Outstanding Club Entry Form 2023

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YOU ARE ENCOURAGED TO CREATE A FINAL "STYLISH VERSION", USING THE CONTENT IN EACH SECTION, ADDING GRAPHICS, IMAGES, VIDEO LINKS TO HELP YOUR CLUB STAND OUT.
If you are not active in any of the sections below just move on to the next section. Please use only PDF format for upload. MAX 10 PAGES TOTAL!!!

1.0 Affiliations and Involvement

1.1 (Max 5 points)
Council or League promotion and involvement (promotes Council/League trips and events, shares news with members, displays link on website, etc.)

1.2 (Max 3 points)
Other ski related affiliation promotion (Ski Patrol, Ski Federation, National Ski Area Association, etc.) (Contact information provided, news and information made available to members, etc.)

1.3 (Max 5 points)
FWSA promotion and involvement (inclusion of the current FWSA news items and activities into communications, convention attendance, awards program participation, and contact information provided to members)

2.0 Club Business and Organization

2.1 (Max of 3 points)

Club or skiing history preservation (club has a historian who actively preserves club history or the history of skiing in general.)

2.2 (Max of 2 points)

Membership is easy to obtain (multiple sales locations, website forms, newsletter forms, etc. to create a user friendly process for joining)

2.3 (Max of 2 points)

Contact information of club representatives is readily available (contacts for whom to contact for event, activity, or membership information)

2.4 (Max of 5 points)
Club background, policies, and governing documents are easy to obtain (documents are available on the website or newsletter, contact information is made available, or a member's handbook is distributed to all members at the time of joining.)

2.5 (Max of 5 points)
Mission and scope. Is it made clear either through statements or mottos and is aligned with the functions of the club. Examples: If the club's mission claims they are an all-year round club, do they plan year around activities? If they claim to welcome families, are all events planned for children as well as adults?

2.6 (Max of 3 points)
Governing documents and policies are up to date and current with revisions and dates provided.

2.7 (Max of 3 points)
Federal, State or local forms (taxes, D & O Insurance, Travel Number, Travel Trust, etc.) are kept current and the appropriate numbers or verifications are made available. (Do not deduct points for those clubs living in states where travel numbers and trusts are not required.)

2.8 (Max of 3 points)
Financial audits and checks are routinely held, and evidence is made available of the boards fiduciary responsibilities to its members.

3.0 Activities and Members

3.1 (Max of 5 points)
Club event promotion (any event sponsored or put on by the club; ski trips, parties, gatherings, community support activities, etc.), information is made easily available and contact information is provided.

3.2 (Max of 2 points)
Member health & fitness is considered (pre-season conditioning, hiking activities, tips on exercising or any other sport preparation for skiers to support their skiing and fitness in general)

3.3 (Max of 4 points)
Ski & sports safety is valued (avalanche awareness, helmet usage, skier codes, or any other equipment, environment, or behavioral related safety information is made available to members).

3.4 (Max of 4 points)
Members are valued through publicized recognition programs (service awards, personal dates

such as birthdays, etc.).

4.0 Charities and Programs

4.1 (Max of 5 points)
Philanthropic efforts for the ski community or home community are valued and made evident (volunteerism or donations are made to local non-ski club efforts).

(Max of 3 points) Involvement in special sub-programs within the club (These could be youth, disabled, elderly, singles, or other types of special divisions within the club itself. This category is not to add more points to those clubs who are considered a specialty club. Example: if the ski club is for singles, then they may not receive points for their involvement in a singles program here, but they could receive points for their involvement in a sub-program for disabled skiers. Award points only for sub-programs)

4.2 (Max of 4 points) Accessibility is valued and efforts are made to welcome and accommodate skiers and members with disabilities (this could include preparing the website for screen readers, providing printed materials in Braille, pro- viding volunteer blind skier guides, people to assist skiers with disabilities, or ski-buddy volunteers, etc.)

5.0 Bonus section

5.1 (Max 10 points). Exceptionalism This category is to be used in awarding this club points for something not covered in the above criteria, yet is so special as to need recognition. This may include an exceptional dedication to a community event, participation in something like the Special Olympics, a one-time special event, or other special activity that sets this club apart from normal ski clubs, making them truly outstanding. Please note this exceptionalism below so that a special mention can be made at the time of the award.