

National Ski Council Federation Newsbeat September-October 2021

Steamboat Resort, CO, Expansion Gets Go Ahead From Forest Service to Make it Colorado's 2nd Largest Resort. Steamboat Resort, CO announced yesterday that its \$135-million master plan to make the resort the second largest in Colorado has received approval from the US Forest Service. The approval follows a public comment period in July. [More.](#) SnowBrains

Vail Announces Largest Set of Lift Upgrades in North American Ski History. \$325M, 19-lift, 14-resort project will transform ski experience at some of the continent's busiest resorts for 2022-23--an absolutely monster project that will drop 19 new lifts on 14 mountains by the start of the 2022-23 ski season. [More.](#) The Storm Skiing Journal

Squaw Valley Ditches its Name Saying it's Racist and Sexist. The famed Squaw Valley ski resort near Lake Tahoe is changing its name, after a long debate and input from Native American tribes. The leadership of the resort, which will now be known as Palisades Tahoe, says, "The old name was derogatory and offensive." [More.](#) NPR via Intopia | Destimetrics

Vail Resorts Nixes Reservation System This Year, But Vaccine Proof Will Be Required for Some Dining. Vail Resorts will require proof of vaccination for guests to dine at indoor on-mountain, cafeteria-style restaurants this winter and vaccinations will be required for all employees. [More.](#) *Denver Post* via Intopia | Destimetrics

Ikon Pass Holders Will Be Required to Make Reservations at Jackson Hole Mountain Resort, WY, Next Season. Seven ski days at Jackson Hole are included on the Ikon Pass and are a \$150 add-on to the Ikon Base Pass. The resort aims to operate all lifts at full loading capacity, including the Aerial Tram, and Jackson Hole pass holders will *not* be required to make reservations. [More.](#) SnowBrains

Ikon Adds Dolomiti Superski and Kitzbühel. Ikon Pass has expanded its European connections to include Dolomiti Superski in Italy and Kitzbühel, Austria, which join Zermatt, Switzerland, on the Ikon Pass. [More.](#) SAM

Tahoe-Area Ski Resorts Optimistic About Opening on Time Following Caldor Fire. Sierra-at-Tahoe, Kirkwood and Heavenly expect to be open this winter once there's enough snow. [More.](#) CBS Bay Area via Intopia | Destimetrics

Appeals Court Blocks Palisades (nee Squaw Valley) Expansion. a California appeals court blocked a 30-year, \$1 billion expansion plan for Squaw Valley Alpine Meadows, saying the development plan fails to adequately address potential environmental damage, as well as increased area noise and travel. [More.](#) SAM

Alterra Acquires Purcell Heli-Skiing. Alterra Mountain Company has purchased Purcell Heli-Skiing in British Columbia, Canada. The business and ski tenure will be incorporated into Alterra-owned CMH Heli-Skiing & Summer Adventures. [More.](#) SAM

Dodge Ridge (CA) Sold to Mountain High Owners. California's Dodge Ridge Ski Resort is being acquired by Mountain High Resort, Calif., owners Invision Capital and Karl Kapuscinski, Mountain High president, and

CEO. Longtime Dodge Ridge owners Frank and Sally Helm are retiring. The Helm family has owned and operated the ski area since 1976. [More](#). SAM

Injury Insurance Added to Ski Passes Could Take Financial Pressure Off Skiers, Boarders. A new kind of injury insurance is taking a little financial pressure off athletes of all levels and attracting ski resorts looking to add extra perks to their passes. Spot insurance, which launched a year ago, partnered with Telluride Ski Resort this season which has added the insurance to its passes. [More](#). CBS Denver

The 9 Most Expensive Daily Lift Tickets in the USA Last Season. A daily lift ticket was \$229 at two ski areas during peak season last year. Lots of other ski resorts had window prices not far away from that number, either. [More](#). SnowBrains

Sustainable Skiwear Rental Platform Launched. EcoSki say that their new rental division offers, "...a practical, cost-effective, sustainable solution for skiers wanting high-quality kit without the high-end price tag." Kits available to rent includes everything from jackets, pants, helmets and goggles to socks, base layers, gloves, beanies and even avalanche equipment. [More](#). InTheSnow.com

A \$4 Million Partnership Will Result in 13,000 Ski Visits for Kids New to the Sport. The Ikon Pass parent company allies with the Share Winter Foundation to help further diversify skiing this season. [More](#). *Ski Magazine* via Intopia | Destimetrics Ed. Note: Constance Beverley, Share Winter CEO, spoke at the 2019 NSCF Annual Meeting in Jackson, WY.

Sophie Goldschmidt appointed U.S. Ski & Snowboard President & CEO. Goldschmidt will officially begin on Oct. 18, taking over from current President and CEO Tiger Shaw. Goldschmidt will be relocating from Los Angeles to Park City, Utah. [More](#). Ski Racing

Indy Pass Adds Manning Park, Sovereign Lake Nordic, Seven Oaks, The Rock Snowpark. The new resorts include Seven Oaks, Iowa, and The Rock Snowpark, Wisconsin, adding to Indy's considerable Midwestern strength and density. The other two additions, both in British Columbia, are Manning Park and, in a first for Indy, Sovereign Lake Nordic Club, a massive cross-country facility that offers no downhill terrain. [More](#). The Storm Skiing Journal