

Snojob



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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

A primer on MHSP Communications

Matt Rea, President



It's warm, the kids are out of school, and I am thinking ahead to where I will view the solar eclipse less than 2 months from now. Keeping interest in skiing and patrolling is difficult. But as soon as I finish writing this article I am going into the pre-dispatch and sign myself up for a couple of days of summer patrolling. I challenge you all to try to get two days on the hill this summer—either bike patrolling at Skibowl or summer skiing at Timberline. I especially challenge those of you who did not get your minimum days in this past winter. You know who you are—and there are plenty of you.

COMMUNICATIONS

As I have started my term as President of Mt. Hood Ski Patrol, I have become aware how difficult it is to manage communications within an organization with as many members as we have. It is a steep learning curve for our new council and the emails and phone calls are coming fast and furious. On top of it, we are all volunteers and we do this beside our regular jobs and family which doesn't leave as much time as we would like to craft clear and coherent message to each other. While we seem to be falling all over ourselves trying to communicate, I've had many members tell me that they have a difficult time tracking all that is going on within MHSP.

We have a Communications Committee that is working on improving and updating our venues and media for communicating with each other and outside the patrol. And they would like to hear your ideas. You can send them to me at president@mthoodskipatrol.org. But to get you started thinking, allow me to describe a few pointers for clear communications within MHSP.

WEBSITE

Let's start with the MHSP website at <http://mthoodskipatrol.org>. From there you can find links to just about everything you want to know about Mt. Hood Ski Patrol. It is really important that you direct anybody who is interested in joining the patrol to the website. Right from the homepage they can find links to information about joining the patrol. The Recruitment Committee, headed by Rachel Lieber, has got that system running very well. If you have questions you can contact Rachel at mthoodskipatrol.recruitment@gmail.com.

Within the Members Area of the **MHSP website**, you will find links to our MHSP Main Event Calendar, online Dispatch System as well as to the Wiki Page. The Communication Committee is aware that the **MHSP Wiki Page** is in serious need of updating and renewal and regular maintenance. Few of our members actually use or refer to the Wiki. However, the Wiki does remain our most important place for storage and access to electronic records for MHSP. The Wiki sections on **Member, Policies and Procedures, and Administration** are up to date and you should feel free to use them with assurance that they are accurate. The **Carpooling** tool is actually a very cool thing and I encourage you to use it.

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CALENDAR

The Executive Council is committed to keeping the **MHSP Main Event Calendar** up to date. You can find links to the calendar from the website members area homepage, from the online dispatch and from the wiki. They will all link to the same calendar at: <https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=ctr6kp82htvimpa5anl5cmmt3g@group.calendar.google.com>. MHSP Council Secretary Kimberly Granning is the primary keeper of the main calendar. Contact her at secretary@mthoodskipatrol.org for questions or to place an event on the calendar.

ONLINE DISPATCH

The Communications Committee is also working on developing a new **Online Dispatch system** but that is probably a year or more from being operational. In the meantime, the existing Dispatch System remains our most important tool for coordinating and communicating our patrolling schedules. The most critical thing you can do to help us keep you fully informed is to make sure that your information in the dispatch is up to date. Log in at <https://mhspdispatch.org>. Click on Home. In the upper left corner click on My Address. Edit your details and save. It's easy but you'd be amazed at how many people neglect to keep their information up to date. While you are in the dispatch, take a few minutes to check your Ski History. Click on Schedule. Click on Ski History. Check your Ski History and training records for accuracy. If you find a problem, contact our **APC for Records**, Ms. Wendy Stuart, at apcrecords@mthoodskipatrol.org. Wendy is very nice and will be very happy to help you. In the end it is you who is responsible for keeping your records up to date.

NSP

As long as you are keeping your information up to date with MHSP, you should also do the same thing with **National Ski Patrol**. Go to <http://www.nsp.org/>. At the very top of the page, click on sign in. You will be asked to log in with your username, which will be your NSP number, and a password. As with any website, if you have forgotten your username or password there is a link to help you recover them or create a new password. Now comes the hard part, once you have signed in click on the link at the top that says "Hi Matthew" (fill in your name). This will take you to your personal profile page where you can edit all your information. Last year you all went through this before enrolling online for OEC. You will need to do that again this year. In addition, something new this year for all MHSP patrollers is that you will be paying your NSP dues directly to NSP online. **Please update your personal profile before you enroll this fall!** If you need assistance on this, please contact our NSP Registrar, Mr. Kyle Richards at richarky@gmail.com. Kyle is also very nice and will be happy to help you.

SNOJOB

Our monthly newsletter, the **Snojjob** is the formal source of information for all Mt. Hood Ski Patrol activities. If there is information that you need to know to be effective members of Mt. Hood Ski Patrol, you will find it published in the Snojob. A lot of those emails I get daily are from patrollers asking for information that they can easily find in the Snojob. **Please read the Snojob!!!** You can always find current and past issues of the Snojob on the **MHSP website** at <http://mthoodskipatrol.org/www/index.php>. The articles in the Snojob are written mostly by council officers and other leaders of the patrol. However, any member of MHSP is welcome to submit articles for publishing in the Snojob. Articles are due to the SnoJob editors, Heather Van Houten and Gayle Maize Hall at snojjobeditor@mthoodskipatrol.org around the 15th of each month.

EMAIL

Another very important communication tool for all of us is **email**. However, while we love our Ski Patrol, the emails drive us all crazy. Please try to keep your patrol related emails to a minimum. As a general rule of thumb, if you are passing along information that is critical for many of the patrollers and/or hosts, try to plan ahead and put it in the Snojob. Only use email for information that is focused on a smaller subset of MHSP members or is time sensitive and cannot wait to be published in Snojob. Unless you really want to piss off your fellow MHSP members, **NEVER, NEVER "reply all" unless you really need everyone on the Patrol to see your response.**

That said, we must use email to pass along a lot of really critical information. We expect that all patrollers have an email address and we assume that you will check it regularly for critical information. Each of your Patrol Officers has



an **official email account** that we invite you to use for Ski Patrol business. We are committed to staying on top of emails in these accounts:

President:	Matthew Rea	president@mthoodskipatrol.org
Vice President (committees):	Stuart Stanger	vicepresident@mthoodskipatrol.org
Secretary:	Kimberly Granning	secretary@mthoodskipatrol.org
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Nordic Director:	Jeff Hepler	nordicdirector@mthoodskipatrol.org
Host Director:	Sam Smith	hostdirector@mthoodskipatrol.org
Senior Trustee (elections):	Lisa Wilberding Hargrave	trustees@mthoodskipatrol.org
Middle Trustee:	Mike Klein	trustees@mthoodskipatrol.org
Junior Trustee (meeting programs):	Cleo Howell	trustees@mthoodskipatrol.org

In addition, we maintain email listserves to enable us to focus communications to groups of members within MHSP. The listserves should only be used for Mt. Hood Ski Patrol related activities. **NEVER, NEVER use the listserves for things like advertising your garage sale.**

- **patrollers@mhsp.simplelists.com** - Includes Hill, Associate and Nordic Patrollers, Hill Captains and Associate Supervisors, and Patrol Apprentices. Does not include Mountain Hosts. Patrollers can post to the list.
- **patrol.apprentices@mhsp.simplelists.com** - Includes Hill and Associate Apprentices. Apprentices can post to the list.
- **hillcapsandsupervisors@mhsp.simplelists.com** - Includes all Hills Captains and Associate Supervisors. Hill Captains and Supervisors can post to the list.
- **nordics@mhsp.simplelists.com** - Includes Nordic Patrollers and Nordic Apprentices. Nordics can post to the list.
- **mtn.hosts@mhsp.simplelists.com** - Includes Mountain Hosts, Mountain Host Supervisors, and Mountain Host Apprentices. Does not include Patrollers. Hosts can post to the list.
- **hostsupervisors@mhsp.simplelists.com** - Includes Mountain Host Supervisors. Host Supervisors can post to the list.
- **host.apprentices@mhsp.simplelists.com** - Includes Mountain Host Apprentices. Host Apprentices can post to the list.
- **alumni@mhsp.simplelists.com** - Includes Current and Past Patrollers and Hosts who wish to be included in the Alumni Mailings. Alumni can post to the list.
- **meadows@mhsp.simplelists.com** - Includes Meadows Team Members. Team members may post to this list.
- **Council@mhsp.simplelists.com** - Includes Council members, APC, HDA, and trainers.

If you have questions about our listserves, please contact our administrator, Mr. Joel Stevens, at Joel@SDELtd.com.



OFF THE MOUNTIAN

Pacific Crest Trail Days

Cleo Howell

ENJOY A SUMMER DAY IN THE COLUMBIA RIVER GORGE

Pacific Crest Trail Days is an annual 3-day festival that promotes outdoor recreation, with a focus on hiking, camping, and backpacking. The Mt. Hood Ski Patrol has been invited to provide some first aid support for the event on August 18 and 19 in exchange for a donation to the patrol. The patrol volunteers will

have a designated first aid area and also will be able to visit the vendors and enjoy the festival. In the previous 10 years of operation there have been no major medical problems at the event.

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Dates and times: **August 18**, 12:00 pm–9:00 pm **August 19**, 9:00am–9:00 pm
Location: **Marine Park, Cascade Locks**
Number of staff need on each day: **2**

If you are interested in helping at this event please sign up on the Dispatch or contact Cleo Howell 503-680-2472.

Relay For Life

Ed Taylor



Please **join the fight against cancer in Judy Howell's name**. Judy was active with the Relay For Life in the Forest Grove area for over eight years. Our "Mt. Hood Ski Patrol Hoodlums" team is now registered with the Western Washington County Relay For Life (WWC) and I would like to invite MHSP team mates and extended family and friends to join our team by accessing the link below to the home page to create your account.

http://main.acsevents.org/site/TR/?fr_id=80532&pg=entry

Because cancer affects all of us in our lifetime our team focus is to raise awareness of cancer and the resources organizations like American Cancer Society provide to the public. We also strive to make this a fun event for all involved and hopefully supported by some sunny July weather.

We are recruiting Patrollers, Hosts, and friends who would like to join our team to participate during the day, help in organizing our portion of the event, or make a donation.

The Relay For Life is **Saturday July 8 from 10:00 am to 11:00 pm** at **Tom McCall Upper Elementary School** in Forest Grove. Though this is a full day event it does not require an all day commitment. Activities and resources for the day will be further refined over the next several weeks.

Communications will be generated from the Hoodlums team site and in the upcoming Snojob newsletters. For any questions with this event or issues with registering on the WWC Relay For Life home page please **contact me** at etaylor04@msn.com.

Come Join us in August at the PNWD Convention

Douglas Stanton

The Wy'east Region is busy planning the upcoming PNWD Convention to be held at the Sheraton PDX **August 11, 12 and 13**. If you've never attended a division conference, this is the one you want to attend. Come learn how our patrol fits within the region and division, interact with patrollers from across the Pacific Northwest, attend some of the learning sessions to improve your patrolling or training skills, or just come to have a good time. **Registration information** can be found on our web page at pnwdcon.org. **MHSP registrants only pay \$30**, half the full registration amount. If you do go to the web page to **register**, please **download the registration form and mail in your registration**. The web page only allows full registration amounts.

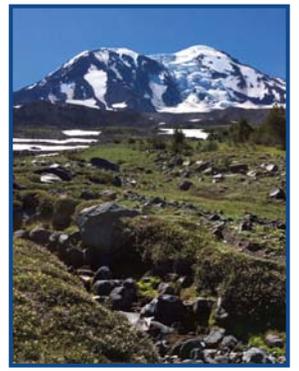
So note your calendar and come join the fun. We'll have exhibitors, a hospitality suite open to all attendees, an awards banquet Saturday evening and ton of raffle items. This is your chance to become more engaged with fellow patrollers from our great division. Take advantage of this event being hosted in Portland, it won't be back until 2022.

If you have questions email me, doug.stanton@icloud.com.



PATROL CHIEF REPORT

Training
Paul Podett



My Fellow Patrollers, it's great to be back as your Patrol Chief.

After 80 years of service to our mountain, MHSP continues to work because of you.

I appreciate your continued support, commitment and dedication.

SUMMER OPERATIONS

Summer Contacts

Timberline APC; Scott Collier and John Howard.

Ski Bowl APC; Matt Harms

MHM and Summit If you have any ideas or concerns during the summer, please contact me.

New Stuff for Summer Since there is so much snow left over from winter, we will be offering several elective summer training programs.

Skier enhancement at timberline this Summer.

Free lessons during your break (down time) on your dispatched day at Timberline this summer. Only available for dispatched patrollers.

An MHSP approved ski instructor will provide up to 2 , one and a half hour sessions for groups of 4-7 Associate and Hill Patrollers. No Walk on's if the dispatch is full. General mountain ops take priority, lessons will be coordinated and scheduled at the morning meeting. This Program will continue through July and August depending snow availability.

Assistant Hill Captains (2 HC slots)

There will be two dispatch slot for Hill Captain for summer dispatch. This second HC slot is for those new, recently appointed Hill Captains and those of us that may need a bit of a refresher before dispatching as the official HC.

Sled Instructor Summer Training

Current and new sled instructors will have the opportunity to tune and tone their skills this summer. New sled instructors will be offered summer training opportunities as they move towards certification.

Want to be a sled instructor contact your training director, Stuart Stanger, to get started. We will keep you advised of additional summer training opportunities and area operating schedules. Please contact me with your ideas or concerns.



OEC

OEC Refreshers

Bob Tise



It's time to get your OEC manual out and read it. Cover to cover would be best, but maybe at least look at the pictures at bedtime to help you nod off.

Seriously, this is the single most important part of patrolling, First Aid. If we don't keep them alive, it doesn't matter how smooth the sled ride is. You never know, it might be your kid in that sled...

The upcoming OEC refreshers have been scheduled and we're working on logistics. Instructors, you can expect a call or email requesting your help at some level. We'll be using some newer instructors to augment our incredibly qualified list of veterans, maybe give some new stars a little room to shine.

Dates and Details:

Instructor Refreshers: September 9 & 23, South Lake Church

Patroller Refreshers: **September 30, October 14 & 28**, South Lake Church

This year the OEC refresher will be done as a Hybrid: on-line and hands-on (skills and scenarios) very much like last year. There are three parts to the Hybrid Refresher. You will still be required to complete the Refresher Workbook, complete the on-line portion, and attend one of the OEC hands-on refresher dates.

Your workbook should have been delivered by the US Postal Service several weeks ago. Don't lose it. If you do, it's available on the NSP website. It was packaged with the NSP Magazine and Summer Catalogue. Please look at page 2 & 3 of the Refresher Workbook for instructions for enrolling in and participating in the online portion of the course.

You will need access to the Members Page of the NSP website www.nsp.org to access the on-line portion. Please go on-line as soon as possible to ensure you can log in without any issues. If you have problems or questions accessing the Members Page of NSP or if you have trouble logging in, there are instructions for what to do right on the login page. Should be pretty straightforward.

Also, confirm that your address is correct on your NSP member profile.

I will send out more specific information when the on-line course is available for you (mid-summer). If you have any questions, please contact me.

If you have not received your refresher workbook, here is a way you can access it from NSP. While you're on the NSP website it will be a good time to check and update your member profile.

1. Go to the NSP Website: www.nsp.org
2. Click Sign In at the top and login using your NSP number and password.
3. Click on Member Resources.
4. Once in Member Resources, on the left there's a list of drop down menus, select Education Resources.
5. Then select OEC .
6. You will then see 2017 OEC Refresher Workbook Cycle A

Click on that link to download the workbook.

Please reply with any responses/questions directly to me: tisefamily@comcast.net firstaidchief email has not been passed on to me yet.



FROM THE TREASURER

NSP Life Membership

Allen Hansen



Hello from your new Treasurer. First, I want to extend A BIG THANKS to Kevin Havre for continuing to help with transitioning the MHSP treasury duties. Very much appreciated.

Please be alert to a change in terms of NSP dues that should be occurring this year. As with OEC this will now be done directly through the NSP. One outcome of this is that you can now BUY a lifetime NSP membership. The details and form is available through the NSP website under Member Resources- Forms and Documents- Membership. Here are some highlights:



Become a LIFETIME MEMBER

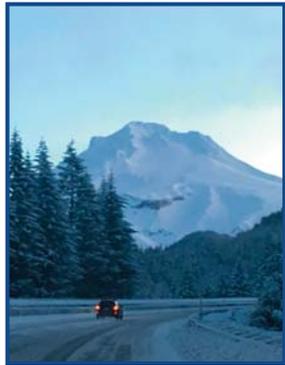
Never pay National dues* again and help support the long-range efforts of the National Ski Patrol

This offer is open to all traditional members of NSP, active and alumni (excludes candidates) and comes with:

- Framed Lifetime membership certificate
- Lifetime membership lapel pin
- NSP registration card with Lifetime indication
- May be tax deductible

LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP **\$800.00**

LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP WITH 30 YEARS OR MORE OF CONTINUOUS DUES YEARS **\$400.00** – one-time fee
Years of membership must be verified through the national office.



CPR

Training

Diane Potter

The following dates for CPR updates will be on the events calendar and DISPATCH. The maximum is 18 people per class. Please don't wait for the last class to dispatch.

Location: Kaiser Sunnyside Campus. Sunnybrook building, room letters may change

Register: **8:30 am \$25.00 per person**

Class starts promptly at **9 am** and will finish around 1:30 pm.

July: **9** room F, **23** room A, **30** room F

August: **13** room A, **20** room A, **27** room A

September: **10** room F



FUNDRAISING

2017 Bike Team Race Support

Mike Anderson



Are you ready to help MHSP make over \$5000 in donations in 2017 by supporting races throughout the metro area? We have got an incredible schedule of races already planned and on the dispatch, here is the breakdown:



- **Sunset on the Springwater, 8/5/17**
An evening run from Sellwood out and back along the Springwater Corridor and back. This is an evening run so we will meet at 4pm
- **Vancouver USA Marathon, 9/17/17**
Our largest and original bike team event has moved to a new date in September. The organization has changed and we think we will still be working this event. This is an all day event as it is a full marathon. More details will be coming out later, but we usually meet no later than 6:15am.
- **Gorgeous Relay, 9/17/17**
Running 60 miles from outside Cascade Locks and into the heart of Portland, the Gorgeous Relay is truly Gorgeous. Experience the Historic Columbia River Highway on its 100 Anniversary as it winds past waterfalls, creeks, and forests. More details will be coming.
- **Country Girl Half, 9/23/17**

The race route uses Marine Drive starting near the airport along the Columbia River, same route as The Grateful Dad run.

- **Run Like Hell Half, 10/22/17**
Downtown Portland where the racers run in costume and end up at Pioneer Place. There will be a new route that has not yet been announced. This is the last run of the season.

Note that the planned Rose City Relay by Terrapin Events has been cancelled this year due to low registration. It had been scheduled for July 22.

Grateful Dad Half Marathon – **Thank you** to the patrollers that helped with a car accident.

On June 17 MHSP had another strong showing for Race Support of the Grateful Dad Half Marathon with 17 members participating. Thank you goes out to Glen Anderson, Richard Crokin, Ed Taylor and Taylore Wille for helping out at the scene of a car accident they responded to. It goes to show you that we as MHSP patrollers could be using our first aid skills for more than just skiers.



More information is available at the following websites:

www.Terrapinevents.com
www.runvum.com
www.gorgeousseries.com

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CALENDAR

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



July

- 8 Relay for Life
- 15 Snojob Deadline
- 25 Alumni Lunch

August

- 5 Sunset on the Springwater
- 11-13 PNWD Convention
- 18-19 PCT Days
- 19 Snojob Deadline

September

- 16 Snojob Deadline
- 17 Vancouver Marathon
- 17 Gorgeous Relay
- 23 Country Girl Half
- 30 OEC Refresher

October

- 9 Council Meeting
- 14 OEC Refresher
- 14 Snojob Deadline
- 20-21 Snowvana
- 28 OEC Refresher
- 31 Alumni Lunch

Snowvana will be on October 20 and 21; Ski Fever is scheduled for November 3-5 this year. As last year, MHSP will support these events and will have a booth to promote our organization and skier safety. Mark your calendars. More details to follow.