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# Smokejumper Obituary

## **Wicklund, Scott Francis (North Cascades 1991)**

Scott, 46, died Dec. 27, 2012, in Kirkland, Washington. He was born May 6, 1966, Kirkland, WA.

Scott jumped exclusively from NCSB (21 seasons) and was an accomplished skier and surfer, traveling to Indonesia, Singapore, New Zealand and Thailand as well as Europe to pursue his adventures.

Scott also was an expert ski photographer, resulting in publications such as Ski magazine, the Seattle Times, Northwest Skier and Washington Winter printing his works. He also had advertising contracts with Stevens Pass, Mission Ridge and other ski resorts.

Scott volunteered to join and graduated from a class teaching Forest Service jumpers the use of ram-air parachutes in 2008. He was a senior parachute rigger, a task-force leader and a Type-3 incident commander.

Scott had suffered traumatic fractures to his pelvis and right femur, and lesser injuries to his left shoulder, ribs, left knee and face as a result of a March 2012 speed-wing skiing accident, which resulted in hospitalization of nearly a month. He then underwent nine months of rehabilitation.

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