



THE GREEN BUZZARD

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Well we're here, it's December, and the lifts aren't turning. Bravo to the few guys willing to hike to earn their turns, it's an option that looks more appealing by the day. But even without snow, I can't say there is a shortage of things to do.

Pray for Snow about three weeks ago was a blast. The new format was fun, less work to pull off, brought in tons of new faces, and was a success for the club and Charlie's. Massive credit to Andrew Murphy and Dale Parshall for cracking the code and making the party happen. And for the guys who made our last meeting, we had a guest speaker (Alexander) present some high level tips for backcountry (or really just any) snow safety. If you are feeling motivated to get more serious about backcountry safety, you should consider taking a class from Alexander. Here's his contact info and website:
alexander@wylark.com <https://wylark.com/>.

Looking ahead we have the Christmas Party this weekend, our meeting at Hillcrest next week, presumably some skiing at some point soon, and now a Prime Rib New Years Eve dinner. (not a typo). At the Hillcrest meeting, we will have dates for the weekend-ish ski trips some of the guys are stepping up to lead.

So keep thinking snow and I will see you at the Christmas Party.
-Christian



NEWS

With December's arrival we are still waiting for measurable snow on Mount Hood, all areas having postponed their openings. While we are in a mild La Niña the warm November temps keep the moisture in the air turning into the white stuff we need. Mid November snow levels at Timberline were 24" below the historical average and even though we have finally started building a bit of a base, we are well behind the average of 42" the resort usually has on December 1.

With cold air finally in the mix NOAA is forecasting snow, but as temps rose at elevation what had been forecasted as snow is coming down as rain. Fingers crossed, resorts will have their chairs spinning mid to end of the month. If you are desperate, and willing to drive a bit, Silver Mountain has one lift running with 2 out of 81 trails open and

2025-2026 DUES:

Now that December has arrived dues are not \$112.50 with those still not renewing after Jan 1st will be removed from the membership rolls.

How to Pay

1. Use PayPal (send to schneevogeliskiclub@gmail.com).
2. Send a check to our PO Box.
3. Dale takes cash, check, or credit card (503-367-7369).

New Year's Eve Eve Prime Rib Dinner at Huckleberry Inn

Dale and Sheri Parshall are working with Ed to have some fun, good food and help drive some business to the Huckleberry Inn. Prime Rib dinner for \$52, December 30, doors open at 6PM. You need to pre-pay, no walk-ins. To sign-up/pay, go to <https://www.skiyente.com/events>, Find the NYE Eve event and click the RSVP button. The event is open to Schnee's and Skiyente's till mid-December and then it will be open to others. It's limited to 70 people.

Sapporo Snow Festival

Charlie Scott is pulling together the details for those who are interested in joining him in February at the 76th Sapporo Snow Festival. The annual festival, that runs 4 to February 11 attracts millions of visitors, and features elaborate snow and ice sculptures as well as lots of winter activities. As the Schenee members who went in 08 will tell you, this is an epic trip with some of the best powder skiing in the world. [Schnee in Sapporo '08](#)

Skiyente Big White Trip '26:

Skiyente is going back to Big White this season and there's still a chance to go, but you might need to help fill a 2 or 3 bedroom condo as all the originally booked spots have been filled. Last year sounded like a ton of fun for those who went. More details here: <https://www.skiyente.com/bigwhite2026>.

Winter Trips:

With race days now scheduled those club members who have volunteered to put together some of the PNW ski safaris are beginning to plan their trips and will share details at the upcoming Hillcrest Meeting 12/09. Depending on the leader, the structures will vary but for the most part we are trying to create opportunities to enjoy some of the great ski resorts away from Mt Hood. Potential trips include: Dan Lane to White Pass, Murphy to Mission Ridge and also a Silver Mountain and Lookout Pass, Dennis to Crystal Mountain, Justin to Willamette Pass. Rumors abound of a trip to Anthony Lakes and a spring trip to Mt Bachelor.

If you are planning any ski trips this year please send them to Captain Buzzard (svsclubbuzzard@gmail.com) and I will share. Details to come, but a great opportunity to hit some different mountains and use our passes at partner resorts.

Meeting Reminder and Zoom Access

Remember meetings occur on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month starting up in September. Except for the annual Hillcrest meeting in December, we meet at the Buffalo Gap on Macadam. Doors open for the meeting space at 6:00 pm. The meeting starts promptly at 7 pm. Silence your 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.

!!REMINDER: OUR NEXT MEETING IS AT HILLCREST, NOT AT THE BUFFALO GAP!!

WhatsApp

One year ago we introduced the Schnee Vogeli Whatsapp group and it's been pretty successful this last season with over fifty members enrolled so far. Whatsapp has filled a gap we've had for a while providing a space for us to chat, stay in touch, and share high quality pictures directly with the historian in a mobile friendly format.

If you've never used Whatsapp before, there's a little setup work you need to do but it's not that bad. Download the app, create an account, and then click this link from your phone to join the Schnee community. [Here is the link.](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Warren Miller Movie

When: Friday Dec 5, 6PM, Saturday Dec 6, 6PM
Where: Sandy High School Auditorium - 37400 SE Bell St, Sandy,
What: Warren Miller's Sno-Ciety

SVSC Holiday Party

When: Saturday Dec 6
Where: Dale and Sheri Parshall's house 20721 NE Interlachen Lane,
Fairview OR
What: Hot Buttered Rum and holiday open house.

SVSC Meeting

When: Tuesday Dec 9- SVSC Meeting
Where: Hillcrest Ski and Sports
What: Business meeting

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MEMBERSHIP

Membership Updates

Howdy, from the membership chair,

Winter is holding out on us for more fall mountain biking, hiking, and more! This will be a great season, when it gets here, and until then we will do what we are able to keep the ULLR flowing and encourage the snow to keep falling.

Talk with potential members at events and invite them to a meeting. When attending Pac-Rat (or other ski event) wear your SVSC gear. If you join Pac-Rat's you are supposed to join a club, it may as well be the club we all support!

Electronic application (for you to share): <https://forms.gle/y8wii8QAWdn481y>

We voted new members to the club at the last Buffalo Gap meeting and they are: **Alex Moreland, Bill Brown, Brendan O'Connell, and Craig Diehl.** Welcome to the club, now go and get some associates!!! Congratulate them when you see them!

The next meeting will be a working meeting at Hillcrest in Gresham. All you east siders and Govy citizens have a shorter commute to the meeting! Bring your wallets because Dexter has some equipment you need! We are going to be voting on for full membership for: David Gearing, Karl Lisle, and John Schuman. You don't need to be at the meeting for a full membership vote.

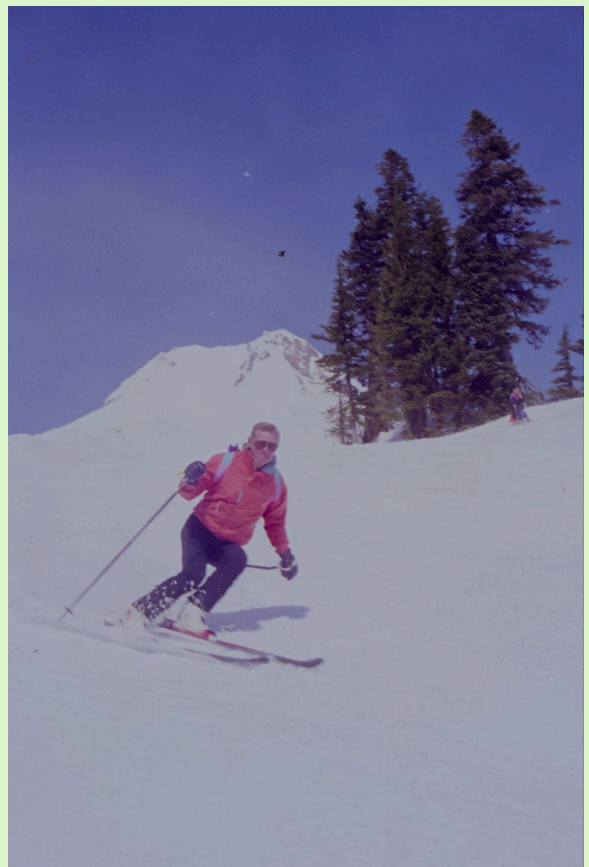
For associates we have: Michael Tarr, Jeff Woodson, Rich Rice, and Travis Butler. Some would need to attend the Christmas/HBR party (need to attend three events) to vote next week and they have been sent emails notifying them of this. To be voted on for an associate you need to attend a working meeting (zoom works!).

Keep rocking your snow dance and extra big smiles for a fun season ahead!

-Dennis

SVSC HISTORIAN

The digitization project continues! Having the clubs history in digital form makes long term preservation simpler and allows more of the membership to experience our shared history. How that is going to look is still taking shape. But for starters there was a lot of interest in professionally printed portraits from the files we are digitizing, and we believe it can also serve as a fundraiser for the club. More to come, stay tuned for updates. Here's some photos we captured from film negatives at our last session. We will need to get together again soon to continue preserving our history in a digital format.



SVSC SWAG

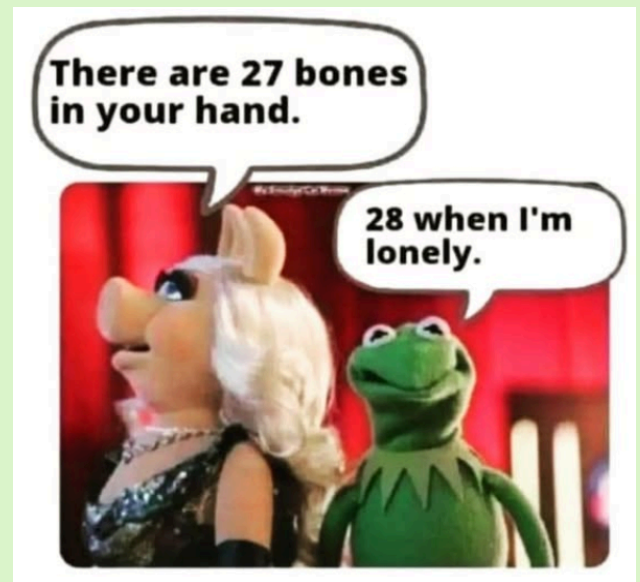
We are winding down on the last set of logo merchandise and only have a few of the “Dad Hat” caps left. But fear not, Ed and James are working on more. We’re bringing in basic logo T-Shirts. In addition we are taking orders for Hoodies and personal logo flags.

Do you have an idea for something we could slap a Schnee logo on? We would like to hear about it!



ENTERTAINMENT

A man goes into doctor's office and says, 'Doctor! I have five penises!' Doctor says, 'My God, how do your pants fit?' Man says, 'Like a glove!'"



Three girls worked in the same office with a female boss who often left early. One day, they decided to follow her out, figuring no one would notice if they slipped out too – since the boss never returned anyway.

- The brunette was thrilled to be home early – she gardened, played with her son, and went to bed early.
- The redhead hit the spa for a workout before heading out on a fun dinner date.
- The blonde, excited to surprise her husband, got home only to hear strange noises from the bedroom. With a sinking heart, she peeked in and saw... her husband in bed with the boss! She quietly closed the door and left without a word.

The next day at work, during their coffee break, the brunette and redhead said, “Let’s leave early again today!” The blonde replied, “No way! I almost got caught yesterday!”

After ten long years stranded alone on a deserted island, a weary man sat staring at the endless horizon, dreaming of civilization.

Then—out of nowhere—a figure appeared in the water, swimming gracefully toward the shore. As she emerged, sunlight glistened off her wetsuit. She pulled off her goggles, revealing a stunning smile.

“Hi there,” she said cheerfully. “Looks like you’ve been here a while.”

The man blinked in disbelief. “You’re real... right? Oh my God, I can’t believe this! I haven’t seen another person in ten years!”

She smiled knowingly. “Ten years, huh? That’s a long time. Tell me... how long has it been since you’ve had a cigarette?”

His eyes widened. “Ten years! I’d give anything for one.”

Without a word, she unzipped a small pocket on her wetsuit sleeve and pulled out a pristine pack of cigarettes. She handed him one, and he lit it with trembling hands.

He took a deep drag and sighed. “Heaven. Absolute heaven.”

She grinned. “And how long has it been since you’ve had a drink?”

He looked at her like she was an angel. “Ten years... don’t tell me—”

She unzipped another pocket, pulled out a small silver flask, and handed it over.

The man took a sip, coughed, then smiled. “Whisky. Bless you!”

The girl laughed softly, then began unzipping the front of her wetsuit—slowly. “So,” she said teasingly, “how long has it been since you’ve... played around a little?”

The man’s jaw dropped, his eyes wide with anticipation.

Then he gasped. “Oh my God... don’t tell me you’ve got a set of golf clubs in there too!”

A bodybuilder takes off his shirt and starts flexing in front of a blonde woman.

She exclaims, "Wow, what a great chest you have!"

"He says, "Solid dynamite, babe."

He then takes off his pants and the blonde says, "Wow, what massive calves you have!"

He flexes his leg muscles and says, "Like I said, pure dynamite, sweetheart."

Then he removes his underwear and the blonde goes running and screaming in fear.

He gets dressed and goes chasing after the woman. When he catches up to her, he

asks, "Why the hell did you go running off like that?"

She replies, "I was afraid to be around all that dynamite when I saw how short the fuse was."

A vampire goes into a bar. He sits on the stool and orders a glass of hot water.

The bartender gets him his order, but can't help himself and asks:

"Excuse me, mate, but aren't your type supposed to be drinking blood?"

The vampire fishes a used tampon out of his pocket and replies:

"Tea."

CAPTAIN BUZZARD NOTES

I can't believe that it is December and most of us have not made a turn on the snow yet. Lots of fun things are on the horizon with the Parshall's party this weekend, the holidays and fingers crossed a good dumping of snow.

As always - Please send questions, comments, or contributions to
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