



REPORT TO THE FAR WEST DIVISION  
**PROGRAM STATUS REPORT**  
*MID SEASON – FWD 2017 – 2018 RECAP*  
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**PROGRAM: FWD Alumni Program**

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**SEASON HIGHLIGHTS TO DATE** — total classes — total participants

Regional and Patrol leaders/alumni advisors have been encouraged to, for the Pre-season:

- a) Host alumni gatherings at Warren Miller-type movies in the fall, or other pre-ski season events.
- b) Include alumni articles, involved alumni highlights in region and division and individual patrol newsletters throughout the season.

c) Urge PLs to appoint individual Alumni Advisors for their patrol.

During season;

a) Urge patrols to reach out to involve their Alumni in training, mentoring activities; invite them to patrol functions and host some type of on-hill Alumni Ski Day(s).

b) Host "Alumni Celebration Ski Days" at each region of the FWD

End of season:

a) Urge patrols to invite alumni to end of your celebrations, awards dinners.

b) Invite alumni to take part in the Sea Otter Bike Classic, middle of April, as volunteers, course marshals.

**SEASON GOALS:**

Program goals include:

- a) Assisting Regional and Patrol Alumni Advisors with ideas and tools to accomplish their goals,
- b) To help promote best practices for alumni retention, recognition and utilization throughout the division, by sharing successes with Region and Patrol Advisors, through the FWD 'News and Views' newsletter, and the Division website,
- c) Encourage patrol-level and Region-wide Alumni Celebration events and days, and,
- d) to help promote the March 16 ESR and MLR Alumni Day at Northstar (and any other celebrations at other resorts.

**ISSUES and RESOLUTIONS:**

Lake of snow means many resorts/patrols are barely, or not functioning. As example, the Dodge Ridge Resort and Patrol had been contemplating some sort of alumni celebration day , but the resorts "closed status" puts that idea in limbo.

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