

THE PENINSULA WILDERNESS CLUB MEETS THE SECOND MONDAY OF EVERY MONTH AT 7:30 PM
AT THE KITSAP UNITARIAN FELLOWSHIP CHURCH ON PERRY AVENUE IN EAST BREMERTON.

FOR SALE: SNOWSHOES Wood frame, Rawhide Bindings. Call Sherman Evanson at
377-1539. \$35.

TELEMARK SKI BINDINGS, new. \$20. See Jim Groh.

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BREMERTON, WA 98310-9998

Please find enclosed \$12 for 1987 single/family membership

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LAST CHANCE! After this edition, those who have not renewed their membership for
this year will no longer receive the newsletter. We really do need your support.

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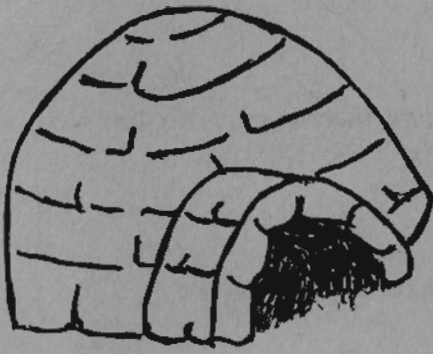
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-FEBRUARY 1987-

-TIME DATED MATERIAL-



IGLOO BUILDING MT RAINIER 28 FEB AND 1 MAR

This will be fun for the entire family. Come just for the day or plan to spend the night in your masterpiece. We do this every year and everyone always has a good time. For more information, call Ted at 857-2206.

MONTHLY MEETING 9 FEB 1987 MONDAY 7:30 PM

Bruce Kittridge will present a video show of his climbs on Hawaii's Mauna Keo and Mauna Loa. He will also include his climbs of Mt. Adams and Mt. Hood.

OLYMPIC NATIONAL FOREST UTILIZATION PLAN ALERT!

As our club President, Rich Sanborn, pointed out at the meeting, last month, the decision point for the future of the Olympic Mountains National Forest is coming due very shortly. The twenty-seventh of February will be the final day that the forest service will accept comments from the public concerning this national forest (one which we club members make quite extensive use of.) So, it is important that you write. When you write, we suggest that you indicate that you favor "Plan G". In your letter you should tell the ranger a little about yourself, how you use the forest, and what activities, such as an off road vehicle trail up the side of Mt. Ellinor, you believe should be restricted. The address to write is as follows:

Olympic National Forest
P.O. Box 2288
Olympia, WA 98507

MOUNT ST. HELENS X-C SKI TRIP

18 January 1987

Clint Porter

I was a little apprehensive about this particular trip because I was going into territory where I had never been before during the winter.. Nevertheless, this was to be my try to do the Forest Service Road to the Windy Ridge Mt. St. Helens view point. I knew I might not make it all the way but I figured it would be worth a try. The week before I did call the Randle Ranger Station and asked my good buddy Ranger Bob about the route. He said I would never make it and suggested I might want to do some skiing around Ryan Lake like most other people.

Nevertheless, I decided to do the Mt. St. Helens Route. At Randle I turned south on Road 23, turned right on 25 and was pleased to note that the road had been plowed even though the sign warns that you travel at your own risk. (The turn off for Ryan Lake, on Road 26 is just across the Crispus River.) Road 25 was plowed as far as the Burley Mountain turnoff which put me within a mile of Road 99 which would lead me to the Mt. St. Helens area. (Formerly Road 100).

I started off at 7:15 the next morning and skied up the 1200 foot climb to Bear Meadow, where on a good day one gets one's first sight of the mountain. From there it is down hill for four miles and then the road starts gradually uphill again. At the "wrecked car" about ten miles, I noted a side road which looks fairly new. The sign said "Ryan Lake - 5 Miles". Should have listened to Ranger Bob. I eventually got to Independence Pass, where the little General Store is before turning back. Really didn't get any pictures because of the snow and clouds. In fact, the only time I even saw the mountain was in the evening sunset, just as I reached the Bear Meadows summit again. The descent back down to my car was particularly satisfying. All told I had done between 22 and 24 miles.