

THE GREEN BUZZARD

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Good Evening Guys,

Good News! Timberline got Pucci running this last weekend for some early November turns. I was there with a couple of Schnee's and Pucci Main has never been better. I hope to see more of you up there soon. My Goal from before of skiing on Pray for Snow day (11/16) is looking good.

Speaking of Pray For Snow, have you bought your ticket? It's going to be a good time; we've got live music, dancing, door prizes and more at this celebration of winter's arrival. Reach out if you have questions but you won't want to miss it.

On the merchandise front, we have made some progress. Basic cotton logo tees and sweaters are being ordered to be available for purchase at our meetings, \$10 for the short sleeve and \$15 for a long sleeve or sweater. For the more specialty stuff (Ogio's, SportTek base layers, challenger jackets and vests), we need you to sign up for what you want so we can get a quote based on order volume. The best way you can do this is to take 3 minutes and fill out the form here: https://forms.gle/4DxKqk28Z6fW21eJ7; or you can sign up at a meeting or via email to Ed (edcarman2007@yahoo.com) or I (President@schneevogeli.com). More to come.

Something new we are going to try out, credit to Jarrod Levesque for this idea. When you bring a new guy to a meeting, the club will buy you a beer. We need you to be reaching out to guys in your social circles with a shared interest in skiing to help the club thrive.

We're fast approaching the point in the season where stuff starts to happen. We should get our race calendar set soon, events are kicking off and the resorts will be opening soon. So keep thinking snow, join the Whatsapp, and I'll see you at the Buffalo Gap on 11/12.

-Christian

NEWS

PACRAT Registration is Open!

PACRAT has Friday and Sunday sessions again this year. Price is the same, \$145 for all races, parties, and season ending banquet. Sign-up is open at <u>pacrats.org</u>. Let Dale know if you want to race on a SVSC team this year.

SVSC Flag Orders and other Swag

Flag orders are now closed. For other gear there is now a google form to place requests. Here is the address: https://forms.gle/4DxKqk28Z6fW21eJ7 The form will cycle you through several options. If you are not interested in the one displayed just select not interested and go to the next listing. Attached is a list of options as well.

For anyone who missed out last season, we still have some SVSC logo ski straps available. The straps are 2/\$5, contact Christian at President@schneevogeli.com if you are interested.

FIS Predictor Challenge:

It's not too late to join the FIS predictor challenge, a "fantasy" world cup game against other Schnee's. Bob Brown is leading this activity, reach out to pdxbrokerbob@gmail.com with questions.

Join me in the league now no.2255: Schnee Vogeli Ski Club

Password: GECAL

TREW Film Festival

TREW is a local apparel company that is hosting a (low budget) ski movie contest. The Meadows Avy Dog team created a short video about their program. Go show them some support and vote for them, "Ruff Life", as the winner.

https://trewgear.com/pages/team-ruff-life

SKI TRIPS

Big White, BC with Skyente - FULL

When: Jan 16, 2025, 4:00 PM - Jan 21, 2025, 10:00 AM

Where: Copper Kettle Lodge, Big White, 250 Feathertop Wy, Kelowna, BC V1P 1P3, Canada

What: There is still time to join in on this trip however it requires renting another condo (meaning 6 person commitment). \$479 per person covers 5 night's lodging, welcome cocktail party, hosted party with appetizers, Saturday night dinner. Lift tickets are \$2g85 for a 3 of 4 day, or \$365 for a 4 of 5 day ticket (less for Seniors). Go to this website for more info and to RSVP. 70th Anniversary Big White Ski Trip | Skiyente

Local Trips

There are currently three shorter "regional" trips being planned by Schnee's for Schnee's; A weekend at Crystal Mountain, Mt. Bachelor, and White Pass/Packwood. The idea of these trips are to get out and see a different ski hill, get a different experience, and have a good time skiing with some of the guys without conflicting with racing. If you would like to organize a trip to another destination, reach out to president@schneevogeli.com and let's make it happen.

Bachelor Blitz with NWSCC is March 12-16th details are on their website.

ADL Ski Club

ADL Ski Club offers a number of "turn key" international trips mainly to Europe that offer unique experiences like guided skiing through Vallee Blanche in Chamonix or being at Kitzbuhel for the Hahnenkamm Downhill. A few guys in the club have been on these trips and their report of the experience were one of a kind and jealousy inducing. Check out adlskiclub.com

MEMBERSHIP

Membership Dues

It's that time again gents, time to pay club dues for the coming season. If you pay your dues yet the price has increased to \$93.75. On December 1st, they increase to \$112.50. On January 1st, those who haven't paid their dues will be removed from the membership rolls. The easiest payment method is to use the QR code in this Buzzard to pay through your PayPal account. Here is a direct link. Please note this payment method requires a small additional fee. Or you can send it via PayPal



to <u>schneevogeliskiclub@gmail.com</u>. Alternatively, you can mail your payment to the Schnee Vogeli PO Box or pay Dale directly when you see him.

Meeting Reminder and Zoom Access

Remember meetings occur on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month. Unless otherwise planned the meeting will continue to be at the Gap off Macadam as they have been in the past. Doors open for the meeting space at 6:15 pm. Meeting starts promptly at 7 pm. Silence you phones!

You may have noticed a few participants calling in via Zoom. This is routinely offered to anyone who lives more than 25 miles from the Gap. Another reason you may call in is if you are sick or traveling. Please email Christian (President@schneevogeli.com) before the meeting to obtain the link if you need it.

Membership Roster

Our contact info is a mess. If you have moved, updated your email address, or have gotten a new phone number in the last 5 years, you should make sure the info in the roster is accurate. Let membership@schneevogeli.com know if you need to make an update. Once we have updated the roster we will send out a new PDF with contacts of current members and associates to the group.

Membership Applications

We are all talking with skiers at various shows and ski events. Invite them to a meeting and get them introduced to the members. If you have a referral for a new member please send Dennis their contact information. He will be more than happy to reach out to them and get them up to speed about the club. Your job is simple, make the introduction and share their contact information. We are in need to bring 15 new

members and that task will be one at a time. We want more great members like yourself to join in on the fun!

If you have a new prospective member, here is the link to the online version of the application; https://forms.gle/y8wii8QAWdn481y.

WhatsApp stuff

For those of us that do not look at our emails often, we have created a WhatsApp community for the membership. I would encourage everyone to try it out. Our email listserv is clunky and not cell phone friendly. The hope is this will allow for easier communication with event organization and last-minute updates. It is a great way to send high resolution images to the historian. There is also a form for selling your gear to make room for new ski gear. All our existing communications will not be changing. We are simply adding an extra layer here to see if it will be of benefit.

Once you have downloaded the app to your phone and started your account, you can click this link to join the Schnee community. Here is the link: https://chat.whatsapp.com/FMW2DFPdAnrKIEvAepP8af

UPCOMING EVENTS

Nov 12th - Club Meeting

When: Doors open at 6:15 pm, meeting starts at 7pm

Where: Buffalo Gap Saloon, Upstairs, 6835 S Macadam Ave, Portland, OR 97219

What: Join us for drinks and food. Meetings are same time same place, every 2nd and 4th Tuesday through the ski season. Bring cash to purchase your snow park permit! Jeff Vachter has acquired a book of them. Each pass is \$30.

Nov 16th and 17th - East Side Ski Team Ski Swap

When: Sat Nov 16th 11-12 (early access), 12-5pm; Sun Nov 17th 11am - 2pm

Where: LLOYD CENTER (Former Ulta store next to Marshalls) Enter from parking lot on NE Halsey.

What: Great way to get discounted gear or sell your own gear while supporting local high school ski racing! There is a fee for early entry, but you get first pick. More details: https://www.eastsideskiteam.com/ski-swap-fundraiser

Nov 16th - Pray for Snow

When: 7 pm Saturday, November 16th

Where: The Ratskeller in Govy

What: Great party to kick off the ski year in Govy. Music will be provided by Full Zoo! Ticket sales will be limited to 150 and will be available soon for online purchase via <u>Ticket Tomato</u> for \$20 (includes the processing fee). Please help get the word out - we want to sell it out prior to the event. Make sure you get your ticket as well. This year we will enter members into a raffle for a bottle of Ulr if you purchase at least 4 tickets. During the coming weeks we'll being looking for volunteers to work the door. New associates are required to work either this event or the Season Ender Bender in order to qualify for full membership.



Dec 6th & 7th - Warren Miller

When: 2 showings both starting at 6pm

Where: Sandy Highschool Auditorium, 37400 SE Bell St, Sandy, OR 97055

What: Come watch the 75th Warren Miller movie. Plus, if you watch it here the Sandy High Ski team will take a cut. Let's help fund a great race program!

Dec 7th - HBR and Christmas Party

When: Saturday, Dec 7th 3PM -?

Where: Dale and Sheri Parshal's House, 20721 NE Interlachen Ln, Fairview

What: Its open house style with a start at 3PM and goes till the last person leaves. Beer, wine, HBR's and hors d'oeuvres. Sheri will contact you (or your significant other) if we need you to bring something, If you park at the top of the driveway be prepared to stay a while as you might get blocked in (8 cars in three rows can fit in the driveway if you park correctly - 2 at the top, 3 in the middle, 3 at the bottom). Otherwise its street parking with the better parking going west on Interlachen Ln. Carpooling/Uber is encouraged..

ENTERTAINMENT

The Good Samaritan

A man died and went to Heaven. St Peter says to him "Before you meet with God, I should tell you ,we've looked over your life, and to be honest you really didn't do anything particularly good or bad. We're not really sure what to do with you. Can you tell us anything you did that can help us make a decision?" The newly arrived soul thought for a moment and replied, "Yeah, once I was driving along and came upon a little old lady who was being harassed by a group of thugs. So I pulled over and went up to the leader of the thugs. He was a big, muscular guy with a ring pierced through his lip. Well, I tore the ring out of his lip, and told him he and his gang had better stop bothering this lady or they would have to deal with me!" "Wow that's impressive, "When did this happen?" "About three minutes ago," came the reply.

Poor Goat

Two rednecks are out hunting, and as they're walking along they come upon a huge hole in the ground. They approach it and are amazed by the size of it.

The first hunter says, "Wow, that's some hole. I can't even see the bottom. I wonder how deep it is?"

The second hunter says," I don't know, let's throw something down and listen and see how long it takes to hit bottom."

The first hunter says, "There's an old gearbox over there, give me a hand and we'll throw it in and see".

So they pick it up and carry it over, and count one, and two and three, and throw it in the hole.

They are standing there listening and looking over the edge and they hear a rustling in the brush behind them. As they turn around they see a goat come crashing through the brush, run up to the hole with no hesitation, and jump in headfirst.

While they are standing there looking at each other, then gazing into the hole, and trying to figure out what that was all about, an old farmer walks up.

"Say there", says the farmer, "You fellers didn't happen to see my goat around here anywhere, did you?"

The first hunter says "Funny you should ask, but we were just standing here a minute ago and a goat came running out of the bushes doin' about a hunert miles an hour and jumped headfirst into this hole here!"

And the old farmer said... "Why that's impossible, I had him chained to an old gearbox!"

CAPTAIN BUZZARD NOTES

Snow is falling and skiing is starting up! Pray for snow is less than 2 weeks away. From there we will have a continued list of activities and skiing! Stayed tuned for the race schedule to be release. Also don't forget to sign up for PACRATs.

Joe Smoot