



OVER THE HILL GANG

Copper Mountain OHG

November 2008

Upcoming Activities

- Friday, November 7th - Copper opens 2008/2009 season
- Sunday, November 9th, Fall Banquet
- Saturday, November 15th - OHG begins for the 2008/2009 season
- January - OHG Business Racing
- January - Après Ski



- **Highway Cleanup Leader** - We need an OHGer to manage this important OHG activity
- Volunteers are needed to **lead winter activities** - snowshoe outings, cross country outings, a special social event or any other winter activity that you might like to head up - contact Norm Stoller - norman.stoller@uchsc.edu 970-668-3358
- **Greeters** - We need a volunteer to assume this lead role
- **Mentors** - We need another volunteer to assume this lead role

OHG Fall Banquet / Brunch Sunday November 9th At Mt. Vernon Country Club

Our Annual Meeting and Fall Brunch is going to be held on **Sunday, Nov 9th**, (the weekend the mountain opens) at the Mt. Vernon Country Club. Here are all the details.

TIME: 10:30 Socializing 11:15 Brunch
DATE: Sunday, November 9th
COST: \$24 per person. Guests are Welcome
MAIL CHECKS TO: **Marcia Dalton**
PO Box 4146
Frisco, CO 80443

If you include your email address (legible please) Marcia will confirm receipt of your check .

DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS AND CANCELLATIONS: We will accept reservations until Wednesday Nov 5th. We will issue refunds until Monday Nov 3rd. The only exception is if we have a waiting list and/or can replace you.

MENU:

Chilled Orange Juice
Croissants and Sweet Rolls
Boneless Breast of Chicken du Jour
Bacon and Sausage
Home Fried Potatoes
Fresh Vegetable
Rice Pilaf
Eggs
Carved Roast Round of Beef

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CHAIRMAN'S notes

The leaf colors have been spectacular this fall season and are now they are falling a sure sign the winter is soon coming.. The Red Sox missed making the World Series and sadness reigns in the Red Sox Nation so Soxtober is done. Copper will now open on November 7th and the OHG will begin on Saturday, November 15th. The opening has been changed from November 14th to November 7th.

As we begin the 2008/2009 season there have been a couple of changes to the Copper OHG management team. Coker Baldwin will be assuming the management of the OHG Guides, Joe Q will still be involved. Coker will be assisted by Robin Tencick and Tom Hogeman from the SRS. The new OHG Program Coordinator has yet to be named , but Amanda Watkins the sales and administrator supervisor will be naming a person as the main OHG interface shortly and the OHG office has moved from the Edge to the Mountain Adventure Center (MAC). Amada and the SRS administration team are actively processing the OHG memberships. So this process should be completed shortly.

The old J Chute has now been officially named and signed as Guthrie Chute. A special thanks to Gary Rodgers, Joe Quarantillo and JP Chevalier for making this happen.

The OHG is the most visible group on the mountain and as such we need to take whatever steps we can to provide a positive impression to the Copper employees and other skiers / riders. Simple things can make a big difference, we should take time to thank the folks that "make our day" also a well appreciated joy for the lift ops folks is a bit of chocolate or similar treat. As a group our motto should be to "Be Respectful of Others".

My three year term on the OHG Board of Advisors will be completed next month and I want to thank all the OHGers, Board of Advisors, committee chairman, Copper management team and especially, the OHG board of Advisors, Joe Quarantillo, Jennifer Walker and Tracy Polanzi for all of their assistance in making my term such a joy. Monique Mustard will also be "retiring" and a special thanks to Monique for the marvelous job she did as the Social Committee chair and OHG board member (well done). Jerry Chamberlin is also "retiring" from the OHG board his year and Jerry's efforts both as former chairman, leader of the summer activities and general OHG support have been fantastic. Welcome to the new board members.

We are in need of OHGers to step forward and assume leadership of the following OHG programs Greeter, Mentor and the Highway Cleanup programs for the upcoming year. Brenda Lloyd (OHG Greeter lead), Chuck Armstrong (OHG Mentor lead), Vicki and Dick Morgan and Diana and Don Dettmering (Highway Cleanup leads) are all passing the baton to new leads. A special thanks to these OHG leads for taking that extra step to make the OHG the success that it is.

The thought for the day courtesy of Dave Raymond: *"WE DO NOT STOP PLAYING BECAUSE WE ARE OLD. WE GROW OLD BECAUSE WE STOP PLAYING"*.

Let it Snow, Let it Snow,

Stew Everard

Chairman OHG Board of Advisors

Amanda Watkins SRS Sales and Programs Supervisor

I hope you are getting prepared and excited for the season, it's looking snowy up there today! I the will not be the main point of contact for OHG, but rather will oversee whomever we appoint to that position, which will be announced in early November as that is when all of our specialists come in for the season. I know Tracy did a great job last year and we hope to appoint someone who can fill her shoes!!

Note From JP Chevalier



Aspen trees have been magnificent this autumn in the Rockies and I feel for those unlucky OHG members and guides that did not witness the spectacular colors these trees displayed in the past few weeks. I feel privileged and it is great living in Colorado!

Winter is on the way. Our snowmaking systems and staff have been testing themselves after a few blasts of cooler temperatures. Our Slopes Director, Bruce Hodson and his team are ready to get this 2008-09 winter fired up... Let's give those mountain operations guys a little encouraging hand in your own spiritual way, by asking for an arctic blast.

Chris Coleman our Mountain Operations Director, has completed the Guthrie Cute sign project and I wanted to say thank you, to all those that participated from concept to fruition. We will miss Bob and I personally look forward to pass by this location in the coming months to make some turns for him, as I trust all of OHG will as well.

The key messages I have for the OHG community is that we are continuing to move forward to develop stronger relationships between ourselves at Copper, the members, the guides and the Copper Mountain SRS leadership team. To highlight a few points;

- This year I have asked Joe Quarantillo to hand over the management of the guide program to Coker Baldwin, our Center Village Ski & Ride School Manager. Don't worry Joe will still be involved particularly in the beginning to ensure Coker has everything he needs to support the establish systems and scheduling planning. Other supervisors that will be involved with the guides, to build broader experiences for OHG, will be Robin Tencick (certified snowboard level 3) and Tom Hogeman (trainer accredited in alpine level 4). Together under Coker's leadership these four professionals will support the guide program better than ever before.
- To improve our membership services, we are moving OHG administration to Center Village in the Mountain Adventure Center, next to Guest Services. Amanda Watkins will be the sales & administration supervisor for not only OHG but also private lessons and youth programs, with a team of sales agents. Amanda will define new ways of communicating to OHG members to be more effective. Please anticipate an outline on how the fulfillment process for all members, will transpire in the future.

Again I trust you enjoyed the fall weather and colors and I look forward to seeing everyone at the Fall Brunch at Mt Vernon.

Fall Highway Cleanup



Thanks to the 32 OHG stalwarts who showed up on September 20th for our semi-annual highway clean-up from Copper Mountain to Vail Pass. (Hopefully you all have noticed the sign on I-70 crediting OHG for all our hard work!) We were MOST fortunate to have a beautiful day. Our "reward" picnic was held afterwards at The Edge.

The lucky winners of a one-day ski clinic this winter are: Mike Savage for the "most unusual" item--a GIANT truck hubcap. (Note: Mike also won the spring award in the same category), Angie Leibold for the "most useful" item--a small unopened bottle of chardonnay and Harley VanDeWege for the "most sexually explicit" item--a nut cover. (read into it what you will!)

As an aside, the Dettmerings and the Morgans have been co-chairing this function for 3 years and they are ready to pass the baton. Morgans were out of town this fall and Dettmerings did it all by themselves!! They promise you an easy job and lots of great documentation. Please call Vicki and Dick at 547-9279 or Diana and Don at 453-0506 for additional information.

OHG EMAIL / Internet Communications

The Yahoo email system and the Copper OHG web site (www.copperohg.com) are the main methods of communication among the OHG members.

All OHG members with email addresses are manually added to the copperohg yahoo groups email system. To send a message to **ALL** of the OHG gang address the email to copperohg@yahoogroups.com. All messages from the Copper OHG group will have copperohg in the subject line.

When responding to an email from yahoo groups. **Use the REPLY TO SENDER option.** We send many far too many messages to the whole group when we should be only replying to the sender.

DO NOT USE the Reply to All option unless you wish to you send a message to the all members of the copperohg email system.

Email acceptable topics: All OHG normal information - schedules, social events, clinics, etc. If an OHG member has some outdoor activity related items (skis, bikes, etc) to sell or buy, this is an acceptable venue, if an OHG member is looking for or wishing to rent a condo or room, OHGers looking to for car pooling partners, Special events outside of the OHG that might be of interest to OHGers. If you experience any problems, contact Stew Everard everard39@yahoo.com

2008/2009 OHG Information Summary

Our 32nd Winter Season begins on Saturday, November 15th! The last day is in April

Meeting Days: Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays.

Times:

Tuesday, Wednesday, & Saturday: Meet in Jack's at 8:30 AM, on snow at 8:50 AM, on lifts at 9 AM.

Sunday: Meet in Jack's at 9:30 AM, on snow at 9:50 AM, on lifts at 10:00 AM.

Where:

We meet in Jack's Slopeside Grill (upstairs on the west end of the Burning Stone Plaza, Center Village) at the base between the American Flyer and Eagle Lifts. When inside Jack's, look for OHG guides, (wearing red and orange jackets with "Over the Hill Gang" on the back), any member with an OHG name tag and OHG members with greeter name tags. We gather on the snow between the Eagle and Flyer lifts in front of Jack's.

Name Tags:

Please wear your nametag on your jacket to help all members and guides know who you are. The annual sticker on your nametag and pass will identify you as a current member. Please contact the OHG Program Coordinator if you need a new nametag. You are representing Copper Mountain. Please wear it with pride and a smile!

Parking:

From the Alpine lots (free parking), take the Blue bus to the Center Village.

Lunch:

Time and Location to be determined before the start of the winter season. Typically you lunch with your group – new members, be aware that people look quite different when they take off their headgear! There is no scheduled time or location for lunch on Sunday; it is up to each group.

Après Ski/Ride Socials - Time and Location to be determined before January 2008.



OHG Business League Racing



We need you on the OHG sponsored race team! The OHG Business League race team will be starting a new season which starts in early January. I am always looking for OHGers interested in trying some races other than NASTAR, renewing a past career, or just wanting to learn to carve their turns better. The CM Business League races on ten Thursdays, ending in March.

This is a league of amateur ski racers of all ages and abilities. Rules allow for 8 racers on each team any given day. It is to the teams' advantage to field a full team each week. Because most people cannot commit to the full ten week season, we like to have more than the 8 team members available to race. CM also maintains an Individual category for anyone that doesn't have a team that day. If you like NASTAR racing or want to start racing, you are perfect candidates for this team. If you raced when you were younger and thought you were now too old (I started racing in this league with zero experience at age 61) you are welcome too. We like anyone with experience or those who want to try something new.

The races are run on Bittersweet in various formats, i.e., Dual GS, FIS GS, Dual Slalom and FIS Slalom. All races except the FIS races (only 1 or 2 out of 10) are over before noon. The NASTAR scoring system is used to level the field for age. At the after race party each race day, videos of each race are viewed, and we have fun watching ourselves and others maneuver around the gates while enjoying the after race refreshments. We have a lot of friendly competitions between individuals as well as between teams. Results for the day are tabulated and distributed at the party. Door prizes are also given out each night

In short, racing in the Copper Mountain Business League is a lot of fun and racing can make you a better skier. I hope you will join us this season. For more info or to sign up, contact Tom Tate at (970) 468-2571 or e-mail tate-ski@msn.com. I will add you to our list of racers. I can't give you exact schedules or details yet, but will in the next newsletter. Note: e-mail me anytime, but I won't be at the phone # above until after Nov. 24th 2008.



Copper MT Resort Leadership Team



The Copper Mountain Resort Leadership Team is made up of some of the most experienced individuals in the industry.

Gary Rodgers	President & COO
Kelly Keefer	VP Operations
Jesse True	VP Sales & Marketing
Ben Brown	Director, Woodward at Copper
Laura Brubaker	Lodging Director
JP Chevalier	Ski Ride School / Golf Ops Director - OHG is part of Ski Ride School
Chris Colman	Operations Director
Bruce Hodson	Slopes / Maintenance Director
Mike Hurwitch	IT Director
Jean Mikulas	Director of Sales
Melissa Moore	Guest Services / Community Relations Director
Bob Nance	Rental / Retail Director
Karen Ponds	Human Resource Director
Rachel Rooney	Operations Finance Director
Rob Schwartz	Food & Beverage Director
Pete Woods	Marketing Director

Copper Mountain Seasonal Lockers

Tired of dragging heavy ski and snowboard equipment all the way to Copper Mountain. Get a Seasonal Locker rental and spend less time carrying your equipment to the slopes and more time using it on the hill. For the 2008-2009 season, Copper Mountain is offering its valued guests seasonal lockers to store ski and snowboard equipment right at the base of the mountain.

The seasonal lockers are six feet tall and two feet wide and can hold a couple pairs of skis or snowboards. Each locker is equipped with shelves to store other equipment, and some units even have a boot dryer (Units with a boot dryer are limited and available on a first come first serve basis). The seasonal locker room is conveniently located in the Copper One building of the Center Village just below Jacks. It is steps

from both the American Eagle and Flyer lifts!

A Seasonal Locker Rental gives you access to the seasonal locker room from October 1, 2008 through May 1, 2009. For a limited time, you can purchase a Seasonal Locker at the discounted rate of \$359. **For a limited time Copper Mountain's Over The Hill Gang (OHG) members are eligible to purchase the Seasonal Locker Rentals at the discounted rate of \$329!** To reserve your 2008-2009 Seasonal Locker, please call Copper Mountain Reservations at **(866) 416-9872**, or purchase your rental in person at the Copper One Guest Services desk at Copper Mountain.

spread some
sunshine

Best wishes We would like to send personal well wishes to you, but someone needs to tell us about them! If everyone is staying healthy and in one piece than that is the best news of all!

Please let Laura Thomson know of anyone needing to be remembered 303-690-3202 or via email
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