

## Rutherford resigns as president of Mt. Bachelor

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BEND, Ore. — Mt. Bachelor announced yesterday that Dan Rutherford is leaving his position as president of Mount Bachelor. Rutherford was named to the position in 2002 with a five-year contract which has just expired.

John Cumming, president of Powdr Corp, the parent company of Mt. Bachelor, commented, “We are so grateful for Dan’s 36 years at Mount Bachelor. He has been an integral part of both the community and this ski area, and he had a tremendous influence on bringing this mountain to where it is today.”

Rutherford began working at Mount Bachelor in 1971 in the ski rental shop — there were no snowboards in those days. When he started, there were only three double chairlifts on the mountain and Egan, which no longer exist, and West Village were the only lodges.

Over the years Rutherford gained a wide range of experience working in various departments including the ski shop and food and beverage before being named director of base facilities. In 1989 he was named vice-president of operations where he oversaw the building of the Pine Marten Lodge and the installation of Sunrise Express Lift, Sunshine Accelerator Lift, Carrousel Lift and Northwest Express Lift as well as the re-build of the Summit Express Lift.

Rutherford commented, "It was a great run, and I've very much enjoyed it, but it's time for a change. I'm looking forward to having my weekends off and watching my son play baseball." Carly Carmichael, Director of Marketing for Mt. Bachelor noted, "Dan was such a beloved member of our team that we will miss him terribly. We wish him all the best."

Mt. Bachelor is currently open for "Summit Season" spring skiing. The lifts are open from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. daily, and the snow depth at the base is still 100 inches and the depth is 123 inches at mid-mountain.

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