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Information and Construction News  
FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 18, 2006

#### TRAFFIC

Lower Carriage Way is paved and open for the season. Continue to expect construction traffic and snow removal equipment along Brush Creek Road and around the construction site.  
Wood Road is now open to two lanes of traffic, except Wed 12/13.  
Wood Road will be CLOSED at the Funnel Bridge twice on Wed 12/13 at 10am and 1pm for 45-60 minutes each time in order to remove scaffolding.  
Motorists are advised to plan ahead to avoid major delays and traffic back up.

#### PEDESTRIAN/CYCLIST INFORMATION: Please obey all signs and closures.

The Brush Creek Trail is being converted into a cross-country ski trail from Wood Road down and will be plowed for pedestrian use above Wood Road. Pedestrians and residents below the Mall wishing to access the Snowmass Center can call in a ride request with the TOSV Shuttle at 923.3500 or catch a bus at Lot 1 at :13 and :43 after the hour.

#### GENERAL CONSTRUCTION

Completion and clean up of construction on new Wood Road traffic and Funnel Bridges. Expect wood and stone finishes on bridges next summer. Continue construction and concrete form work for the new parking garage, Children's Center, Guest Services, Lift Tickets and Apres Ski buildings.

#### ON-MOUNTAIN

Snowmass Ski Area open.  
Elk Camp Gondola scheduled to open December 16.  
Snowmaking operations continue, weather permitting.

#### WETLANDS AND EROSION CONTROL

Monitoring and maintenance of the wetlands and erosion control system continues as stipulated in the construction management plan.

Construction Questions? 970.920.7019

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Hours of construction: Monday-Saturday 7am to 6pm



## The sensory sport



Elizabeth Morse/Snowmass Sun

Students from the senior class of the Tennessee School for the Blind have been enjoying the ski area and Village activities all week. Hosted by Challenge Aspen, the students who were based at the Silvertree Hotel enjoyed activities including skiing, ice skating, visiting the hot springs pool in Glenwood and more. Challenge Aspen has been hosting the senior class of the Tennessee School For The Blind for the past seven years, and for the majority of the students hitting the slopes "is a powerful way for each student to overcome fear and boost their confidence and self-esteem," said program coordinator Laine Weinstein.

## IN BRIEF

### Wood Road closures for December 13

Wood Road is scheduled to be closed at the Funnel Ski Bridge on Wednesday, Dec. 13, at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. The road will be closed for all traffic each time for about 45 - 60 minutes.

The closures are scheduled to remove scaffolding from around the bridge in order to improve the height clearance under the bridge.

Please plan ahead in order to avoid major delays and traffic back up. If you have questions, please call 920-7019.

On December 7, a delivery truck's box cabin hit the top of the bridge on its way down Wood Road. The truck did not stop for a flagger and was cited by Snowmass Police when he was finally pulled over down Brush Creek Road near Highway 82. While the truck's box enclosure was slightly damaged, there was not damage to the bridge according to Snowmass Police Chief Art Smythe.

### More Aspen/Pitkin County Airport flights

Beginning this Thursday, Dec. 14, there will be an increased number of commercial flights operating in and out of the Aspen/Pitkin County Airport, said Bill Tomcich of Stay Aspen Snowmass. The increased number of flights is more than we have seen in a long time as both United and Delta's full winter flight schedules take effect.

This Saturday, Dec. 16, a total of 26 inbound flights are scheduled to arrive ... 16 from Denver, four from Salt Lake City, three from Los Angeles, two from Chicago and one from San Francisco.

This is looking to be the busiest day in terms of commercial flights Aspen/Pitkin County Airport has seen since 1998 when both Aspen Mountain Air and Mountain Air Express were still in business and serving the local market.

This winter's flight schedules into Aspen/Snowmass vary considerably by day of week, with Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays all having their own unique schedules this year. They also vary by season, with one set of schedules for Dec. 1-13, another for Dec. 14-Jan. 8, a different set of schedules for Jan 9-Feb. 13, and yet another different set of schedules for Feb. 14-April 9.

### Aspen Times Town Race Series kicks off Dec. 30

The 27th season of the Aspen Times

Town Race Series will kick off on Saturday, December 30, on Aspen Mountain. A free race clinic will be hosted from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. by Mike Tache and Chip Chilson, along with other local coaches. Interested participants can sign up prior to the clinic at Crust restaurant in Aspen Highlands Village.

Competitor categories include skiers, telemarkers and snowboarders from novice to expert. Experienced skiers compete in the advanced league on Saturdays. Snowboarders, telemarkers and novice skiers compete in the recreational division on Sundays.

The race series includes three giant slalom competitions and three slalom competitions between January and March. There is also a speed series super G and downhill on Racer's Edge at Buttermilk, February 9-11. The cost for the super G will be \$30 and the downhill is \$60 or \$80 for both.

Racers of all ages are welcome for the six-race Aspen Times Town Race Series and can enter as individuals or as teams. Entry fees are \$25 per race for an individual, or \$125 for a team of six. Entry fees for the whole season are \$125 per individual, or \$600 per team of six.

#### Complete schedule for the 2006-2007 Aspen Times Town Race Series:

Saturday, December 30 -  
Season Kick off clinic, registration and party  
Race registration at Crust: 8:30-10 a.m.  
Après ski party at Zane's Tavern in Aspen

#### Saturday Series - Advanced Division

January 6 - Giant Slalom  
February 3 - Slalom  
February 24 - Giant Slalom  
March 3 - Slalom  
March 24 - Giant Slalom

#### Sunday Series Recreational Division

January 7 - Giant Slalom  
February 4 - Slalom  
February 25 - Giant Slalom  
March 4 - Slalom  
March 25 - Giant Slalom  
April 1 - Slalom

#### Speed Series - Racers Edge at Buttermilk

February 9-11 - John Meyer Memorial Town Downhill, Post race party at Bumps  
February 14-15 - Tache Racing Speed Camp  
February 16 - Rocky Mountain Masters Super G  
February 17-18 - Rocky Mountain Masters Downhill, Post race party at Bumps