



# Gray Wolf Ski Club

*Serving the senior skiers of the San Juans*



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## Letter from the President

### From the Shiny New President

There is an upside and downside to our annual potluck luncheon. The up side is to see so many Gray Wolves in civilian clothes and not in their helmets, goggles and at times outlandish and colorful ski togs. They are tanned, happy and fully engaged in their summer endeavors. The down?...it's when you've been at the function since 9:00am and at 1:30pm nature calls. When you return and take your seat you find you've been nominated for president and are running unopposed. Thank you Mike Hayward. I wish to assure the members that even though I haven't a clue of what this position entails, I can't screw it up too badly in that I have a great board who will not let this happen. Our past president Simon Fuger can't get too far away from me and I know I can rely on Ron Chacey to help as well. The club has several new board members along with me. Our new Treasurer, replacing Lois Dacus, is Stacy Mergens. Our secretary, replacing Mary Miller, is Poppy Borland. The East side rep is Eve Wells and remaining on the board is Cynthia Riski as Membership Coordinator, Muriel Eason as Vice President, Lassie Olin as Program Chair and our Publication Editor is Mary Gamache. After reading Simon's letter from last year, he stated that Mary Miller has been a Gray Wolf member for 30 years....looks like she joined when she was 20....that's illegal by our by laws I believe.

The "Passing of the Pig" luncheon and potluck fare was delicious and a great selection of foods; thanks to all who helped set up and cleaned up, and a hearty thanks to our DJ Dude Mike Hayward and his extraordinary talent of pushing those heavy buttons and producing music. The event was attended by 85+ people this year, it was a bit down in attendance due to the scheduling of a gravel pit hearing for the Meadows Community and the BoCC; but I know the annual tailgate and bratwurst gathering scheduled for Saturday, September 24th will surely swell in numbers. I suppose the free beer and wine will assist in that endeavor.

We will be scheduling our usual functions of social activity this upcoming season. Along with the brats, beer and wine on the opening day for purchasing ski passes the 24th of September, Ron Chacey will have a ski equipment swap and sale area in which members can work their own deals. The date for the Christmas Party is Tuesday, Dec. 13 and the other ski season events and themes such as Cowboy Up Day, Mardi Gras, Hippie and Beach Day will be coming. The Après Ski Tuesdays at Riff Raff are going on now this summer and will continue throughout the year. Theater nights will also be scheduled at the Pagosa Center for the Arts during the season.

I wish to thank the members for all their help and support in all the past events and look forward to a fun filled and fracture free frolic this season. Put [graywolfskiclub.com](http://graywolfskiclub.com) on your favorites...and one more thing....pray for me.

In thought .....Larry Olin

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[WWW.GRAYWOLFSKICLUB.COM](http://WWW.GRAYWOLFSKICLUB.COM)

## A WARM WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

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# 2016 Membership Drive Reminder



## “Spread the Word”

Your dues **MUST** be received by August 15, 2016 to be eligible to buy a Gray Wolf season lift pass at the special Gray Wolf rate. There are **NO EXCEPTIONS**.

Find the application on the website at: [WWW.GRAYWOLFSKICLUB.COM](http://WWW.GRAYWOLFSKICLUB.COM)

Dues are \$15. per person. You may now pay online with a credit card or Paypal. If you pay online you may order a name tag at the same time. You may also mail a check for your membership and/or name tag, along with your application to the Club address.

We will place one order for name tags in August  
Name Tag: \$12 - All name tags will be mailed

Some advantages of club membership are:

- Discounted pre season lift pass.
- Get your daily lift ticket at Base Camp if you have a Gray Wolf season lift pass. No ticket lines!!
- Free fountain drink of your choice at Base Camp on every Tuesday.
- Two lunches at the ski area, during ski season, that the club pays \$5. for each member.
- Club sponsored Mardi Gras party with Subway sandwiches, chips, and cake.
- Other club functions: Christmas party, annual meeting in June, tail gate party at the ski area on the first Saturday of the pre season pass sale, and closing week pot luck.

**It pays to join and you will meet some of the most fun people in the area!!**

# Please read the following important information from the Wolf Creek Ski Area Ticket Office

## Gray Wolf Season Pass Information

### Membership Dues

Gray Wolf membership dues must be paid on or before August 15<sup>th</sup> for your name to appear on the Gray Wolf Membership List. Keep in mind, to receive your daily lift ticket at Base Camp, you must be a member of Gray Wolves and purchase a Gray Wolf season pass, not a Senior season pass.

### Season Pass Sale

The season pass sale will begin Saturday, September 24<sup>th</sup> and will end on Sunday, October 2, 2016. After October 2<sup>nd</sup> prices go up 25% so be sure to purchase your pass during the sale dates. Gray Wolf season passes can only be purchased over the phone, by mail and at the Wolf Creek Ticket Office because we must verify the membership status of every Gray Wolf. Office hours are 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. **Do not purchase a Senior season pass online if you are a member of Gray Wolves. A Senior season pass and a Gray Wolf season pass are not the same; the Senior season pass is slightly more expensive and does not include the advantage of picking up your daily lift ticket at Base Camp.**

### Silver Pin Requirements

To receive the Gray Wolf Silver Pin, Gray Wolf members must purchase a Gray Wolf season pass for the three years prior to turning 80. If you are not a member of the Gray Wolf Ski Club and purchase a Senior season pass for the three years prior to turning 80, you will not qualify for the Gray Wolf Silver Pin.

### Baby Boomer Clinics

Learn a new sport or just refine your existing technique in our clinics taught by qualified senior instructors. Get a great workout and meet others who also enjoy skiing or snowboarding. Open to beginners up to advanced intermediates.

November 15

December 6

January 10

February 7, 28

March 28

We were given these prices to include in our newsletter but they have not yet been posted on the Wolf Creek Ski Area website.



**2016 - 2017  
SEASON PASS SALE**

	<b>PRE-SEASON 9/24/16 - 10/2/16</b>	<b>REGULAR 10/3/16 - 4/2/17</b>
<b>ADULT</b>	\$742.00	\$927.00
<b>SENIOR</b> (65 AND OLDER)	\$328.00	\$409.00
<b>STUDENT</b> (13 TO 18 IN SCHOOL)	\$573.00	\$715.00
<b>CHILD</b> (6 TO 12)	\$294.00	\$367.00
<b>TOT</b> (5 AND UNDER)	\$44.00	\$54.00
<b>WEEKDAY ONLY</b>	\$522.00	\$652.00
<b>1ST IN FAMILY</b>	\$742.00	\$927.00
<b>2ND IN FAMILY</b>	\$573.00	\$715.00
<b>3RD IN FAMILY</b>	\$328.00	\$409.00
<b>4TH IN FAMILY</b>	\$270.00	\$337.00
<b>5TH IN FAMILY</b>	\$270.00	\$337.00
<b>Gray Wolves I</b> (OVER 65)	\$317.00	\$395.00
<b>Gray Wolves II</b> (50 TO 64)	\$631.00	\$787.00

**PRE-SEASON SALE LOCATION:  
WOLF CREEK SKI AREA TICKET OFFICE  
TOP OF WOLF CREEK PASS**

***Saturday, September 24 thru Sunday, October 2, 2016***  
**HOURS: 9:00 a.m. TO 4:00 p.m.**

***PRE-SEASON SALE PRICE ENDS OCTOBER 2, 2016***

**Master Card, Visa, American Express, Discover and Checks Accepted**

**For more information call: 970-264-5639**  
**Website: [www.wolfcreekski.com](http://www.wolfcreekski.com)**



**Employment Applications taken at this time!**

Wolf Creek Ski Area is an equal opportunity provider.

**The following retailers have offered to provide discounts to members of the Club.**



**Ski and Bow Rack:** (Pagosa Springs)

10% off any ski tuning, ski repair and clothing.  
Also ask for locals discount on demo rental skis

**Pagosa Ski Rental:** (Pagosa Springs)

15% off any ski tuning.

**8200 Mountain Sports:** (South Fork)

10% off any retail sales and 50% off any demos during the week.  
They have a very wide range of powder skis.

**Alpine Bike and Ski:** (South Fork)

25% off any demo rental skis and 15% off any retail items.

**Hot Springs:** (Pagosa Springs)

\$8.00 entrance fee on Tuesday's.

\$8.00 for any Gray Wolf group of 14 people or more at any time except holidays.

**Overlook Hot Springs:** (Pagosa Springs)

Tuesdays - buy 1 get one free on beer and wine purchases.

**Summit Ski and Sports:** (Pagosa Springs)

Monday - Thursday - 50% off hot wax application for skis and snowboards.

**The Outfitter:** (Pagosa Springs)

10% discount

**Gray Wolf Ski Club preferred lodging rates at the following hotels in Pagosa Springs.**

**High Country Lodge:** (970) 264-4181

\$80 per night including breakfast  
(excluding weekends & holidays)

**Mountain Landing:** (970) 731-5345

15% off their seasonal pricing

**Quality Inn:** (970) 731-4141

15% below listed rate including breakfast

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE ANNUAL TAIL GATE PARTY AT WOLF CREEK SKI AREA**

The Tail Gate Party is set for Saturday, September 24, 2016. It coincides with the first day of the season lift pass sale at Wolf Creek Ski Area. It's a great opportunity to buy your annual lift pass, reconnect with your ski buddies, and get excited about the coming ski season.

If you want to hike Alberta Peak, meet in the main parking lot at 8 am. The party will be from 11:30 - 2:00. The Club will provide brats, condiments, wine, and beer. Please bring a side dish for 8 - 10 people.

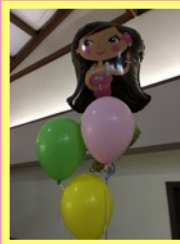
Please bring chairs, a serving table if you have one, and anything else to make yourself comfortable.

Bring any used ski equipment that you would like to sell or trade. You may sell out of your vehicle. You must handle all sales - the Club is not involved.





# Annual Business Meeting and Luau June 28, 2016











85+ Gray Wolf members attended our Luau this year.

The food was delicious, as always!

We had a productive business meeting and elected some new members to the Board, as well as conducted other Club business.

Many thanks to Lassie Olin and her "crew" for decorating the Vista Clubhouse so festively this year and to those who stayed to clean up afterwards!

Thanks also to Mikey Hayward for providing the music!!