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President's Corner: Well Fellas,

Let's see how 2021 shapes up, hopefully we make some progress towards an in-person meeting. But for now, we are going to have a SVSC Zoom meeting on January 12. It worked ok with the Meadows presentations, so we will give it a try since we can't meet in large groups. Members who are comfortable in groups are welcome to come to my place. We will be sending a Zoom link for all club members to join the meeting. Once we can meet as a group, we will not be using Zoom except for members not in the metro area.

Anyway, on to good stuff. Looks like all the resorts reopened and operating pretty smoothly given the restrictions. And we are getting SNOW!! I'm looking forward to hearing what you guys have experienced on the hill this year.

In world cup news, the US has had some strong showings. Here are the top 3 US men and women. Ryan Cochran-Siegle has had some podiums and is now 16th. Tommy Ford is in 14th overall and Travis Ganong is 35th. Mikaela Shiffrin is in 3rd with some strong performances, followed by Paula Moltzan in 14th with Breezy Johnson in 16th.

Here are Some race videos and maybe a video of a possible new member. Enjoy and I'll see you all soon!! -Bob

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The First SVSC Meeting of 2021 will be on Zoom. Here's a reprint of the invite Dale emailed out:

Gentlemen, you are invited to the Jan 12 SVSC club meeting via zoom between 6:30PM and 8:00PM. Happy hour until 7:00PM and then the meeting starts. Please mute your computer/phone during the meeting unless called upon to speak. You can use the Chat function for comments/questions.

Time: Jan 12, 2021 06:30 PM Pacific Time

Mtg link: <https://agloan.zoom.us/j/94222978572?pwd=WENPREZpMzE3N1czdmh1S1NXRUM5UT09>

TO JOIN BY PHONE: Ph#: 877-853-5247 Meeting ID: 942 2297 8572 Passcode: 489971

In Lieu of the Dollar Draw or Logo Night: For our January 12th meeting we'll be having a competition. Best **skiing-themed** Zoom background and outfit wins an SVSC logo shirt and baseball cap. Winner will be picked during the meeting and will be announced before we adjourn. -Andy

Membership Dues: It's past time to pay dues for this year. There are 16 that haven't paid, and we can give you until our first January meeting on the 12th to get your dues in. Dues are now \$90. If Dale hasn't heard from you (daleparshall@comcast.net), those that haven't paid will be removed from the membership rolls after January 12. It is probably be easiest to pay online by clicking on the SVSC logo at the bottom right of any page on our website (schneevogeli.com) and it will take you to the payment page and you can pay online for a small fee. Or you can mail to our PO Box or you may pay Dale directly if you see him. Thanks. -Dale

PACRAT Racing: PACRAT has started registering racers for either a three-weekday session or a three-weeknight session this year. You can sign up for one of the sessions – no mixing. Currently scheduled races dates are: Weekdays – Fri Jan 29 Ski Bowl, Mon Feb 22 Meadows, Fri Mar 26 Meadows; Weeknights – Thurs Feb 4 Meadows, Fri Mar 5 Ski Bowl, Fri Mar 12 Ski Bowl. You will also need to follow COVID protocols including an online self-temp check and questionnaire between 24-48 hours of each race. If you haven't already registered and want to race on a SVSC team please visit the REGISTER page on the PACRAT website at: https://pacrats.org/main_pages/register.htm -

Schnee Vogeli Logo Gear: Ed Carman has hats for \$20, and t-shirts for \$7.50 which are already made. Please contact him directly if you'd like to purchase. Call him at 503-643-0182 or email him at edcarman2007@yahoo.com. Our embroiderer is in the process of relocating and we'll revisit the idea of reopening the online store in the coming months. Editor's note: To you guys who didn't get in on the last order, you missed some great stuff.

Membership: From our November 10th meeting vote, welcome and congratulations to our newest associate member Adam Willis, and longtime member and new lifetime member Gino Biggi. Our January Zoom meeting is a vote night for two full memberships: Mark Crawford and Kent Frigaard. If you are a sponsor/co-sponsor of either of these guys, be ready to speak your piece and tell us why you think they are going to be good Schnee members. (As Jack will be in Bend for his daughter's ski race, Christian will oversee the vote during the meeting.)

I don't recall seeing Thomas Conner at the November meeting, but if he was and I just didn't write it down let me know, if he can make the December meeting, we could vote on him as well as new associate!

I still have Full Membership certificates and club pins for Bryce Kaufman and Jeff Langfeldt, so check in with me at the next meeting you guys can get to! -Jack Walker

The Mount Hood Masters Race Scheduled for Feb 27-28 is cancelled for 2021 for all the same reasons we are struggling to pull any race off. Thank you masters crew for all the offers of support and help for this effort. We will be back in 2022. -John Orefice

Terry Walter Condor Cup Racing has also been a challenge. Between high school events and PACRAT races, hill space is rough. Question: Would the membership be up for a Thursday race at Skibowl during the month of February? We are looking at the possibility of a DAY or a NIGHT race. Email john@landscapemgmt.com and Ed Rodgers edrskier@msn.com with your thoughts. -John

"Trip" Reports from Robert Repp: Halloween at Government Camp. Virtually no one at Charlie's.



Made a friend. Full moon. Took top down to convertible. Warm. Still sir. Couldn't say no. Drove up to T Line no lights up and back. Made new friends. This is what it means to be a Schnee. -Robert Repp

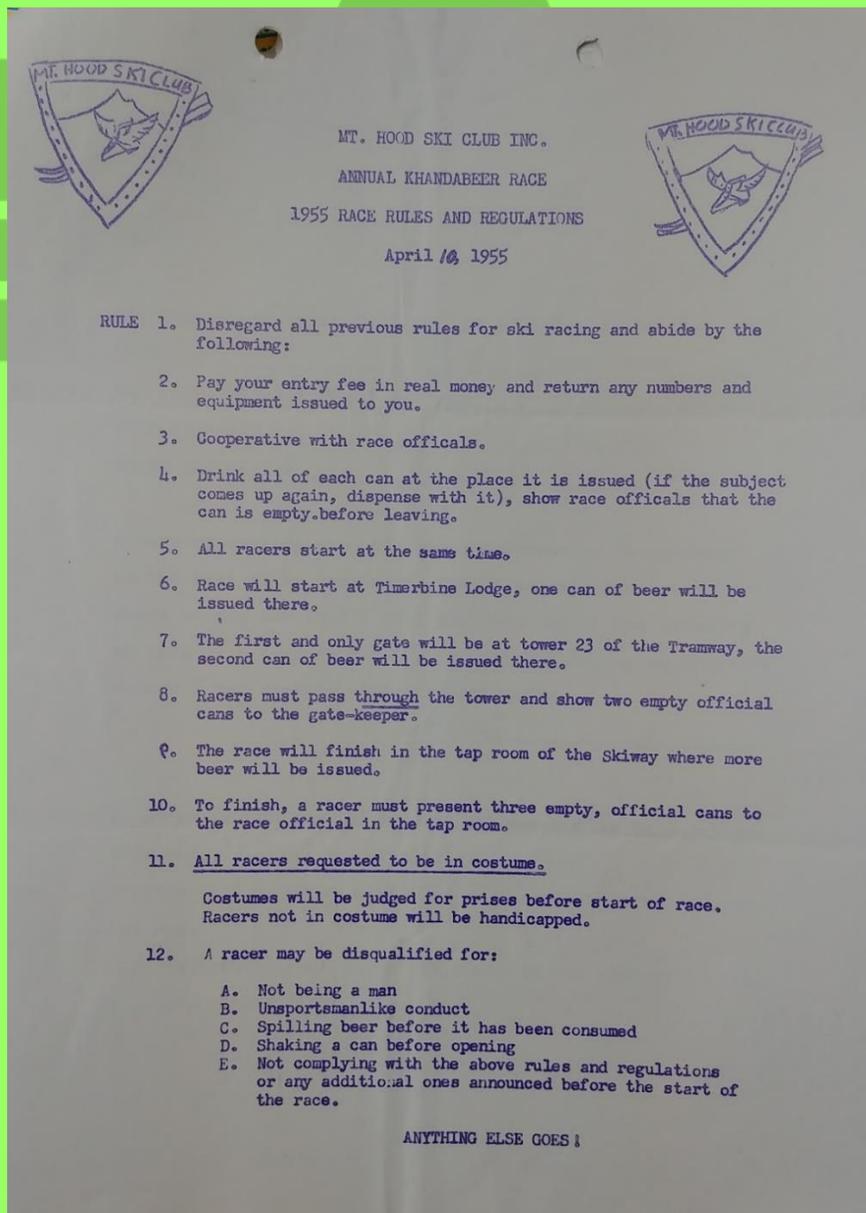
Also from Robert Repp: <https://youtu.be/X7VsQwVSqXw> and <https://youtu.be/qAiPsZRZNOI>

From our Historian: While I was recently digging through the archives, the Oregon Junior Ski Championship program from 1972 caught my attention. As boring as that sounds, the program had a range of contributions from individual ski clubs and associations, ads for relevant ski-based goods and services, as well as a few articles about skiing in the region. My biggest takeaway from this publication is that we need to do a better job at outreach to youth skiers; this publication that was given to youth racers is the 1972 roadmap to the vibrant ski culture on Mt Hood that we don't have a modern equivalent to. In that 48 page magazine, I found the following article written by Bill Keil on the Golden Rose race:

Another Mt. Hood classic, the Golden Rose was one of the toughest in the country in its heyday, but not the comparatively easy slalom of today. The racers hiked up the mountain, sometimes as high as Crater Rock at the 10,000 foot elevation, for a two mile or more race with a vertical drop of up to 4,000 feet.

One year, the course was just over two miles long and the winning time was 2:07. Second-place man was just 6/10 of a second slower. The crew had salted the course well for the hot sunshine of June. But a cloud passed over the sun just before the race and it glazed lightning-fast. Mt. Hood's Alan Fischer was an alternate on the Olympic team that year; but he broke his leg in the race, knocking him out of Olympic chances.

As always, I love seeing old Kandabeer references. Here's one from 1955 (pre-dating SVSC running the event) where they even kindly outlined rules:



Even in the 60's, Schnee Vogeli required the signature of a waiver to compete in the Kandabeer. Here's Charlie Sperr's entry in 1966:

DATE: Sunday, March 27, 1966.
PLACE: Timberline Lodge Parking Lot.
TIME: 11:00 A.M.

Calcutta Pool and Beer for racers and friends Saturday,
March 26, 1966 at Pfeffercorn, Government Camp
5:00 P.M.

Dance Saturday Night - Log Lodge - "RACER'S ROMP" 9:00 PM
Admission \$1.00 per person -
"Training Beer furnished for racers"

RACE RULES:

- 1) Racers in unusual costumes will get a head start.
- 2) Drink first beer, then put on skis.
- 3) Ski to gate "G-12" on Glade Trail, drink second beer.
- 4) Drink third beer in Rathskeller Tavern, Government Camp.
- 5) All beer cans must be in the possession of racer at the end of race.
- 6) All beer must be consumed; no spilling will be tolerated.
- 7) All racers must be 21 years of age or older.
- 8) Racers must be finished before Sunset.

NAME: CHARLIE SPERR
ADDRESS: Box 49 GOV'T CAMP
AGE: ~~40~~ 48

REGISTRATION FEE \$1.00 PAID: Bob \$1.00

"I hereby release Schnee Vogeli Ski Club
and the United States Forest Service
from any liabilities."
Signed: Charlie Sperr

-Courtesy of Christian

Covid-19 Vaccination Q&A: We all need to know this! It's only 4.3 minutes long:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yMf3TVTnRa8> -Ron Reichardt **Editor's note:** There was a time when the worst consequence of sharing a joint with someone in Govy was eating far too much pizza at the Ratskeller after midnight (ask me how I know). I look forward to the vaccines allowing us to return to that simpler time. -Andy

Calendar of Upcoming SVSC Event (Formerly "Calendar of Upcoming SVSC Events")

12 January SVSC Meeting on Zoom, 6:30 Happy Hour, 7 PM Meeting Start

P.O. Box 42383, Portland, OR 97242

When Insults Had Class: These glorious insults are from an era "before" the English language got boiled down to 4-letter words.

A member of Parliament to Disraeli: "Sir, you will either die on the gallows or of some unspeakable disease." "That depends, Sir," said Disraeli, "whether I embrace your policies or your mistress."

"He had delusions of adequacy." -Walter Kerr

"He has all the virtues I dislike and none of the vices I admire." -Winston Churchill

"I have never killed a man, but I have read many obituaries with great pleasure." -Clarence Darrow

"He has never been known to use a word that might send a reader to the dictionary." -William Faulkner (about Ernest Hemingway)

"Thank you for sending me a copy of your book; I'll waste no time reading it." -Moses Hadas

"I didn't attend the funeral, but I sent a nice letter saying I approved of it." -Mark Twain

"He has no enemies, but is intensely disliked by his friends." -Oscar Wilde

"I am enclosing two tickets to the first night of my new play; bring a friend, if you have one." -George Bernard Shaw to Winston Churchill "Cannot possibly attend first night, will attend second... if there is one." -Winston Churchill, in response

"I feel so miserable without you; it's almost like having you here." -Stephen Bishop

"He is a self-made man and worships his creator." -John Bright

"I've just learned about his illness. Let's hope it's nothing trivial." -Irvin S. Cobb

"He is not only dull himself; he is the cause of dullness in others." -Samuel Johnson

"He is simply a shiver looking for a spine to run up." -Paul Keating

"In order to avoid being called a flirt, she always yielded easily." -Charles, Count Talleyrand

"He loves nature in spite of what it did to him." -Forrest Tucker

"Why do you sit there looking like an envelope without any address on it?" -Mark Twain

"His mother should have thrown him away and kept the stork." -Mae West

"Some cause happiness wherever they go; others, whenever they go." -Oscar Wilde

"He has Van Gogh's ear for music." -Billy Wilder

"I've had a perfectly wonderful evening. But I'm afraid this wasn't it." -Groucho Marx (-Courtesy of Ron Reichardt)

When we get older, we think differently, don't we? This letter was sent to the Principal's office after the school had sponsored a luncheon for the elderly. An elderly lady received a new radio at the luncheon as a door prize and was writing to say thank you.

Dear Kean Elementary, God bless you for the beautiful radio I won at your recent senior citizens luncheon. I am 84 years old and live at the Springer Home for the Aged. All my family has passed away. I am all alone now and it's nice to know that someone is thinking of me. God bless you for your kindness to an old forgotten lady. My roommate is 95 and has always had her own radio, but before I received one, she would never let me listen to hers, even when she was napping. The other day her radio fell off the nightstand and broke into a lot of pieces. It was awful and she was in tears. Her distress over the broken radio touched me and I knew this was God's way of answering my prayers. She asked if she could listen to mine, and I told her to kiss my ass. Thank you for that opportunity. Sincerely, Agnes -Courtesy of Ron Reichardt

Exercise for people over 60: Begin by standing on a comfortable surface, where you have plenty of room on each side. With a 5-lb potato bag in each hand, extend your arms straight out from your sides and hold them there as long as you can. Try to reach a full minute, then relax. Each day you'll find that you can hold this position for just a little longer. After a couple of weeks, move up to a 10-lb potato bag. After you get used to that go to a 20-lb potato bag (I am at this level now). After you feel confident at that level, put a potato in each bag. -Courtesy of Ron Reichardt

The Aging process... Two guys grow up together, but after college one moves to Georgia and the other to Texas. They agree to meet every ten years in Florida to play golf and catch up with each other.

At age 32 they meet, finish their round of golf and head for lunch. "Where you wanna go?" "Hooters." "Why Hooters?" "They have those servers with the big boobs, the tight shorts and the gorgeous legs." "You're on."

At age 42, they meet and play golf again. "Where you wanna go for lunch?" "Hooters." "Again? Why?" "They have cold beer, big screen TVs, and side action on the games." "OK."

At age 52 they meet and play again. "So, where you wanna go for lunch?" "Hooters." "Why?" "The food is pretty good and there's plenty of parking." "OK."

At age 62 they meet again. After a round of golf, one says, "Where you wanna go?" "Hooters." "Why?" "Wings are half price and the food isn't too spicy." "Good choice"

At age 72 they meet again. Once again, after a round of golf, one says, "Where shall we go for lunch?" "Hooters." "Why?" "They have six handicapped parking spaces right by the door and they have senior discounts." "Great choice."

At age 82 they meet and play again. "Where should we go for lunch?" "Hooters." "Why?" "Because we've never been there before." "Okay, let's give it a try." -Courtesy of Jeff Vachter

A blonde driving a car became lost in a snowstorm. She didn't panic however, because she remembered what her dad had once told her. "If you ever get stuck in a snowstorm, just wait for a snowplow to come by and follow it." Sure enough, pretty soon a snowplow came by, and she started to follow it. She followed the plow for about forty-five minutes. Finally, the driver of the truck got out and asked her what she was doing. And she explained that her dad had told her if she ever got stuck in a snowstorm, to follow a plow. The driver nodded and said, "Well, I'm done with the Wal-Mart parking lot, do you want to follow me over to Best Buy now?" -Courtesy of Harrison Brown

A customer asked, "In what aisle can I find the Polish sausage?" The clerk asks, "Are you Polish?" The guy, clearly offended, says, "Yes I am. But let me ask you something. If I had asked for Italian sausage, would you ask me if I was Italian? Or if I had asked for German Bratwurst, would you ask me if I was German? Or if I asked for a kosher hot dog would you ask me if I was Jewish? Or if I had asked for a Taco, would you ask if I was Mexican? Or if I asked for some Whiskey, would you ask if I was Irish?" The clerk says, "No, I probably wouldn't." The guy says, "Well then, because I asked for Polish sausage, why did you ask me if I'm Polish?"

The clerk replied, "Because you're in Ace Hardware." -Courtesy of Ron Reichardt

The inventor of the Harley-Davidson motorcycle, Arthur Davidson, died and went to heaven. At the gates, St. Peter told Arthur, "Since you've been such a good man and your motorcycles have changed the world, your reward is that you can hang out with anyone you want to in heaven."

Arthur thought about it for a minute and then said, "I want to hang out with God." St. Peter took Arthur to the Throne Room and introduced him to God.

God recognized Arthur and commented, "Okay, so you were the one who invented the Harley-Davidson motorcycle?" Arthur said, "Yes, that's me."

God commented: "Well, what's the big deal in inventing something that's pretty unstable, makes noise and pollution, and can't run without a road?" Arthur was a bit embarrassed, but finally spoke, "Excuse me, but aren't you the inventor of woman?"

God said, "Ah, yes." "Well," said Arthur, "professional to professional, you have some major design flaws in your invention!

1. There's too much inconsistency in the front-end suspension
2. It chatters constantly at high speeds
3. Most rear ends are too soft and wobble about too much
4. The intake is placed way too close to the exhaust
5. The maintenance costs are outrageous!!!!

"Hmmmmm, you may have some good points there," replied God, "Hold on."

God went to his Celestial supercomputer, typed in a few words and waited for the results (Even God must wait on computers). The computer printed out a slip of paper and God read it.

"Well, it may be true that my invention is flawed," God said to Arthur, "but according to these numbers, more men are riding my invention than yours." -Courtesy of Ron Reichardt

A midget went to the doctor complaining of pain in his groin. The doctor put one finger under his left testicle and told the midget to turn his head and cough, the usual method to check for a hernia. "Aha!" mumbled the doctor, and as he put his finger under the right testicle, he asked the midget to cough again. "Aha!" said the doctor once more and reached for his surgical scissors. Snip-snip-snip-snip on the right side.....then snip-snip-snip-snip on the left side. The midget was so scared he was afraid to look but noted with amazement that the snipping did not hurt.

The doctor then told the midget to walk around the examining room to see if his testicles still hurt. The midget was absolutely delighted as he walked around and discovered his boys were no longer aching. The doctor said, "How does that feel now?" The midget replied, "Perfect Doc, and I didn't even feel it. What did you do?" The doctor replied: "I cut two inches off the top of your rubber boots." -Courtesy of Ron Reichardt

Capt. Buzzard's Note: Hope you find this newsletter enhances your time on the toilet. Contact Jim Feldman if you're having problems viewing this PDF in your web browser. Please send questions, comments, or contributions to buzzard@schneevogeli.com or 5302 NE Simpson St, Portland, OR 97218. - Andy Hobart