



Jr. cross-country mtn bikers pedaling at Tamarack!

## MAY NEWSLETTER 2023

Seasonal adventures in summer look different than winter - sometimes! For McCall Winter Sports Club, this next interval of life in our outdoors promises a variety of flavors. Keep reading for some spice on the single-track at Tamarack, high-elevation skiing at Mammoth Mountain and Mt. Hood, and other happenings to look forward to.

### USSA RECOGNIZES MWSC WITH PODIUM CERTIFICATION



At the U.S. Ski and Snowboard Congress in Park City earlier this month, McCall Winter Sports Club was awarded Podium Certification at the Bronze level with recognition as a leader among ski and snowboard clubs in the nation.

Says Sophie Goldschmidt, U.S. Ski & Snowboard President and CEO, *“Our clubs are our sport’s biggest asset to athlete recruitment, development and retention, and working hand-in-hand with them will enhance their levels of achievement and will transform the performance of our athletes and teams at all levels.”*

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Sneak peak at winter reason to raise the roof.....U14 Super G's and IMD Championships on the 2024 calendar at home!

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## MOUNTAIN BIKE LEAGUE TAKES OFF AT TAMARACK



McCall Winter Sports Club and Tamarack Resort are teaming up to promote the sport of cross-country mountain biking and to inspire a new generation of riders.

The Jr. Mountain Bike League is geared towards beginner to intermediate riders 9-12 years of age who are interested in learning riding techniques with an introduction to the sport of racing. Besides the fundamentals, Head Coach Kerry Lofy and others will teach map reading, nutrition, trail etiquette and trail maintenance.

Sessions start June 13th, Tuesdays & Fridays. **[Register here.](#)**

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Summer reason to raise the roof....it's on! Lower trails are mostly dry and those up high are fast behind. Until then, stay dry and off muddy trails.

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**more cogs turning this summer....**



**Soda Pop XC Race Series** is for mountain bike riders of ALL ages. Cross-country races are scheduled for Thursday evenings at Tamarack Resort. It is our hope that the biking community will participate in this town bike league. In addition to the junior divisions, there will be young adult, not-so-young, and older-adult divisions.

JUNE 29 | JULY 6 | AUG 3



MWSC is bringing back the **Kids Wild Triathlon** with co-hosts McCall Parks & Rec and Wild Rockies Racing. This fun adventure returns at a NEW start/finish location - Camp Alice Pittenger in McCall. Course will begin with swim in Payette Lake, then mountain bike ride on double/single track, then trail run. All proceeds generate athlete scholarship dollars.

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## SUMMER RACE & FREERIDE CAMPS

Packing tank tops, sunblock, and skis for Mammoth in June and Mt. Hood in July with Erik Fisher & Kerry Lofy.

**SUMMER SKI CAMP**  
**JUNE 18-23 2023**

**Mammoth**

**RACE TRAINING WITH ERIK FISHER  
 & FREERIDE TRAINING WITH KERRY LOFY**

Lodging-  
 Transportation-  
 Meals-Team  
 Building-Video-  
 4 Days Skiing

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**JULY SKI CAMP**  
**18-22 2023**

**mt. hood**

**OREGON**

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## IDAHO GIVES FOR ATHLETE SCHOLARSHIPS





*Special thanks to Nancy Lane and all committee members of the Boydston-Hovdey Ski Heritage for helping grow the sport today & tomorrow.*

Thank you to all McCall Winter Sports Club donors and supporters who helped raise \$1,615 for athlete scholarships during the 2023 Idaho Gives event earlier this month. MWSC believes that the sport of skiing is one of the best ways for our community to connect and create world-class kids with character.

Last season, 18 individual scholarship awards were gifted; totaling \$18,250 by way of the Boydston-Hovdey Ski Heritage Scholarships, Bob Greenwood Athlete Scholarships, and Scholarship Friends of MWSC.

Besides creating life-long skiers, our winter journeys foster compassion, courage, cheer, determination, friendship, purpose, and so much more....

## **....grit and kindness for the Elam Family.**



*As a parent to three young children, I constantly have to remind myself what my goals are for these little humans in life. Over several years, I narrowed down my hopes and dreams for these three little people into two words 'Grit and Kindness.'*

*It is my belief if we can instill these two values in our children we will have an all encompassing successful citizen that is aware of others, pushes through hard, is compassionate, empathetic, and passionate....just to name a few. When I think about the qualities I value in family, friends and organizations that impact my children I view them through the same lens.*

*The core values of McCall Winter Sports Club are everything right when I look at the coaches, parents, athletes, and organization as a whole through the lens of grit and kindness. McCall Winter Sports Club pushes the community to be better, to be stronger, and to be engaged. Athletes are known by coaches, on a deeper level which allows a connection and understanding for how to best push the athlete to be their best self and perform to the best of their abilities. Coaches are mentors that provide guidance not only in skills and performance but sportsmanship and personal growth.*

*My children are known and loved by the McCall Winter Sports Club. They are encouraged when nervous to rely on the skills they have and celebrated when they have pushed their comfort level or worked to meet a goal. Directors, coaches, and parents have the best interest in mind for all the athletes and the greater community.*

*We feel so thankful to be part of a program that has such a positive influence and truly instills the same core values we as a family work to incorporate into our daily lives. I trust McCall Winter Sports Club whole heartedly not only to keep my children safe while pushing their physical and mental abilities, but to help them develop into the best student athlete they can be. It takes a tribe to parent, and McCall Winter Sports Club is part of our tribe!*

*With Gratitude-*

*Tarra Elam-Friedrich*

**SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

## UPCOMING CALENDAR



**MAY 30th:** Ponderosa Center Clean-Up, 3:30-5pm.

**JUNE 1st:** Ponderosa Center Clean-Up, 3:30-5pm.

**JUNE 13th:** Jr. MTB League Begins, 5-7pm @ Tamarack Resort.

**JUNE 14th:** Hanging Flower Baskets on sale at Donnelly Farmer's Market, 3-6pm.

**JUNE 18-23:** Summer Ski Camp @ Mammoth Mountain.

**JUNE 24:** Ponderosa Park Run, presented by Payette Lakes Ski Club.

**JUNE 29th:** 1st Soda Pop XC Race, 5:30pm @ Tamarack Resort.

**JULY 18-22:** Summer Camp @ Mt. Hood

**AUG 12:** Kids Triathlon @ Ponderosa State Park



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Sooooo grateful for the long and mighty shadows we cast during our long summer days. Enjoy every bit of yours!

Sincerely,  
Chris Costa  
Executive Director  
McCall Winter Sports Club



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