

BRYAN MOUNTAIN NORDIC SKI PATROL

Level 1 AVALANCHE COURSE

Please Mail To:
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The Bryan Mountain Nordic Ski Patrol (BMNSP) was founded in 1974 with 12 members as the first registered Nordic component of the National Ski Patrol west of the Mississippi River. BMNSP has since grown to over 50 members. All BMNSP patrollers are trained in CPR and Outdoor Emergency Care, skiing, toboggan handling, search and rescue, winter survival, ski mountaineering and avalanche safety.

Dedicated to service and safety, the goal of the patrol is to prevent trouble and accidents before they occur. This is accomplished through a 4-fold program.

The first is public education. BMNSP offers courses in many aspects of skiing, winter recreation, and safety. Certified instructors from BMNSP teaches CPR and Outdoor Emergency Care courses. BMNSP also teaches course in avalanche safety, ski mountaineering, and winter survival with National Ski Patrol instructors.

Second, BMNSP members spend a great deal of time training to maintain proficiency and teaching skills.

Members also patrol frequently used trails and are available to the public for help and advice on safe skiing.

Lastly, members are available for search and rescue missions, as needed, through the Colorado Search & Rescue Board.

The Bryan Mountain Nordic Ski Patrol meets the first Thursday of each month at 7:00pm at Mt Calvary Lutheran Church in South Boulder. We are current seeking new candidates for the patrol. Please visit our website at www.bmns.org for further information.



Bryan Mountain Nordic Ski Patrol

DECEMBER 8, 10, 12 & 13, 2009

Name: _____
Street Address: _____
City, State & ZIP: _____
Home Phone: () _____
Work Phone: () _____
Mobile Phone: () _____
NSP Registration #: _____ Division: _____
Patroller Certification: Nordic _____ Alpine _____
Auxiliary _____ Patroller _____ Senior _____ Junior _____
Amount Enclosed: Make checks payable to **BMNSP**
_____ \$105 Non NSP Students
_____ \$ 60 NSP Students
Email: _____

LEVEL I AVALANCHE COURSE

National Ski Patrol

The Level I curricula was jointly developed by the American Avalanche Association, U.S.D.A. Forest Service National Avalanche Center, and the National Ski Patrol.

The course objectives are:

- Identify avalanche terrain and make routefinding decisions
- Identify weak and strong layers
- Perform field tests to appreciate snow stability/instability
- Recognize weather, terrain, and snowpack factors contributing to instability
- Perform small group rescue
- Perform fast and efficient transceiver

December 2009 Course

Lecture Dates: 12/8 & 12/10

Lecture Times: 6:00 pm to 10:00 pm

Field Sessions: 12/12 & 12/13

Field Times: 6:00 am to 4:30 pm

The classroom sessions will be held at the Boulder Colorado Mountain Club (633 S Broadway St, Unit N, Boulder, CO 80305) from 6:00 pm - 10:00pm. The second field session will be held in the backcountry near Berthoud Pass.

COST

\$60.00 for NSP members

\$105.00 for non-NSP members

Course fees include textbook & handouts.

TEXT

Snow Sense: A Guide to Evaluating Snow Avalanche Hazard, Jill Fredston and Doug Fesler, Alaska Mountain Safety Center, Anchorage, Alaska

CLASSROOM LOCATION

The Boulder CMC Clubroom is located in the Table Mesa Shopping Center at the southwest corner of Broadway and Table Mesa Drive in Boulder. The Clubroom is on the upper level, around the corner to the west of Neptune Mountaineering.

PREREQUISITES

The field trip will be in a winter avalanche environment of intermediate back country terrain. For the field day, each student will need an avalanche transceiver, shovel, probe, and either skis with climbing skins or snowshoes. If you would like to take the class but do not have access to an avalanche transceiver, please contact us.

For more information, please contact:
Cindy Gagnon at 303-938-8564 or
AvalancheOne@bmnsnp.org

Visit our website: www.bmnsnp.org

CANCELLATION POLICY:
NO refunds for cancellation within two weeks of course.

Curricula for Level 1 Field Days

- Trailhead beacon check & avalanche forecast review
- Routefinding in a Berthoud Pass drainage
- Safe travel techniques in avalanche terrain
- Small party searches for buried victims
- Beacon searching for buried victims
- Basic snowpit techniques
- Basic snow tests (Rutschblock, Stuff Block, and Shovel Shear)
- Large party searches for buried victims

REGISTRATION

Please send your completed registration form (see other side of this brochure) along with your payment to the address indicated on the registration form.