



PRESS RELEASE

What's Open This Week in the Northwest

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La Conner, WA – As the Christmas Holiday period approaches ski and snowboard resorts in the mountains of the Pacific Northwest are planning operations. Here is a rundown:

OREGON

Anthony Lakes is open Saturday, December 20 through Sunday, January 4, 9 am to 4 pm, closed Christmas Day. The lifts and lodge will be in full operation for alpine skiing/snowboarding and Nordic with great coverage. For more information about operations please go to their website <http://www.anthonylakes.com/> or contact Chelsea McLagan, chelsea@anthonylakes.com, 541-856-3277 ext. 12.

Mt Bachelor is open for daily operations with six lifts and more than 1,400 acres available for skiing and riding. For up to date information about Mt Bachelor's operations go to their website <http://www.mtbachelor.com/site/plan/info/winterconditions> or contact Spencer Weimar, sweimar@mtbachelor.com, 541-693-0953.

Timberline Lodge is currently scheduled to operate seven days a week, conditions permitting. For more information about operations please go to their website <http://www.timberlinelodge.com/conditions/> or contact Jon Tullis, jtullis@timberlinelodge.com, 503-272-3134.

Mt Ashland Ski Area will be opening for the season on Friday, December 19, beginning at 9 am. The ski area will offer beginner terrain on the Sonnet chair lift, lessons and rentals will be available. The Sonnet terrain park will have a few features set up. For more information about operations please go to their website <http://mtashland.com/> or contact Jamie Schectman, jschectman@skimtashland.com, 530-386-6597.

Mt Hood Skibowl Snow Tube & Adventure Park open Friday through Sunday 10 AM to 4 PM and Cosmic Tubing Friday through Saturday 5 PM to 11 PM. To get more information about Mt Hood Skibowl operations go to <http://www.skibowl.com/winter/> or contact Hans Wipper, hans@go.skibowl.com, 503-819-0712.

WASHINGTON

White Pass Ski Area is planning to open Saturday, December 20 for daily operations. For more information on conditions and operations go to <http://skiwhitepass.com/the-mountain/snow-report.aspx> or contact Kathleen Goyette, kat@skiwhitepass.com, 509-945-3189.

Mission Ridge Ski and Snowboard Park will be re-opening Friday December 19th and will be open 7 days a week through January 5th. Food service, rental, retail, child care and the snowsports center for lessons will also be available. More information about Mission Ridge's operations can be found on their website <http://www.missionridge.com/snow-report> or contact Sam Chapin, schapin@missionridge.com, 509-588-9404.

Methow Trails is operating daily with over 50 groomed ski and bike trails. Daily grooming reports with real time GPS trail updates can be found at methowtrails.org, via the free Methow Trails app or by calling 509-996-3860.

Loup Loup Ski Bowl is planning to open the tubing hill and Nordic on Friday, December 19 and Saturday, December 20, with full operations on Sunday, December 21, weather permitting. For more information on conditions and operations go to <http://www.skitheloup.com/> or contact CP Grosenick, manager@skitheloup.com, 509-557-3402.

IDAHO

Bogus Basin opening day is Friday, December 19th 2014. Hours of operation on Friday are from 10:00am – 4:30pm. Holiday hours will be in effect starting Saturday, December 20 with mountain open from 9:00am-4:30pm daily through Sunday, January 4th. Lifts operating will be Deer Point (#1), Showcase (#4), Coach (#7), and the Easy Rider magic carpet. A small terrain park in Stewart's Bowl will be available for guests. Limited trails will be open from the Nordic Center. For more information on operations and current conditions go to the website <http://bogusbasin.org/> or contact Alan Moore, alan@bogusbasin.org, 208-869-6624

Schweitzer Mountain Resort is open for the season with 7 days/week operations with lifts running 9 am to 3:30 pm. More information about Schweitzer's operations and conditions can be found on their website <http://www.schweitzer.com/mountain/snow-report/> or contact Sean Mirus, smirus@schweitzer.com, 208-263-9555.

Lookout Pass Ski Area is open daily through Monday, January 5th operating chairs 1 & 4 with top to bottom skiing and riding on the front side of the mountain. Lifts operate 9-4 PM PST, and 8:30-4 PM on weekends. Snow Sports School, Rental Shop, F&B and Loft Pub are in full operation. For more information go to their website <https://skilookout.com/> or contact Phil Edholm, phil@skilookout.com, 208-744-1234.

Silver Mountain Resort will be opening for seven day a week holiday starting Saturday, December 20th through Monday, January 5th. Open every day for skiing, boarding, tubing, snowshoeing and scenic rides. For current conditions and operations check the website http://www.silvermt.com/site_Snow-Report/SnowReport.aspx or contact Neal Scholey, Neals@silvermt.com, 208-783-1531.

ALASKA

Alyeska Resort will re-open the lifts and the Tram for skiing & riding on Friday, December 19th at 10:30am for 7 day a week operations. To get current conditions and operations check the website <http://www.alyeskaresort.com/snow-report.aspx> or contact Jessica Pezak, jpezak@alyeskaresort.com, 907-754-2215.

Eaglecrest is planning to again Saturday December 20. For more information about operations check the website www.SkiJuneau.com or contact Jeffra Clough, Jeffra.Clough@skijuneau.com, 907-790-2000 x219.

MONTANA

Whitefish Mountain Resort is open 7 days a week with 7 lifts operating from 9 am to 4 pm. For more information and current conditions go to the website <http://skiwhitefish.com/the-glory/> or contact Riley Polumbus, rileyp@skiwhitefish.com, 406.862.1948

Many of the resorts in the Northwest are evaluating their current snow depths and watching the weather forecasts to determine when they will be opening. PNSAA will send updates as more resorts announce their opening dates. For the most up-to-date information on your favorite resort, please visit their website.

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The Pacific Northwest Ski Areas Association is a non-profit trade association, which represents the interests of 35 ski and snowboard facilities located in Oregon, Washington, Alaska, Idaho, Montana, and California. The Association's member ski areas – most of which operate on public land – collectively host an estimated 5.5 million visits annually. For additional information on Pacific Northwest skiing and snowboarding, contact the PNSAA office at (877) 533-5520, or visit www.pnsaa.org to link to the website of your favorite mountain.