



The Sweep

September 2022

PRESIDENT'S NOTES

Updated COVID-19 Policy

We are approaching the time of year when we do the bulk of our training such as OEC Refreshers and emergency chair evacuation, and the snow season is just around the corner. I just want to reiterate the MHSP policy regarding COVID-19 vaccination.

On January 31st, 2021 the Oregon Health Authority filed a permanent administrative order regarding COVID-19 vaccinations that basically states that anyone working in a healthcare facility must be vaccinated for COVID-19. That includes volunteers, such as MHSP patrollers. The first-aid rooms and clinics at the mountain resorts have been determined to be healthcare facilities. That rule is still in effect until further notice.

On December 6th, 2021 the MHSP Executive Council passed a motion that stated all members of MHSP must be fully vaccinated to participate in all active ski patrol and mountain host duties and in-person training and meetings. That motion was set to expire on August 31st, 2022.

At the July 11th, 2022 Executive Council meeting a motion was made to relax the COVID-19 vaccination policy for MHSP. The motion would have allowed non-vaccinated members to participate in training and patrol and mountain host duties. There was a robust discussion about the motion; however, the motion did not pass.

Until further notice the policy of MHSP will be that members must be vaccinated for COVID-19 to participate in training and ski patrol and mountain host in-person activities. That will include the upcoming OEC refreshers.

We do not plan to have a make-up refresher. I know that some of you will not agree with this decision, but on the other hand several OEC instructors and Council members feel strongly that active MHSP members must continue to comply with the Oregon Health Authority administrative order on COVID-19 vaccination.

DEI Ad Hoc Committee

The DEI committee is putting the finishing touches on a survey for all members. Expect to see it in the next month or so.

I sat in on one of the committee meetings and was thoroughly impressed by their professionalism and methodical approach to the subject of DEI and the building of the survey.

Senior OEC

We are planning to offer the Senior OEC program again this year.

The training will most likely start in December and run through April. The training will emphasize Leadership, Problem Management, Decision Making, and high quality OEC skills.

We will supply more details later. If you are interested, please contact me.

Cleo Howell, MHSP Council President



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Patrolling Area Operations/Showtimes:

<u>Skibowl:</u> Open. See dispatch and talk to APC.	<u>Timberline:</u> Open. Contact Team leads	<u>Meadows:</u> Closed for the Season	<u>Summit Pass:</u> Closed	<u>Teacup:</u> Closed
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NEXT GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Courtney Walsh, Council Secretary, HC 1833

There will not be a General Meeting in September. The next General Membership Meeting will be Monday October 10th, 2022.

TREASURER REPORT

Lee Hall, Treasurer, HP/BP 1565

It's been mostly great but time to go. Please get your dues in soon and not wait until the last minute to help the new interim treasurer. If you have questions about how, what, when, where please see my section in last month's edition of *The Sweep*.

Cheers

MOUNTAIN OPERATIONS

Dave Winterling, Patrol Director, AS 1806



Fellow Members,

I believe that the annual September article in *The Sweep* is my most important one of the year, because we're asking for your help to get us through our annual fall requirements in a timely fashion, in prep for the 22/23 winter season. Following are some comments on a few key items . . .

Chairlift Evacuation Practice

My e-mail sent on August 10th detailed the information for chair evac dispatch.

Basically, all Hill and Associate Patrollers (with the exception of Meadows team members) must dispatch for one of the two online chair evac training sessions.

The first one is on September 7th.

In addition, all area team patrollers (Timberline, Skibowl, and Meadows) must dispatch for their area's on-site hands-on training day.

One change this year vs. the last two years is that all newer patrollers who are NOT on a team and have not yet attended an on-site hands-on training day, are invited (encouraged) to attend at either Timberline or Skibowl.

All chair evac training events are set up on Troopiter now and available for dispatch.

Patroller Intentions Survey

In early September, an online survey (similar to 2020 and 2021) will be e-mailed to all patrollers, to get feedback on your intentions to actively patrol during the 22/23 winter season, and your area team preferences.

If you are currently a team member and plan to return, we still need your survey response, so that we have complete information before "drafting" new team members to fill openings.

Dues

As in prior years, MHSP dues are to be paid prior to the end of October, and NSP dues are to be paid prior to the end of December. These are two separate payments.

See instructions from Lee Hall (this page) in the August issue of *The Sweep* re: the process to pay MHSP dues.

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OEC Refresher

See separate communications from Matt Wood on page 8 in this issue of *The Sweep*, plus e-mails.

Please sign up for the earliest refresher you can attend. Every year we have a big spike in the number of patrollers who attend the last refresher which makes it tough on the instructors.

Your proactive efforts to get these things done early (or at least on time) is GREATLY appreciated. There are many of your fellow members (including yours truly) who put lots of time behind-the-scenes to make sure that we get these items done, and not having to follow up on late people is a very big help.

Looking forward to seeing you on the hill soon,

DW

ASSOCIATE OPERATIONS

Scott Chandler, Associate Director, AS 1811

Winter is coming.

This upcoming season we have 17 (as of August 24th) new Associate Apprentices learning the ropes on the slopes, and we're bringing back teams with coaches.



If you are an active Associate Patroller having successfully completed Instructor Development (bonus if you also have completed the Senior First-Aid Module) and have a desire to help shape our future Associate Patrollers, we want to hear from you.

We're aiming for 3 to 4 teams, with a minimum of two coaches per team to allow for some scheduling flexibility. Training will be somewhere in the neighborhood of 10 weeks (we have some details to work out regarding the various resorts).

If you are interested, please contact Associate Apprentice Training Director, Joan Turner (AS #1832) at joan_culinaryconcepts@yahoo.com. This is a great opportunity to hone your own skills as you pass them along to the next generation.

Good luck to everyone in their upcoming refreshers and trainings. Remember, this is time to dust off the rust, so take it seriously but don't sweat it.

Anyone want to wager whether we get snow at this year's chair evac training at Timberline like we did in 2019 (on September 29th)?

MOUNTAIN HOST OPERATIONS

Jan Silagi, Mountain Host Director, HS 60054

My thanks to Hosts who have put in a shift or two this summer. Your support to the year-round operation of the resorts is much appreciated, and it's a good way to beat the heat!

Please take notice of emails that are coming regarding 'in town' events that need support as well, such as the Portland Marathon on October 2nd. We would love to have everyone do at least one shift at an event that is a fundraiser for MHSP and/or at a training session for the patrol.

Watch for those emails and check dispatch opportunities on Troopiter.

Fall Refresher Training

I had hoped for us to meet in person for our Fall Refresher training, but we still have limited access to meeting spaces, thus we will do our session online once again! As in years past, there will be two dates from which you can choose to attend. You may attend either of the sessions.

All Hosts wishing to renew membership this season and volunteer must attend Fall Refresher training.

Here are the dates:

- Sunday, September 25th
 - 0900
 - An invitation to join the Zoom meeting will be sent via email.

- Saturday, October 1st
 - 0900
 - An invitation to join the Zoom meeting will be sent via email.

Your annual paperwork will be sent to you to fill out in advance of the meeting. Instructions on how to pay your dues will be included in that message. **Dispatch is open now to sign up for Fall Refresher training.**

Chairlift Evacuation Training

Our patrol colleagues will be recertifying their chairlift evacuation skills this fall and I invite you to participate in that process. The patrollers have two dates identified to complete certification, one at Timberline and one at Skibowl as follows;

- Saturday, September 17th, Timberline
- Saturday, October 1st, Skibowl

The patrollers will do 'hands-on' skills review at the top of the morning, then move out to one of the chairlifts to actually evacuate individuals from the chairs. We can participate by being evacuated from a chairlift.

Our participation allows the patrollers to complete their training in a timely fashion without having to take a turn as a 'guest' in a chair.

Additionally, we have a 'front row seat' to the process involved in evacuating guests from chairs. Participating in this event keeps us informed enough to provide support in case a chairlift evacuation occurs at one of the resorts.

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If you have any trepidation about being evacuated from a chair or have any fear of heights while on a chair, participating in this process has been very beneficial for several of our members in assuaging their fears.

If you wish to participate, **dispatch is now open for Chairlift Evacuation**, and you will find slots for Hosts to sign up. Your participation would be needed from about 12:00pm to 3:00pm.

We need to be very flexible on the timeframe. It is never set in stone when the patrollers begin this phase of their training. Plan to go up early, have a nice hike on the mountain, enjoy your lunch and be ready to go!

You will be asked to sign a liability waiver when you participate. Thanks!

Surveys

Be on the lookout for two surveys coming your way this month!

One survey will be regarding your intent to renew your membership to Mt. Hood Ski Patrol for the coming season. Just a couple questions will be asked to help us plan for training and dispatch this fall.

An additional survey will be from the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee (DEI). Please take some time to answer the questions on this survey.

The committee has spent a great deal of time developing this document, to gain a more complete understanding of the profile of the membership of MHSP. Secondly, it is designed to help us understand how we can make our organization more accessible to all who are interested in joining.

Basic Life Support/Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (BLS/CPR)

It's time to make sure your BLS/CPR certifications are up to date. Opportunities to become certified, or to recertify in **BLS/CPR** are posted on Troopiter beginning in September and into October. As a reminder to all Hosts, to align with the requirements of our fellow patrollers and National Ski Patrol, your CPR certification shall be through one of the following organizations:

American Heart Association (AHA) National Safety Council (NSC)	American Red Cross (ARC)
Medic First-Aid (MEDIC)	American Safety and Health Institute (ASHI)
Emergency Care and Safety Institute (ECSI)	EMS Safety Services, Inc. (EMS)

If your BLS/CPR is not with one of the above institutions, then you are not in compliance with our requirements. A complete online course with no hands-on demonstration of your skills will not be approved. If your employer pays for you to attend a BLS/CPR class you can use that certification as long as it is from one of the above institutions.

All Hosts are required to have a current BLS/CPR certificate on file in Troopiter. If you were part of the past season (2021/2022) apprentice class, we now require your certification to renew your membership for the coming season.

MHSP partners with Mt. Hood Educational Services and Training (MHEST) to offer low-cost classes. Most if not all the instructors are MHSP members. See the [July issue of *The Sweep*](#) for detailed information, and this month's issue of *The Sweep* on page 13 for the schedule. The MHEST schedule is also on Troopiter to make signing up for a class easier for you.

When taking the class from MHEST there are two parts. The first part is online and can be accessed here: <https://shopcpr.heart.org/heartcode-bls>. The second part is a hands-on class, and that schedule can be accessed via Troopiter; those dates are listed on page 13.

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The cost of the first part (the online course) is approximately \$32.50, paid directly to American Heart Association (AHA) through the online portal. There will be a certificate at the end of the course that you will have to download and print out. You MUST have the course certificate to attend the 'hands on' skills demonstration portion.

If you do not have that certificate in hand, you cannot attend the 'hands on' sessions. The certificate can be sent to Mark Ripkey, you can upload to your Troopiter profile under 'Documents,' or you can bring it with you to the class.

The cost of the second part is \$15.00 paid to MHEST at the class. They accept cash or checks (made out to MHEST) but DO NOT accept credit cards. Please dispatch on Troopiter for those classes.

The process for taking the full certification class is the same whether you are taking the class for the first time or recertifying. If you are taking the class for the first time MHEST asks that you sign up for the last class on a particular day as it will take a little extra time to get you up to speed.

If you are uncertain about whether you need to recertify this fall, please check the expiration date on your current CPR card or contact Mike Cullen.

If your card has a class date prior to 1 June 2021 then you need to take a certification class. You are welcome to retake a class at any time to keep your skills up, but will not need to take one this season if your class date is after the date listed above.

Mike is keeping a running record of the status of CPR certification for our Host membership. You can find his email address on Troopiter.

Uniforms

Having a 'uniform' means we all wear the same thing, *and the standard of quality is the same also!* Please take a look at your uniform. If it is showing wear, it's time to purchase a new coat! If your coat is dirty, please clean it up! Instructions on how to properly clean your coat can be sent to you on request.

Please be looking for an email announcement regarding dates to order uniforms for the coming winter, it will be coming soon!!!

...and finally,

It seems as though it has been a long summer, but the seasons are changing! Tune up your gear, get your CPR up to date and clean up your uniform! I am looking forward to training in person this fall and will see you on the hill, soon!

Jan 

BIKE PATROL OPERATIONS

Glen Anderson, Bike Patrol APC, BP/AP 1773

With the disappointment of Skibowl suspending operations this summer, all focus has been on Timberline's bike park. Due to the exceptional snowpack this winter they didn't open until the end of July.

We have done a good job of supporting them almost every weekend day so far and would like to continue that through the season. As of now it is not known if they will operate into October but will run through September 30th.

We have about twenty "BP's", so dispatch when you can so we can keep up the good representation for MHSP. Dispatch is open seven days a week.

It's not too late to get involved so if you want to patrol at the bike park. Just reach out to me and we'll get you set up.

FIRST-AID CHIEF

Matt Wood, First-Aid Chief, HC/BP/AP 1768

Subject #1: Online Refreshers

The 2022 "Cycle C" online portion of the hybrid refresher is available now. Please review the information in the August issue of *The Sweep* to enroll and complete the online module. A couple of notes & reminders are important:

1. As noted in my prior email and *The Sweep* article, the time it takes to complete the online refresher is not trivial. Do not delay – do it today! Plan on 5 hours to complete the course, assuming no big glitches.
2. There have been some reports of technical glitches on the site. These have mostly been worked through, be sure to pay close attention on the NSP Learning Center to the note about managing popups. Much of the refresher online content is in the form of popups, so you will need to add the NSP site to your trusted sites in order to not get a popup error/nightmare. NSP has been quick to note they are not asking you to disable all popups, just to allow the NSP content.
3. BIG STUFF – The reason I am not publishing a course number for NSP enrollment at this time is because in the new Learning Center functionality, patrollers must complete the Online refresher in order to even register for the hands-on skills courses. This is a VERY new feature and one we will have to navigate carefully.

All I can say is STAY TUNED for email guidance from me on NSP course registration.

Subject #2: In-Person Refreshers

The confirmed dates for in-person refreshers are:

Instructor Refreshers*

- Saturday, September 10th
- Sunday, September 18th

*Instructors are required to attend at least one Instructor Refresher. Station Leads, Co-Leads, and station assistants should try to make both sessions.

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All-Patrol Refreshers*

- Saturday, September 24th
- Sunday, October 9th
- Saturday, October 22nd

*Patrollers are required to attend ONE only.

These refresher dates are on dispatch now. Please dispatch as early as you can. I STRONGLY recommend you pick one of the early dates if possible (September 24th or October 9th).

The last date tends to fill up and even be over-full, I would hate to have to turn anyone away.

All refreshers (Instructor and Patroller) will be held again this year at my company offices.

Furuno USA
4400 Pacific Rim Blvd.
Camas, WA 98607

The timing and flow of the hands-on days will be similar to prior years.

Plan to arrive NLT 0715 to register, training to start at 0800 and go until approximately 1530-1600 with a brief lunch break. I recommend you bring a lunch, as there are very few restaurants close to the office. As always, bountiful snacks and our own Mike Walsh's Stumptown coffee will be available all day.

Mark Ripkey and his excellent CPR crew will be available after each refresher to administer a CPR hands-on skills session. These sessions are limited to 20 patrollers, be sure to sign up separately from the OEC refresher!

Specific information on arrival time, agenda, etc., will be sent separately to each dispatch group a few days before each event.

Subject #3: In-Person OEC Class

Our incoming class of 2023 is getting started with their OEC reading now. The first in-person class will be on Tuesday September 13th, 1830 – 2130 at Ida B. Wells High School (former Wilson High) at 1151 SW Vermont St, Portland, OR 97219. Classes will be held on most Tuesdays between now and the end of the year.

Slots for instructors and GP/assistants will be up on dispatch by the time you read this. If you would like to keep your OEC skills sharp, are interested in seeing what it takes to be an OEC instructor, or just willing to help us out by playing patient or assisting in another role, please dispatch and come join the fun! Help is always appreciated, and we always need a LOT!

Questions? Comments? Concerns? Feel free to email or call me at any time!

Matt

AVY PROGRAM UPDATE

Mike Levis, Avalanche Program Coordinator, AS 1742

The Avy team is gearing up for the upcoming season. A full slate of Avy Awareness, Avy Level 1, and Avy 1 Refreshers are scheduled, as detailed below.

Avy Awareness

All Associate Patrollers are required to take Avy Awareness once every three years. Hill & Nordic patrollers over 65 can take Avy Awareness in lieu of Avy 1 refresher.

This year, there will be three Avy Awareness cohorts - October 1st, November 1st, and December 1st.

For those due to take Avy Awareness, please sign up for ONE of these cohorts. All cohorts are on Troopiter and registration is open.

Here is how this will work:

- On the cohort date (e.g. October 1st) I will send out a link to all those registered for two YouTube videos.
- Watch the videos at your leisure. You have 30 days to do this. (e.g. October 1st cohort needs to watch the video by October 31st.)
- Once you have watched the videos, **send me an email confirming this**. I will mark you off on Troopiter as complete.

We will send out a notice to those patrollers due to take Avy Awareness this year in the next couple of weeks.

Avalanche Level 1

All Hill and Nordic Patrollers need to take Avalanche Level 1 during their rookie year.

Any Associate Patroller who is interested in upgrading their Avy skills is encouraged to take Avy Level 1 as well (Note: avalanches don't know if you are a Hill or Associate Patroller, so if you are patrolling in Avy terrain, I would encourage you to take Avy 1).

The schedule for Avy 1 is as follows:

Lecture:

Lecture involves watching a series of YouTube videos and participating in 4 online lectures.

Lecture dates are January 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th; 1830 - 2030 via zoom.

Field Sessions:

Field sessions are broken into two portions:

A) Avy 1 field session February 4th and 5th from 0700 to 1600 at Timberline.

These will be two full days of hands-on practice, focusing on transceiver use, probing & strategic shoveling, terrain evaluation, and companion rescue.

B) Participation in ONE of the three Avy 1 refreshers (see below).

All Avy 1 sessions (lecture and field) are on Troopiter and open for registration.

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Avy 1 refreshers

All Hill & Nordic patrollers need to take an Avy 1 refresher once every three years. Note this is the minimum requirement. If you are patrolling in Avy terrain, you should consider refreshing more frequently.

Avy level 1 refreshers are a one-day hands on review of basic Avy skills, plus a mass casualty organized rescue scenario. There are several videos that participants need to watch prior to the on-hill activity.

This year, Avy Level 1 refreshers are scheduled for:

- February 25th
- March 5th
- March 19th

All refreshers will be from 0700 to 1600. Exact location will be determined based on snow condition at the time of the event.

All refreshers are on Troopiter now and open for registration.

We will send out a notice to those patrollers due to take Avy Refreshers later in the year. All Hill and Nordic rookies should sign up for ONE of the refreshers as part of their Avy 1 requirement.

More Instructors Needed!!

We are constantly looking for individuals who want to join our Avy instructor team. If you have an interest, reach out to me (avy@mthoodskipatrol.org) and we can discuss how we make this happen.

Industry Recalls

There were two significant transceiver recalls over the summer.

The transceivers affected are:

1) BCA Tracker4

BCA TRACKER4 SAFETY RECALL NOTICE: CHECK FOR SERIAL NUMBERS STARTING 21H05 and 21H06. Backcountry Access, in cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and Health Canada, is issuing a voluntary recall of a small number of Tracker4 avalanche transceivers due to a plastics production issue that may result in the switch falling off the transceiver.

If you own an affected Tracker4 with serial numbers that start with 21H05 or 21H06, click the link below.

<https://backcountryaccess.com/en-us/blog/p/bca-tracker4-safety-recall-notice>



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2) PIEPS

Voluntary Safety Recall for PIEPS and Black Diamond Avalanche Transceivers in North America.

Affected models include:

- PIEPS Pro BT
- Powder BTDSP Sport
- DSP Pro
- DSP Pro Ice
- Micro Button BT
- Micro BT Sensor
- Micro BT Race avalanche transceivers
- Black Diamond Recon BT
- Black Diamond Guide BT avalanche transceivers.



This Voluntary Recall follows a previous Safety Check Notice from April 2022. If you are in possession of one of these avalanche transceivers, stop using them immediately and perform a safety check to verify if the device switches from SEND to SEARCH mode by following instructions at the link below.

https://www.blackdiamondequipment.com/en_US/content/beacon-notification1/

PACIFIC CREST TRAIL DAYS EVENT

Cleo Howell, AS 1444

We had six patrollers volunteer at the PCT Days event and in return the MHSP received a \$200 donation. We have been invited to help at the event next year.

If you are at all interested in hiking, camping, backpacking, or outdoor stewardship you should attend this event next year. There were about 60 vendors there, some selling their gear and others just providing valuable information about the outdoor environment.

My wife and I attended the event and, yes, we left some money with the vendors. We also went out and bought new hiking shoes after trying them on at the event.

Thank you to the following people who helped at the PCT Days event:

- Al Barton - Coordinated the MHSP service for the event
- Beryl Weinschenker
- Sam Carpenter
- John Howard
- Joan Turner
- Tom Clarke



(L-R) John Howard, Al Barton, and Joan Turner at the Pacific Crest Trail Days, Cascade Locks, OR.
August 20th, 2022

Photo by unknown bystander

GETTING IN SHAPE – THE SEASONS WORKOUT APPLICATION

Dave Miller, HC 1526

Being in good physical shape can make a big difference in your ability to be an effective patroller.

Here's an opportunity to get started working out for the 2022 season if you haven't already.

The patrol was approached by a local Portland company who is developing a business providing training for skiers prepping for the season. They offer a phone app that guides you through workouts you can do at home on your own schedule with minimal equipment.

They are granting the patrol free access this fall in exchange for feedback on the app. If you are interested in participating, go to <https://forms.gle/y7GoimjvcaHYLHif9> and sign up. This will put you on the mailing list for further instructions.

The workouts start October 3rd.

While participation in this beta test has been vetted by the president and several council members, keep in mind that this is a third-party business with no association to the patrol, whose product is still in development and is likely still getting the kinks worked out

CPR TRAINING CYCLES/SEASON

Mark Ripkey, CPR Coordinator, AS 1658

The 2022 CPR schedule is on Troopiter for your scheduling pleasure.

CPR Certification/Recertification classes are as follows:

- Saturday, September 3rd, 0900-1000, 1000-1100, 1100-1200, 1200-1300
- Sunday, September 11th, 1400-1500, 1500-1600, 1600-1700, 1700-1800
- Wednesday, September 14th, 1700-1800, 1800-1900, 1900-2000, 2000-2100
- Sunday, September 25th, 1400-1500, 1500-1600, 1600-1700, 1700-1800
- Saturday, October 1st, 0900-1000, 1000-1100, 1100-1200, 1200-1300
- Wednesday, October 12th, 1700-1800, 1800-1900, 1900-2000, 2000-2100
- Saturday, October 15th, 0900-1000, 1000-1100, 1100-1200, 1200-1300
- Sunday, October 16th, 1400-1500, 1500-1600, 1600-1700, 1700-1800

All classes will be held at the ACAP Building, 1900 SE Milport Rd, Milwaukie, OR 97222. Each session will be approximately an hour.

Those who are getting certified for the first time will take a little longer and we would appreciate it if you would sign up for the last class on each day.

The [July 2022 issue of *The Sweep*](#) contains an extensive article on requirements for who is to take these classes. You should also get an email from me directly.

If you don't get an email, you should be asking what your status is.

For those who are not due certification/recertification this year we will hold a NSP CPR Refresher class at the end of each OEC Refresher session.

If you have any questions, please ask. Email is best but a phone call is always welcome.

Thank you for your time.

INSTRUCTOR DEVELOPMENT

Kathy Lee, SAS 90232

Interested in becoming a coach or certified NSP instructor? Maybe want to sign up to help with a class as a trainer? Or would like to be considered for Hill Captain, Associate Supervisor, or other leadership position? Then Instructor Development (ID) is for you!

There is an online portion to the course that you can start now, followed by a virtual in-person (via Zoom) evening of class work and presentations.

The online course is available through the new NSP Online Learning Management system. The name of the course is 'Instructor Development – Ecourse' and will take several hours.

When complete, send the Certificate of Completion to leek232@gmail.com.

The in-person evening class will be offered twice: September 28th, 2022 and October 12th, 2022. You only need to attend one of these dates and they are set up on dispatch. You will need to contact me for additional information on what to prepare for the in-person evening class and the Zoom link.

If you are interested or have questions, please contact me.

NSP PACIFIC NW DIVISION CONVENTION

AUGUST 12-14, PDX Sheraton Hotel

Matt Wood, PNWD 2022 Annual Convention Chair

Wy'east region held a very successful 2022 NSP Pacific NW Division Convention. While attendance was down to just under 100 compared to most years of 125-150, it was a lively group who got to enjoy a very full presentation and education program, and also to speak with vendors such as Edge Rescue, SAM Splint, Lifelight, and our own Dave Miller, offering his Troopiter software.

PNWD Patroller Katja Burt gave a thoughtful and moving keynote on "Is the Scene Safe?," which focused not only on what we consider to be conventional scene safety but wove in elements of DEI in ways that probably would not occur to most of us. She was a very compelling speaker, and we look forward to seeing her again!

MHSP attendance was solid, but if we missed you and you are interested in reading or downloading the presentations from the education track speakers, you can get to the convention website and programs button and read to your heart's content:

www.pnwdcon.org

No list of thanks is ever complete, but as the 2022 Convention Chair, I offer my heart-felt thanks to an amazing team, without whom this whole thing would not have happened (I mean it!):

Reba Sharp – Convention Coordinator and Treasurer, swag-bag stuffer and registrar extraordinaire

Kathy Lee – Convention Coordinator, Major Domo, Institutional Memory, and Printing House. If we needed a historical document, she had it!

Scott Chandler – our assistant website developer got "voluntold" late in the game and did a magnificent job learning the website software and making everything look great, often with last-minute changes

Joel Stevens – Wy'east Region Director and program coordinator; he got the unenviable job of urging on our presenters to get us their stuff!

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PNWD Division Director **Shelley Urben** met with us regularly and kept us on track and arranged our amazing keynote address.

PNWD Web Developer **Richard Murphy** also did a huge amount of the website development and arranged our Square payment system.

PNWD Safety Advisor (and former MHSPer) **Jodie Jeffers** assisted with the website and kept the safety messaging flowing.

For great and informative presentations, thanks to all session presenters with emphasis on MHSP presenters **Dr. James Hamilton, Dave Miller, Doug Stanton, and Steve Potter.**

Thanks to MHSP patrollers **Mike Anderson, Mark Gill, Pamela Louie,** and host **Michael Chacon** for day-of volunteering and cat-herding.

Special thanks to Host Director **Jan Silagi** and husband **John Silagi** for doing an incredible job running the hospitality suite for three days, keeping food and beverages topped up, and every surface spotlessly clean! To **Erin Ellis** (Scott Chandler's wife), a debt of gratitude for working so hard to get us donations for the small-but-mighty silent auction and hospitality suite. To **Chuck Corcoran** and his company Pacific Seafoods, we feasted mightily on your most excellent donation of shrimp!

And extra-special thanks to our own **Toby Willey** and **Edge Rescue** for his donation and creation of the "Edge Rescue Hospitality Suite" and for bringing sleds and gear and swag for his exhibit (and letting us visit with his sales manager, AKA daughter, **Josie** too!). Toby has been sponsoring the PNWD hospitality suites for over a decade and deserves a HUGE show of thanks!

Mark early August 2023 on your calendars, when the "Inland Empire" Region hosts the annual convention in Spokane WA. It'll be worth the trip!

RACE COORDINATOR

Mike Anderson, Race Coordinator, GP 1510

Hey everybody, hope everyone is having a great summer.

The 2022 Portland Marathon is still on for Sunday October 2nd, 2022.

The dispatch is now open. As of September 1st 14 GP slots and 4 Hosts slots were still open. This can be changed upwards if we have more interested.

Usually, we meet around 6am at the fire station on Naito Parkway. I will confirm this later as I get more information.

Here's what we are looking to provide:

Bike Patrollers (18-20). This would be on road bikes; you do not have to be a member of the mountain bike team. All patrollers are welcome just bring a bike.

These positions will be assigned areas of the marathon to patrol. We will meet at an assigned time and location then disperse to the areas.

First-Aid Stations (8-10). Patrollers will work at an aid station to provide first-aid support as runners and walkers come by. The start times are based on when we think the participants will start to arrive at the station. This could be anytime from 0700 to 1000.

End time is based upon when participants will clear the route.

This is a really fun event, and you will meet tons of people. A great way to show the colors and get some great exposure!

For new members of the patrol, this is a really fun way to start your year. You will need to carry a first-aid or fanny pack.

You can find information on the route and on the event at www.portlandmarathon.com.

I will be confirming details with the marathon organizers over the next couple of weeks with emails.

Email me at mikeanderson3@comcast.net if you have questions

I'm looking forward to seeing you there.



CALENDAR

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September

- 3 CPR Card Renewal (Certification), 0900-1300; ACAP Building, 1900 SE Milport Rd, Milwaukie, OR, 97222
- 7 Timberline **Virtual** Chair Evac, 1830-2030
- 10 Instructor OEC Refresher, Furuno USA @ 4400 Pacific Rim Blvd. Camas, WA; 0715-1600
- 11 CPR Card Renewal (Certification), 1400-1800; ACAP Building, 1900 SE Milport Rd, Milwaukie, OR
- 12 Council Meeting (virtual), 1900-2200; (tinyurl.com/MHSPCouncilMeeting)
- 13 OEC Class, 1830-2130, Ida B. Wells High School
- 14 CPR Card Renewal (Certification), 1700-2100; ACAP Building, 1900 SE Milport Rd, Milwaukie, OR
- 17 Timberline **On-Hill** Chair Evac, all day
- 18 Instructor OEC Refresher, Furuno USA @ 4400 Pacific Rim Blvd. Camas, WA; 0715-1600
- 20 PNWD Educational/Safety Culture 4 All -Zoom, 1830-2000
- 20 OEC Class, 1830-2130, Ida B. Wells High School
- 24 General OEC Refresher, Furuno USA @ 4400 Pacific Rim Blvd. Camas, WA; 0715-1600
- 25 Host Fall Refresher Training, 0900-1700, virtual
- 25 CPR Card Renewal (Certification), 1400-1800; ACAP Building, 1900 SE Milport Rd, Milwaukie, OR, 97222
- 25 *The Sweep* Newsletter deadline, 1800
- 27 OEC Class, 1830-2130, Ida B. Wells High School
- 27 Skibowl **Virtual** Chair Evac, 1900-2000
- 28 Instructor Development Class, virtual (evening)

October

- 1 Skibowl **On-hill** Chair Evac, 0700-1600
- 1 Host Fall Refresher Training, 0900-1700, virtual
- 1 CPR Card Renewal (Certification), 0900-1300; ACAP Building, 1900 SE Milport Rd, Milwaukie, OR, 97222
- 2 Portland Marathon, 0600-1400
- 3 Council Meeting (virtual), 1900-2200; (tinyurl.com/MHSPCouncilMeeting)
- 4 OEC Class, 1830-2130, Ida B. Wells High School
- 9 General OEC Refresher, Furuno USA @ 4400 Pacific Rim Blvd. Camas, WA; 0715-1600
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November

- 1 OEC Class, 1830-2130, Ida B. Wells High School
 - 1 Skibowl Team Training, virtual; 1900-2000
 - 7 Council Meeting (virtual), 1900-2200; (tinyurl.com/MHSPCouncilMeeting)
 - 8 OEC Class, 1830-2130, Ida B. Wells High School
 - 14 General Meeting (virtual), 1900-2200; (<http://tinyurl.com/MHSPGeneralMeeting>)
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