

Join NSP bike & ski patrollers, October 7-10, 2021, for first-aid, marshal services at USA's big cycling event!

Sea Otter Bike Classic located at Laguna Seca Raceway/Ft. Ord National Monument, CA.

For the 17th year, 60 Far West Division ski/bike patrollers, family and friends are invited to help provide first-aid service, non-emergency transport and course marshaling at the Sea Otter Classic at Laguna Seca Raceway near Monterey, CA, the USA's largest outdoor biking event.

NSP members and friends camp at "Ski Patrol Central" within the event, enjoy evening barbecues, find time to ride their bikes, attend the huge trade show and make new NSP friends! For their volunteer service, the Sea Otter Foundation donates approximately \$5,400 to patrols of the NSP volunteers.

Patrollers, family and friends are **offered free camping** right in the Laguna Seca paddock at Ski Patrol Central as well as **free admission, lunch and t-shirt**. Motorhomes, camping trailers and tents make for cozy accommodations and evening **NSP barbecues** add camaraderie and fun!

This four-day bicycling extravaganza attracts 10,000 participants ranging from world-class pro riders to serious amateurs and recreational cyclists. Over the four days, riders take part in circuit racing, cross-country events, wild downhill and dual slalom racing and citizens road and cross-

country rides. Each year, NSP members provide first-aid care to over 200 riders, from incidents of road rash and exhaustion to more serious trauma-induced injuries.

Over 70,000 spectators crowd the huge venue, which spreads out from Laguna Seca Raceway into the scenic backcountry of the Ft. Ord National Monument and, for the road races, along roads through Monterey County. 600 trade show vendors make for the largest market in the country for cycling equipment and accessories.

In 2019, the Dodge Ridge Patrol led in volunteer numbers, with 31 members and friends/family (providing marshaling services), joined by patrollers from Alpine Meadows, Bear Valley, China Peak, Heavenly, Mt. Shasta, Sierra at Tahoe and Squaw Valley ski patrols. The NSP contingent pairs with members of Friends of Fort Ord and back-country first-aiders, along with Monterey County Rural Fire Services and AMR Ambulance.

We invite members of NSP patrols to join us! For Sea Otter Classic insight go to: seatterclassic.com; **mark your calendars, October 7-10, 2021.**

To volunteer or for more info, email or call Tim Viall, Coordinator for NSP Volunteers for the Sea Otter Classic: tviall@msn.com, or (209) 969-3875.



Clockwise from top left, the NSP first aid crew for the backcountry courses prepare to depart for assignments, NSP volunteers staff two large first-aid tents at the venue; NSP members, back-country first-aiders and Friends of Ft. Ord volunteers (in orange vests/shirts) pose for back-country photo, and tents, motorhomes made for cozy evenings at "Ski Patrol Central". Join the NSP team for NSP service, camaraderie and fun!

