



PRESS RELEASE

What's Open This Week in the Northwest

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La Conner, WA – With more snow in the mountains additional ski and snowboard resorts in the mountains of the Pacific Northwest announce operations. The holidays are a great time for family fun in the mountains. Here is a rundown of the regional resorts currently operating or planning to operate during the holidays.

OREGON

Mt. Hood Meadows will open for the season Monday. The resort has two lifts - Buttercup and Easy Rider - scheduled from 9 AM - 4 PM, as well as an 8 feature jib park for freestyling. The ski and snowboard school is fully operational along with the rental center and two sports shops will be open. Culinary services will have the Schuss Grill, Higher Grounds and Alpenstube Bar operating for breakfast and lunch and Apres Ski. For current conditions and operations go to the website <https://www.skihood.com/> or contact Dave Tragethon, dave.tragethon@skihood.com, 971-373-8111.

Anthony Lakes is open daily through Sunday, January 4, 9 am to 4 pm, closed Christmas Day. The area is 100% open, including 1,100 acres of lift-accessed terrain and 30k of groomed & track-set Nordic trails. 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 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

49° North is open for skiing and snowboarding operating chairlifts 1, 3 and 5 accessing the Central and East Basins. Complete information on conditions and operations are at their website <http://www.ski49n.com/> or contact Alexis Hartmann, AHartmann@ski49n.com, (509) 935-6649 x. 607.

Mt Baker Ski Area is open for the season. Current operations are 9 AM to 3:30 PM out of Heather Meadows. The Heather Meadows Day Lodge with the retail and rental shops are open. For more information about operations and conditions go to the website at <http://www.mtbaker.us/snow-report/> or contact Amy Towbridge, amy@mtbaker.us, 360-734-6771.

Crystal Mountain is open with the Mt. Rainier Gondola and Green Valley. They are planning to add Chinook Express, Forest Queen Express and Rainier Express lifts on Tuesday. For more information on operations and current conditions go to: <http://crystalmountainresort.com/the-mountain/about/current-conditions/> or contact Tiana Anderson, tiana@skicrystal.com or 360-663-3012.

Stevens Pass Mountain Resort is open 9am to 4pm on a day to day basis, conditions permitting. Currently the Skyline, Brooks and Daisy Chairs, as well as the Rope Tow are operating plus 13 terrain park features. For updates on operations and conditions see their website <http://www.stevenspass.com/site> or contact contact Chris Danforth, christopher.danforth@stevenspass.com, 206-812-7856.

White Pass Ski Area is open 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 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 open daily with full operations through the Christmas and New Years Holidays, January 4, 2015. Lifts open at 9:00 am and close at 3:45. For more information on conditions and operations go to <http://www.skitheloup.com/> or contact CP Grosenick, manager@skitheloup.com, 509-557-3402.

Mt Spokane Ski & Snowboard Park is planning to open Wednesday, December 24th with Chairs 2, 3, & 5 operating from 9am to 4pm. For updates on operations and conditions visit <http://www.mtspokane.com/snowreport> or contact Kristin Whitaker, kristin@mtspokane.com, 509.951.7192.

IDAHO

Bogus Basin is open daily through Sunday, January 4th, 9 am to 4:30 pm. 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. Chair 3 will open on Tuesday, December 23. Lifts operate 9 am to 4 pm PST, and 8:30 am to 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 days a week 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 is open for 7 day a week skiing & riding from 10:30 am to 3:00 pm. 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 will be open until January 5th (conditions permitting), closed Christmas Day. Porcupine Chair will be open 9am - 3pm. 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.