



THE GREEN BUZZARD

Schnee Vogli Ski Club
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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Good evening guys.

Winter is off to a great start and it's time to get back into the swing of the ski season. Later in this buzzard you will find a partial race schedule with just the final condor cup race to be determined. The schedule is looking pretty good to my eyes with a little better balance than we have usually achieved. Assuming the weather continues to cooperate we also have great venue selection with a Middle Fork race and Mt Hood Lane race. I am looking forward to that a lot.

If you haven't been to a meeting lately, you should really come in. There's a lot happening, and we have a good time.

- The club (my garage) has too much SWAG on hand and needs to get rid of it. So we're finding creative contests. At the last meeting Mark Conan and Ryan Rooper tied for most days on snow in the '24-'25 season to date (5). Tie going to the one present for some SWAG. (I'm thinking there may be a prize at the end of the year for the skiingest member in the club...)
- Scott Morrison and Steve Urdahl also won some SWAG for correctly identifying obscure photos of ski runs on Mountain Hood. →If you have an obscure Mt Hood Ski Run photo, I could use it next time!
- Dennis Noreen is putting together a Winterhawks night in January. A chance to get together on a Thursday night with cheap tickets and some beer. It sounds like we get a shoutout at some point on the big screen too.
- Mark Conan is going to be doing course work at the Sun Valley World Cup Finals in March and you could join him if you want to your coursework skills to the next level.
- The Club once again has Logo T-Shirts on hand to buy and they look sharp and are still extremely well priced at \$10. (A bit more for a long sleeve). Hats are on order.
- There's lots of ways to get a free drink at a meeting now. Bringing a new person is the easy way. But if you have a close Birthday or wear a logo on logo night you're also there.
- It's time to register for PACRAT and I would love to see a competitive Schnee team this year. We haven't made a great showing in recent years, let's turn that around and

field at least one team that makes all the races and is in with a chance of some hardware.

This is another reminder for you since at least one person will mess this up. **Our next meeting on 12/10/2024 is the annual meeting at Hillcrest Sports in Gresham. REPEAT IT IS NOT AT THE BUFFALO GAP.** Dexter kindly hosts us each year and offers us discounts on great gear. It will also be a Pizza night. It's a fun night, our only meeting in December and a great chance of scenery from the usual routine.

I also have some mountain drama to share today. Some of you may have heard of the Govy500 group's upcoming party planned for 12/07 at the Beer Stube, initially under the name "Pray for Snow". I'm guessing a lot of you also know that Schnee Vogeli has the Service Mark in the state of Oregon for exclusive use of "Pray for Snow" as entertainment advertising. Conflicts like this have happened a few times in the past and it's always been the club's position to defend its right to use the "Pray for Snow" name to the extent possible. I reached out to the Govy500 group and presented a few proposals including:

1. Add the Schnee logo to the event flier and state the name "Pray for Snow" is used with permission from Schnee Vogeli Ski Club.
OR
2. Pay a one time fee to Schnee Vogeli for use of our name.
OR
3. Change the name of the Govy500 party.

Unfortunately the Govy500 group selected option 3 and we didn't make any friends. They promptly renamed their event to "Brace for Snow" and the world will keep turning. That said, there's a fair amount of gossip circulating and I want the club's membership to be aware of what was on the table and the direction it went.

Keep thinking snow and I'll see you at the Holiday Party this weekend

-Christian

NEWS

Parshall's Annual HBR Party/SVSC Christmas Party

Saturday December 7th is the annual Christmas Party. It will be at Dale and Sheri Parshall's house, 20721 NE Interlachen Ln, Fairview (Blue Lake). We are combining with the Parshall's annual HBR (Hot Buttered Rum) Party. 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 be in touch with you if we need you to bring anything. If you park at the top of the driveway be prepared to stay awhile as you might get blocked in (three rows of cars can fit in the driveway if you park correctly). Otherwise its street parking with the better parking going west on Interlachen Ln. Carpooling is encouraged. One additional item if your significant other like to dress up, no spike heels.

Historian's Scan Party

We are doing a scan party on Friday, Dec 13th at 6pm. It will be at Dennis's office, 4005 NE Bryant St, Portland, 97211. We have space for 2-3 more people to come, if you are interested please email Justin (justinrbishop12@gmail.com). Here is the list of those already signed up:

- Dennis Noreen
- Justin Bishop
- Scott Morrison
- Ed Carman
- Bob Brown
- Harrison Brown
- Dan Becker
- Dan Lane
- Bruce Parshall

Club Race Days

We have a few race days confirmed!

Sunday Feb 2nd - Meadows on Middlefork

Sunday Mar 2nd - Skibowl on Bills Gold

Saturday Mar 15th - Skibowl on Mt. Hood Lane

Sunday Mar 16th - Skibowl on Mt. Hood Lane

Me are trying to lock in a few more days, however communication from the resorts has been slow. Bear with us.

PACRAT Registration is Open!

PACRAT will once again be having a split-division 2025 race season that will include Friday and Sunday Division races (see scheduled below and posted on the PACRAT website (pacrats.org)). All races are expected to be day races starting around 10am, although Friday Ski Bowl races may start in the afternoon. The race schedule includes four Friday Division races, four Sunday Division races, plus a final Combined Division race on a Sunday to wrap up the season. Registration is online like last year and we will figure out teams once everyone who wants to do PACRAT signs up. If you want to race for the club this year, sign-up under Ruttin' Rats for now. Go to the PACRAT website (pacrats.org) and follow the link to sign-up. Registration is limited to 125 for each session so don't wait until the last minute.

<i>date</i>	<i>Event</i>	<i>More Info</i>
RACE #1	24-Jan	FRIDAY Division - Skibowl
	26-Jan	SUNDAY Division - Skibowl
RACE #2	21-Feb	FRIDAY Division - Meadows
	23-Feb	SUNDAY Division - Meadows
RACE #3	7-Mar	FRIDAY Division - Skibowl
	9-Mar	SUNDAY Division - Skibowl
RACE #4	21-Mar	FRIDAY Division - Meadows
	23-Mar	SUNDAY Division - Meadows
RACE #5	30-Mar	COMBINED RACE Sun & Fri Division Timberline

ADL benefits for SVCS Members

All Schnee Vogeli members qualify for ADL Ski Club member benefits (Thanks Kyle!). In addition to the trips at a discounted price mentioned later in this section, ADL Ski Club has pro-deals and may be able to help you score some gear at a steep discount. Check out <https://adlskiclub.com/clubbenefits.php> for more information and don't hesitate to reach out to Kyle for more info: kyle@adlskiclub.com.

Apparel

We have logo Tee-Shirts on hand and available, long and short sleeves in three colors. \$10 for the short sleeve, a couple bucks more for the long sleeve. Easiest way to get one is to be at the meeting with cash. Hats will be available soon in two styles also for a reasonable price.

Ed is putting together a special order of Ogio jackets, Sport-Tek Baselayers and Challenger Jackets. We need some quantities to get prices, so we need your documented interest in buying one. The following link is to a google form that will walk you through what is on offer and the details like size, color, logo choice, etc. We are taking orders until Christmas then the book closes and you'll have to wait potentially quite a while for the next time.

[This is the link to the order form \(CLICK HERE\)](#)

Do you already have an item of clothing you would like a Schnee logo added to? Ed can help and it would help the club. That logo work helps us meet our minimum order quantities. Do you have an idea for something new or different you

would like to see? Not just clothing, uses of the logo abound. Lets talk, there's a good chance someone else would want in on it too.

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.

Seedy Petey Photo Contest

Please remember to submit your photos to the historian to be included in the Seedy Petey Photo Contest! The winner is selected at the end of the year and a prize (often a Hillcrest giftcard) is given to the person who submits the best photo (not necessarily the person in the photo). Here are a couple winners from past years.



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 \$285 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 past time to pay club dues for this season. If you haven't paid your dues yet the price has increased to \$112.50. On January 1st, **those who haven't paid their dues or made arrangements with Dale 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. Please note this payment method may require a small additional fee. Or you can send it via PayPal to schneevogeliskiclub@gmail.com.



Alternatively, you can mail your payment to the Schnee Vogeli PO Box (P.O. Box 42383, Portland, OR 97242) or pay Dale directly when you see him. [Here is a direct link.](#)

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!

December is a special case! The meeting is Dec 10th at Hillcrest in Gresham. There is only one meeting this month!

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

There has been a lot of activity on the WhatsApp group. It is proving a great way to post where you are skiing and meet up with other members while you are out. It turns out a lot of us are skiing at the same places at the same time. It is also a great way to send high resolution images to the historian (also a great way to encourage everyone to get out). 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

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.

Dec 10th - Annual Hillcrest Meeting

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

Where: Hillcrest Ski & Sports, 2424 SE Burnside Rd, Gresham, OR 97080

What: This is a special even held every year on the east side of town. You may find pizza and a sweet deal on some new gear! It is the only meeting in December.

Dec 13th - Historian's Scan Party

When: 6pm on Friday Dec 13th

Where: Dennis Noreen's office - 4005 NE Bryant St Portland OR 97211

What: We have many boxes of old pictures and negatives of club events. We will be meeting to digitize this collection and preserve them for the history of the club.

Jan 14th - 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. If you bring a perspective member, you get a free beer on the club.

ENTERTAINMENT

The IRS and the Attorney

An old man is met by his attorney, and is told he is going to be audited. He rides to the IRS office with his attorney, and when he gets there, he begins to talk with the IRS agent. "I bet \$2,000 I can bite my own eye!" The IRS agent agrees to the bet, believing it an impossible task. The old man laughs, pulls out his glass eye, and bites it. The IRS agent is dumbfounded. The old man bets \$3,000 he can bite his other eye. The IRS agent knows there's no way possible to do this, so he once more agrees. The old man cackles, pulls out his dentures, and bites his eye. Then the old man finally wagers, "I bet \$20,000 I can stand on the far side of your desk, pee over the desk, and get it into your wastebasket, without missing a single drop." The agent knows he won't be able to, so once more he agrees. The old man indeed misses, peeing all over the desk, and on the paperwork. The IRS agent jumps for joy, but then notices the attorney over in the corner moaning. "Are you all right?" asks the agent. "No! On the way over here, he bet me \$50,000 he could pee on your desk and you'd be happy about it!"

Tonto "Bubba" Gonzales

A man boarded an airplane and took his seat. As he settled in, he glanced up and saw the most beautiful woman boarding the plane. He soon realized She was heading straight towards his seat. As fate would have it, she took the seat right beside his:

Eager to strike up a conversation he blurted out. "Business trip or pleasure?"

She turned, smiled and said. "Business. I'm going to the Annual Nymphomaniacs of America Convention in Boston."

He swallowed hard. Here was the most gorgeous woman he had ever seen Sitting next to him and she was going to a meeting of nymphomaniacs!

Struggling to maintain his composure, he calmly asked. "What's your Business at this convention?"

"Lecturer." She responded. "I use information that I have learned from my Personal experiences to debunk some of the popular myths about sexuality."

"Really?" He said. "And what kind of myths are there?"

"Well." She explained. "One popular myth is that African-American men are The most well-endowed of all men, when in fact it is the Native American Indian who is most likely to possess that trait. Another popular myth is That Frenchmen are the best lovers, when actually it is men of Mexican Descent who are the best. I have also discovered that the lover with Absolutely the best stamina is the Southern Redneck."

Suddenly the woman became a little uncomfortable and blushed.. "I'm Sorry." She said, "I shouldn't really be discussing all of this with you. I don't even know your name."

"Tonto." The man said. "Tonto Gonzales, but my friends call me Bubba."

CAPTAIN BUZZARD NOTES

What a great week to be on the mountain! Several bluebird days with the earliest snow in a decade! I had the pleasure of taking my dog on her first tour. We only went a mile, but she loved it and managed to keep up on the way downhill! If the conditions are turn out ok I plan to go again this weekend. Hit me up if you'd like to join!

See you on the slopes!

-Joe Smoot

A photo from Dale's flight to PDX today:

