEC Refresher (pre-dispatch required)
- 27 Alumni Luncheon, everyone welcome

### November

- 1 Lift Evacuation and BBQ
- 2 Executive Council Meeting
- 5-8 Portland Ski Fever and Snowboard Show
- 9 General Meeting
- 15 Snojob Deadline
- 16 Recruitment Information Night (tell your friends)
- 21 Government Camp Work Party (required for apprentices)

### December

- 5 S&T Coaches Calibration Clinic
- 5 Make-up Lift Evacuation (night)
- 6 Tryouts
- 7 Executive Council Meeting
- 14 General Meeting
- 15 Module 3 (Jan-Feb) PREDISPATCH DEADLINE
- 15 Snojob Deadline



*OEC Field Day by Jodie Jeffers*

