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GREAT FALLS SKI & BOARD CLUB NEWSLETTER September 2022

Club's Mission: Promote skiing in Central Montana by sponsoring special events and fun ski trips locally and abroad.

PRESIDENT'S MOGUL

Greetings, all!

Summer keeps hanging on here in Central Montana but Fall is right around the corner.

Our Last Highway Cleanup is this Sunday, September 4th 10am at Memorial Falls parking lot. If you would like to join us for breakfast we will be meeting at the Neihart Community Center at 8:30 for their Sunday breakfast. It is also I Heart Neihart so stick around for the fun activities and the music festival (starts at 4pm) behind Bobs Bar.

Thank you to all who attended the Missouri River BIG BOAT FLOAT! It was a huge success! My count was 48 people—Cody might have counted more. This has grown into a huge event so next year we will have a committee to plan this event. We did not run out of food though :)

On the long trips, we have been promoting the Mountain Collective Pass, as this is a great bargain for most resorts near Montana. The Club will continue to book our long trips around these resorts, and they keep adding every year. Currently, adult passes are \$579. Visit mountaincollective.com for more info. These prices won't stay at this rate for very long and they are almost sold out so hurry!

Stay safe out there! See you for the first general membership meeting September 21st 7pm. Bring your friends to join!

Andy Ferrin
President

Future Ski Trips

2022-2023 Trips in the planning stage – club members are encouraged to get the Mountain Collective Ski Pass, currently \$579.

- * Canada: Jan 28 - Feb 4 (Lake Louis, Sunshine & Panorama)
- * Fairmont/Discovery: Feb 9-12 (rooms booked under Ski Club for Thursday-Saturday 9th-11th ~\$171/night plus taxes)
- * Sun Valley: Feb 26 - Mar 2
- * Teton: March 18-19

Canada Itinerary

- * Saturday 1/28 depart GF: 7.5 hours to Radium Hot Springs, BC
- * Ski at Panorama Sunday and Monday
- * Monday 1/30: drive 1 hour 35 minutes to Banff
- * Tuesday 1/31 and Wednesday 2/1 Ski Lake Louise
- * Thursday 2/2 and Friday 2/3 Ski Sunshine
- * Return to GF Saturday 2/4: 6.5 hour drive

Lodging and carpooling TBD based on number of seriously interested club members. Hotels with hot tubs near Banff city center for 5 nights are running about \$800 and up based on 4 adults per room with 2 queen beds. We haven't priced the Panorama options yet.



Great Falls Ski and Board Club is a not-for-profit organization whose mission is to promote skiing in Central Montana by sponsoring special events and fun ski trips both locally and abroad. Membership dues are \$30.00 per eligible adult. Membership may be renewed by mail, online, or at the next general meeting. Further information can be found at greatfallsskiclub.com, email at gfskimail@gmail.com, or P. O. Box 166, Great Falls, MT 59403.

Next Board meeting is Monday, **September 12**. Board meetings are normally held the 1st Monday of the month with exceptions for holidays. Summer Board meetings are held at board member's homes. During the season, meeting night for General Membership meetings is typically the 3rd Wednesday of the month starting at 7 p.m. with exceptions for holidays. Light meals will be served and members will receive one drink ticket at regular General Membership meetings. Due to Coronavirus Pandemic, venue changes or cancellations may be posted on Club website or notifications may be sent out by email.

ACTIVITY CALENDAR

9/4/22 **Highway Cleanup 10 am** - Neihart Breakfast at Senior Center 8:30

9/12/22 **September Board Meeting 6:30 p.m.**

9/21/22 **General Membership Meeting 7:00** Taco Bar

9/25/22 **Showdown Work Party**

10/3/22 **October Board Meeting 6:30 p.m.**

10/10/22 **Raise-A-Pint Night at Mighty Mo Brewery**

10/14 - 10/15 **Ski Swap** at the Expopark

10/19/22 **General Membership Meeting 7:00** (may be moved to the 12th)

11/7/22 **October Board Meeting 6:30 p.m.**

11/16/22 **General Membership Meeting 7:00** Pasta Cookoff

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Missouri River Big Float - August 20th



Annual Ski Swap October 14 & 15

Mark your calendar for our biggest fundraiser of the year. We must have volunteers to make this event happen, so please sign up for a shift or two!