Greetings From The Director

by John Schiemer

The season is upon us and our programs are getting underway. I felt it would be appropriate to write about our Nordic program and our interest in getting a Biathlon program restarted. The local area has a long history with biathlon. The first local Olympian was biathlete Jay Bowerman in 1964. Mt. Bachelor even had an event this past summer, (see the picture below).

In the 80’s there was a lot of local biathlon activity led by 1988 Olympian Rich Gross who still lives here in Bend. During that period they had a small range down in the sand pits of the trail, Rich’s Range. The range was outside of the Mt. Bachelor Special Use Permit so these athletes did their own permitting. The range worked out pretty well though it was a long way from the Mountain for spectators and they had to store targets and other equipment there. As it was a temporary range it was labor intensive. At some point in the early 90’s the range became inactive. MBSEF did have a program in the 1990’s and former MBSEF athletes Sam Cordell (pictured) and Angie Stevenson both won National Championships in Biathlon.

We receive inquiries all the time about Biathlon. The US National team practices Biathlon here in the spring. So we felt it was a good time to start our program on some scale. We have received a number of generous donations from families interested in resurrecting our program. As a result, we are purchasing two Larson Laser Rifles. These rifles are approximately $1,500 each and come from Finland. Laser rifles are safe, battery operated, and a good tool for teaching. Because they don’t project anything, we can use them literally anywhere we are allowed. Laser rifles are used by a number of clubs (Auburn, Mammoth, Homer) as a safe way to introduce the sport. We’ve been working for a few months to get the right laser rifle as they have been unavailable. By the time you receive this addition of Ski Tracks we are hopeful we will have them.

Once we have received the first two Laser Rifles, we will begin implementing biathlon across all of our Nordic Programs from SYP (Stevenson Youth Program) to FT (Full-Time). Obviously, those Nordic athletes not interested in Biathlon will not have to participate. We have also hired Gary Dalesky, a local biathlete, who is going to be helping us with our program. There are also a number of other local Biathletes who have expressed interest in helping MBSEF get this program off the ground.

The next phase of the program is acquiring Biathlon Air Rifles (pellet guns). These are used on a 10 meter range and we have had discussions with Mt. Bachelor about a safe place near the Nordic Center where we can have competitions. We’ll have to implement some skier control for safety purposes and rifles will not be carried by skiers. Ideally, we would like to get to the point where we have 6-8 biathlon air rifles so we are able to host some events.
Greetings From the Director, Cont.

The costs of air rifles with targets and cases would range from $12K to $30K depending on the quality of equipment purchased. Our hope is biathlon events and donations would help us fund the program.

In the spring we may be able to do some live shooting with the US Biathlon Team. If you would like more information about our Biathlon program, please contact Dan Simoneau, Nordic Program Director.

Our annual Snowball event was held in November and was a huge success (see the photos in this issue of Ski Tracks). I would like to sincerely thank the Staff and the many volunteers that made this wonderful evening possible. We had about 70 more attendees than last year and it appeared that everyone had a great time. Next year’s event will be held on November 14. I hope you are able to attend.

Looking forward to seeing you all on the snow this season and if you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions, please do not hesitate to give me a call or shoot me an email.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Dec 7 ........................ Alpine MWC Program Begins
Dec 7 ........................ FR SB/SKI Comp Program Begins
Dec 7 ........................ XC Season Opener Race
Dec 14 ......................... FR SB/SKI Devo Programs Begin
Dec 15 ......................... XC MBSEF Classic Race
Dec 20-22 ..................... Alpine Russ Read Memorial Race
                                and Masters Race GS/GS
Dec 26-28 ..................... XC SYP Program Begins - Camp
Dec 26-28 ..................... XC Middle School Winter Camp
Dec 27-30 ..................... Alpine Winter Camp 9am-1pm
Dec 27-30 ..................... Freeride SB/SKI Winter Camp
Jan 1 .......................... XC New Year’s Day Relay Sk/CL
Jan 25-26 ..................... XC PNSA JNQ Race
Jan 25-26 ..................... Alpine/XC Collegiate Race

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Caldera Grille - Creak, Justin and Stacy invite you to come in and try Caldera Grille. Show your MBSEF membership card, buy one appetizer and get another appetizer at 1/2 off.

Check out the early bird menu! Yumm . . .
Kochie’s Hill in Western Oregon: 4,645 Feet of Vertical Climb in 14.6 miles.

by Dan Simoneau

Late summer can be tough training. Though MBSEF may have the shortest dryland season in the world, (we ski ’til late June), it’s hot, we’re tired of roller skiing, summer camps are over, winter seems so far away.

Late fall is also tough training. It’s now been months without a good yardstick to measure our fitness. Our roller ski wheels are worn. Our roller skiing patience is over. Snow seems near, but it also teases us, disturbing our training.

This year we broke up these two blocks with a trip to a pretty special place. A place that’s special to me and a place I wanted to pass on to the next generation.

I call it Kochie’s Hill. It’s a one-lane, paved logging road in the middle of dense, lush, nearly rain forest of Western Oregon. I don’t know the history of it, but I suspect it was built in the ’70s when lumber was the king of Oregon’s economy. “From the bottom to the top it’s 14.6 miles with an elevation difference of about 3,700 feet. It’s all up. Striding up. There are a couple flats, and even a couple pretty substantial downs, but when you’re done you’ll only remember the up.”

For a couple years in the mid ’80s, Bill Koch lived in Eugene where I went to school and later graduated as an Oregon Duck. When the World Cup season would come to an end, we would both fly to Eugene where he would get back to family and I would get back to school.

Though I studied there from April to August and he lived just across town, we only trained together a couple times. That might have been a good thing because every time we trained together he left me wrecked – a shell of myself.

When he arrived in Eugene, I was anxious to show Bill my roller ski hills. I say hills because my workouts were defined by the hills. Having been in Eugene for a few years I had the West Hills scouted. I knew the best hills, the long hills, the great intervals. I wanted to show him Gimple Hill, Baily Hill, Dilard Road, Briggs Hill, and a host of other roads that made me the skier I was. But when we finally found a way to get together for a roller ski, Kochie had his hill in mind. He found it with a plane. I could have scoured the hills and roads of Oregon for years and there was no chance I would have ever found this road. To make a long story short, we went, he conquered, I crawled home.

Today, Kochie’s Hill lives on. From all evidence it sees little logging or traffic of any kind. It’s single lane road that at times is more of a bike path as moss, grass and trees are absorbing it back into the forest.

According to Map My Run, from the bottom to the top it’s 14.6 miles with an elevation difference of about 3,700 feet. It’s all up. Striding up. There are a couple flats, and even a couple pretty substantial downs, but when you’re done you’ll only remember the up. Total climb is 4,645 ft. You read that right. 4,645 ft of vertical in 14.6 miles. The road has switchbacks, some chip seal for the first few k’s, plus plenty of places where nature is taking back its turf. But mostly it’s a great classic striding workout where you don’t need high visibility clothes, where you’ll stride for hours, and where the snow on top is a symbolic end to the dryland season.

Kochie’s hill is 90 minutes from MBSEF and it’s become a special place. A place we go when we need a change, when we need to escape the dog days of August, when we want to confirm that we’re fit enough for winter, and when we want to absorb some of the greatness of the best skier of the prior generation. Unfortunately, it’s also a place where the old coach starts telling old stories.
Alpine Panorama Thanksgiving Camp

Hi All - Nils Eriksson
I think we had a very successful camp. There was not a lot space regarding training, but I felt we were able to adjust our training and get a lot out of the camp. The snow was fantastic, very firm and icy. We saw some great improvements throughout the week. Fred, Billy, and I thank all the parents for letting us share a great week with your kids.

Travel - Paget Rathbun
We left at 4:30 on a Friday afternoon to head up to Panorama, British Columbia. There were about 17 kids who were eagerly waiting in the MBSEF parking lot to pile into the two vans parked up front. After every one said good bye to their family members, the 17 ski racers were sitting comfortably in the vans. After a few hours we stopped in Biggs and picked up 1 more racer and also stopped for gas and food. We arrived in Spokane Washington late at night and went straight to sleep. We left at 7:00AM and drove up through Idaho and up to the Canadian border. After we made it past the border, we stopped to eat lunch at subway. When we arrived in panorama most of the racers where exhausted from the long drive but still exited to spend a week skiing in Canada. We unloaded our luggage and headed to our rooms. There was one room for the girls, three rooms for the boys, and one for the coaches. When it was time to go to bed, we put on our PJ's and dreamt about our first day on the mountain.

Day 3 - Addie Beasley
Monday the 23rd was our third day on snow and first day of GS training. Our first training block began at 8:00, so everyone had to be up bright and early in order to make it to breakfast on time. When everyone was arriving at the dining hall around 7:20, it was still dark. Finishing our breakfasts, we noticed it wasn’t getting any brighter. I don’t believe the sun fully came up until around 10 or 11. This meant the day started out with some flat light, but we did get to witness a beautiful sunrise over the mountains. Pinkish orange clouds were visible from the chair with a vibrant blue sky illuminating them from behind. I’m sure we all braved the below-freezing morning temps to grab our phones and take a few pictures. We trained some sections of giant slalom on the crowded run. Although there were massive amounts of people sharing the run, it was worth the hard snow and great training we got that cold morning.

4th Day - Tanner Lujan
On our fourth day of training we trained GS. We shared lane space with our fellow PNSA skiers from Schweitzer. It was great training with nice firm snow. The firm snow mixed with a long run made it a great opportunity for working on and experimenting with different racing techniques. Also since we had only afternoon training sessions, we played speedball in the morning after breakfast in the parking lot. It was a slippery good time.

Panorama Trip - Day 5 (Thanksgiving Day!)
- Jack Botti
Well, another day on the crowded hill to continue our GS training. We pulled ourselves out of bed at around 8:00 a.m. to start our training at 8:30 (obviously, we manage our time really well). Some of my roommates woke up earlier to do a swift tune and wax before breakfast. Half awake, we got our gear on and headed down to the lodge for a quick bacon and egg meal. Mother nature has been cooperating with us over the week and it looked like it was going to be another beautiful day of training. The snow was hard, and there was hardly a breath of wind. Some of us were still getting used to our new equipment- stupid FIS regulations- and others were working on personal technique to improve their skating. As the first 2 and a half hour session came to an end, we just started to realize it was Thanksgiving Day. For MBSEF, it was just another day on the hill. The break from 11:00 to 1:30 was filled with lunch, video, and also adding a little hum to our edges because of the hard snow. We didn't get much down time in our breaks but we were ready to hit the slopes again for the second time. We made several laps on the course, some of which included Nils on the side videoing. The second session started to come to an end, and the sun was setting. What a view it was. Shortly after, we watched video from that session. Our team as a

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whole were shredding. Anyways, we later set off to the general store for some tasty treats since it was our last night in Panorama. With our stomachs empty, we were ready to feast on the Thanksgiving meal. We sat as a team and went around sharing what we were thankful for. Although many were missing their families at this time, I think I could speak for everyone when I say that MBSEF felt as close to a family in that moment. After dinner, we headed to our rooms to pile up the messes we made on the floor, in the kitchen, and on our beds (whoops). Some were a distraction to the clean up process, but we managed to have some time left in the night. We took a trip to the hot tub WHILE enjoying some fresh cinnamon rolls we had cooked up earlier that night. It was a long successful day.

Dat 6 - Carina Bracy
Day six consisted of somewhat sad emotions on the hill because we knew that as soon as we were done skiing, we would have to pack up and say goodbye to the place we called home for that past week. We got to start out the day with one last session of slalom and with a nearly full length course it was an unbelievably productive morning. Then, after a short lunch break where we enjoyed our last Canadian meal and had the joy of taking off the uncomfortable food voucher bracelets, we hit the slopes again with a last gas session. That was my favorite part of the last day, getting to ski both events, which topped off a perfect week of training.

After we got of the hill for the last time we headed straight back to our condos to clean up the messes that had accumulated over the week and pack up the rest of our things. With out a doubt this was the saddest part of the trip for we came to call our condos home. Once we somehow managed to get all of our things packed away in the trailers we all climbed in the vans, which of course included battling it out for the window seats. Then we were off, Spokane bound.

The Drive Home (Day 7/8) - Ian Lafky/Andrew Bristow
During the drive home, not much happened. The duration of the trip was spent playing games, watching movies, sleeping and talking. We stopped and spent the night in Spokane on Friday. We ate at Casa de Oro (House of Gold), a Mexican restaurant across the street from the Holiday Inn (where we stayed) and concluded the night with a late night trip to Safeway. The next day began with exceptional cinnamon rolls as always from the breakfast service at the Holiday Inn. We left fairly early so we could get back to Bend as soon as possible. The only stop we made was in Biggs, where I ended my trip and got out early. In all, the drive home was quiet and peaceful, which was enjoyable.

Panorama photos by Billy Farwig

Dr. Zack Porter, You’re Awesome!!

Dr. Zack Porter, DDS, with Skyline Dental, LLC, is again offering our currently enrolled MBSEF junior athletes free x-rays, exam, and cleaning. Zack also volunteers on weekends for MBSEF, coaching in the Freeride Ski Development program.

This will be the third year he has offered this service for MBSEF athletes and it has been awesome to have kids and families from MBSEF come in for free x-rays, exams and cleaning!

Supporting MBSEF and our community is something Zack feels strongly about doing and lucky to be able to do it. If it has been a while since your athlete has had their teeth cleaned, please give Zack a call.

He is honored to offer free x-rays, exam, and cleanings to all current MBSEF Junior Athletes. Please call his office and mention the MBSEF program with Dr. Porter to set up an appointment.

Have a great season!

Zack Porter, DDS & MBSEF Freeride Ski Development Coach
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A Sigh of Relief

by Jared Schiemer,
former MBSEF Alpine Racer

It’s absolutely freezing. Standing up at the top of the hill, another glacial day at Mt. Bachelor, I was silent. I am not going to communicate nor converse with anyone. I can’t, not today, not right now. Waiting there at the top of Cliff Hanger, a ski run I’ve known since I was a little boy, I have my skis off and I am relaxed, but tense all in the same moment. My heart is pumping faster than usual. It feels as though I have been waiting up here, on Cliff Hanger for hours. The girls are flying down the run past me and I watch them with anticipation. One by one I can see them finish at the bottom.

Just another ski race. That was my security blanket, in attempt to stay calm and collected. How can something so light and harmless as snow act in such a powerful and threatening manner? It keeps falling and there is no sign of stopping, an endless white fate. As time moves along I am more anxious. The number of girls racing down starts to decrease, it will soon be my turn to attempt this treacherous slope.

“Boys five minutes!” Some man announces. Time is up and I must be ready. My heart beats faster and faster as the snow keeps falling more and more. I tense up, but I start to focus in. As I delayer, I notice racers are getting ready as well. Setting my skis down gently I envision the course as I am still tense and stressed out.

I slide up to the starting gate where the previous racers have gone before me. It is now my turn, with butterflies in my stomach feeling like I am about to throw up, I creep up to the edge of the gate and peer down. “Five, four, three, two, one…” I am off. Flying past the gates I am reaching speeds up to 30 miles per hour. Thinking right now is not an option, time is of the essence and I do not have that luxury. I must react and keep rocketing down the run. This speed is like a vicious animal in a small box, that I have to contain or I will crash. At the rate I am traveling now, if I crash I will be done for. A lot is at stake, my place, my physical well-being, and most importantly my pride.

Nearing the end I am tired and almost out of breath. Carving solid continuous turns from gate to gate, I can see the finish line up ahead. I am close. Adrenaline is overtaking me like a tsunami swallowing a city. I breathe harder and harder as I am finishing the last few gates. Passing the last gate I am only a few feet away from the finish line. I reach out in an effort to stop the almost never ending timer. Silence. Relief. I have made it. I slow down in a gentle drift as my speed starts to decrease. Feeling drained and exhausted, I look back up at the hill with a small sense of peace. I finally come to a complete stop catching my breath and resting. Feeling the flakes of snow descend and rest softly on my body it seems as though it is a different snow, a quite innocent bunch of twinkling flakes. I can now breathe and take my sigh of relief knowing I have finished.
Athlete Spotlight - Connor Redlich-Colgan, MWC Program

Connor is 10 and has been skiing since he was 6. He is in his 4th season with the MWC program at MBSEF. Last August he became extremely ill from an unknown cause. By October he was diagnosed with Gastrointestinal Paresis caused by an unknown source, his system had basically shut down and his body was not processing his foods. He had to go on a liquid diet and have abdominal massage daily to stimulate his body's gastrointestinal processes. Despite constant efforts made by his parents and his doctor, 6 months later he was still not getting better and the source of his pain and discomfort was still unknown. By February he had been hospitalized 3 times, and had dozens of trips to the ER and his Doctors office. He had to endure constant pain and seemingly endless medical procedures which most adults will never have to experience. During the course of his illness, he began to express worry that he was not going to live through his mystery illness. At some point (and unbeknownst to his parents at the time) he made a "bucket list" which, among many things included having perfect ski race seasons, Olympic Gold Medals and having a wife and kids.

With all that Connor was enduring, the one constant thing that kept him going was ski racing. Looking back, his parents believe the goals he had made in his bucket list are what truly stopped him from giving up. It didn't matter how bad he felt on any particular morning (or even if I was encouraging him to stay home) he was going to get up, put his gear on and ski. There was not one race which he competed in that he didn't start and finish the day in pain. To him, it didn't matter that he was in discomfort; he knew that no matter what he did that day he was still going to be in pain so he might as well push through it, so he could achieve his goals.

Nearly 6 months after Connor first became ill, his Doctor's finally discovered the source of his illness; he was allergic to Soy. They explained that it was so difficult to diagnose his condition because his symptoms were not classic allergy symptoms. After just a couple of weeks without Soy, the once ashen color of his skin returned to normal, the puffy look of his face disappeared, his body was working the way it was meant to and he was pain free.

By the time the ski season was over (and amid what seemingly was an insurmountable level of adversity) Connor was finally back to himself; and he had earned 5 MWC Gold Medals to show for all his efforts! In March, he happily checked that goal off of his "bucket list".
A Cascade Cycling Classic Story  

submitted by Nick Campbell

If you're bored during a Bend summer, you're not trying very hard. This was my fourth year driving in the Cascade Cycling Classic. What a great gig; see the race up front, learn the ropes of cycling administration... and get yelled at by Molly. What more could a volunteer want?

Back for a return engagement was our hosted rider Julie from Boulder. She stayed with us a couple years back, and we really enjoyed getting to know her. This year, she decided to give the CCC another go, so she called and asked if her room was still available. Sure thing! One thing I definitely appreciate about Julie is her vast experience; she's been around the block once or twice as a pro mountain bike racer as well as a roadie. And, oh by the way, she's a sports psychologist with a full load of clients. I don't know how she finds the time to train.

This time out, she's riding unsupported. No cushy team van, no soigneurs (well, I DID get up early to make her coffee), no domestiques keeping her sheltered from the wind. Nope. She eats nails for breakfast.

During the McKenzie and Cascade road stages, she stays out of trouble. On the Prineville Time Trial, she unloads and jumps into 20th place overall. Huge result. And her goal in the criterium was to finish in one piece, which she did.

That brings us to the final stage on Awbrey Butte... I'm driving the COM2 car at the front of the pack, while COM1 is between the riders and all the team vehicles. Three laps of Awbrey Butte with the killer climbs up O.B. Riley and Archie Briggs. Down Tyler for the last time, about 10 miles to go. I zip thru the slalom curves and approach Tumalo Reservoir Road. Glancing back, I see a break forming, and I hear the motorcycle official identify three riders.

Hmmmm..... I see a fourth rider in my rearview mirror. Squinting, I think, 'could be.' Then the call: "Joining the break is rider #408." That's her. I'm glad there isn't a penalty for excessive smiling by drivers. Julie is the only one of the four who is not attached to a team, so she has no one back in the peloton helping to regulate the race speed. The other downside is that she has about 10 years 'experience' on the other three, yet none of the youngsters help pull the breakaway.

I didn't know it at the time, but race photographer extraordinaire Matthew Lasala is poised at the top of a roller, and captures the moment perfectly. What a backdrop! Quite possibly the best cycling picture I've ever seen, especially with Julie pulling the group.

She asks for help in driving the break, but no one responds. Everyone else is playing cat and mouse, so Julie puts her head down and hammers in the big ring. A couple of times, she gaps the break and nearly pulls away, but I suspect she is keeping it close on purpose. Easier to ride in a small pack than going solo.

Into the last feed zone, the other riders get cold fluids from team volunteers, but our heroine has no one waiting for her. Fortunately, I brought a cooler with a dozen bottles, so I grab one and ask the official to give it to the unsupported rider. Julie chugs it in seconds.

Will it be enough?

At the base of the Archie Briggs climb, one of the other riders explodes the break. And I mean blew it to pieces, almost running me over up that grinding climb. Julie is off the back. Darn it.

On the false flat past above the mailboxes, though, Dr. Julie is looking like a phoenix rising from the ashes. She's... coming... back. I can't believe this. A time trial specialist without a team is bridging the gap up a nasty climb after doing all the pulling for miles?

Yup. I'm shaking my head at this point. She regains contact at the base of the last climb to Mt. Washington, and the leader blows it up again. I can see Julie is cooked with three miles to go and an angry peloton hunting her down. But she keeps throwing that bike down the road and holds off the pack for an incredible 4th place, her best road finish ever! This....is....so.... cool.

I park the car beyond the finish line and grab more water. Soon, she rolls back from behind Summit High, completely empty. I wave her down and hand over the water, a big Cheshire Cat grin on my face. Then I yell some gibberish like "Gadamighty smokehouse country sausage!"

Later that night, Lasala Images already has the pictures up, so I make a note to myself. Three months later on a trip to Denver, Julie is able to meet me for a visit at the REI Starbucks; that's when I give her an enlargement of that awesome photo.

And I have one in my house now, too.
PULSELINE ADVENTURE

Former MBSEF alpine student Aaron Karitis is off and running with his new company, Pulseline Adventure. A travel and guide company, Pulseline Adventure focuses on elite ski, surf, and fish destinations worldwide. With 10 years of heli ski guide and adventure travel experience, Karitis, 31, spent a year developing the company and is ready to launch its first official season December 3rd in Canada.

“The company’s model is to access the best locations in the world, during the best timeframes, with the most elite guides and operations,” Karitis states. Pulseline Adventure’s signature and custom trips span from Alaska to Chile and Japan to Greenland. “We access the most epic locations in the world via heli, cat, lifts, and touring. There’s an experience and price point for everyone,” Karitis explains.

Karitis credits his foundation as a skier and his love for the mountains to his parents and his coaches at MBSEF. Karitis is quick to admit, “I didn’t even know what heli skiing was when I started racing, but without MBSEF, none of this would be possible!”

To learn more about Pulseline Adventure visit the website at www.pulselineadventure.com or contact direct at info@pulselineadventure.com.
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Our main objective is to assist student athletes in achieving their individual athletic, academic and personal goals. The program’s guiding philosophy is to encourage academic achievement and promote the positive values of competitive sport: sportsmanship, self-discipline, goal setting, character building and the pursuit of healthy lifetime activities.

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