

Avalanche survivor, big mountain climber to give talk on N. Shore

Alpenglow Sports hosts Roger Strong on Feb.7 at Olympic Valley Lodge as the fourth installment of the 2012-13 Winter Film Series.

Strong grew up skiing and climbing in Colorado, then moved to Seattle after high school to be closer to his 20-year career as a crab fisherman in the Bering Sea.

“One of my father’s rugby buddies introduced me to climbing in my early teens,” explained Strong, “but I didn’t dive in to it heavily until after my first year of commercial fishing out of high school ... thankfully that enabled me to afford all the gear!”

Strong’s slideshow will detail his recent alpine/big wall climbing in Alaska, Canada and Washington as well as ski touring/mountaineering in the Cascades. Strong will also share the story of the avalanche at Snoqualmie Pass that broke both his legs, and how it changed his perspective on consideration of conditions and lines, but reaffirmed his lifelong love of the mountains.

The Alpenglow Winter Film Series is free and is designed to motivate, inspire, and educate. The show begins at 7pm.

Call Alpenglow Sports at (530) 583.6917 with questions.