

# Snow News IS Good News

Newsletter of the Nooksack Nordic Ski Club

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## MARCH 2025



## Club Meeting

**When** – Tuesday March 11

Meeting starts at 7:00 PM.

**Who** - Everyone is welcome!

**Where** - RE Store Meeting Room  
2309 Meridian St.

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## MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING

**Club Meeting – In - person at the RE Store Meeting Room**  
**When – Tuesday March 11th**  
**Meeting starts at 7:00 PM.**  
**Who - Everyone is welcome!**  
**Where – RE Store Meeting Room**

## POTLUCK DINNER & WINTER SEASON WRAP-UP

Our last general meeting of the season will be on Tuesday, March 11 at 7:00 pm at the RE Store. We will enjoy a potluck dinner, share pictures of our Nordic adventures, and discuss future club activities. Please bring a dish to share with the group – we are going full *luck* here; we will enjoy whatever you decide to bring. Please bring the necessary serving utensil. You can bring your best 5 pictures to share on a memory stick or email them [to Pete at ski@tryonhayes.com](mailto:ski@tryonhayes.com)

But before eating, we will have a short business meeting. You will receive an email with the agenda shortly.

**RE Store** is at [Bellingham \(2309 Meridian St\)](#). There is parking behind the store and the meeting room is on the second floor (sorry, stairs only). Don't go into the main store but look for a sign and the stairs are visible from the parking area.

**MARK SMITH, PROGRAM CHAIR**

## WHAT A WINTER!!

As I sat down to write an article for the last newsletter of the season, I prepared myself to type doom and gloom. An article about the lack of snow, the lack of winter, the lack of good skiing. But then as I started, I thought about all that happened this winter. We've had a string of great membership meetings. It snowed in Canada in time for a well-received club trip over the holiday break. Snow and grooming arrived in time for the Parks and Rec SkiDattle / NNSC Nordic Ambassadors. New skiers had a great time at our snopark. There was skiing at Heather Meadows. Rumors of clandestine skate skis by headlight on Mt. Baker's downhill cat tracks. Exploring motorized SnoParks at higher elevations in the bright sunshine. I even got a day of classical skiing with waxable skis and extra blue wax, my favorite! And today I had a great ski/hike down to the bottom of the White Salmon trails.



But just to keep things in perspective, it's true that we have had only five days of grooming at Salmon Ridge Snopark so far, and it doesn't look like we're going to get much more. You can check

out the latest conditions at White Salmon on our website:

<https://www.nooksacknordicskiclub.org/trails/grooming-and-conditions/>

Keep an eye out for invites to trail work parties this summer. They're almost as much fun as skiing! And there's always next year...

Think Snow!



**PETE TRYON**

## NICKEL PLATE TRIP MONDAY MARCH 3rd TO THURSDAY MARCH 6th, 2025

Nickel Plate Nordic Centre in the Okanagan Valley, just 45 minutes from Penticton. It has approximately 34 miles of groomed trails for both classic and skate skiing. Additionally, there is 9 miles of marked snowshoe trails. Nickel Plate has one of the longest ski seasons in the western hemisphere, with trails for all abilities. The elevation is 6,000 feet.

Nickel Plate has a warm and cozy 4,000 square foot day lodge with kitchen, eating and lounge areas, and separate heated washrooms and shower facilities. Source: [nickelplatenordic.org](http://nickelplatenordic.org).

**As of February 28<sup>th</sup> Nickel Plate has 47 inches of snow and 22 inches at the base. Still time to go!**

**Housing** - We will be staying at the Best Western Inn in Penticton, BC. We will drive to the Nickel Plate Nordic Center from the hotel. Rooms have 2 queen beds and single beds. Make reservations with Best Western Inn at (833) 372-5731.

**Meals** – Breakfast is served at the hotel. For lunch bring your own food. Dinner will be at a restaurant. We will meet in the lobby at 5:30PM and decide what restaurant we wish to go to.

Please advise me if you plan to attend this trip and I will try to connect people with each other if you would like to share a room or a ride. Hope to see you there!

**Coordinator** Lynn Alderson  
lalder3122@yahoo.com



## Nooksack Nordic Ski Club Membership Application and SnoPark Order Form

Use this form to purchase SnoPark permits, join the club or renew your membership. Sign and mail to the club with your check. Or, bring it to the next meeting.

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street/PO Box City State Zip

Phone 1: \_\_\_\_\_ (Home, Cell, Work) Phone 2: \_\_\_\_\_ (H, C, W)

Email 1: \_\_\_\_\_ Email 2: \_\_\_\_\_

**Dues and SnoPark Information**

Check Membership Level: \$20 Individual \_\_\_\_\_ \$35 Household \_\_\_\_\_ Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

SnoPark Permit – Vehicle License Required for Permit: \_\_\_\_\_ \$50 SnoPark Fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Vehicle License

Optional Donation – we are a 501(c)3 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total membership + SnoPark + Optional \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Please read this agreement carefully before signing and dating:**

In signing and submitting this form, I recognize that cross-country skiing involves strenuous activities, is potentially hazardous, and involves inherent risk. I knowingly and voluntarily assume all responsibility and risk for my actions and my family's actions while cross-country skiing, during travel related to Nooksack Nordic Ski Club (NNSC) activities, and during use of facilities and equipment. This includes, but is not limited to falls, collisions, effects of weather, conditions of equipment and trails and other areas while skiing or participating in NNSC activities. I hereby for myself, my heirs, administrators, or anyone else who may bring claims on my or my family members' behalf, covenant not to sue, release and discharge the NNSC, its Board and Committee members, and all related organizations or individuals, from any and all claims of liability for death, personal injury, or property damage arising from my or my family members' participation in NNSC activities.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ (Print \_\_\_\_\_ please):

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Other family member(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Other signatures: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to receive Snow News is Good News newsletter by: Email: \_\_\_\_\_ U.S. mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**Select Club Tasks you could help with:**

- Serve on NNSC Board \_\_\_\_\_ Clear brush from trails \_\_\_\_\_ Find speakers/programs \_\_\_\_\_ Put up trail signs and sanican base \_\_\_\_\_
- Help with Ambassador Days \_\_\_\_\_ Write an article for "Snow News" \_\_\_\_\_
- Audit NNSC financial records \_\_\_\_\_ Write a grant, or, fundraising \_\_\_\_\_
- Lead a ski trip \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks out to: Nooksack Nordic Ski Club and mail with this form to:  
 Nooksack Nordic Ski Club, P.O. Box 28793, Bellingham, WA 98228

<u>Deposit Date</u>
<u>Sno Park #</u>