

December 17th, 2010

Dear Participant,

Thank you for joining us for this year's TUESDAY SKI BUS 2010. We are looking forward to another great season! We need some riders, so if you know anyone who would like to join us pass the word! We only have 26 passengers as of today. If you refer someone, they can get the early registration price of \$260 until Dec 30th! Make sure they mention your name when they sign up!

Sally Nelson and Tom Rowland will be hosting again this year, who we all know and love and will promise to be entertaining all season!

Below you will find important details about this program. Please take the time to go over this information.

DATES: The bus runs Tuesdays, Jan. 12th - Mar 2nd, weather permitting. Baker run is Feb. 9th.

Communications: If you have not already, please provide us an email as this is the easiest way to get a hold of people with changes or updates. In the case of inclement weather we will call or email you or someone will be at the pickup points. If you are able to, please check your email on Tuesday mornings for cancellations or changes. DOT website is http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/traffic/passes/stevens/

Equipment: If you're in need of equipment, you can rent equipment on the mountain, the best way is to call and reserve a package at Stevens Pass at 360-973-2441 or www.stevenspass.com. Another option for rental packages and gear is Grass Roots Outdoor in Everett. GRO offers a 10% discount on gear to our bus participants. Make sure you mention the Whidbey Island Bus. They can be reached at (425) 423-0717. www.grosno.com

Schedule: The bus LEAVES COUPEVILLE bus stop at Hwy 525 & Hwy 20 promptly at 5:45am. Bus LEAVES Red Apple parking lot in CLINTON promptly at 6:30am, to catch the 7:00am ferry. Please park in the middle of the parking lot near the entrance of the mall, in the back near Les Schwab. The EVERETT pickup is at 37th and Lombard, the parking lot behind strip mall at 7:30am. Everett Directions- From the South- Take the BROADWAY exit #192- on the left toward NAVAL STATION/ PORT OF EVERETT, keep left at fork, merge onto Broadway, turn left on 37th.

The bus will leave the mountain at 3:30pm to attempt to catch the 6:00pm ferry, which will put the bus at Red Apple at 6:30pm. The Baker run is on Feb. 9th. We will depart for Baker at the same times **and we will drop off Island riders first**.

The bus will only be cancelled if the pass is closed. If this happens you will be contacted by your hostess or will be told at the pick up point. In the event a trip is cancelled we will re-schedule on the first available date. We cannot guarantee 8 consecutive weeks, but we do guarantee to provide services within normal ski season January – March.

If you are unable to come on a particular Tuesday, please call Sally Nelson 730-3972 or Tom Rowland 331-2132 and let them know or email parkfun@whidbey.com.

Clinics/Lessons: If you are interested in taking clinics or lessons, please contact one of the following excellent ski/snowboard schools; Stevens Pass Ski School at 360-973-2441, www.stevenspass.com or Clancy's Ski School at 425-348-3622, www.clanc.com.

Lift Tickets: Stevens ticket prices are \$48 for adults, \$25 for seniors (62-69) and \$15 for SS (70+) for the group rate at Stevens. Baker prices TBD. *Please remember you need to pay CASH for tickets at Baker and Stevens*, all the tickets have to be paid for together in the same form to get the group rate.

One Time Riders: We will offer unfilled seats to one time riders for \$40 from Whidbey and \$35 from Everett. If someone you know would like to ride on one of the Tuesday buses please contact SWPRD to make arrangements. We recommend pre-registration so we can contact them in the event the bus is cancelled, but will take registrations the morning of. You can fax a registration with credit card in by Monday, 1pm, prior to traveling to reserve a seat. Fax # 360-221-7323. Baker is a very popular run so make sure you tell people to pre-register. We can use the riders, so please pass the word!

Bus: A gratuity for the bus driver is up to you, but the American standard is \$2 for good service, \$3 for excellent service. We appreciate our bus company and drivers and the years of service they have provided getting us safely to the mountain!

If you have any questions please feel free to contact SWPRD office at 360-221-5484 or Sally Nelson 730-3972 or Tom Rowland 331-2132. Or email me at parkfun@whidbey.com Thank you. We look forward to a great ski season!

Sincerely,

Kim Andrews