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GREAT FALLS SKI & BOARD CLUB NEWSLETTER September 2023

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

PRESIDENT'S MOGUL

I hope everybody had a fun and safe summer, as it seemed to fly by again this year. The board has been busy over the summer gearing up for the upcoming season. We have a lot on the agenda for the season.

One of the most important changes its we have switched up the cookoff dates for the club. The Pasta Cookoff will change from November to October meeting and the Chili Cookoff will change from January to the March Meeting. These were changed to try to spread out the timeframe of the cookoffs, as the old timeframe had the club members responsible for dinners November-January.

Remember that the new timeframe for all meetings is: 6-6:30 social, 6:30 dinner, 6:45 meeting. On cookoff nights (and Holiday dinner) we ask that members have dishes ready by 6:15 so we can prepare everything for 6:30 dinner.

I just scheduled our work party with AJ at Showdown for Saturday, September 30th, 10am-2pm. We will be working on the hill again, sawing small trees but mainly piling and pulling trees, with a BBQ afterwards.

Our signups on Signup Genius have been updated for the season. Please see the links in the newsletter.

Unfortunately, I will not be at the September and October general membership meetings, but our fearless Vice President, Cody, will be heading the meetings.

Stay safe!

Andy Ferrin
President

Annual Ski Swap October 13 & 14

Consign the old gear and shop for new (or new-to-you)! 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! There will be setup/breakdown, consignment, check-in, check-out, and security positions to fill. This is also a great opportunity to get an advanced look at the available merchandise for sale or sell your current equipment. Setup will be Thursday, October 12th at 5:30 (bring drills, tools, gloves etc.). [Sign up here!](#)





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 \$35.00 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.

The next General Membership meeting is September 20 featuring a Taco Bar. During the season, the night for General Membership meetings is typically the 3rd Wednesday of the month, with exceptions for holidays or conflicts. Light meals are served and members receive one drink ticket. Meetings begin at 6 p.m. [Sign up for committees here!](#)

2024 Ski Trips

Trips are in the planning stage
– club members are encouraged to get the [Mountain Collective Multi Resort Ski Pass](#).

- * Big Sky: Saturday, January 20th – Mountain Collective Pass works there.
- * Fairmont/Discovery: February 9-11 (rooms booked under Ski Club) \$205 + taxes & fees
- * Long trip - Sun Valley: March 2 - 5. Mountain Collective Pass works there. Travel Saturday, ski Sunday & Monday, then come home Tuesday.
- * Teton: March 23-24

[Sign up here!](#)

ACTIVITY CALENDAR

9/20/23 **General Membership Meeting** 6:00 Elk's Lodge

9/30/23 **Showdown Work Party**
10:00

10/3/23 **Board Meeting** 6:00

10/9/23 **Raise a Pint at the Mighty Mo** 5:00

10/11/23 **Pasta Cookoff - General Membership Meeting** 6:00 Elk's Lodge, [Sign up here!](#)

10/13 & 14 **Annual Ski Swap**, [Sign up here!](#)

11/15 **General Membership Meeting** 6:00 Elk's Lodge

12/20 **Christmas Pot Luck General Membership Meeting** 6:00 Elk's Lodge, [Sign up here!](#)