



Report to the Far West Division Northern California Region Report Winter 2012-2013 Season

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This season is better than last year. Better snowpack in early season allowed us to open Mt.Shasta Ski Park on December 21st, 2012 as opposed to January 2012 for last season.

Membership is steady at 65 members. We gained two as well as lost two.

We were unable to conduct both an Avalanche course and a MTR course this season due to lack of interest and many competing avalanche courses and lack of instruction on the MTR side. We had a successful SES last season and have both an SES as well as a TES scheduled for next weekend. We also had a successful Certified clinic at Mt.Shasta thanks to Michael Nolen in January with many Mt.Shasta patrollers certified in individual disciplines as well as some patrollers from other areas.

We are currently very close to forming a Nordic Patrol with the Mt.Shasta Nordic Center. This will not create a lot of new patrollers initially but once formed we expect new non-alpine membership.

The patrol also was successful in the off season helping with many events in northern California such as the mud run and mountain bike races at the Mt.Shasta Ski Park and the Mossbrae music festival in Dunsmuir, CA as well as the annual 4th of July run in Mt.Shasta City.

Goals for the region include:
More Instructors in OEC, Avalanche, MTR, & Toboggan
An OEC Hybrid Class (Online and Field training)
Avalanche, MTR, Certified, senior courses