

# **Chemeketan Scramble Summit Program**

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This program allows Chemeketan Assistant Leaders to lead non-technical climbs. Non-technical climbs refer to those that do not require technical gear to reach the summit (rope work, ice axe, crampons, etc). However, the use of a helmet is acceptable and encouraged when applicable.

The primary objectives of this program are:

1. Provide a meaningful training program for upcoming club leaders.
2. Provide more non-technical climbs for new climbers; increasing retention.

## **Program Basics:**

1. Assistant Leaders are eligible to lead Scramble Summit designated peaks.
2. Must have a full leader sponsor for a minimum of two successful climbs.
3. Upon completion of two successful climbs, the Asst Leader is eligible to apply to the Climbing Committee to remove the "provisional" status; allowing them to lead any climb on the approved Scramble Summit list.
4. Asst Leaders may apply to lead a non-technical peak not on the active list.

## **Nuts & Bolts:**

### **Sponsorship:**

1. The Asst Leader must enlist a full leader to sponsor their climb.
2. Two different sponsors on two different peaks is recommended before applying to remove the "provisional" status.
3. It is the sponsor's option to participate in the climb.
4. Asst Leader must keep the sponsor informed during pre-climb planning; including:
  - A. Prospectus development
  - B. Climb team and climb assistant selection
  - C. Pre-climb check in (route conditions, weather, final roster, etc.)
5. Sponsor makes the final "Go-No Go" decision on the climb based on the expected conditions, weather, and their own comfort level with the leader and team.
6. After the climb, the Asst Leader will submit a climb report to the sponsor including:
  - A. final roster of climbers and email addresses
  - B. synopsis of climb, including positives and negatives
7. Sponsor will assess success of the climb based on the climb report, follow up with climb team (optional), and their own success criteria.

### **Requesting to Lead a Peak Not on Scramble Summit List:**

1. Asst Leader must find a sponsor for the climb.
2. The peak application should include (but not be limited to) route info, rough itinerary, estimated date, map, links to summitpost/relevant trip reports, any personal experience with area, identification of potential issues (i.e. route finding challenges, water issues, etc.).

### **Assistant Leader Advancement:**

1. After two successful climbs, and approval from the Climbing Committee, the Asst Leader may lead from the approved list without a sponsor.
2. The Asst Leader will continue to inform the climbing chair(s) of their intended climbs. It is the discretion of the chair(s) to seek the opinion(s) of the Climbing Committee whether the climb should be allowed/denied.

3. Any proposed climb that is not on the current approved list will require a sponsor, no matter the experience level of the Asst Leader.

**Scramble Summit List:**

1. The approved list will be maintained by the Climbing Committee.
2. Climb Leaders may make recommendations based on personal knowledge of routes.
3. Asst Leaders may petition to have a peak added to the official list.
4. The Climbing Committee will determine when a peak should be added/removed from the approved list.

**Approved Scramble Summit Peaks (updated 3/31/14):**

South Sister, South Side  
Mount St. Helens, Monitor Ridge  
Mount Bailey  
Diamond Peak  
Mount Mcloughlin, East Ridge  
Mount Ellinor  
Old Snowy