Justin T. "JT" Laks came on our radar when someone noticed a shady group of unskilled white men with shitty tattoos at a local Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu (BJJ) tournament. Upon closer inspection they also were wearing shirts advertising "JT's Jiu-Jitsu" complete with a two wolves and black sun logo. His logo and website prominently display the explicit fascist imagery of the black sun ruin. Unlike many other ruins and Germanic/Norse symbology the black sun ruin has a strictly Nazi history and was the centerpiece of the SS headquarters designed by Heinrich Himmler<sup>i</sup>.



Chris Brockmiller wearing a JT's Jiu Jitsu t-shirt (There are two wolves inside of this man, both are Nazis)



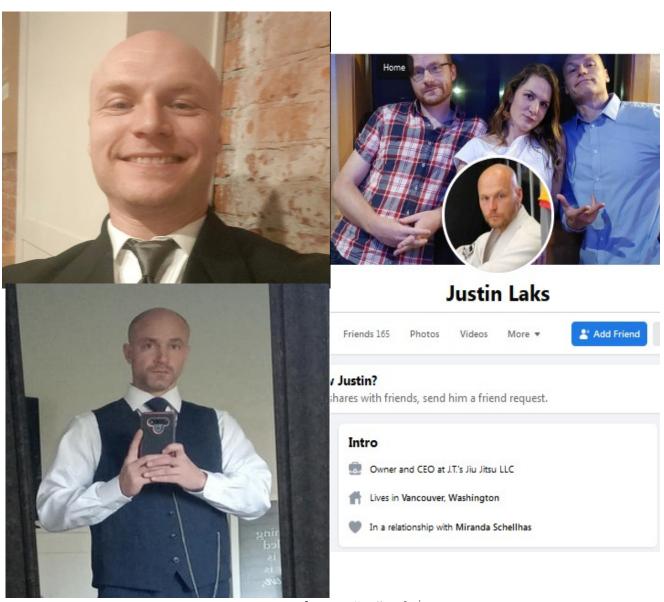
Group Photo taken at the tournament



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Fascist participating in martial arts is unfortunately nothing new, but this open and blatant display was truly concerning. Luckily for us and unluckily for Justin and his students, it wasn't hard to find out who these fools are.

Justin Laks was just 16 years old when he and two friends robbed and brutally beat Pedro Sabando to death in Lynnwood, WA<sup>ii</sup>. They lured the 65 year old unarmed private security guard into the open where Laks ambushed him from behind, striking him repeatedly in the head with a glass bottle before his accomplice jumped on his head<sup>iii</sup>. Laks would then spend the next 22 years in prison for this senseless and heinous act and in 2018 was released early due to his young age at the time of his conviction for first degree murder.



Pictures of Justin "JT" Laksiv

Upon his release Laks started training in BJJ at Emerge Jiu Jitsu Academy under Don Cooper, a conservative Christian fundamentalist in Vancouver, WA who weaves religious indoctrination into his coaching. In June 2021 Laks started his own mobile jiu-jitsu and fitness business called JT's Jiu Jitsu LLC. VIVIII With only training in BJJ for less than 3 years he is completely unqualified for any instructional role let alone being a head trainer.

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Business licensees for Washington and Oregon for JT's Jiu-Jitsu, registered under Justin Laks

It seems like Laks latched onto folkish paganism while in prison. Modern Paganism, also known as Neopaganism or heathenry, is influenced by historical, pre-Christian beliefs and is usually polytheistic, folkloric, and ethnographic and commonly features animism, pantheism, and nature worshipviii. Folkish is the anglicized form of Volkisch, a German ethno-nationalist movement "erected on the idea of 'blood and soil'," i.e. race and nation, that directly influenced Nazismix. Folkish pagans "follow a racist version of heathenry and mix their beliefs with Neo-Nazismix. Folkish pagans believe their folk (race and it's unique religion) is superior to and/or is at odds with other folks (racial tribalism) and that one most preserve it at all costs, similar to the "14 words" white supremacist slogan coined by David Lane of the domestic terrorist group, The Orderxi. A sub-type of folkish is Wotanism/Odinism, which tends to be more radical, militant, and tied to Nazism and white supremacist prison gangs is the PNWxii. It is vital to note that Odin/Wotan is an important god in the pagan pantheism and has no historic ties to racism or fascism. Belief in or praying to him is not the same as subscribing to Wotanism which is a co-opting of pre-existing pagan gods and beliefs to serve moderns racists' nefarious beliefs.



Laks wearing an Emerge Jiu-Jitsu gi



Lak's vehicle: GMC Acadia, Wa plates, BRG3543 Note the JT Jiu-Jitsu website and blue lives matter decals

Laks' services were advertised on the folkish pagan website PNW Wolfpack, but has since been taken down after his neighborhood was flyered alerting his neighbors to the Nazi nextdoor. Luckily we got a screenshot first.



PNW Wolfpack is a website and network of "kindreds" (loosly organized social circles of pagans who practice their religion together) operating in the North West<sup>xiii</sup>. A vast majority of those who practice Asatru (Norse and Germanic paganism) are amazing, everyday people who do not subscribe to racism or fascism such as The Troth who are universalist heathens<sup>xiv</sup>. However, fascists often co-opt popular subcultures (such as skinhead, black metal, and even, \*exasberated sigh\*, My Little Pony) in order to gain new recruits or hide their true intentions. PNW Wolfpack is one such crypto-fascist organization and while they claim to be apolitical, one look at their website says otherwise. On the home page, PNW Wolfpack describes the network as folkish.



#### Faith

Our faith is an ancient one, predating christianity in Europe.

Our belief system is built upon the blood of our ancestors, the sacred lore handed down to us through the millennia and by reverence/worship of the gods and goddesses native to our

Northern European Folk.



### **Family**

Our religion is rooted in ancestor worship. We are a manifestation of our ancestors; and we believe that family is the foundation which has always held clans, kindreds and tribes together. There is no separation of family and religion in our way, they are both one and the same!



#### Folk

Folk is defined by our unique identity as people native to Northern Europe. "The Ethnic European Folk wandered and settled over a span of thousands of years. Today, their descendants are spread around the world. We may refer to ourselves as Americans or English, Germans or Canadians, but behind these labels lurks an older, more essential identity".

PNW Wolkpack's description of itself<sup>xv</sup>. Note the slight variation of the moto of the explicitly racist Odinic Rite<sup>xvi</sup>

The site is also adorned with fascist symbolism and dog whistles including black sun ruins and wolfangels. While wolfangel did have historical uses, it's modern history began with it being adopted by the Nazis and used for SS units and is currently used by groups such as the Aryan Nations<sup>xvii</sup>.



Logo for the PNW Wolfpack\*viii.



## N.W. Odin's Folk



Website: https://nwodinsfolk.com/

Logos for two Kindreds advertised on the sitexix

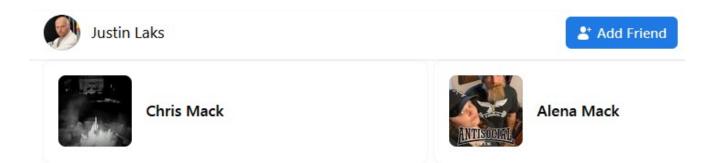
PNW Wolfpack is listed as a neo-volkish hate group by the Southern Poverty Law Center<sup>xx</sup>. It is also connected to various white power organizations and gangs including the Hakenkreuz Skinheads (HSH) prison gang<sup>xxi</sup>. One HSH members had the PNW Wolfpack logo as his Facebook cover photo when he committed a hate crime by stabbing an interracial couple in Olympia, WA<sup>xxii</sup>.

PNW Wolfpack also practices a slight variation of the Nine Noble Virtues<sup>xxiii</sup>. The Nine Noble Virtues is a set "of personal and situational ethical guidelines" within folkish adherents of Asatru<sup>xxiv</sup>. One version was codefied John Yeowell, a former member of the British Union of Fascists, and John Gibbs-Bailey, founder of the explicitly racist Odinic Rite<sup>xxv</sup>, while the other was codified by the white nationalist Stephen A. McNallen of the Asatru Folk Assembly which is defined as a "neo-Volkisch hate group" by the Southern Poverty Law Center<sup>xxvi</sup> xxvii</sup>. Another concerning aspect of the Nine Noble Virtues is that it emphasizes living like a viking through physical and martial prowess. The PNW Wolfpack takes this a step further in their version stating:

"9. Conflict- Those who follow the way of the warrior must know the art of combat, weapons and vengeance. War is an accepted part of the path. Always be prepared for hostility against you. It is a destiny woven into the very fiber of our people. Keep your body, mind, and training up at all times. Have no remorse when you must be savage during a conflict. Win, prevail, and survive. "xxviii

Knowing what we do about folkish-paganism, it becomes obvious that the war they are accepting is a race war and the focus on "hostility against you" and "Win, prevail, and survive" is a thinly veiled wink and nod to the racist conspiracy theory of "white genocide" Laks advertised his jiu-jitsu services on this website specifically to train martial arts to like-minded people and help them be better able to commit racist acts of violence.

Just like the PNW Wolfpack, J.T. Laks tries to hide his political views through pictures of him teaching children and families. However, if there is still any doubt, one would only need to look at who J.T. continues to associate with. The first set of names to jump out are Chris and Alena Mack.



For those who are not aware, the Mack family has a long and active presence in the PNW white power/bonehead (racist skinhead) scenes. Edward Mack has played in the white power Oi/Punk band Ironwill and is connected with the Hammerskins NorthWest street gang xxx. Hammerskins have been arrested for numerous hate crimes including murder, assault, and arsonxxxi. Ironwill is a bonehead band that openly flaunts it's neo-nazi views. They use their facebook page to advertise their presence at Hammerfest, and other white supremacist festivals including a memorial for David Lane (member of the neo-nazi terrorist group The Order and author of the "14 words").



Ironwill at a David Lane memorial



Ironwill preforming in front of an American flag superimposed by a picture of Adolf Hitler.

His brother, Chris is married to Alena and both are Facebook friends with JT<sup>xxxii</sup>. Alena proudly displays her folkish pagan/white power views for all to see.



Alana and Chris Mack.

Also on his friends list are some shady people who he most likely linked up with J.T in prison or through his racist socializing via the PNW Woldpack. One of his "students" who was at the Jiu-Jitsu Tournament is Chris Brookmiller.

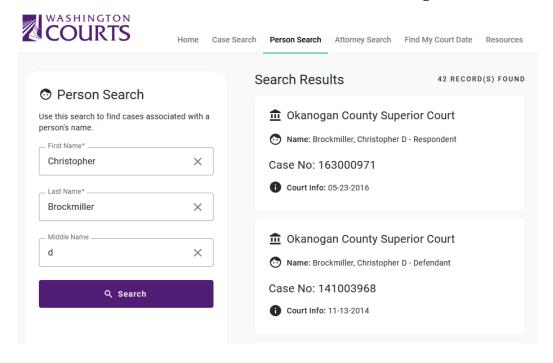


Chris Brockmiller on Lak's Friends list



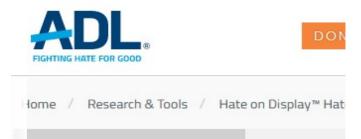
Chris Brockmiller's Facebook page with identifiable tattoos

He has 42 criminal and debt cases in the state of Washington alone.



Chris also doesn't care to hide his views, as he has a tattoo of SS lightning bolts on his right hand.

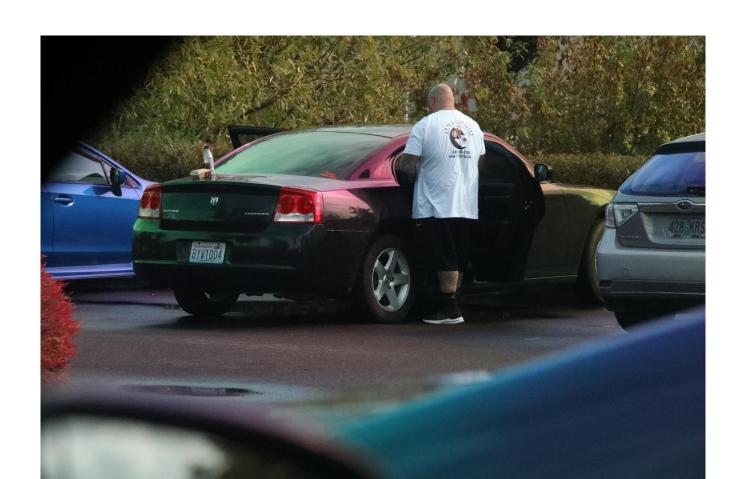




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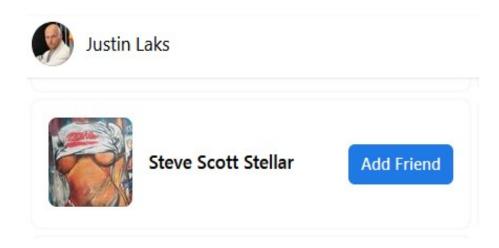


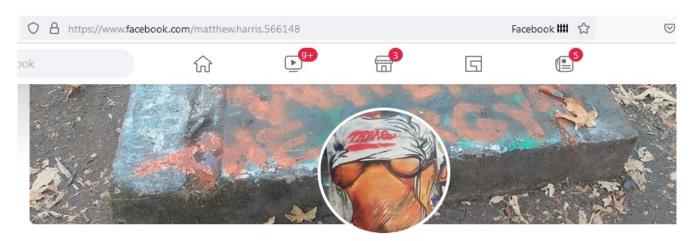
Brockmiller appearantly preforming the Hammerskin gang sign\*xxiii.



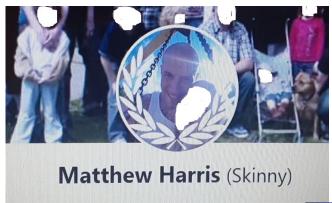
Brockmiller's Vehicle: Dodge Charger, Wa plates, BYV1004

Anther person present at the tournament was Matthew Harris. We connected him to JT through his facebook page. He must have caught wind that JT blew their cover with their flagrant display because he locked down his page and changed the name to Steve Scott Stellar soon after the tournament the the flyring of Lak's neighborhood. Don't worry, we got screenshots of it before he did. Besides, he wasn't smart enough to change his URL from <a href="https://www.facebook.com/matthew.harris.566148">https://www.facebook.com/matthew.harris.566148</a>.





Steve Scott Stellar (Skinny)

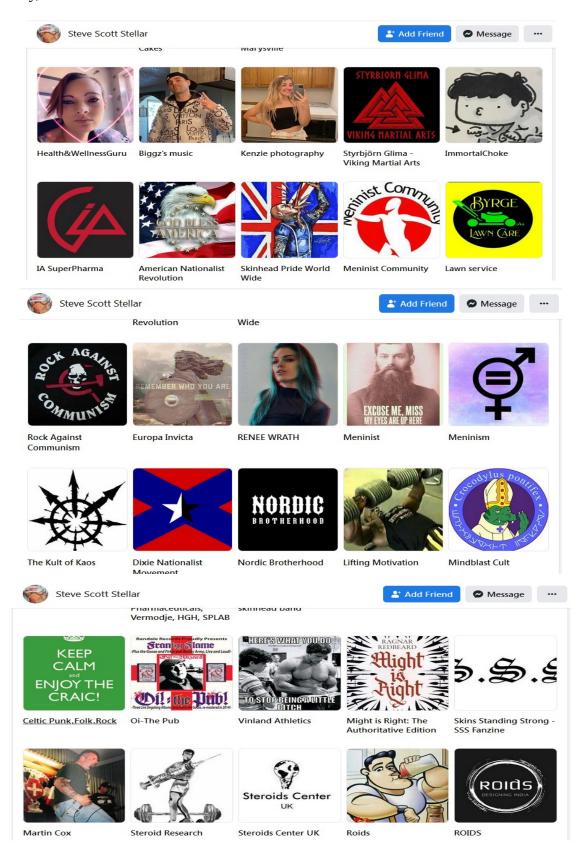






Pictures of Matthew Harris at the tournament and on social media

His likes on the page include the topics of white pride, jui-jitsu, white identitarian groups, steroids, men's rights/incel pages, boneheads and apolitical skinheads, American & British Nationalism, the confederacy, etc... xxxiv

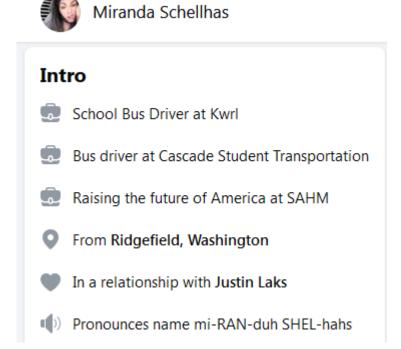


Lastly is Miranda Schellhas, JT's girlfriend. At first we thought she was just a single mother trying to give a former prisoner a second chance and was deceived along the way. However, some basic digging into her social media shows that while she is better at masking her beliefs, she is just as racist as her boyfriend.



Miranda Schellhas

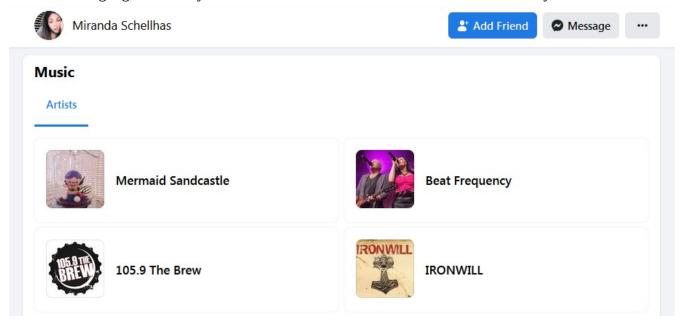
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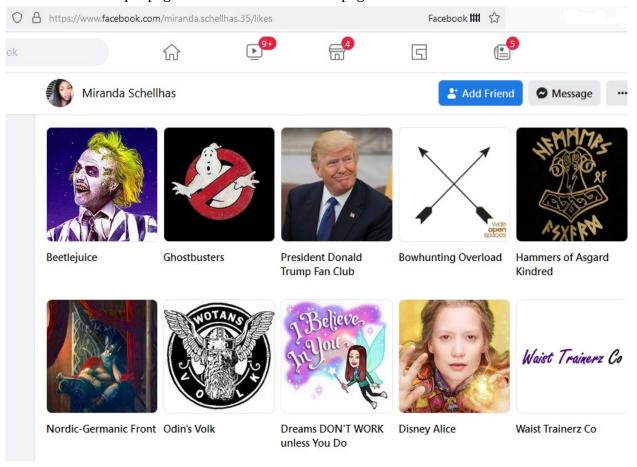


Miranda, her children, and JT

One of the bands she likes is Ironwill<sup>xxxv</sup>, the same one mentioned above which is associated with the Hammerskins gang, and it may have been her who indroduced JT to the Mack family.



She also likes multiple pages associated with volkish paganism and Odinism<sup>xxxvi</sup>.



She continues to bring her kids around a convicted murderer as well as subject them to various racist ideologies. She assists JT and helps to support his business by having her kids train with him and pose for promotional material and travel with them to jiu-jitsu tournaments. Not exactly mother of the year. In addition to this, she also works as a Bus Driver for Cascade Student Transport and KWLR Transportation. It is our fear that she may be trying to indoctrinate children with her beliefs through her job.

The vile beliefs of Justin "JT" Laks and Miranda Schellhas would be concerning enough even if they ended there. However, they have gone out of their way to turn their beliefs into action by training violent racists martial arts skills which they will undoubtedly use against the most vulnerable in our communities as well as place themselves in close proximity to impressionable children and young adults. It is for these reasons that we call for everyone to take the following actions.

Please report J.T.'s Jiu-Jitsu LLC's social media pages to the platforms for their dangerous beliefs here:

- Facebook: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/pacificnorthwestjiujitsu">https://www.facebook.com/pacificnorthwestjiujitsu</a>
- YoutTube: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCy7HS2z0Yxi4TYYmMmH0yZw">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCy7HS2z0Yxi4TYYmMmH0yZw</a>

Please leave honest reviews of it here:

- Yelp: <a href="https://www.yelp.com/biz/j-t-s-jiu-jitsu-vancouver">https://www.yelp.com/biz/j-t-s-jiu-jitsu-vancouver</a>
- Don't forget about Google Business Reviews!

Please Contact Emerge Jiu-Jitsu Accademy and ask them not to train Justin Laks to commit violence here:

• Phone: <u>360-558-3050</u>

• Email: <u>info@emergebjj.com</u>

Please contact Miranda's employers and express your concern with her having access to young children:

- KWRL Transportation
  - o Phone: 360.841.2023
  - o info@kwrl.org
- Woodland School District
  - www.woodlandschools.org
  - Vicky Barnes, Title, IX Officer, Civil Rights Coordinator, and Affirmative Action Officer, 800 Second St. Woodland, WA 98674, <a href="mailto:barnesv@woodlandschools.org">barnesv@woodlandschools.org</a>, (360) 841-2702
  - Jake Hall, 504 Coordinator, 800 Second St. Woodland, WA 98674, hallj@woodlandschools.org, (360) 841-2720
- Cascade Student Transportation
  - Phone: (360) 666-4748
- Battleground School District
  - Email: <a href="mailto:communication@battlegroundps.org">communication@battlegroundps.org</a>
  - Tom Adams, Director of Student Services (360) 885-5300
     adams.tom@battlegroundps.org

If you are a martial artist please let JT and his students know that they are not welcome at your schools, tournaments, and spaces.

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