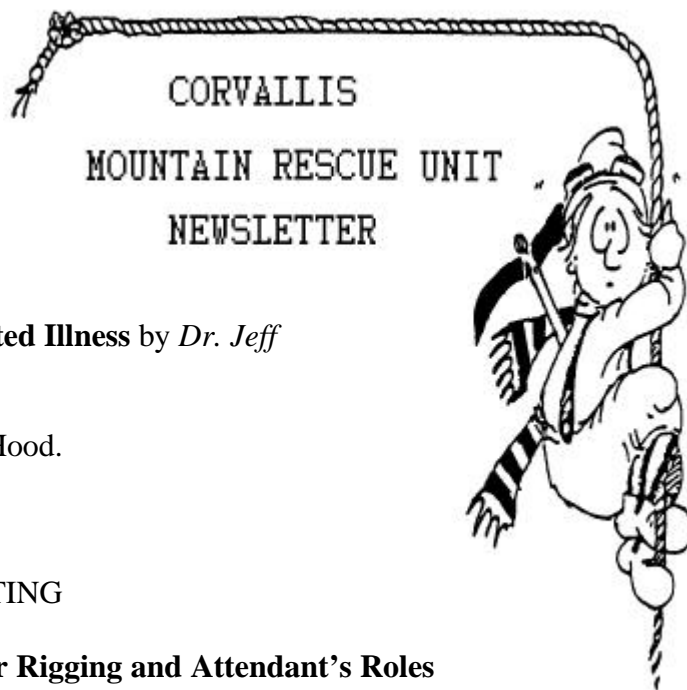


**Calendar**

- April 1 7:00pm UNIT MEETING (no foolin') –  
Training: **Incident Command System** by *Mike Bamberger*.
- April 16 7:00pm TRAINING SESSION – **Heat Related Illness** by *Dr. Jeff Humphrey*.
- April 26 8:00am **OMRC Reaccreditation** near Mt. Hood.
- April 26 8:00am **McDonald Forest Ultramarathon**
- April 28 7:00pm EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
- May 6 7:00pm UNIT MEETING – Training: **Litter Rigging and Attendant's Roles**
- May 14 7:00pm TRAINING SESSION – **Raising/Lowering System**
- May 17/18 10:00am ROCK PRACTICE – Steelhead Falls
- May 26 7:00pm EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING



MISSION REPORT 03-02: Overdue Snowshoer, Mt. Hood

Hours: 252.5 Miles: 1590

Fred Frauens (49 year old male) elected to snowshoe toward the Hogsback on Mt. Hood while his family skied at Timberline. He was last seen ascending above Palmer Lift (~9500') into deteriorating weather on Sunday, 2 March 2003, and was reported overdue by his family at 1700. On Monday, PMR and aircraft searched the upper mountain in reasonably good weather. CMRU called on Monday evening to respond for Tuesday.

Initial responders Scott, Matt, Nate, and Aaron arrived on Tuesday (3/4/03) with Matt, Nate, and Aaron staying for Wednesday (3/5/03). Due to steadily worsening weather, they mainly searched in the Zig Zag Canyon area. No CMRU personnel were on-scene for Thursday. On Friday, Aaron, Matt, Nate, and Jeremy responded and were assigned a sector in Little Zig Zag canyon area. After an "epic" snowcat ride to the top of the Mile Chair, after surveying the weather and new snow, the team felt they would be in "survival mode" and ineffective to search. The team was withdrawn and shortly thereafter, the operation was suspended.

In spite of the many searchers and thousands of searcher-hours spent, no significant clues were uncovered and Mr. Frauens remains missing.

APRIL ICS TRAINING – reviewed

At our April Unit Meeting, Benton County Emergency Manager and SAR Coordinator, Mike Bamberger, gave a presentation on *Incident Command System* (ICS). He incorporated the ideas from February's Search Management System (SMS) course as they relate to mission organization by developing objectives, strategies and tactics. Mike also discussed how ICS is used within Benton County for SAR missions. Thanks, Mike.

MARCH FIELD TRAINING -- revisited

Last month's field training stressed overland navigation using map, compass, and GPS. Jeremy Adolf established over twenty points in the vicinity of Mt. Pisgah (southeast of Eugene) and created numerous routes for those who attended this training. The day was perfect – a little rain, a bunch of sun, and newly blooming poison oak! (I'm just now getting over a "brush" I had with the poison oak.) Working in teams of two, we covered miles of horizontal distance, and over 1000 vertical feet. Thanks, Jeremy, for the great time.

OMRC REACCREDITATION – challenge

This year, the evaluation will be held on Saturday, April 26 near Mt. Hood as a convenience to Portland Mountain Rescue and the Hood River Crag Rats. Both teams will be evaluated simultaneously in all three sections. CMRU is responsible for developing the Rock Module problem and will need to supply evaluators for three modules. We also need to supply a couple “victims” for the Rock Module. If you can be an evaluator or a “victim” for these evaluations, please contact Bob Freund ([bob@green-woods.com](mailto:bob@green-woods.com)). We’ll need to do some “equipment coordination.”

MCDONALD FOREST ULTRAMARATHON –

As in past years, CMRU has agreed to support the “Mac Ultra” with emergency medical/evacuation if needed. However, due to the rescheduling of the OMRC reaccreditation, there is a direct conflict on Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to help with the “Mac Ultra,” contact Jon Sears ([jons@proaxis.com](mailto:jons@proaxis.com)) to let him know.

ROPES THAT RESCUE – course scheduled

Jim Dagata reports that the “*Ropes that Rescue*” course scheduled for Smith Rocks in June is filling up. If you are interested in this seven day rope rescue course, contact Jim ([jdagbigdog@aol.com](mailto:jdagbigdog@aol.com)) soon if you have questions which his emails have not answered.

TRUCK UPDATE –

Jim Wach has seen to it that the winch cable on the truck has been replaced and the chain and hook on the end of the cable were replaced with a better hook. The truck has new tires and Jim has overseen other work done by the county shop. He also replaced the PTO knob which was beginning to show its age.